



Josy Medina to Retire from City of Ovid

by Deb Price

After 27 years of dedicated service to the City of Ovid, Clerk Josy Medina, is setting her sights on retirement. In 1996, she was hired as a part time office worker for the then Village. She was appointed to the clerk position in 1997 when Dawn (Applebee) Moore retired. In 1998 she ran for the clerk position and was elected. In 2003, the clerk and treasure positions transitioned from an elected position to an appointed position and Josy has remained at the appointed position since that time.

She has provided customer service on a daily basis as she is the first one to greet any visitors to City Hall. Besides providing customer service, her duties included the maintaining of all records for the City, taking minutes for all meetings, overseeing elections and various other duties. In addition to her day job, she has been a part of the Ovid Carriage Days committee, helping with fund raising, raffle ticket sales and securing sponsorships for the entertainment tent during the September festival.

When asked about what's next after retirement, she and her husband Ray have travel plans to visit family in California and Texas in January and February of this next year. I then asked her the all important question, Are you ready to spend 24-7 with Ray? She replied quickly, "I have lots of plans for Ray."

Friday, August 11th, will be her last day on the job. From 2pm-4pm on that day, residents are encouraged to stop and wish her well, thank her for all her years of service and enjoy light refreshments. The gathering will take place in Council Chambers at City Hall, please use the entrance off the parking lot.

Clinton County 4-H Fair Memories



*The Clinton County 4-H Fair, held in St. Johns at the fairgrounds, provided fun and learning for young 4-Her's!
Photos by Deb Price*

The First Annual Elsie National Night Out a Success

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – The first annual National Night Out hosted by Elsie United Methodist Church was deemed a success. The weather was perfect and brought out Elsie residents and the surrounding area to enjoy the sense of community.

A huge thank-you to the Elsie Area Fire Department, Elsie Police Department, Clinton Area Ambulance, performances by Pastor JD, Mary Kiger, and Jim Ladiski, Marie Ade the artist who painted smiling faces and the volunteers from the community who prepared the food and provided resources for a successful evening.



Social

Ovid Historical Society

submitted by Roger Matthies

The August meeting of the Ovid Historical Society will be on August 8 (Tuesday), 7:00 p.m. at the Mary Myers Museum. We would be happy to see you there as we plan for fall activities.

The museum is at 131 East Williams Street in Ovid.

Happy 70th Birthday to Vickie Csapos on August 11th

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Laingsburg/Ovid Lions Club Golf Outing This Saturday

There's still time to get your team in for the Saturday, August 12th Annual Laingsburg/Ovid Lions Club Golf Outing. The event will be a 4-person scramble with a 9am shotgun start at Pine Hills Golf Course in Laingsburg. The cost is \$65 per person (\$260 team of four) and includes 18 holes with cart, burger and brats after golf, raffle prizes & skins game. 1st Place prize, \$100, 2nd, \$80 and 3rd \$60. All benefits from this outing will go to Lions of Michigan Foundation and Bear Lake Camp. To sign up as a team or individual, call Terry Fraidenburg at 517-881-6315 or by email at terryforegolf@gmail.com or Mary Perrien at 989-251-8517 or by email at perrien41@msn.com



Elsie Fall Festival Seeks Donations

submitted by Margaret White

The annual Elsie Fall Festival will be held October 7, 2023 in downtown Elsie. All proceeds will go to the Elsie Area Food Pantry. The event features games, vendors, food, a silent auction and more. "This year the silent auction will be a little different," stated Margaret White a volunteer for the Festival. "Along with gift cards, vouchers, and passes we are seeking themed gift baskets. Items like a First Aid Basket, Gardener's Basket, Coffee lovers, Fun in the Sun, etc. -things you would use yourself or like to give as a gift."

Businesses, organizations, churches, and individuals are encouraged to be creative and have fun. Elsie Area Food Pantry is a 501(c)(3). Donations are tax deductible.

For more information contact Margaret White by email ihswamh@gmail.com. Check donations are also accepted and can be mailed directly to Elsie Area Food Pantry, P.O. Box 311, Elsie, MI 48831



Owosso Parkinson Support Group Meeting

submitted by Owen Prussner

The Owosso Parkinson Support group is to meet on Wednesday August 9, 2023 at 5:00PM at the Shiawassee Council on Aging, 300N Washington St, Owosso, MI 48867. Phone 989-723-8875.

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

It is with pleasure to announce the speaker for the evening Alyce Downer, is the group leader of Arizona Piecemakers, Quilts of Valor Foundation. The mission of the "Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing, "QUILTS OF VALOR".

If you or a loved one is diagnosed with Parkinson's disease, please join us, we provide information, encouragement, fellowship, and support.

If you have and questions about owosso Parkinson Support Group, please call Karen Prussner, Facilitator at 989-723- 6901.

Host Families Needed

submitted by Erin Freshour

Ovid-Elsie High School has seven international students attending school this year and 3 still need a Host family or a Welcome Family to host them for eight weeks.

This program provides additional funding to the school along with an amazing cultural experience but is only possible with host families.

Would you or someone you know be willing to help and host?

- Host families provide a bedroom and meals for the students.
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- Host Families come in various shapes and sizes, including young couples with small children, one-parent families, single people, empty nesters, and more.

The three remaining students are from Brazil, Thailand, and Vietnam. Please consider supporting this program and sharing Ovid-Elsie and America with an international student.

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Detroit Band Brings Dynamic Sound to St. Johns on August 9

submitted by Bill Tennant

The Detroit Retro Society, one of Michigan's greatest music entertainment production teams, will be bringing their high-energy Detroit Music Spectacular to the William E. Tennant Performance Shell on Wednesday evening, August 9 starting at 7:00 in the beautiful St. Johns City Park.

"The Detroit Retro Society is the most talked about group from last year's series," said Bill Tennant, Concert in the Park committee chair. "They made such an impact on their audience last year that we just had to schedule them again this year. In this group, one of the best bands we've ever had, are some of the best performers in the Detroit area – and they're adding a saxophone player to the mix this year - fun!"

Musically, the 6-piece band will be bringing a nice mix of Detroit sounds including some of the most enjoyable classics along with modern pop hits. They have shared the stage with the likes of The Temptations, Aretha Franklin and Kid Rock, to name a few. In speaking about their upcoming performance in St. Johns, the leader of the band, Jason Gittinger said, "we're all going to have a blast that night!"

The performers on the 9th will include Gabriel "Super Gabe" Cannistracci - Vocals, Steve Kendzorski - Guitar/Vocals, Chuck Bartels - Bass, Phil Whitfield - Keyboards, James Hughes - Sax, and Jason Gittinger - Drums.

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 this year for a variety of food items. Tell your friends about this event – it will be quite the party!

So, set your GPS to 801 W Park St, St. Johns, bring a chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of music you won't soon forget! The CCAC receives funding from the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Memorial Healthcare Welcomes New Family Medicine Specialist to King St.

submitted by Dianna Vsetula

Owosso – Please join us in welcoming Dr. Phincy Arangattu to our active medical staff and to the Owosso community!

Dr. Arangattu will be joining Anthony Patsy, DO, Jimmy Qaqish, MD, Brett Gurden, PA-C, Jacob Perrin, PA-C, Karlee Krokos, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, PCCN and Travis Scott, MSN, FNP-C at Memorial Healthcare Family Medicine – King Street, located on our main campus in Owosso.

Dr. Arangattu is a board-certified physician and received her medical degree from Saint James School of Medicine American in Anguilla and completed her residency in Family Medicine at Ascension Genesys in Grand Blanc. Dr. Arangattu looks forward to working with patients, families, and other medical professionals and staff to provide a patient-centered approach to medical care.

Dr. Arangattu is currently accepting new patients with most insurances.

For more information please visit www.MemorialHealthcare.org



Memorial Healthcare Welcomes New Family Nurse Practitioner to Owosso

submitted by Dianna Vsetula

Owosso – Please join us in welcoming Travis Scott, MSN, FNP-C to our active medical staff and to the Owosso community!

Travis will be joining Phincy Arangattu, MD, Anthony Patsy, DO, Jimmy Qaqish, MD, Brett Gurden, PA-C, Jacob Perrin, PA-C, and Karlee Krokos, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, PCCN at Memorial Healthcare Family Medicine – King Street, located on our main campus in Owosso.

Travis is a board-certified Family Nurse Practitioner with experience in internal medicine, hospice, long-term care, ER, trauma, and critical care. He received his Bachelor of Science in Nursing and his Master of Science in Nursing/Family Nurse Practitioner from Kaplan University. Travis has several years of nursing experience with a strong background in diabetes management and preventative health conditions including the treatment and management of acute and chronic illnesses in patients of all ages.

Travis is currently accepting new patients with most insurances.

For more information please visit www.MemorialHealthcare.org



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Obituaries

Max Ferdinand MacGuinness

Max Ferdinand MacGuinness, age 87, of Surprise, Arizona and formerly of Laingsburg and DeWitt, passed away peacefully Friday, July 21 in Surprise near his beloved wife, Nancy, son Mark and daughter-in-law Lori.

Max was cremated and Knights of Columbus' memorial services in DeWitt will be announced at a later date.

Please watch The Weekly for more details.



Dorothy Ann Baese

Dorothy Ann Baese, age 85, of Elsie, MI, passed away Thursday, July 6, 2023, at Boulder Park Terrace Nursing Home, Charlevoix County, MI.

Dorothy was born in Owosso, Michigan on July 28, 1937, the daughter of Jerry and Mary (Zvonek) Kurka. Dorothy was raised on a farm east of Elsie where she shared chores with her three sisters. She graduated from Elsie High School with the class of 1954. On November 12, 1955 she married Lewis C. Baese at the Elsie Baptist Church. They celebrated 58 years of marriage before Lewis passed away on December 6, 2013.

Dorothy worked as seamstress at Mitchell-Bentley Corporation in Owosso and went on to work with Strawsine's in Corunna manufacturing trailer home products. She also worked at Smith's Party Store in Elsie and retired from American Sunroof Corporation in Lansing. Dorothy won the best pie competition at the Shiawassee Fair as a young girl and that inspired her lifelong love of cooking and baking. She will be remembered for her kolache and peanut brittle.

Dorothy and Lewis enjoyed traveling, trips to the casino and bingo games. Dorothy had a love for her community including her assistance with class reunions, Dairy Festival, and the Elsie United Methodist Church. She loved animals and cared for several family pets. Dorothy thoroughly enjoyed hosting Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners for her family. She loved spending time with family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was a member of the ZCBJ Lodge and helped with American Legion activities.

She is survived by her daughter Lisa and Tim Bolton of Charlevoix, MI; son Kirk and Rosemary Baese of Charlevoix, MI; four grandchildren: Onas and Carrie Bolton of Pepper Pike, OH; Quinn and Joel Passmore of Elsie, MI; Ryan and Jessica Baese of Dexter, MI; Breanna and Branden Recker of Farmington Hills, MI; her great-grandchildren: Piper, Darby, and Dugan, Jack, Charlotte, Lydia and Leo, and Dominic and Kalia. She is also survived by her sister Karlene Enos of Elsie, MI; brothers and sisters-in-law: Gale and Marcy Baese of Elsie, MI; Mary Lou Hanold of St. Johns, MI; Dick and Linda Baese of Port St. Lucie, FL; Diane and Dick Bates of Elsie, MI; Carol Baese of Elsie, MI; Shirley Baese of Howell, MI; her Kurka nieces and nephew: Denise and Mike Robinson of Durand, MI; Deborah Graham of Bath, MI; Jerry and Allison Snyder of DeWitt, MI; Jodie and Phillip Button of Tampa, FL; and many other nieces and nephews on the Baese side. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Lewis, her sisters: Geraldine and Joan, and brothers and sisters-in-law: Fred Enos, Lawrence Graham, Versil Baese; Robert (Shirley) Baese; Eldon (Jean) Baese; Merle Baese; Raymond (Dian) Baese; Owen Baese; Bryce Kevin Baese, Onalee (Jerry) Austin; and Ed Hanold.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, August 19, 2023, at 11:00 A.M. at Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, MI with Pastor Kathy Leydorf-Keck officiating. Visitation will be held from 9:00 A.M. until the time of the service at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, MI.

Memorials may be made to WOES Polka Palace, Elsie, MI or the ZCBJ Lodge, Bannister, MI. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



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Walter S. Pierce

Walter S. Pierce, a lifelong resident of St. Johns, died on July 30, 2023 at the age of 88.

Walt was born on May 21, 1935 in St. Johns, Michigan, one of three children born to Walter H. and Helen L. (Davis) Pierce. Following graduation from Rodney B. High School in 1954, he enlisted in the United States Army, serving from 1955-1957. While in the service he wed his high school sweetheart, Barbara Carroll, on July 23, 1955 in St. Joseph Catholic Church. When he returned from service, he joined his parents at the family bakery, Pierce Bakery, on Clinton in downtown St. Johns. In 1959 Walt and Barb took over the bakery which they lovingly operated for over twenty years. They have made their home on the corner of Clinton and McConnell streets for many years. After closing the bakery Walt worked as a food service supervisor for the Ionia County Correctional Facility.

Walt was very active in the community over the years. He was a member of the Clinton County Boys Club, the Knights of Columbus and Lions Club. He helped promote the Soap Box Derby, took care of preparing the ice pond at the park, was a member of the antique tractor club, and was a regular at local car racing tracks. Walt was a beloved fixture, neighbor, and friend to many in the St. Johns community, always there with great conversations, stories, and a wave to passersby from his porch swing.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Barbara Pierce; his son, Eugene (Becky) Pierce; grandchildren, Dr. Brett (Jennifer) Pierce, Brian (Carly) Pierce, Callie (Tim) Weist, Casie (Daniel) Wright; great-grandchildren, Joel Pierce, Krystal Snyder, Trinity Weist, and Mara Wright; sister, Jane (Ben) Swanchara; in-laws, Margaret Yurek and Jim (Cathy) Carroll, as well as many extended family members and dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Marcia "Marcie" Snyder in 2008; his sister, Betty (John) Bennett and parents.

Funeral Services were held at the McGeehan Funeral Home on Friday, August 4, 2023 at 11 AM. Military honors and a luncheon will follow at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made in his name to the St. Johns Area Community Fund, PO Box 33, St. Johns, MI, 48879.

For further information, phone McGeehan Funeral Home at 989-224-4422 or visit www.McGeehanFH.com



Editorial

It is already Wednesday afternoon and I'm looking at about eight hours of baking and I just seem to be ignoring it at the moment. I know, I really do need to make some decisions... Maybe everything that has happened so far this week will explain my hesitancy to moving forward quickly. On Sunday I went over to Reed's County Park near North Star. I parked the La Crosse and realized that I couldn't reach the picnic food which was in the back seat. I tried to unlock the doors but the key fob refused to respond. So I eased the driver's seat forward and laid it back as flat as I could. I did manage to get the dishes of food out of the backseat. I then shut and locked the driver's door. Started to walk away and then the horn started blaring. How embarrassing is that?! I had to unlock the door and put the key into the ignition before the darn thing would stop. Nope, the button on the fob did not work. I tried again and the same thing happened. I didn't try locking it a third time, I just went over to the pavilion for our church services. It (the horn) stayed quiet until we were halfway thru the service. Lucky for me a young man who was sitting by me thought that it was his vehicle. It was both of our vehicles. I was lucky enough because mine stopped by itself. And this is how my Sunday started. I did get to have a great visit with Therese in Laingsburg and she gave me a nifty costume from a Witches Tea that the Red Hatter's had done previously. I'm going to a "Haunted Farm" costume party in mid-October this fall.

On Monday, I zipped over to Portland to return a piece of equipment that had been part of the set-up procedure to remove my house phone. It cost me sixty-five bucks if I kept it. I had already paid for it but wanted my money back. I traveled along Price Road which became David Highway and then turned left onto Divine Highway. I had no problem making it to Portland. The drive was beautiful and I saw some beautifully elegant older homes. I then came back home but stopped in St Johns to shop at St Vincent De Paul's thrift store. I thoroughly enjoyed myself and left with some interesting goodies. I then decided to eat out at the Jade Garden. Of course when I walked back out to my car after lunch it was apparently mad because I left it in the parking lot and it refused to start. I called the dealership and Robert came out immediately and gave the car a jump. And it worked, I took it over to the garage and they did a quick check and the battery under the hood was perfect and charging as it should. I had a one o'clock meeting north of Merrill and I had to take off before we could get another vehicle to use. Oh so much fun... Yup, I got stranded again because the car wouldn't start when my meeting was finished. My frustration levels were running hot and high. The men couldn't figure out what to do but one of the ladies did. One of her friends had a brand new La Crosse and it did the same thing. She was told to put her foot on the brake, insert the key, and yank the steering wheel as she turned the key. And her advice worked. I got home and had long thoughts as to what was messing up my car.

I was given three fobs, one had a key missing, one had the key but the unlock button was missing, and one had all of the functions. Of course the one that had everything was the one that did not work. So now I carry the two fobs with me and leave the other one home. I'm supposed to take it back to the dealership but it would cost about four hundred dollars to replace. I still do not understand what makes a keyless entry so appealing. Then along comes Tuesday and I'm in St Louis to get my haircut and Chelsea did a wonderful job. I leave her shop and go over to Wally World where I pick up a few groceries for the shop. I needed an insulated shopping bag so that I could take a few extra minutes to visit Robin after her knee surgery. I then expected to stop and see Tammy and Ted. It didn't happen because every time I tried to call them my phone rang once and then hung up. I couldn't find Robin's home without her talking me in and I usually do not stop to visit others without checking to see if they are home. I couldn't get any calls in either and only one text message out and in. About ten in the evening I received a call from Robin. I had turned off my phone three times before that modern convenience started working.

So much fun and it did mess up my plans. All things were fairly minor, no one was hurt but I surely became agitated. So may you be blessed with uninterrupted plans and be able to acknowledge the difficulties and still move on to enjoy yourself. Tuesday evening I went over to an interesting sale under the power lines on Chapin Road. I made some awesome buys and my Christmas list is greatly diminished. Life is good and without a few irritations I couldn't appreciate all of God's blessings. Be safe, laugh, and enjoy life. Crystal Mitchell©2023

The Weekly Sportsman's favorite president of all time was often quoted as saying "walk softly but carry a big stick" so it is kind of ironic that CCI is using the phrase "walk softly without the big stick" to promote their new .22 long rifle rimfire ammo for self defense. The irony of course lies in the fact that the Weekly Sportsman is a rimfire connoisseur and prefers .22's for concealed carry purposes.

Similar to Federal's recently introduced Punch load, CCI's new Uppercut is specifically designed for compact self defense and trail handguns with 2.5 to 4 inch barrels. Initial ballistics indicate a 32 grain bullet with a jacketed hollow point that features nose skiving to produce maximum expansion and deep penetration despite only traveling at 950 feet per second. The unwaxed bullet seated in a nickel plated case will help prevent fouling and improve feeding in all conditions.

The Weekly Sportsman has been unable to find this new ammunition at local retailers and most websites are taking orders. It appears the cost will be around \$12-\$15 for a box of fifty rounds housed in the normal CCI clear hard plastic cases. As soon as it becomes available the Weekly Sportsman will report on accuracy along with expansion performance when shot into jugs of water.



A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

Happiness is a Choice

Dear Andy, I have been discouraged and feeling melancholy lately. It's not the weather, it's not money worries, it's not health, it's not the loss of family and friends, it's not lack of sleep, it's not my disorganization or unfinished projects, or my grown children or grandchildren, and it's not even my grumpy old husband. It might be my latest birthday and my unfinished bucket list. I just am not myself lately. Please give me some advice.

Molly S.

Dear Molly,

Age is a matter of perception. If you allow yourself to feel old or moan about the little stuff...and, it's all little stuff, of course, you're going to have some melancholy feelings. The good news is ... you just need to change your attitude or thoughts about your wonderful life. Your "It's Not..." list sounds like it might be part of your feelings. So, you might want to think hard about all the areas you have mentioned. Thoughts become feelings and feelings are real but not necessarily factual. Positive thoughts can become words and words become positive actions.

There is an old Italian philosophy that I recently memorized. Write down your joys and never dwell on your sadness or undone bucket list. Write a new long-term and short-term bucket list and set deadlines. Then make plans for your wishes and dreams to happen.

You might find this poem comforting: "Count your garden by the flowers, not by the leaves that fall. Count your days by the golden hours, don't remember clouds at all. (Unless you love fluffy white clouds). Count your night by stars, not shadows, count your life with smiles, not tears. And with joy on every birthday, count your age by friends, not years." Ref: R. Schuller, Be Happy Attitudes p.60

Molly, if your sadness does not improve soon, you should talk to your family doctor. It could be something medical. Or talk to a trusted friend from church, it could be spiritual. Talk to a travel agent, it could be you need to broaden your horizons and change your daily routine. When husbands are a grump, be loving and kind. They can get over things faster than you think with a little kindness and baked chocolate chip cookies.

Thank you for writing to me. Andy, askandyforadvice@gmail.com or ask_andy@aol.com

P.S. All advice comes with a grain of salt and is not necessarily the opinion of the publishers of this column.

God loves to use those whom some, if not many, deem to be unuseable or of little importance.

Continuing from last article's, "Christmas in July" theme, let's take a look at the woman at the temple from the Gospel of Luke, chapter 2.

Her name is Anna and Luke describes her as being well advanced in age. She was a widow most of her life and was a very godly woman; spending all of her time at the temple of the Lord, worshipping God.

Anna wasn't a member of high society or the ruling class. She was not rich nor was she one of the religious elites. But she was important to God. Even though she was up in years, God enabled her to live long enough to see Jesus and as a prophetess, to speak about Him to Jesus' parents and those around her.

Another example comes from a time when Jesus was in the temple courts teaching. At one point, to the chief priests and the elders He said, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you."- Matthew 21:31

What? The tax collectors and prostitutes are entering into the Kingdom of God? And ahead of the religious leaders? Are you kidding me? Is Jesus for real?

On a different occasion, "Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!"

24 The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

26 The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?" 27 Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."

- Mark 10:23-27

The disciples were freaking because they thought that if people are rich, then it's because God is favoring them. That is, God is blessing them with riches because they are such godly people. Yet, Jesus taught that people have to believe in Him and trust in Him for forgiveness of sins and to receive eternal life, not to trust in their money or material wealth.

For God to come and love the poor, the unknown, the nobodies and use us in the Kingdom is a wonderful, beautiful act of God.

Paul writes, "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."- Ephesians 2:10

Did you know that? If you are a believer in Jesus Christ, then you are God's handiwork. God loves you and is working through you and in you. Enabling you to do good works for His glory.



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Parking

Convenient festival parking is available at St. Johns High School and St. Johns Middle School for \$5. Golf cart shuttles will run from the High School and Middle School parking lots for guests who are elderly or have other mobility needs.

Information Booth

Visit the Mint Office for the festival brochure and additional information. Our festival volunteers will be happy to answer questions and direct you to your destination.

Festival Grounds

Festival events span the St. Johns City Park and Clinton County Fairgrounds, as well as the downtown areas near Clinton Avenue. No bikes, skateboards or rollerblades are allowed on Festival Grounds. Alcohol is only permitted in designated beverage tent areas.

Grab a bite to eat

The festival hosts a wide array of food trucks, serving up everything from elephant ears to barbeque to burgers, and more. Come hungry, and you won't be disappointed!

City Park now has WiFi!

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Saturday, August 12	10 AM - 8 PM	Arts & Crafts • Flea Market • Souvenirs Food Trucks • NEW! Bounce Houses
9 AM 3-on-3 Basketball (St. Johns Middle School)	2 PM High School Rodeo (Fairgrounds)	
10 AM Grand Mint Parade See route at mintfest.org	7:30 PM Mid-States IPRA Rodeo (Fairgrounds)	
12 - 5 PM Off-Road Fun (2710 Townsend Road)	Downtown Events 10 AM - 6 PM Briggs District Library Book Sale 1 - 4 PM Paine Gilman Scott Museum 1 - 5 PM Classic Car Show 5 - 11:30 PM Live Music, Beverage Tent	
12 - 8 PM Entertainment See the lineup at mintfest.org		
Sunday, August 13	10 AM - 5 PM	Arts & Crafts • Flea Market • Souvenirs Food Trucks • NEW! Bounce Houses
9 AM Kickball Tournament (City Park Ball Field)	11 AM Cornhole Tournament (Next to Spray Park)	
10 AM - 5 PM Entertainment See the lineup at mintfest.org	2 PM High School Rodeo (Fairgrounds)	
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Michael faces two dilemmas: Saving enough money for a comfortable retirement, and making those savings last his lifetime. Like most Americans, having money in retirement may depend on part-time jobs, personal savings and tax-advantaged retirement savings accounts.

A financial representative can help people like Michael understand their options, such as 401(k) and 403(b) plans, annuities, and individual retirement accounts (IRAs).

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21st Annual Laingsburg Classic Car Show Wrap

submitted by Cathy Provines

Saturday, July 29, eventually turned out to be a beautiful day for a car show. The morning started out by raining for the first couple hours of the show, which decreased the number of classic cars showing up for the show. Then about 10 am the rain was over and the skies cleared up. The annual car show is hosted by Looking Glass Community Outreach. LGCO is a non-profit organization servicing the southern part of Shiawassee County by providing emergency relief to those in need, and other programs. This year, the annual car show had 52 registered drivers join in the festivities in downtown Laingsburg. This number is unfortunately about half of what we normally have.

Tunes by T, Inc. provided a great mix of music and also called out the winning tickets for our door prizes. Periodically throughout the event, he announced the names of the 34 sponsors of the event. For door prizes this year we had discount coupons for haircuts at Laingsburg Barber Shop, a Performance Tools Bit Set from Carquest in St. Johns, a Car Wash Bucket from O'Reilly Auto Parts in St. Johns, a Car Wash Bucket from Advance Auto Parts in Owosso, 3 Car Wash Buckets from Auto Zone in St. Johns, a Car Wash Bucket from Auto Zone in Owosso, a Foam Sprayer from NAPA in Owosso, and a Gift Certificate from Priority Auto Body for 3 oil changes. O'Reilly Auto Parts in Owosso donated 50 small screwdrivers that were put in the Goodie Bags that were distributed to all the drivers. The Grand Prize for the day was a certificate from Peacock Road Family Farm (valued at \$475) for the winner and 29 of their friends to enjoy a bonfire party, country picnic and wagon ride at the farm.

At 1 pm prizes were awarded after the ballots from the drivers were tabulated by computer. Trophies were awarded to the top three drivers who received the most votes. Plaques were awarded for 4th through 15th place. Trophy winners were: First Place - Car #24 - Stu Jackson who entered a 1969 Pontiac GTO, Second Place - Car #32 - Roger Black who entered a 1952 Chevy Pickup, and Third Place - Car #22 - John Chvojka who entered a 1929 Ford Phaeton Flathead V-8.

Many thanks to all of our sponsors, volunteers, drivers and spectators for making this 21st annual Laingsburg Classic Car Show a success. To learn more about LGCO please visit our Facebook page at facebook.com/LGCOshiawassee or you can email Cathy Provines, LGCO Director at: cathy.provines@gmail.com



Lansing Area Summer Softball Team Reads Like CMAC All-Stars; Wolfpack Players Stand Out

LANSING -- Between the autumn of last year and this summer season, a local area summer traveling team has won 51 softball games in 61 tries.

Krash Peru (ages 14 and under) just ended a 22-game win streak -- with 7 girls on the team who go to CMAC schools.

Their overall record is 51-10-2, featuring players from Bath (Haylee Awrey), Laingsburg (Bella Latuszek, Harper Strouse, Savvy Stirn and Alayna Merrell), Dansville (Ryker Graf) and Portland St. Pats (Gracelyn Rockey).

Awrey is leading the club in pitching ERA at an outstanding 0.98. Wolfpack standout Stirn leads the team in batting average at .475.

Ferland Stands Out for Northwood Volleyball, and in Graphic Art Designs

LAINGSBURG — LHS alum Maya Ferland was a standout for her hometown Wolfpack and then on the volleyball court at Northwood University.

Now, she is standing out with her graphic art designs.

Maya, the daughter of Michael and Christina Ferland, is a former

All-Shiawassee Area Player of the Year after earning All-State volleyball honors three-straight years at Laingsburg. She was the MCCA Player of the Year in 2019-20 at Lansing Community College. That helped launch her next sports accomplishments at Northwood, where she led the GLIAC with a .326 attack percentage while stationed at her MB post for the Lady Timberwolves. She was also named to the All-GLIAC honor team.

After majoring in marketing communications, Maya launched her graphic arts career and has done extensive work in sports marketing, particularly with minor league baseball's Cape Cod League.

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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.

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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 –** 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

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said Mortgage having become operative by reason of such default; **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, at the South entrance to the Clinton County Courthouse, 100 E. State Street (M21), St. Johns, Michigan, that being one of the places for holding the Circuit Court for Clinton County, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder or bidders at public auction or venue for purposes of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on said Mortgage, together with all allowable costs of sale and includable attorney fees, the lands and premises in said Mortgage mentioned and described as follows: **SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF DEWITT, COUNTY OF CLINTON, STATE OF MICHIGAN:** Lot 89, Creeping Brook Estates No. 7, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 10 of Plat(s), Page 8, Clinton County Records. Commonly known as: 2485 Julie Way, DeWitt, Michigan 48820 Tax Parcel Number: 050-175-000-089-00 The period within which the above premises may be redeemed shall expire six (6) months from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with M.C.L.A. Sec. 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the time 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 mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector. Dated: June 20, 2023 FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS & SMITH, P.C. MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Benjamin J. Price FEDERAL CREDIT UNION Attorneys for Mortgagee of East Lansing, Michigan, Mortgagee 313 S. Washington Square Lansing, MI 48933 (517) 371-8253

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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 AM, on August 16, 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 Bernard Joseph Siebert to Astera Credit Union dated May 20, 2022 and recorded June 1, 2022 as Instrument No. 5325697, Clinton County, Michigan. Said Mortgage is now held by myCUMortgage, LLC by assignment and/or merger. There is claimed to be due at the date here-of the sum of \$331,536.66. Said premises are located in Clinton County, Michigan and are described as: The land is situated in the City of Dewitt, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, as follows: Lot 94, River Wood, City of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 31, Clinton County Records. Commonly Known As: 1518 Waxwing Dr, Dewitt, MI 48820 Tax Parcel ID: 200-260-000-094-00 Said property is commonly known as 1518 Waxwing Drive, Dewitt, MI 48820. 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 bor-

rower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period. **TO ALL PURCHASERS:** The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Please be advised that any third party purchaser is responsible for preparing and recording the Sheriff's Deed. If this is a residential Mortgage, the following shall apply: **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 COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU: ARE A DEBTOR IN AN ACTIVE BANKRUPTCY CASE; ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF A BANKRUPTCY STAY; OR, HAVE RECEIVED A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY AND YOU HAVE NOT REAFFIRMED THE DEBT, THIS NOTICE IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT FROM YOU PERSONALLY.** Dated: July 10, 2023 Attorney for the party foreclosing the Mortgage: Thomas E. McDonald (P39312) Brock & Scott, PLLC 5431 Oleander Drive Wilmington, NC 28403 PHONE: (844) 856-6646 File No. 23-02934

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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).
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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Wade G Smith, married man and Elizabeth Fay Smith, by way of signing recorded Loan Modification executed on 11/16/2017
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Wells Fargo Bank, NA
Date of Mortgage: November 2, 2012
Date of Mortgage Recording: November 9, 2012
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$205,717.43
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Dallas, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4; Section 15, Town 7 North, Range 4 West, Dallas Township, Clinton County, Michigan; Thence East 50 feet; Thence South 580 feet; Thence West 200 feet; Thence North 580 feet; Thence East 150 feet to the point of beginning
Common street address (if any): 12767 W M 21, Fowler, MI 48835-9286
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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

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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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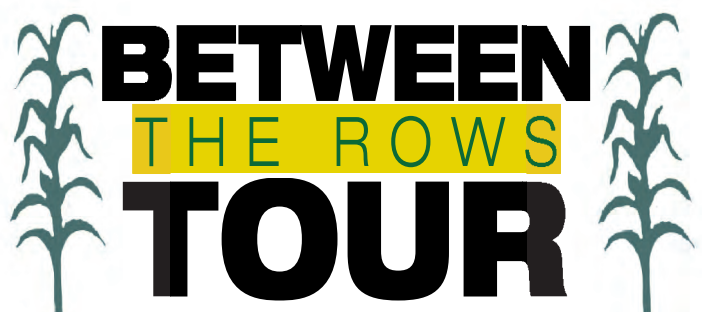
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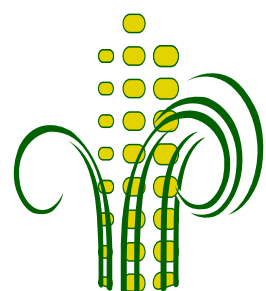
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