



Representative Graham Filler and Michel Thelen representatives from Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy

Elsie Dam Collapse Update

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – At a special meeting held Saturday, August 19, 2023 Duplain Township officials took action to approve emergency measures to stabilize and make the Elsie Dam as safe as possible. This is a temporary fix, officials will address long term options at a special meeting slated for Tuesday, August 29, 2023, 7:30 pm at the Duplain Township Hall 145 W Main Street, Elsie. Funding will also be discussed. State and Federal legislators have been contacted regarding the dam failure. Representative Graham Filler visited the Elsie Dam site to see the emergency action that was taken and to get updates on the steps moving forward.



A study was completed in 2009 and the board was presented with five options for the dam and park area. All of the options were cost prohibitive at that time. It is possible with the current situation there may be additional funding options.

Residents, visitors and anglers should be aware that the dam is still dynamic and volatile, for safety reasons the park and surrounding area remains closed.

Bottom of the Hill Blues Festival 2023

Twilligers Tavern is getting ready to deliver another great Blues Festival, and it is sure to be a fun day! Saturday, September 9th, The Bottom of the Hill Blues Festival will take over the street in front of the tavern in Downtown Laingsburg with some outstanding music!

The party begins at 4pm with the Blue Tone Two, featuring Gary Day on vocals and Harmonica, and Jeff Fluegel on guitar. They are a new duo with a savvy sound, and great songs! The second act is Tad and the Fat Katz, featuring a full, energetic band behind Tad Mullins, on vocals and harmonica! They will take the stage at 6pm and take the audience on a fun romp, for certain! Headlining the night is the fabulous, Gina Garner, backed by some of Lansing's greatest players...Steve Pinckney on guitar, Mike Lynch on keys, Mike Smalley on Bass, and Mike Daniels on drums! Gina's bold and sultry style will delight and amaze! Garner will play 8-11, and this dance party will truly be an experience to remember!

The music runs from 4 - 11, outdoors in the street...bring your own chair. Twilligers Tavern will offer delicious food and drink throughout the day. Admission is \$10 per person. If rain, the event moves indoors! Twilligers Tavern is located at 116 E Grand River, Laingsburg, Mi.



Gina Garner will be headlining Bottom of the Hill Blues Festival

Ovid-Elsie Area Schools

by Dawn Levey

ELSIE – The regular meeting of Ovid-Elsie Area Schools was held Monday, August 21, 2023. It was an evening of new contracts and resignations accepted.

Officials took action to approve employee contracts. The following staff members were added to the Ovid-Elsie family: Travis Brown Ovid-Elsie Middle School mathematics; Morgan Terrell Leonard Elementary second grade; and Beth Spencer para-professional.

Resignations were accepted with regrets Brandon Belill, high school history and Zach Loynes para professional.

In other actions officials took formal action to approve the Ovid-Elsie Alternative High School calendar for the 2023-24 school year. Noting that this is an annual action.

Dr. Wayne Petroelje, superintendent, reported that he is in the process of scheduling the school board work sessions and that it is important that all board members attend. The first board meeting will focus on reviewing OE goals and activities and the second work session will be after the audit. The purpose of the work sessions is to establish action steps and time-lines for goals. Board members were given a number of dates and were to get back to the superintendent, again important for all board officials to be present. After discussion the first work session was tentatively set for September 25, 2023 6:30 pm, the second to be determined and will be added to the September 18 regular meeting.

Officials requested an update on the open positions. There are two teaching positions still open and they are high school and middle school science. At this time, they may be filled with long term substitute educators. The high school position is being filled by an individual who let their certification lapse but they will be working toward recertification. There have been no applicants for middle school science. Parents will be notified as required by the Michigan Department of Education.

Monthly action was taken to approve the consent agenda. Included: the meeting agenda, July 2023 regular meeting minutes, August 14, 2023 special meeting minutes approval of the expenditures and the monthly financial report.



Heat, Humidity, Heavy Rain, Thunder & Lightning: That's what area residents experienced on the evening of August 24th. Tornado sirens went off in the area, people reported it taking over an hour to get home from Owosso due to down trees in the roadway. Residents in the City of Ovid sought shelter at City Hall and many experienced power outages.



The OE Marauders began the 2023 football season at home against Portland on August 24th. Hot and humid conditions and eventual lightening at halftime halted the game with Portland leading 33-6. Quarterback, Tryce Tokar completed 9-14 passes for 98 yards. See pages 7 & 8 for game story and other sports results.
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Concert at Ola Camp

*submitted by Jerry
Drummond*

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Library News

Ovid Public Library News

Thank you to everyone who donated back-to-school items. I know your generosity was appreciated by many people in the community.

Our crafting group will be meeting on Tuesday, August 29 at 1:30. Come join these crafty people. There's lots of room for everyone to craft so bring a friend.

We would like to remind people that we will be closed September 1st thru September 4th for the Labor Day holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday, September 5th at 10:00. Please be safe and have an enjoyable holiday weekend.

Elsie Public Library Adventures

submitted by Ann Trierweiler

There is so much to do at the Elsie Library. September 11th marks the beginning of our, every other Monday Morning, Music and Motion sessions at noon. On every other Monday beginning September 18th there will be story time and a craft featuring something new each time. Firemen will be the theme for September 18th. Starting on Saturday, September 9th, we will be having our every other Saturday weekend Storytime and Craft at 11:30 am.

It is not too late to try your luck with our Ice Cream Cone Contest. When you check out a book, you get to draw a number to see if you have won a free ice cream cone. This contest ends on August 31st. And our annual "Where's Waldo?" Back to School contest is now under way. Come and see if you can find the picture of Waldo! If you do, your name goes in a drawing for a \$25.00 Meijer gift card. There is never a dull moment at the Elsie Public Library! Come on it and see for yourself.

We have a puzzle available for all to work on during open hours. Sit, talk, puzzle and share with a friend.

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Logan Douglass accepts donation from Commander Leonard Huyck of VFW Post 8964

VFW Post 8964 Boosts Eagle Scout Hopeful's Food Bank Initiative

submitted by Aaron McClung

In a meaningful gesture of community unity, Commander Leonard Huyck of VFW Post 8964 in Ovid, MI, recently presented a donation of \$350 to Logan Douglass, who is on the cusp of achieving his Eagle Scout rank. The funds are earmarked for Logan's essential project benefiting the Elsie Food Bank, a task he must complete to earn his Eagle Scout status.

The donation from VFW Post 8964 not only aids the Elsie Food Bank but also propels Logan closer to his Eagle Scout aspirations.

If you're interested in backing Logan's project, he welcomes direct contact for more details on how to contribute.

U.S.D.A. Commodity Supplemental Food Program

submitted by Rebecca Zelma

Capital Area Community Services, Inc. is taklgh Applications for the U.S.D.A. Commodity Supplemental Food Program. This program provides nutritious food, on a monthly basis to low-income residents of Shiawassee County who are 60 years of age or above.

Persons sixty years of age or older (130% Federal Poverty Guidelines) may be eligible. To q-ualify, individuals must live in Shiawassee County and meet program guidelines.

Family Size: 130% Poverty: 1-\$18,954; 2-\$25,636; 3-\$32,318.Each Adcditional Member Add: \$ 6,682 (annually)

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NOTICE OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS

Notice is hereby given that on Friday, September 8, 2023, at the Clinton County Courthouse - Boardroom, 100 East State Street, St. Johns, Michigan, a review of apportionments for maintenance work on the below mentioned drains will be held for one day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Comments on the apportionment of benefits may be submitted to the Drain Commissioner, 100 E. State Street Suite 2300, St. Johns, MI 48879 or drain@clinton-county.org or comments may be submitted in writing or orally at the Day of Review. Comments submitted in advance must be received by the Drain Commissioner prior to the Day of Review to ensure consideration. Drainage district maps can be found on the Drain Commissioner's website at <https://www.clinton-county.org/250/Drain-Commissioners-Office>.

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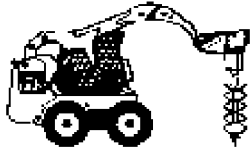
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Obituaries

Lena H. Trowbridge

Lena H. Trowbridge, age 95, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 2, 2023, at The Pearl of Rolling Meadows, in IL, with her family by her side.

Lena was born in Parkersburg, West Virginia, on April 24, 1928, the daughter of the late Robert and Bernice (Knopp) Barrett. She worked in the office at her father's business and also at Kresge's Department Store while living in Parkersburg.

She married George W. Nicholson, in 1950, and had two children in this union. In 1960, she married Clarence Trowbridge, Jr. and moved to Ovid, MI, with her two children. During this union she would have two more children to add to her growing family. Lena remained in Ovid for many years raising her family. She was an active member of the United Church of Ovid and the Women's fellowship group. Lena was a people loving person and never met a stranger. She deeply loved her family and her extended family. Her love was unconditional and never wavered. She had a joy for life and was a faithful servant to her Lord Jesus.

She is survived by her sister Pat Zickefoose of Parkersburg, WV; her children: Verl (Jack) Hudson of Traverse City, MI; George (Sherry) Nicholson of Ovid, MI; Kevin Trowbridge of Bath, MI; and Beverly (Duane) Funk of Palatine, IL; Allen (Joan) Adair of Elsie, MI; her grandchildren: Joshua (Christina) Hudson, Ellie (Dave) Waeltz, Andrea (Jim) Gallie, Zachary (Jaclyn) Nicholson, Jovannah Nicholson, Izzy Trowbridge, Lauren Trowbridge, Jake Trowbridge, Nicholas Miles, Allison (Carl) Griffin, Scott (Kathy) Adair, and Tammy (Tim) Chapko; her great-grandchildren: Cooper Price-Nicholson, John and Joseph Hudson, Max and Brayden Nicholson, Reyna Griffin, Rainey Waeltz, Andrew, Adrianna, and Nicholas Chapko. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Clarence Trowbridge, her first husband George W. Nicholson, and her beloved siblings: Betty, Robert, Marian, Inez, Blanche, and Barbara.

As per her wishes she will be cremated and laid to rest in Middlebury Township Cemetery, Ovid, Michigan.

A Memorial Service was held at the United Church of Ovid, 131 West Front Street, Ovid, MI 48866, on Friday, August 25, 2023.

Online condolences may be sent to: www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



Memorial Healthcare Institute for Neuroscience set to Host MS Walk, Run & Roll Event

submitted by Melissa Neuhaus

Owosso, Michigan – The Memorial Healthcare Institute for Neuroscience is hosting an MS Walk, Run & Roll event on Saturday, September 9, 2023 on the campus of Memorial Healthcare at the Educational Theatre of the NOW Building, 819 N. Shiawassee Street, Owosso, from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. Through participation in this event, individuals and groups can donate to the national MS Society and improve the lives of people affected by Multiple Sclerosis.

Multiple Sclerosis is a chronic and often debilitating disease of the central nervous system and the most common neurological condition in young adults. According to the National MS Society, nearly one million people are living with MS in the United States, and 1 in 3 Americans are directly impacted through a diagnosed family member, friend or colleague.

Funding for support and services is vital while the search for a cure continues. The funds raised through the MS Walk Run + Roll event contributes to providing vital support services aimed to improve the quality of life for those affected by the condition. Through the Memorial Healthcare Institute for Neuroscience's provider participation and support, the event also helps to build conversations about MS, educating the public about the challenges faced by individuals living with the disease, and the importance of supporting them together as a community.

Take a step towards a world free of Multiple Sclerosis Walk, Run & Roll your way to ensure no one faces MS alone!. To register or donate to this event, please visit, <https://bit.ly/mssociety-donordrive>. For a complete list of activities, please visit, www.MemorialHealthcare.org/Events/MS-Walk-Run-Roll/.



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Editorial



Dear Andy,

My wife has been smoking since she was 19 years of age while she was in college stressing over tests. Our children are currently pre-teens and teenagers and we feel that if we want to continue the anti-smoking and tobacco education in our home, she must completely quit being a good example for our children. She never smokes in the house. She has been trying so hard for over a year to stop completely and I am proud of her. However, she is having a rough time and sneaks out to smoke in the early morning and late at night. She is busy during the day in non-smoking office, which has helped tremendously; she usually is smoking 3 or 4 cigarettes a day. What can I do to help her through the last of her journey in quitting?

Supportive Husband but always a non-smoker

Dear Supportive Husband,

Congratulations to both of you. I have never smoked myself so it is difficult to understand the nicotine addiction, spiral and pit falls. I grew up in a smoking household so I came to loath the smell, including the smell to cover it up. Recently, I have presented information at several smoke sensation awareness programs for both teens and adults. One piece of information I learned was the dangers of tobacco cause much more than lung or mouth cancer. Smoking and second hand smoke causes asthma in children, heart and circulation problems, kidney function, sore throats, ear aches, as well as many other medical conditions for the smoker and others.

Smoking causes pre-mature aging and creates deep wrinkles around the lips. That should be a deterrent for your daughters. As for your son, as you educate them of the dangers and your family commitment to being a non-smoking family, use some math strategy; each package cost about \$6.00. If a person buys 2 per week they could save \$312 each year; after 3 or 4 years a person could have a nice amount of money towards a car. Many smokers are addicted to 1 or 2 packs a day. Most importantly educate them on the dangers and keep them involved in activities that require being healthy will certainly help.

Once an individual quits smoking they have continued craving for nicotine; this, in time will pass. Guidance from a family physician can recommend a treatment of patches, lozenges or gum. It is important to use these methods with professional guidance as you don't want to replace a nicotine craving with what could become another nicotine addiction. Most experts recommend replacing a bad habit with a good habit.

It sounds like to me your wife is at the point of breaking her routine. Perhaps a tall glass of water with an orange or lemon slice in the early morning could become her morning ritual. Our bodies actually crave water after sleeping all night. If she is not a breakfast eater make her a slice of toast or English muffin with her glass of water. She will appreciate your nonjudgmental support.

As an advocate of the FREE Michigan Tobacco Quit Line for any age quitter, I hope you will have a smoke free home soon. You can find information on www.michigan.gov/tobacco. The organization is supported by the Michigan Department of Community Health. Their services included referrals to local programs, online coaching, educational material for your teens, and motivational tips to help a quitter to continue to keep on quitting. Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669).

My advice: Don't Quit Quitting Thanks for writing to: ask_andy@aol.com



Be Alert

Since August 5th, 2023, MSP, Clinton County Sheriff's Office and the City of Ovid Police Department responded to ten MDOP's (Malicious Destruction of Property) complaints in the city of Ovid. During the midnight hours, calls kept coming in to 911 that someone had "just thrown" a rock through a window in their home. Some residents were victims twice. These occurred in the early morning hours during the weekends. These crimes occurred and were reported on the 5th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 20th.

Victims expressed fear, difficulty sleeping, they added exterior lighting, cameras, voiced a concern about the cost of the replacement windows, and an overall feeling of unease.

Several victims commented that some of the rocks thrown, landed close to their family members, glass included.

It was just after midnight on the 20th of August, when Clinton County Sheriff's Department responded to an MDOP. A short time later, Sgt. Castelein and his night shift; Deputy Pettigrew, Deputy Spittler and Deputy Ruggiero caught the two, soon to be juvenile delinquents.

Reports are being submitted to the Clinton County Prosecutors Office for charges on both.

Restitution will be sought for the victims. Please know, if convicted, the financial restitution will fall on both juveniles' parents.

Parents – please, know where your children are, what they are doing and with whom.

The City of Ovid Police Department is working on an ordinance for failing to supervise your minors. City Council would have to approve and adopt the ordinance that holds parents criminally responsible, if their minor(s) find themselves under the juvenile court's jurisdiction, after breaking a law. The punishment for the parents would be a misdemeanor and could include jail time, fines and costs.

Lastly, please call 911 anytime that you need an officer. The office phone (989-834-5335) is for non-emergency messages, as Officers are encouraged to be out on patrol.

Stay safe!

Chief L. Rousseau

Peacock Road Family Farm to Host 5th Annual "Vermilion Creek Colonial Gathering"

submitted by Scott Mann

LAINGSBURG - Peacock Road Family Farm, 11854 Peacock Rd, Laingsburg, MI 48848 is delighted to announce the 5TH annual VERMILION CREEK COLONIAL GATHERING sponsored by the Queen's Rangers - 1st American Regiment, Highland Company.

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Melissa Neuhaus Named Memorial Healthcare August EOM

submitted by Dianna Vsetula

Owosso, Michigan – Memorial Healthcare is pleased to announce Melissa Neuhaus, Marketing Coordinator in its Business Development Department, for being selected as our August Employee of the Month. Melissa has been employed with Memorial Healthcare since April 2017.

According to her winning nomination, "Melissa consistently volunteers for additional responsibilities while demonstrating an unwavering commitment to our team's success. She is willing to take on new tasks, even when outside of her designated scope of work, showcasing her versatility and dedication to achieving exceptional outcomes. When faced with complex challenges, she approaches each situation with an innovative mindset, coming up with creative solutions that not only resolve the issue but streamline the process. Melissa has been instrumental in fostering a positive work environment in our department, and their enthusiasm and dedication have created a supportive atmosphere in our team."

Melissa lives in Chesaning with her husband of 28 years, Bill, and has two grown daughters, Emily and Olivia. Melissa enjoys antiquing, watching scary movies, and spending time with her family and her labradoodle, Sophie. Melissa's personal outlook is to "work hard, play hard, and go with the flow of everyday life." Her goal is to have a house somewhere warm, year-round, and to take frequent vacations to it. On being honored as Memorial Healthcare Employee of the Month, Melissa is quoted as saying, "I was shocked to receive this honor, but am humbled to work at such a fabulous place as Memorial Healthcare – I can't imagine working anywhere else."

CITY OF OVID SPECIAL MEETING DRAFT AUGUST 18, 2023

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

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

ABSENT: M. Olger

EX OFFICIOS: Liza Kusnier- Interim Clerk/Treasurer

VISITORS: Sue Tomasek-Swan, Michelle Soliz, Dan Kinney, Michelle Heher and Harper Kusnier

Susan Tomasek Swan and Michelle Heher were interviewed for the Clerk position. Dan Kinney was interviewed for the full-time DPW position.

A motion was made by E. Brown, second by L. Ordiway to hire Susan Tomasek Swan for the Clerk position.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by E. Brown, second by L. Ordiway to offer the starting wage of \$18.57.

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A motion was made by W. Lasher, second by E. Brown to hire Dan Kinney for full-time DPW position at the starting wage of salary scale.

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A motion was made by E. Brown, second by L. Perrien to allow the Mayor to sign the agreement with BioTech Agronomics, Inc.

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A motion was made by E. Starn, second by E. Brown to adjourn.

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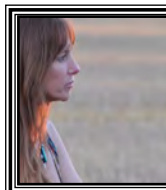
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Mental Illness Hits Home

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There are many forms of mental illnesses nowadays but when it hits your household it can be devastating for the family. It's difficult when one day you wake up and realize that your loved one has a mental illness. In fact, that in itself can be debilitating for most. Learning about their illness can not only help them but you as well. It'll make it easier to recognize the symptoms and be ready to get them the help to manage and control the issues with proper guidance and support.

The most important thing about mental health is knowing that the human brain is not fully developed until the person is in their 20's, which means young people need their parents to make decisions for them instead of allowing them to make life altering choices that they're emotionally incapable of doing.

Parents seldom realize that their child is having mental illness because a lot of the time the symptoms won't show until later on as the child ages. Sometimes there are no signs until they're in their 20's. Then it's almost as if a switch flips and they're acting like someone else that the parent doesn't know. Making weird decisions, statements, comments, behaving oddly, or having other health problems that are concerning.

Most parents don't understand what is happening or they don't want to admit that their child has something wrong, so they ignore these symptoms and allow the child to continue to make inappropriate choices instead of correcting them. That's not helping the child at all and will only lead them down a hard devastating road in life.

Being a parent isn't always easy, fun and enjoyable, children do not need their parents to be their best friend. They have other children for that, they need a parent. Someone to guide them, make decisions for them, teach them, discipline and correct them and love them enough to do all of it. Including getting them mental help when needed.

Below are only a few mental illnesses with a very brief definition or description. This is intended for a beginning place to learn but the real work will be going deeper to find out and learn more. Then getting the help for your loved one, who desperately needs it.

Clinical depression: is a disorder where the person loses interest in activities and has a depressed mood, which creates an impairment in day-to-day life.

This could possibly be caused by stress causing changes in the brain function including altered activity of certain neural circuits within the brain.

Anxiety disorder: is when the person feels worry, anxiety or fear so great that it interferes with their activities on a daily

basis. It could range from panic attacks, obsessive-compulsive disorder, or post-traumatic stress disorder.

Bipolar disorder: is well known for its mood swing episodes from depressive lows to manic highs and back again. Although the cause is unclear, genetics, environment and brain chemistry can have a role in this disorder.

Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder: often begins in childhood and can continue into adulthood. This particular chronic condition may cause relationship issues, low self-esteem, and difficulty with school or work.

Schizophrenia: is a disorder affecting the person's ability to think, feel, and behave clearly. The exact cause isn't known other than having a combination of genetics, environment, and altered brain chemistry and structure is a factor.

Obsessive compulsive disorder: is a combination of excessive thoughts, which is the obsessive part leading to repetitive behaviors, which is then the compulsive side. This disorder is characterized by thoughts that are unreasonable and obsessions like fears, leading to compulsive behaviors.

Autism: is a disorder that impacts the nervous system creating serious developmental disorders such as the ability to communicate and interact with others.

Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD): is when the person finds it difficult to recover after experiencing or witnessing a terrifying event in their life. This condition can last from months up to years and have triggers which can bring memories of the trauma back at any given time. The triggered memories are accompanied by intense emotional and physical reactions.

These short and brief descriptions can be used for a guide or at least to give a little understanding around a few of the mental illnesses listed. Just know that there are many other mental health issues out there and it's always wise to seek out a qualified medical doctor or/and therapist for help, guidance and care plans.

If nothing else, just be a true parent and teach the children the right way so they have a guide and example to follow. That will provide a huge impact on them for life. Bestow the seven grandfather teachings to children and the world will be a better place and their minds will be stronger.

Hopefully this information will help you have more patience and compassion with yourself and others. The mind is a wondrous power, so handle it with gentle care. After all, the way it's cared for can determine your future both positively and negatively.

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Sports



Several Marauders contributed defensively against Portland. Javen Belill led the way with five tackles. The Marauders will be back in action next Thursday at home against Lakeville.

Photo by Michelle Ladiski

Marauders Take the 'L' Regroup After 33-6 Opening Football Loss to Raiders

OVID-ELSIE — Sometimes the stars just don't align. Sometimes things are just flat-out weird.

The odds stacked up against the home-team Ovid-Elsie Marauders in their 2023 kick-start against traditional opening-game rival Portland. O-E had a severe case of the first-game jitters. Even Mother Nature didn't cooperate, throwing a major storm system at the participants — players, students, parents, fans alike — at halftime.

Trailing 33-6 after several first-half gaffes, O-E elected to take the 'L' rather than reschedule the second half and focus their attention on their first MMAC game this week vs. Otisville-Lakeville.

Things didn't start so badly for Travis Long's Marauders. Taking the opening kick, they ground out a long drive featuring the play of QB Tryce Tokar, RB Carter Kelley and a stout offensive line. There were a couple of key third-down conversions along the way. Ovid-Elsie moved deep into Red Raider territory.

Then Portland's Brock Thelen stepped in front of a pass in the flat and returned it 87 yards for a pick-six. The Raiders missed the PAT, but the floodgates had opened.

A safety, a long TD drive and another safety later, the Red Raiders had a commanding lead in the second quarter. The center exchange in O-E's shotgun and punt formations was a considerable jitter the Marauders look to correct before opening defense of their MMAC runner-up status. Too, they were MMAC champs in 2021.

The Marauders' lone points came on a 3-yard Tryce Tokar pass to Clayton Fruchey. Tokar completed 9 of 14 passes for 98 yards, one TD and the one interception. Fruchey had five receptions for 72 yards and one TD. Jamison Custer had two catches for 23 yards.

Javen Belill had five tackles for the Marauder defense, while Tokar had four stops. Jake Bowen added 3 tackles, Ben Wildes 2, Cole Workman 2, Hunter Bates 2, while Owen Long, Custer, Fruchey, Kelley, Brock Spitzley and Cohen Brown were also in on stops. Braxton O'Bryant pounced on the lone Raider miscue, a fumble.

Marauder, Wolfpack Distancers Open 2023 Season Under the Lights in SJ

ST. JOHNS — Laingsburg's Emily Rathka ran 12th in the girls small school division at the annual St. Johns Under the Lights Cross Country Invitational here August 18, as the Wolfpack and neighboring Ovid-Elsie opened the 2023 prep cross-country campaign.

Clarissa Baese of Ovid-Elsie ran 25th (22:11) while Marauder teammate Piper White ran 28th (22:16). Ovid-Elsie's Kaia Spiess was 38th (23:06).

Rathka clocked a time of 20 minutes, 52.3 seconds. Coach Shawn Baynes' Wolfpack girls finished fifth out of 18 schools in the division with 217 points. Coach Brian Powell's O-E distancers ran eighth with 233 points.

Laingsburg's Hazel Burley was 44th (23:17.9) and Evelyn Logghe was 46th (23:20.1).

In the boys' small school race, Laingsburg finished 12th with 335 points and Ovid-Elsie ran 15th (394).

The Wolfpack's Noah Devereaux ran 21st in 17:32.1 while Ovid-Elsie's Clay Powell finished 29th in 17:51.5.

Heat, Humidity, Clio Take Toll on Marauder Soccer Team, 4-2

CLIO — On a hot, humid late August day, Ovid-Elsie's varsity boys soccer team dominated the first half but couldn't come back from an early 1-0 deficit in a 4-2 loss to the Clio Mustangs here August 23.

"We continued to press and were able to find the back of the net with two goals in under two minutes to take a 2-1 lead into the half," said coach Chris Parker. "In the second half injuries and the heat took its toll and we couldn't sustain the lead. I'm really proud of the effort and we are continually getting better. Talon Parsons played a great game from the midfield."

O-E goaltender Dalton Jordan made 10 saves on 15 shots on goal. In the heat, Clio scored goals in the 56th, 58th and 67th minutes to take control.

For the Marauders, Parsons scored on an assist from Jonas Obling, and Obling tallied on an assist from Eddie Rademacher.

Coaches please submit your team results each week so we can include them in the Meridian Weekly news@meridian-weekly.com or tom-turek20032003@yahoo.com



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Gridiron Gurus PICK 'EM Contest WEEK 1

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We will be running the contest every week until the end of the regular college football season (no bowls). The picks will include some NFL games, most weeks.

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Don't forget to fill in the tiebreaker as this will decide any and all ties. Entries are accepted in person at The Weekly's offices at 200 S. Main in Ovid, by e-mail at "news@meridianweekly.com" or "tomturek20032003@yahoo.com," or via USPS delivery.

For those of you that get your Weekly fix on line at the paper's website -- remember to email your picks to news@meridianweekly.com.

Each week the top three winners will receive a coupon for redemption at the sponsor of their choice; 1st place (pizza), 2nd place (sandwich) and 3rd place (breadsticks) will be awarded.

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This season the Wolfman returns as a veteran of the contest ... aptly dubbed by the late Timmy Zwick himself. ... as our staff prognosticator. Go ahead, howl at the moon -- and see if you can out-pick ol' Wolfie week-to-week.

The Wolfman's picks in Week #1 are Utah, Michigan, Michigan State, LSU, Washington, Penn State, UNC, South Alabama, Clemson, Texas, TCU and Tennessee; 45 points in the tiebreaker OSU at IU (see below).

Best of luck to all, and please remember our sponsors!



GRIDIRON GURUS

by Tom Turek

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Sports

Lady Marauders Impressive in 2-1 Volleyball Showing at Alma

ALMA — Ovid-Elsie's impressive early-season volleyball start continued here, with a 2-1 showing at the annual Alma Quad.

New coach Angela Ehle's Marauders moved to 4-1 with wins over Breckenridge and St. Louis, and a loss to the host Panthers.

O-E's three-set win over the Breckenridge Huskies came with 21-25, 25-20 and 15-2 scores. Leading Ovid-Elsie was Ashton Ehle 14 points, 4 aces, 8 kills; Kyden Ehle 6 points, 1 ace, 2 kills, 15 assists; Braeden Tokar 7 kills, 1 block, 1 assist; Tava Kvalevog 6 points, 1 ace, 1 kill; Haillee Campbell 5 points, 1 block, 1 ace; and Ellyanna Carman 3 points, 1 block, 2 kills.

O-E then outlasted the St. Louis Sharks, 25-20 and 25-22. Ashton Ehle delivered 8 points, 6 kills, 2 aces, 1 block, 2 digs; Kyden Ehle 8 points, 2 aces, 2 kills, 7 assists, 1 dig; Carman 7 points, 3 aces, 3 kills, 1 block; Tokar 2 kills and one block; and Campbell 2 kills, 2 blocks.

In a 10-25, 22-25 loss to Alma, Campbell led the way with 6 points, 4 blocks, 2 digs; Tokar 3 points, 1 ace, 4 kills, 1 block; Ashton Ehle 2 kills, 2 blocks, 5 digs; Kyden Ehle 2 points, 1 ace, 10 assists, 1 dig, 2 kills, 1 block; Carman 2 kills, 1 block; and Kvalevog 3 kills.

Peppermint Creek Theatre Company Announces Opening of "The Minutes"

submitted by Mary Job

Lansing - Theater enthusiasts and culture aficionados are in for a treat as the highly anticipated play, *The Minutes*, written by the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Tracy Letts, comes to life at Peppermint Creek Theatre (PCT) in Lansing starting September 7. This thought-provoking and engaging production promises to deliver a riveting experience that will leave audiences captivated and reflecting long after the final curtain call.

The Minutes is a masterful exploration of power, politics, and the intricacies of human relationships in a small-town council chamber. Set in the fictional town of Big Cherry, the play takes an unflinching look at the inner workings of local government meetings. Tracy Letts skillfully weaves a narrative that exposes the complexities of decision-making, the dynamics of authority, and the hidden secrets that lie beneath the surface of seemingly mundane proceedings.

Renowned for his distinctive voice and sharp wit, Tracy Letts has crafted a script that combines humor, suspense, and biting social commentary. As the characters navigate their way through the meeting's minutes, the audience is drawn into a web of intrigue and revelation, prompting them to question their own perceptions of truth and power.

Director Mary Job, who most recently directed the musical *Fun Home* for PCT, brings her fresh and innovative perspective to *The Minutes*. Job had this to say about why she loves this play, "I love the way the play morphs from full on guffaw sitcom featuring the completely recognizable foibles of a group of local politicians to something more primal and sinister- and what that has to say about our relationship with the problematic portions of history." The cast of *The Minutes* features a talented ensemble of 11 local Lansing actors.

The Minutes has garnered acclaim for its incisive examination of the human condition, its relevance to contemporary society, and its ability to provoke discussions on issues that resonate across cultures and generations, a hallmark of all PCT productions. This production promises to be a must-see event that will leave audiences talking long after the final curtain.

The production will take place at Sycamore Creek Church's south Lansing venue, 1919 South Pennsylvania Ave, Lansing MI 48910. The show will run Thursday, September 7 – Sunday, September 10, and Thursday, September 14 – Sunday, September 17, 2023. Show times are Thursday – Saturday at 7pm, and Sunday at 3pm. Tickets can be ordered online at www.peppermintcreek.org, and are \$15 general admission, and \$10 for students/seniors 65+/veterans.

This production of *The Minutes* is generously underwritten by Sam & Mary Austin.

About Tracy Letts

Tracy Letts is a Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright, screenwriter, and actor known for his distinctive and thought-provoking works. His plays, which often explore complex human relationships and societal issues, have captivated audiences on stages around the world. "The Minutes" is a testament to Letts' prowess in crafting narratives that resonate deeply with audiences and challenge conventional thinking.



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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 SOUTH-EAST 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

(07-30)(08-27)

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 vendue 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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EIGHTEEN THOUSAND SEVENTY ONE AND 06/100THS (\$118,071.06) DOLLARS including interest at (4.375%) percent per annum along with attorney fees and costs as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having 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 EAGLE, COUNTY OF CLINTON, STATE OF MICHIGAN, described as follows: THE WEST 1 / 2 OF LOT NOS 1,6 AND 7, BLOCK 15, VILLAGE OF EAGLE, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 52 OF DEEDS, PAGE 453, CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS. MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 13723 W. GRAND RIVER HWY., EAGLE, MI 48822 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 (P41893) ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE 24525 HARPER AVENUE ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI 48080 (586) 777-0770 Dated: 8-27-2023

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Applications for Fall Waterfowl Hunt Being Taken

submitted by Penny Goerge

The objective for public hunting of waterfowl in Clinton Lakes County Park is to manage nuisance geese. While geese are a special focus of the hunting program, successful applicants may hunt any waterfowl species, subject only to current federal and state game laws. An equally important objective is to provide area residents with a recreational opportunity to responsibly harvest an abundant source of nutritious food.

The local goose population is found in area parks year-round. Goose droppings deposited on swimming beaches, picnic areas, trails and other areas is unpleasant to view and recreate around. Droppings carried by rainwater into lakes and streams increases the bacteria found in the water which can cause waterborne illness in humans. Once the presence of bacteria reaches unhealthy levels, swimming beaches must be closed to the public.

The year-round resident goose population found in Clinton Lakes and Francis Motz County Parks is estimated at several hundred. In the fall, the population swells to one-thousand or more birds when migratory flocks join the local birds. Unmanaged, the goose population will continue to grow making an existing bad situation worse. The Parks and Green Space Commission will accept applications for a managed waterfowl hunt on ten (10) days in 2023.

The deadline for the drawing is Monday, September 4, 2023, at 11:59pm. The drawing will be conducted on Wednesday, September 6, 2023, to select six (6) successful applicants for each of the ten (10) days when waterfowl hunting will be allowed in Clinton Lakes Park. Successful applicants will be provided a Hunting Permit for their approved date/s. Each permit holder may be accompanied by up to two guest hunters, as further defined in the conditions page of the permit.

The location of the 2023 waterfowl hunt is Clinton Lakes County Park, 4665 N. DeWitt Road, St. Johns, MI 48879. The 272-acre park was acquired by Clinton County in November 2013. The park contains a 90-acre lake and a 12-acre lake with a combined shoreline of approximately three miles. Hunting is an important way to manage the flock by providing area residents with an enjoyable outdoor recreation activity and food for the family table, while dispersing geese and other waterfowl across the many other water bodies and wetlands in the area.”

Full details can be found on the application and permit forms available on-line at www.clinton-county.org. Questions can be directed to Clinton County Parks and Green Space office at parks@clinton-county.org or 989.224.5128.



ASHLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD MEMBER VACANCY

Due to a recent resignation, the Ashley Community Schools Board of Education is seeking candidates to fill a vacant board seat through December 2024. Interested persons must be a resident and registered voter of the Ashley School District and are asked to submit a letter of interest and qualifications for the position no later than September 05, 2023.

Ashley Community Schools
Central Office
PO Box 6
Ashley, MI 48806

Following a review of the submitted materials, the Board will conduct interviews with selected candidates on September 06, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. Please contact the Superintendent’s Office at 989-847-4000, ext. 1000 with any questions.

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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)

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LINE 163.28 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST 1328.74 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST 1/2 OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID WEST LINE 370.26 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 51 SECONDS EAST 1063.40 FEET; THENCE SOUTH PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE 214.82 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST 264.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as 12300 Wood Rd, 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. Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400

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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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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. **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. Under the power of sale contained herein in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby 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 a cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on September 27, 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. **MORTGAGE SALE** – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William E Freel and Kathleen J Ankney-Freel, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Wells Fargo Financial America, Inc., dated June 5, 2006, and recorded June 20, 2006 as instrument 5101883, in Clinton County records, Michigan, and assigned to MTGLQ Investors, L.P. by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on March 05, 2019 as instrument 5276506, and assigned to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Chalet Series III Trust by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on June 26, 2019

as instrument 5280579, and assigned to US Bank Trust National Association as Trustee for Ranch Series III Trust by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on December 16, 2021 as instrument 5319519, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand Two Hundred Fourteen and 64/100 dollars (\$109,214.64). Said premises are situated in the Township of Victor, City of Saint Johns, County of Clinton, and State of Michigan, and particularly described as: That part of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 8, Town 6 North, Range 1 West, Victor Township, Clinton County, Michigan, described as: Beginning on the East line of Section 8, Town 6 North, Range 1 West, at a point 450.00 feet South 00 degrees 10' 47" East, from the East 1/4 corner of Section 8; thence continuing South 00 degrees 10' 47" East, 208.36 feet along the East line of Section 8 to the Southeast corner of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 8; thence North 89 degrees 27' 43" West, 1672.49 feet along the South line of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 8; thence North 00 degrees 10' 47" West, 208.36 feet parallel with the East line of Section 8; thence South 89 degrees 27' 43" East, 1672.49 feet parallel with the South line of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 8 to the point of beginning. Property Address: 6532 South Saint Clair Road, Saint Johns, MI 48879 Parcel No.: 140-008-400-005-00 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 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. Dated: August 24, 2023 For more information, please call: (440) 572-1511 Sottile and Barile PLLC Attorneys for Servicer 7530 Lucerne Drive, Suite 210 Middleburg Heights, OH 44130 File MF2304011 - Freel, William and Kathleen

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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 27, 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 Jackie L. Edlin, unmarried woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Royal United Mortgage LLC, their successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 18, 2021 and recorded August 27, 2021 in Instrument Number 5314583 Clinton County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Fifth Third Bank N.A., by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Five and 81/100 Dollars (\$93,855.81). 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 circuit court within Clinton County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on SEPTEMBER 27, 2023. Said premises are located in the City of Saint Johns, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as: The South 50 feet of Lots 1 and 2, Block 36, Original Plat of the City of St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof in the frame on the wall in the office of the Clinton County Register of Deeds. 205 S Swegles St, 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 27, 2023 File No. 23-008601 Firm Name: Orlans PC Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084 Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

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Elvis Returns for Another SJ Concert in the Park Performance on Aug. 30

submitted by Bill Tennant

Concert in the Park audiences who've loved Matt King's Elvis Presley Tribute Show the past 13 seasons are waiting for the "Hound Dog" to return again. Well, the wait is almost over as King "is" Elvis in the Aug 30 show at the William E. Tennant Performance Shell located in the beautiful St. Johns City Park. The show begins at 7 p.m.

"We're pleased to have Matt King back again as Elvis," says Performance Shell Committee Chairperson Bill Tennant. "Our audiences love him! His appearance is one of the most popular of the season each year – a show that everyone thoroughly enjoys!"

A Michigan resident, Matt has travelled throughout the United States and Europe entertaining audiences with his unique ability to bring to the "King" to life via his moves, man-



nerisms, looks and costuming - and, of course, that distinctive voice. Matt's incredible voice has a range of three and a half octaves. He is one of the World's Top-Ranked Elvis Tribute Artists having won over 35 contests over the years.

And a reminder that there will be one additional concert added to the series, which will be held on Wednesday, September 6 – a concert that is being rescheduled from earlier in the year when poor air quality caused the LCB Big Band Jazz group to cancel. Hope you can also make it for that performance too.

All concerts are sponsored by the Clinton County Arts Council and the City of St. Johns. They are open to the public free of charge – donations are graciously accepted and needed.

All concerts are presented rain or shine. The Lion's Club food trailer is available at the concerts. The CCAC receives funding from the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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!

CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

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 September 27, 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. **MORTGAGE SALE** – Roman Klein, an unmarried man and Natalie Lehnert, an unmarried woman, original mortgagors, granted a Mortgage to Arbor Mortgage, dated April 30, 2004, and recorded May 5, 2004 as Instrument Number 5057452, in official records of Clinton County Register of Deeds, Michigan, and assigned to Marathon Financial Corporation, recorded on May 6, 2004 as Instrument Number 5057453, in official records of Clinton County Register of Deeds, Michigan, assigned to Bank of America, N.A., recorded on October 8, 2012 as Instrument Number 5190325, in official records of Clinton County Register of Deeds, Michigan, assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, recorded on November 17, 2014 as Instrument Number 5221629, in official records of Clinton County Register of Deeds, Michigan, which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$59,610.61. The following described premises situated in the Township of Bengal, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, to-wit: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 18, T7N, R3W, Bengal Township, Clinton County,

Michigan; thence North 391.20 feet along the West line of said Section to the point of beginning; thence North 295.00 feet along said West line; thence East 223.00 feet perpendicular to said West line; thence South 295.00 feet parallel with said West line; thence West 223.00 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as 1415 S. Bauer Road, Fowler, MI 48835 Property ID# 020-018-200-015-00 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a (b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. **ATTENTION HOMEOWNER:** If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice **ATTENTION PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. This notice is from a debt collector. Dated: August 22, 2023 For more information, please call: (513) 852-6066 Daniel A. Cox Wood + Lamping, LLP Attorneys for Servicer 600 Vine Street, Suite 2500, Cincinnati, OH 45202 File 23-03011

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