



Auxiliary members Hanna Grinnell, Jessica Findlay, Amy Holden, Tammy Saul Jessica Findlay and Laurie Mead
Photo by Dawn D Levey

Elsie Area Fire Auxiliary Puts Support Vehicle on the Road

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – The Elsie Area Auxiliary, with the support of the Elsie Area Fire Fighter Association has purchased a used ambulance to house the items necessary to provide necessary support for EAFD fire fighters. The Elsie Area Fire Fighter Association holds an annual dance, pop bottle drives and other fund-raising projects to help support the Elsie Area Fire Department financially.

The vehicle was purchased for \$7,000 from Elk Rapids Township Department. Originally Elk Rapids had planned to put the vehicle up for bids with a minimum bid of \$26,000. The vehicle was received the beginning of September. The lettering application was paid for by Stay Dry Basement Waterproofing & Foundation Repair of Elsie. This is a community driven project. The vehicle is now road ready.

The vehicle will contain tents, heating and cooling fans as well as food and beverages. The auxiliary provides support for fire fighters at a fire scene and are prepared to assist with area disasters. They belong to MABAS – Mutual Aid Box Alarm System, giving them authorization to respond when activated and called.

The Elsie Area Auxiliary is always seeking new members – men, and women. Those interested do not need to be associated with the fire department. They are a volunteer group who provides support for the Elsie Area Fire Department and where needed. Applications are available at the Village office and a background check is required.

This is a transition from a trailer that is becoming difficult for members of the auxiliary to work with. The trailer was donated by Elsie Masonic Lodge #238, which was very appreciated and noting that the department will repurpose the trailer.

OE Girls Cross County Team 3-Peat in MMAC



(l-r): Katelyn Wright, Kyla Washburn, Kaia Spiess, Clarissa Baese, Piper White, Lindsey Washburn, Audrey Bensinger, Hannah Koutz, “Annie” Tran

See story and more sports on pages 6-8

Ovid-Elsie Area Schools

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – The regular meeting of Ovid-Elsie Area Schools was held Monday, October 16, 2023. The highlight of the evening was the 2022-2023 financial audit.

Officials were presented a review of the 2022-23 audit by Lewis & Knopf. The district has received a “clean” unmodified audit which is the highest level of assurance possible for the district’s financial statements. There were no control issues reported. Actual versus budget was right on.

Under action taken officials accepted and approved the Ovid-Elsie Area Schools 2022-2023 financial audit as presented.

Ms. Delo presented the curriculum and instructional department updates and highlights. Professional learning opportunities are being scheduled for Ovid-Elsie staff. On October 6, 2023 staff had choices and speakers were brought from the RESA and beyond, the overall evaluation 4.2 out of 5. There are amazing things happening in the district with students and staff. The goal is to “Share of Story” with each other and the community. “Positivity” is contagious. OE has expectations – be respectful, be responsible, and be your best. Staff have been challenged to share the positive, the board and the community are also encouraged to share the positive.

Delo, k-5 literacy curriculum is being addressed this year. The current curriculum is no longer supported by the parent company.

Dr. Wayne Petroelje, superintendent, reported that the official count as of October 4, 2023 the total 1,315.25 students, noting that the district budgeted for 1,310. Last year 1,340.6 decrease of 25 students. Next, officials were recommended to place the Headlee renewal on the February/March ballot. The next board work session is slated for, October 30, 6:30 pm the information center.

Public: Charlie Green, shared something amazing. He attended the Student Challenge at the Middle School, 60-70 students attending, very well organized and enjoyable. Student challenge is supported by Mrs. Willbanks.

Mr. Brian Powell, chair Sex Education Advisory Board, it was recommended that the proposal be approved as presented at the Ovid-Elsie Board work session. Mrs. Thompson recommended that staggered terms, and term limits be considered regarding the parents on the board. Further discussed by the board. Mr. Powell addressed the concerns. The end result was approval of the Sex Education Advisory Board as presented. All yea, one no vote, Mrs. Thompson.

The third-grade teacher Katlyn Humphrey has requested an unpaid leave for the remainder of the school year due to maternity leave. The request was approved.

It was noted that there has been an increase in traffic and heavy equipment at the intersection of Colony and Hollister Road due to the bridge weight restrictions on North Hollister Road. The possible solutions will be researched and reported back to the board members.

Monthly action n was taken to approve the consent agenda that included: approval of the meeting agenda, approval of the September 18 regular meeting minutes and the minutes of the September 25, 2023 board work session; and approval of the financial reports and payment of expenditures.



Elsie - Trick-or-Treat hours will be held from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31 2023. The EAFD will be holding the annual Halloween Party afterward at the Fire Station,

140 W. Maple St. Elsie. They will be providing hot dogs, cider, games and more.

Ovid - Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Halloween Party, Hosted by the Ovid Lions Club, 7pm at the Lions/VFW Hall, downtown Ovid, immediately following trick-er-treat. Costume Judging at 7:30pm, prizes for top 5. Games, Hot Dogs, Chips, Cider and Donuts.

Ovid Healthcare Center - Trunk or Treat Friday, Oct. 27, 2023, 5:30-7:00pm. 9480 E. M-21. Make up date November 3rd.

An Event So Good It's Scary - Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Daytime trick or treating for young children at various businesses in St. Johns. Participating businesses with have a "pumpkin" sign on their store window/door.

St. Johns - The trick-or-treat hours are from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31, 2023. The beginning and ending of the candy gathering period will be signaled by the fire whistle. Please use caution when driving as there will be lots of children running door to door to collect candy.

Owosso - Tuesday, October 31, 2023. Trick or Treating hours are from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ashley - Tuesday, October 31, 2023 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Laingsburg - Tuesday, October 31, 2023. Trick or Treating from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Fire Whistle will sound at 6pm.

Social

Wall of Fame Nominations

The Laingsburg Board of Education will be accepting "Wall of Fame" nominations through December 1, 2023. The purpose of the "Wall of Fame" is to honor a person or persons who have made significant contributions to Laingsburg Community Schools. To nominate a special person to the "Wall of Fame", a completed nomination form and accompanying supporting material(s) must be submitted to the Laingsburg Board of Education by the stated deadline. Nomination forms are available at the Superintendent's Office, building offices or through our website using the following link address:

<https://www.laingsburg.k12.mi.us/news>

For further information, please contact the Superintendent's Office at (517)651-2705.

Halloween at Clinton County Historical Museum

submitted by Kelly Jurman

Autumn and Halloween are in the air at the Clinton County Historical Museum! Take a peek at our creepy vintage Halloween decorations we have on display including rare paper-mâché bobble heads. Come and join us on Sunday afternoons from 1-4 PM or Wednesdays from 2 -5 PM for a walk around the Museum and the General Store. You will be amazed at what we have to share.

Annual Ham & Turkey Dinner

Chapin United Methodist Church
at 19848 S. Chapin Rd.

Saturday, November 4th.
Serving begins at 4:30 until
6:30p.m.

Menu consists of ham & turkey,
mashed potatoes, dressing, corn,
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Annual Holiday Bazaar at Bannister ZCJB Hall

submitted by Joanne Fornusek

The annual Holiday Bazaar will be held at the Bannister ZCJB Hall (401 E. Main St.) on Saturday, Oct. 28th from 9 am until 3 pm. The lodge will be selling Czech bakery, garnet jewelry, cookbooks, baking sheets and Czech culture items. Table renters will offer a wide variety of crafts, jewelry, foods, needlework, cutlery, beauty products and more.

A luncheon of homemade soups, sloppy joes, hot dogs, polish dogs and pie will be available.

Veterans Appreciation Dinner at Lowe Global Methodist Church

submitted by Grace Dexter

The Lowe Global Methodist Church is excited to once again invite you to join us for an evening of appreciation and fellowship on Friday, November 10th. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm.

Please RSVP to the church at 989-224- 4460. You may leave your reservation and number attending on the answering machine.

We are looking forward to seeing you November 10th! If you know someone who is a veteran who would enjoy attending, please share this invitation with them!

God Bless You!

Pastor Kathy Leydorf-Keck and the Lowe Global Methodist Congregation

Memorial Healthcare Hosts Free Lunch and Learn

Monday, October 9th, (2023) - Owosso, MI – In recognition of National Hospice Month, Memorial Healthcare will begin a month-long educational series by hosting a FREE community Lunch and Learn presentation on Wednesday, November 1 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.

The topic of this educational series is "What is Hospice?" and will be presented by Dr. Anthony Patsy, Medical Director of the Memorial Healthcare Hospice Department and Family Medicine Physician along with the Memorial Healthcare Hospice Department team members.

This presentation will be held at the Memorial Healthcare Wellness Center NOW Building at 819 N. Shiawassee Street (M-52), Owosso. Please RSVP to Becky Dahlke, Community Resource Manager at (989) 729-4856 or by email at RDahlke@memorialhealthcare.org. RSVPs are due by Thursday, October 26.

This event is open to anyone who is interested in learning more about Hospice. For more information please visit, www.MemorialHealthcare.org

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Ovid Public Library

This is going to be a busy week at the Ovid Public Library! On Monday, October 23 we will be having our Adult Booktasting. The group is meeting at 1:00. Come join them and find out what new and exciting books everyone has been reading and let them know what good books you've read lately! We always welcome new members to this group.

On Monday evening, the Junior Book Club will be meeting at 5:30. The meetings usually last about an hour. This group is open to kids between the ages of 10-16. If you are interested in this group or would like more information, give us a call at 989-834-5800.

Tuesday, October 24 the crafting group will be meeting at 1:30. If you would like to craft with other crafters come on up. We have lots of room to spread out and craft.

Wednesday, October 25 we will be having another Classic Movie day. This week's movie will be an Abbott and Costello monster movie. Movie time will be 1:00. Come on up and get into the spirit of Halloween with this classic comedy. You are welcome to bring snacks if you would like.

And finally, on Friday, October 27 we will be having our October Story Hour. Ms. Shelly has some cute halloween stories picked out to read and we have a fun craft planned. We are hoping that all the kids come in their halloween costumes as we are planning to visit some of the nearby businesses and do a little trick-or-treating. Story hour begins at 10:30.

The library would like to thank everyone for their patience while we navigate our way through our minor water leak. We apologize for the days we had to shut down to get some clean-up done. We know the kids area looks a little different right now, while we decide what our next step will be.



Eureka Burial Annual Fall Meeting

Tuesday October 24th, 2023 at 7pm at the
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Veteran's Day Ceremony at Elsie American Legion Post 502

submitted by Brian Valentine

The Elsie American Legion Post 502 will be conducting a Veteran's Day Ceremony on Saturday November 11 at 11:00 am. All Veterans and Public are invited to attend this brief but Patriotic salute to ALL past and present veterans and active military personnel. Questions? Call Commander Brian Valentine at 989-307-9856 or email at elsiepostcommander@gmail.com

Memorial Healthcare Welcomes Gastroenterologist Dr. Kamel Khorfan to Owosso

submitted by Dianna Vsetula

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

Dr. Khorfan has joined Dr. Hazem Tabbaa, Dr. Amna Mehdi, Dr. Mustafa Huseini, Zachary Landers, MSN, FNP-BC and Erin Sattazahn, PA-C, in offering patients the highest quality gastroenterology services available at Memorial Healthcare Gastroenterology.

Dr. Khorfan received his medical degree from Wayne State University School of Medicine. He completed his residency in Internal Medicine at Henry Ford Health System and a Gastroenterology and Hepatology fellowship as Chief Fellow at the University of California San Francisco Fresno School of Medicine.

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

For more information please visit, www.MemorialHealthcare.org



Breakfast with Santa

Breakfast with Santa is back at Memorial Healthcare Main Campus Auditorium.

Saturday, December 9th, session 1: 8:30 - 10am; session 2 10:30am - 12 Noon.

Breakfast/brunch buffet with Santa, photos and visit with Reindeer.

Tickets are on sale now. Visit MemorialHealthcare.org/Foundation or contact 989-729-4580. We can not wait to see all of the smiling faces this year!

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Monday

Public lunch from 11:30-12:30 (\$6) add pie for an additional \$2. Euchre is played from 12:30-3 (\$2)

Tuesday and Friday

Lunch is served at 12. (\$4 suggested donation) Bingo is at 12:30 (\$2)

Monday, Tuesday 9am-3pm and Friday 9am-2pm we are open for you to come socialize, play a game or put together a puzzle. We have gift shops for you to browse, too. Currently, we have office space to rent. Please call for current availability. **We hope to see you soon!**

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Middlebury UMC Harvest Dinner

Don't miss the Middlebury UMC Harvest Dinner today, Sunday, October 22nd, serving curbside, take-out only from noon until sold out. The menu consists of meatballs, ham, baked beans, scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, roll/butter and a brownie. The cost is by donation. A Bazaar will also take place in the Church Pavilion.

Sparrow Clinton Hospital Extends Hours for CT Scans

submitted by John Foren

ST. JOHNS, MI – Sparrow Clinton Hospital is responding to the community's needs by extending hours for CT scans to 8 p.m. Patients can now schedule a CT scan at Sparrow Clinton from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., making it much more convenient for those who can't take time out during normal work hours.

CT scans can be used to identify disease or injury within various parts of the body, detecting possible tumors or lesions or checking the heart for disease or abnormalities, among other things.

"We often hear patients' comments on how hard it is to take time off work or for students to miss school for an appointment. Offering evening hours for a CT scan is one way we can better accommodate our patients' lifestyle," said Shawn Galecka, Clinical Diagnostics Manager.

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Sparrow Clinton provides comprehensive diagnostic radiology and imaging services, including bone density, diagnostic x-ray, 3D mammography, mobile wide bore MRI, nuclear medicine, ultrasounds.

To learn more, visit Sparrow.org/Clinton.

Friends of Hospice Hosts Annual Poinsetta Sale

submitted by Melissa Neuhaus

Owosso – The Memorial Healthcare Friends of Hospice is hosting their annual Poinsetta Sale. Plants can be pre-ordered November 1st – November 17th. Choose from five different poinsettia plants.

Pricing: 6" plants \$10; 8" plants \$25; Decorated wreaths \$25.

Purchase for yourself or buy one for a Memorial Healthcare patient. Pick up will begin on December 8th at the Auditorium from 10 am to 1 pm. To purchase, please visit www.MemorialHealthcare.org/Foundation. Payroll deduction is available to eligible Memorial Healthcare employees.

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The Shiawassee Arts Center will be having another six week session of Independent Painting with Philip Ruehle, MFA, Artist/Instructor, beginning Wednesday, November 1 through December 13, (no class on November 22).

Receive one-on-one instruction while exploring the painting genre of your choice (still life, landscape, portraiture, non-objective abstract, etc). This is a great opportunity to experiment with something new or to improve upon something with which you currently find challenging. Students need to bring their own supplies. Mineral spirits will be provided. Pre Registration & payment required: Call 989-723-8354. The art studios are handicap accessible.

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“Lincoln’s Favorite Question...”

“This mortal must put on immortality... (1 Corinthians 15:53).”

With about six months to live, Abraham Lincoln revealed his fixation with the poem “Mortality” to the American painter, Francis Carpenter. In 1864, he spent six months at the White House painting the Great Emancipator. Lincoln never met William Knox, but he liked his words so much that he memorized this poem at a young age:

O, why should the spirit of mortal be proud? Like a swift-fleeting meteor, a fast-flying cloud, A flash of the lightning, a break of the wave, Man passes from life to his rest in the grave.

The hand of the king that the scepter hath borne; The brow of the priest that the mitre hath worn; The eye of the sage and the heart of the brave, Are hidden and lost in the depth of the grave. The saint who enjoyed the communion of heaven,

The sinner who dared to remain unforgiven, The wise and the foolish, the guilty and just, Have quietly mingled their bones in the dust. For we are the same our fathers have been;

We see the same sights our fathers have seen, We drink the same stream and view the same sun, And run the same course our fathers have run. They loved, but the story we cannot unfold;

They scorned, but the heart of the haughty is cold; They grieved, but no wail from their slumbers will come; They loved, but the tongue of their gladness is dumb. Tis’ the wink of an eye, tis’ the draught of a breath,

From the blossom of health to the paleness of death, From the gilded saloon to the bier and the shroud, O, why should the spirit of mortal be proud?

The Greatest Emancipator – Jesus – died to make us free and immortal. So, why dare “to remain unforgiven” when mortals can become immortal? Good question. The answer is in Knox’s question...pride. We think we’re good enough, but compared to a holy God we all fall short (Romans 3:23). We are not good enough. We are broken; thus mortal.

The only solution was God had to die for us, and if we will humble ourselves and receive Him (John 1:12-13), we can be immortal, born twice. Knowing we are mortal, and will die, I ask Lincoln’s favorite rhetorical question a third time... “O, why should the spirit of mortal be proud?”



Faith Focus

by Phil Hoppersberger
Graham Community Church

Obituaries

Bonnie Stine

On Oct. 7th, Bonnie Stine left behind her earthly health struggles to begin a long-anticipated forever life.

Bonnie Leigh Kimball was born Sept. 29, 1954, in St. Johns, MI, the daughter of Keith and Ruby (Acre) Kimball.

She has been a compassionate and caring registered nurse to patients in Carson City, MI and Naples and Lakeland FL, spending her final 30 years at LPMC as an ENT nurse and stroke registrar. She joyfully and faithfully served God by serving others, using her gifts of encouragement and hospitality to help countless patients, family, friends, and strangers. Bonnie and husband Tim met and quickly fell in love 44 years ago on Marco Island, FL, where they were married Dec. 29, 1979.

In addition to her husband, she leaves two daughters, Aimee Elizabeth Stine, and Megan Leigh Stine, both of Lakeland, to help their dad carry on her encouragement ministry. She also leaves a number of brothers/sisters-in-laws, cousins, and nephews and nieces to attest to her legacy of love. Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents and brother Howard Kimball, all of St. Johns.

A graveside service concluding her new-life celebration has taken place.

Bonnie will rest in Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, with her parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles. The family suggests memorials in her name be made to the American Heart Association.

The family was served by the McGeehan Funeral Home (Keck-Coleman Chapel), St. Johns.



Shirley Ann Austin

Shirley Ann Austin, age 86, of Laingsburg, MI, passed away Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at Hazel I. Findlay Country Manor, St. Johns.

Shirley was born in Owosso, Michigan on September 26, 1937, the daughter of Lewis and Francelia (Cook) Walling. Shirley graduated as the valedictorian from Elsie High School with the class of 1956. She went back to college later in life to obtain her Bachelor of Arts and teaching certificate from Michigan State University in 1974. Shirley taught sixth grade at Leonard Elementary in Ovid for 22 years, retiring in 1996.

Shirley married George Kenneth Austin on July 19, 1980, at the United Church of Ovid and they celebrated 43 years of marriage together. Shirley and Ken enjoyed their summers on Lake Victoria in Laingsburg and winters on Mustang Island, Texas. She was very talented musically, enjoyed playing the keyboard, singing and was in a trio called the "Teen Tones" during high school. Most of all, she loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband Ken Austin of Laingsburg, MI;

children: Kim and Diane Winkler of DeWitt, MI; Kristi and Bryon Taylor of Bannister, MI; Kenda and David Ladd of Fruitport, MI; step-children: DeEtta and Jessie Patrick of Florida; Nannette Loedler of Ashley, MI; and Holly Austin of Laingsburg, MI; She is also survived by 10 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters.

The family would like to thank Hazel Findlay and Compassus Hospice for their excellent care, compassion, and dignity that were shown to Shirley and their entire family.

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, November 10, 2023, at 12:00 P.M. at the United Church of Ovid, MI with Pastor Bryan Simon officiating. Visitation will be held from 11:00 A.M. until the time of the service. A luncheon will be served immediately following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the United Church of Ovid, 131 West Front Street, Ovid, MI, 48866 or the Alzheimer's Association Michigan Chapter Headquarters, 25200 Telegraph Rd #100, Southfield, MI 48033. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, Michigan.



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Sleepless in Clinton County

Dear Andy, I cannot sleep at night. I get out of bed at least 6 times a night. I walk, make lists, clean, fold clothes and try drinking warm milk to relax. I am at a loss counting sheep until 3:00 am and then I get up at 7:00 am to start my day. I am groggy until lunchtime and require a lot of caffeine every morning. Any peaceful thoughts? Sleepless in Clinton County

Dear Sleepless,

A good night's sleep is imperative to a productive next day. According to Neuroscientist Tara Swart, MD, adults need seven - nine hours of deep sleep and children need ten to twelve hours every night on a schedule. Some of Dr. Swart's best suggestions include: No television, no nightcaps, no late-night snacks and no binge-watching Netflix's at least an hour prior to bedtime.

Alcohol before bedtime impairs the quality of sleep necessary to function throughout the next day. A glass or two of wine with or after dinner but no drinking after dinner or into the evening. Also, many people think watching a movie or television is relaxing but after a long workday, using electronics, reading a book, being on the computer and texting should stop at least hour or more before bedtime. (Regardless of your age.)

Teens especially must stop using electronics 2 hours prior to bedtime. Early to bed, Early to rise will calm your mind to get into a comfortable state of mind so your brain can power down and be ready for the next day to function properly. I have read some studies that have reported that up to 70% of middle school and high school students are sleep-deprived. It affects their attention span and consequently their grades, memory, and learning abilities.

No late-night snacks. Food stimulates brain activity. Stop eating at 6:00 pm to lose weight. Caffeine can be a significant stimulant that can last up to 16 hours for some people. You may need to drink more water and cut out the coffee and colas throughout the day. Do it gradually to avoid withdrawal headaches.

Some great ideas to get some sleep without a prescription or an expensive otc supplement: Smell lavender before bedtime. I put some oil on my wrists so I can peacefully nod off quickly. Lavender oil and floral are powerful neuromodulators. It relaxes you and lowers your blood pressure. If you are going to drink milk, drink nut milk with a pinch of turmeric which is full of magnesium that helps reduce your stress hormones and calms the nervous system.

A good night's sleep can regulate your circadian rhythms and contribute to a healthier immune system. Use honey to boost your immunity and sweeten your fruit and drinks. All good sleep needs to be in a quiet dark room without stimuli. Having a nightly routine that includes a hot bath or shower before bedtime which could contribute to a better night's sleep. If these suggestions do not work, see your family physician to determine if there is something more serious than over-activity contributing to your sleepless nights.

If you continue to have difficulties, you may have some caffeine in some of your nighttime prescriptions. Be aware of Melatonin in some products. After long-term use, it may have a side-effect of vertigo for some individuals. Check with your doctor, if you continue to have sleepless nights. Recently, I found I needed an antacid to keep from having reflux which was causing restlessness. Good Night. On my way to spray Lavender mist on my pillow. Good Luck, and Sweet Dreams. Andy @ ask_andy@aol.com



The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster
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2023 Ammo Shortage Coming

It seems to be a pattern lately that as soon as retail shelves become well stocked with rifle, pistol, and shotgun ammunition something happens to trigger an increase in demand and or a shortage in supply that overwhelms distribution channels and manufacturing limits. Recently two events have happened that will more than likely start a quick sell off of inventory at retail stores.

The Biden Administration has recently ordered that no commercial sales will be allowed of ammo from the Lake City

Army Ammunition Plant (LCAAP). This 3,935-acre facility is located near Independence, MO and is owned by the US Government, but operated by Olin Winchester. Currently the LCAAP produces 5.56x45mm NATO, 6.8mm, 7.62x51mm NATO, .50 BMG, 9x19mm NATO, 10mm, and 20mm. In the past, Biden and Obama have tried to artificially manipulate the ammunition market by large federal contract purchases or bans on the sale of extra product. But no politicians in Washington are screaming about this recent decision. You don't need to be a genius to understand that the conflicts in Ukraine and Israel probably have something to do with this decision. What does this mean to civilians and law enforcement wanting to feed their AR's, pistols, and rifles? Well, over 30% of 5.56 ammunition sold on retail shelves comes from this plant.

In addition, to supplies being reduced from LCAAP there was a fire/explosion last week at Hornady during the mixing process of primer compound. One employee was killed and others severely injured. Although it is unclear what this means it is probably pretty certain to also cause supply issues.

So how will it start? Within a week or two 5.56x45 and 7.62x51 will start drying up followed by 9x19mm handgun ammo. On top of deer hunters stocking up, shelves will start to

Victor Township Clinton County, Michigan

6843 E. Alward Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848 Proposed Board Minutes from October 10, 2023

The regular meeting of Victor Township was called to order by Supervisor Conklin at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge to the flag was given.

Attendance: Roll call: Conklin, Prange, Willoughby, Fickes. Townsend joined the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Absent: None. 12 citizens in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Prange to approve the October 10, 2023 agenda. Seconded by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Willoughby to approve the September 12, 2023 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Prange to accept the October 10, 2023 Treasurer's report. Seconded by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills and Payroll: Motion by Willoughby to disburse the September, 2023 bills. Seconded by Prange. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks# 28923-28938 in the amount of \$448,212.55 (which includes the Alward Road paving project).

Motion by Willoughby to disburse September, 2023 payroll and related payroll expenses. Seconded by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks# 12501-13007 in the amount of \$11,877.19.

Victor Township Planning Commission: The Planning Commission presented amended bylaws.

The next meeting of the Victor Township Planning Commission will be November 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Victor Township Hall,

LSW: LSW is asking Victor Township to support them in using their discretion when responding to level 3 and 4 calls when LSW is a second responder ambulance. Fickes asked to put the matter on the November 14, 2023 agenda to obtain more information.

Unfinished Business:

Broadband: Discussion of ongoing progress concerning Broadband in the County and Township. The County Task Force met in September and are moving forward with BEAD (Broadband Equity and Access and Deployment) planning priorities.

Cemetery Lot Issue: Motion by Willoughby to assign the remaining grave plot of L. Smith to S. Nelson. Seconded by Prange. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business:

Emergency Services (Ambulance):

The Township Board is gathering information to plan a public meeting related to emergency services in Victor Township.

Reed Cemetery Pontem GIS Services:

Motion by Willoughby to accept the proposal of Pontem Software to provide GIS Mapping and Services for Reed Cemetery. Seconded by Prange. Upon roll call vote the following voted "aye": Fickes, Townsend, Willoughby, Prange, Conklin. "nay" none. Motion carried.

Victor Planning Commission Bylaws:

Motion by Prange to accept the Planning Commission's amended bylaws. Seconded by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Conklin to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Seconded by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion carried.

Lianne Prange
Victor Township Clerk

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look empty and human nature will kick in and the hoarding will start once again and the shelves will start to go bare. The Weekly Sportsman would love to advocate for patience and calmness but honestly who knows how long these conflicts will last so stock up while you can! -WS

City of Ovid Regular Meeting October 9, 2023

Open Meeting:

Mayor Lasher called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Roll Call:

L. Ordiway, L. Perrien, M. Olger, B. Lasher, E. Brown M. Perrien, E. Starn

Agenda

Council Member E. Brown made the motion to approve the agenda with the addition of electronic device for council members. Council Member M. Perrien seconded the motion.

Carried on voice vote

Minutes

Council Member M. Perrien made the motion to approve September 11, 2023 Regular meeting, minutes as presented. Council Member L. Perrien seconded the motion.

Carried on voice vote

Invoice/check register

Council member E. Brown made the motion to approve invoices/checks register from 9/13/2023 thru 10/10/2023. Council member M. Perrien seconded the motion.

Carried on voice vote

Public Comment: Opened 7:03 pm Closed 7:14

Treasurer's Report

Council Member M. Perrien made a motion to approve the budget amendments as presented. Council member M. Olger seconded the motion.

Carried on voice vote

Police Report

• Council Member E. Brown made a motion to remove the "in car" cameras up to \$1,000 per car (2 cars total). Council Member L. Perrien supported the motion.

Carried on Voice Vote

Report Approval Motion

Council Member E. Brown made a motion to approve the reports from Treasurer, Police and DPW. Council Member L. Ordiway seconded the motion.

Carried on voice vote

New Business

a. Trick or Treat Hours- Council Member E. Brown made the motion for the city to have trick or treating from the hours of 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM on October 31, 2023. Seconded by Council Member L. Ordiway

Carried on Voice Vote.

b. Council member E. Starn made the motion to accept the bid from Capital Asphalt for an amount of \$15,100.00 with half the cost covered by MMPA and authorize Mayor Lasher to sign the contract. Supported by Council Member L. Perrien Carried by voice vote.

c. Council Member E. Brown made the motion to authorize Mayor Lasher to sign the Video Surveillance Agreement with Clinton County Regional Educational Service Agency. Council Member M. Perrien seconded the motion.

Carried by voice vote.

d. Waste Management Resolution (2023-09) Council Member E. Starn made the motion to adopt resolution 2023-09 Approving Amendment to Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan as presented by the county. Council member. M. Perrien supported the resolution.

Upon Roll Call vote the following voted AYE: L. Ordiway, L. Perrien, M. Olger, W. Lasher, E. Brown, M. Perrien, E. Starn

Roll Call vote the following voted NAY: None

Resolution adopted

Committees:

a. Council Member E. Starn made a motion to hire David Poff for the full time

DPW position. L. Perrien seconded the motion. Carried by voice vote.

Council Member E. Starn made a motion to approve \$3,131.20 for clerk ad hoc basis bonus pay to Treasurer Liza Kusnier. Motion supported by Council Member L. Ordiway.

Carried on voice vote.

Council member E. Starn made a motion to pay \$1.00 per hour for 120 hours for training new Clerk employee to Treasurer Liza Kusnier. Supported by Council Member L. Ordiway.

Carried on voice vote.

Final Comments:

Council Member E. Starn made a motion to extend the meeting by 15 minutes. Council Member M. Perrien seconded the motion.

Carried by voice vote.

Adjournment-

Council member E. Brown made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Council member E. Starn seconded the motion.

Carried on voice vote

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm

Respectfully Submitted by
Susan Tomasek Swan
City of Ovid Clerk

Sports



Ryan Kiefer and Olivia Dysinger were crowned Ashley's Homecoming King and Queen during halftime of the match up with Caseville October 13th.

Bears Take Down Caseville

by Ashleigh Shaw

It was a chilly, rainy night for a homecoming game, but the Bears made it worth while as they took down Caseville 46-8.

Ashley had a total of 314 yards on the ground for the game, lead by Will Long who had 146 yards scored two touchdowns and a 2-point conversion.

Next in line was quarterback Robert Kral who ran for 142 yards scoring a whopping 4 touchdowns and a 2-point conversion. Jon Snider back from injury scored a touchdown. Gavin Malek had 13 tackles a forced fumble and an interception, R. Kral had 10 tackles and a forced fumble, Gibby Jason had 7 tackles and 2 sacks and Drew Passmore and Tristan Ringle both had a fumble recovery.

"It was a wet and sloppy game but we were able to hang on to the ball tonight and execute our running game. We tried a few passes but they were either dropped or not thrown well. Our offensive line blocked great tonight and the defense played well too racking up nine sacks."

The Bears will look to take on Mayville in the final game of the season.



Wolfpack defender Jackson Audretsch, #11, stops an Eagle run. Photo by Burg Sports and More

49-0 CMAC Football Setback to Fowler Dims Wolves Senior Night

LAINGSBURG — Fowler shut out Laingsburg, 49-0, here October 13, all but extinguishing the Wolfpack's MHSAA play-off hopes.

The loss on Senior Night lowered coach Brian Borgman's defending CMAC champion Wolfpack to 4-4 overall, 2-3 in the conference. The Eagles rolled on at 7-1 overall, 4-1 in the CMAC, their only blemish a 13-point loss to Pewamo-Westphalia.

Such is the disparity of the Central Michigan Athletic Conference (CMAC) — historically, perhaps the toughest small-school league in the state. A week after LHS laid a 57-0 pasting on winless Dansville, they get resoundingly shutout by Fowler.

The Eagles soared in customary fashion by punching on the run game. They opened the scoring with a one-yard run and a 16-yard jaunt in the first quarter.

They piled it on with 16-yard and 58-yard TD dashes in the second period, then added a 73-yard pass completion to pay dirt before halftime. A successful two-point conversion after that final touchdown made it 35-0 at the intermission.

Fowler made it a running clock in the third stanza on two-yard and 26-yard scoring runs.

How dominant were the Eagles? They ran 50 plays for 457 total yards. The host Wolves managed 65 yards on 35 plays. Laingsburg QB Carter Wade hit 8-of-11 passes for 78 yards — but the ground game went backward, with a negative 13 yards on 21 carries.

The Wolves closed their 2023 regular season at Division 5 Essexville-Garber last Friday evening.

Coaches please remember to send your results every week to be included in the Meridian Weekly! email to: news@meridianweekly.com or Tom Turek at tomturek20032003@yahoo.com



Jake Bowen attempts to take down this Mt. Morris player during heavy rainfall. Photo by Michelle Ladiski

Marauders Keep Playoff Hopes Alive, 34-6 Over Mount Morris Panthers

MT. MORRIS

— Tryce Tokar ran for 91 yards and two TDs and Clayton Fruchey added a rushing touchdown, as Ovid-Elsie kept its post-season hopes alive with a convincing 34-6 win at EAJ Stadium here October 13.

Javen Belill added a receiving touchdown, Owen Long a defensive score, for coach Travis Long's Marauders who snapped a two-game

losing streak and completed their 2023 MMAC campaign with a 3-3 record, 4-4 overall. The host Panthers fell to 1-5 in the Mid-Michigan Activities Conference (MMAC), 2-6 overall.

The Marauders dominated the game on the ground, bullying to 237 yards, getting big games from Tokar, Fruchey (88 yards), Carter Kelley (29), Isaac Orta (12), Jamison Custer (11), with Anthony Silva, Long and Cohen Brown also adding to the rushing attack.

Tokar completed 2-of-7 passes for 33 yards, including a 23-yard scoring strike to Belill. Brown snared Tokar's other completion for 10 yards.

Long, who recovered a fumbled Panther snap in the end zone for a TD, led a surging O-E defense with 5 tackles. Brock Spitzley also recovered a MM fumble, and Belill (2), Brown (2) and Tokar all recorded sacks. Belill turned in another defensive performance with 15 tackles to lead O-E. Spitzley, Kelley, Hunter Bates, Tokar, Fruchey, Cole Workman, Custer, Michael Bancroft, Long and Ben Wildes all recorded stops for the Marauder 'D'.

Coach Long's crew completed its 2023 regular season with Senior Night festivities last Friday at Mark O'Donnell Field against another squad named "Panthers," 4-4 Standish-Sterling.



Issac Orta #3 gains yards for the Marauders. Photo by Michelle Ladiski

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Sports

Lady Marauder Harriers Capture 3rd Straight MMAC Championship

OVID-ELSIE — The Marauder girls cross country team capped off a phenomenal conference season by earning a third straight MMAC league title.

Coach Brian Powell's Marauders were once again led by Clarissa Baese in 20:42 — which earned her not only first-team all-conference honors but also the title of top female runner in the league.

Piper White finished second with a time of 21:25 and Kaia Spiess finished fourth place at 22:00, both girls earning first-team all-conference accolades.



Clarissa Baese
earned the title of
MMAC League
Champion

Additionally, Audrey Bensinger ran a 23:05 to secure her spot among MMAC second-team all-conference runners.

In the male competition, the O-E boys competed well at the final MMAC league meet, finishing 2nd to Otisville-Lakeville. Several Marauder runners earned top honors.

Clay Powell raced to victory by running a 16:56, earning him first-team all-conference honors and secured the title of top male runner in the league.

Joshua Miller ran an 18:34 for first-team all-conference honors. James Kelly posted a time of 18:48 earning him a spot among second-team all-conference honorees and Travis Wright earned honorable mention accolades with his time of 19:31.

Devereaux, Rathka, Logghe are Top CMAC Runners for LHS

FOWLER— The Wolfpack ran well at the CMAC championships at Fowler HS. Noah Devereaux finished first team all conference. Emily Rathka finished second team all conference and Evelyn Logghe was all conference honorable mention.

The Lady Wolfpack finished second in the league and the boys claimed fifth.

P-W also placed first in the team standings with 17 points. Laingsburg was second with 80 and Saranac placed third with 93.

Logghe ran 16th (21:56.7) while teammates Samantha Gutzman (23rd, 22:28.8), Hazel Burley (24th, 22:42.7) and Addison Rusz (25th, 22:48.0) followed behind.

In the boys competition, coach Shawn Baynes' Wolfpack finished fifth (157). Pewamo-Westphalia was first with 34 points.

Noah Devereaux of Laingsburg finished fourth overall in 16:40.6. Collin Farmer of Pewamo-Westphalia was first in 15:48.6. Laingsburg's Felix Ramirez ran 33rd (19:16.4). James Foltz of the Wolfpack finished 38th (19:35.5). Lucas Shastal of Laingsburg finished 53rd in 20:19.4.

Marauder CASL Cup

submitted by Craig Thelen

The Marauder CASL Cup, soccer for U13 - U15 Boys and girls will be held on Sunday, October 29th at 2pm at the high school turf field.

There is no cost to players.

7v7, 6 teams/3 fields. There will be five 20 minute games.

High school players ref. and coach.

Admission is \$5; Senior Citizens \$2; Students \$1.

A 50/50 raffle will be held.

Procedes go to O.E. casl soccer.



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Shiawassee Arts Center Painting Classes

submitted by Linda Ruehle

The Shiawassee Arts Center is offering two more series of watercolor classes with Artist/Instructor Lisabeth Curnow. If you are interested in getting started with watercolor or returning to painting with watercolor, this is for you!

Watercolor for Beginners - Texture & Color

Thursdays, October 26, November 2 & 9 from 10am until 12N

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These skills will enable you to paint more realistic landscapes and still-life. We'll take those basic techniques you already know to a more advanced level - allowing you to improve tonal depth, composition in your paintings, and the ability to mix the colors that you see in nature.

This class is for anyone who has used watercolor in the past and would like to start again, experienced artists who are looking to improve their skills, or if you just want to have some fun while painting with other artists. Bring your supplies. Call for cost. (Experienced beginners to Intermediate level artists)

Pre-registration and payment required. Call the Arts Center at (989) 723-8354, for registration or for questions regarding any classes. The Shiawassee Arts Center is located at 206 Curwood Castle Drive, Owosso. The classrooms are handicap accessible.

Village of Elsie Adopts New Alert System

submitted by Dawn D
Levey

ELSIE – The Village of Elsie with the Elsie Police Department and Elsie Area Fire Department have adopted a new alert system for Village residents. CODERED is an emergency notification system to provide a number of options for residents: weather warnings, community events, water payment reminders and tax reminders. Alerts are sent from local public safety agencies and offices by mobile app, SMS text and email.

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Gridiron Gurus PICK 'EM Contest

1st place Tom Doubrava (Pizza)
2nd place David Keener (Sandwich,
tiebreaker)
3rd place Vivian Hrncharik
(Breadsticks, tiebreaker)

The tough picks continued in Week 7 for our fearless (?) forecasters, as the Guru continued to baffle with his bodacious college offerings.

Who knew Pitt would take it to Louisville? Who knew Missou would stick it to Kentucky?

Who knew Michigan State would blow a three-touchdown lead to Rutgers? OK. OK. To be fair, almost everyone got that one.

The NFL slate didn't prove to be as tough, save for the Washington Commanders domination of the Atlanta Falcons.

Elsie's Tom Doubrava put the peddle to the metal and left the rest of the field in his wake, going 11-1 for near-perfection. Hats off to the D-Man as nobody else came close.

We will be running the contest every week until the end of the regular college football season (no bowls), and including six picks in the NFL week.

It's simple, fast, easy to play and FREE. For those who play every week, there will be a winner's prize fund to be disbursed at the end of the season for whoever ends up picking the highest total of winners.

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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.

The Wolfman lurks in the shadows, waiting for the Halloween full moon with these lead-pipe locks: Miami, Florida State, Bama, USC, OhHowIHateOhioState, Harvard, Saints, Bucs, Lions, Broncos, Bears, Colts.



GRIDIRON

GURUS

by Tom Turek

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Editorial



A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

I am amazed at how interesting life can be at times. I was again privileged with meeting another one of my readers yesterday afternoon as I was locking up MG's. We sat down on the outside bench under the awning and chitchatted for a bit. I now must practice on making both salt rising bread and sour dough bread. I keep getting calls for them both, don't be surprised if I announce that I have finally managed to make a presentable loaf. I have been making a low gluten barley bread and have just started making millet bread. And I know that Diane and I will be working with our raised donuts today at the shop, which is a good thing because I have a lady who wants glazed doughnut holes. I also need to check out my Mom's recipe box for her pumpkin roll recipe. Practice makes perfect or so I am told and I do need the practice...

To be honest, I should have known that this was going to be a very busy and eventful week for me. If I would just remember that the week is usually a reflection of whatever happens on Sunday then I would probably be prepared for what follows. For instance, this past Sunday I picked up a half a bushel of apples at the shop, picked up baked goods for fellowship, picked up a fiftieth wedding anniversary card for my neighbors, and made it to St Johns to make a bank deposit before making it to church on time. And yes, I enjoyed the sermon and the fellowship that followed. I believe that I got home a few minutes after one. I putzed around for a bit and then headed over to the anniversary party at the Ashley Community Center. I did have a wonderful gabfest with old friends and then stopped to visit with my sister before coming home to make Prudence happy by relaxing the rest of the evening.

I believe that Monday was a slower day. I just canned fourteen pints of pickled beets and started picking more of the butternut squash. It has been very abundant this year and I believe that I will be donating most of it to the local food bank. Yup, I still have tomatoes and egg plant to pick. Oh well I do need to dig up the last of the sweet potatoes also. It is good to have goals.

On Wednesday a couple of young ladies came over to help me get the native Michigan flowers and shrubs planted. It took awhile as we three tried to get the wild grape vines removed. I was totally surprised when the digging started. The ground was almost devoid of moisture. At any rate the three of us worked well together. As in I mostly supervised and they did the heavy labor. I did help with the digging up of the snowball bushes. The girls also finished picking the butternut squash, tomatoes and even found a few bell peppers to take home. I think that they were talking about some fresh salsa. All of us picked the gourds and then threw the vines onto the burn pile. We made a great deal of headway. Planted four shrubs, twelve flowers and three variegated Hostas. Today I'm very much lame. Barb also came down for some squash as did my sister who picked up a few to share with friends and neighbors. Barb and I sat on the deck and watched the three kittens bounce and jump around, we laughed at their antics.

This morning Pam stopped by with three bags of inspirational books and Bibles that will be passed on to missionaries. I didn't do much at the shop, just discussed things and put smiles on faces. We have a cheeky bunch of regulars that guffaw at many things. They are a hoot to have and help us all be more positive. What would be do if they weren't there to tease us? Onwards, I had to pick up our co-op order and take it home. It only involved one fifty pound bag of flour this week. Glad that I had most of it moved into the house before the rain came.

Tomorrow I will get to sleep in and spend the day running errands, maybe have lunch with the ladies. May God bless you with the time to spend with friends and family. Enjoy !!!

Crystal Mitchell©2023



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WEEK NINE

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Annual Dinner of Shiawassee County Agricultural Society

submitted by Carrie Rutkowski

The annual dinner meeting of the Shiawassee County Agricultural Society, the organization that owns and directs the operation of the Shiawassee County Fairgrounds, is scheduled for Saturday, December 2, 2023.

Community members are invited to show their support for the Shiawassee County Fair, the Board Members and Youth of the County by becoming a member of the Society. Yearly dues are \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. Your membership must be paid into the fair office by Thurssday November 2, to be eligible to vote.

This years annual meeting will be held at the Durand VFW Hall, 932 N Saginaw St, Durand, MI 48429. Social hour begins at 5 pm, with dinner at 6 pm and the business meeting with awards at 7 pm followed by a reverse raffle.

Dinner reservations are \$20 per person and must be made no later than November 21 in the fair office.

This years reverse raffle has only 100 tickets available. These tickets are \$100 each and may be purchased by individuals or groups. Tickets are available for purchase through board members or at the fair office.

For more information or to make reservations call the fair office at 989-743-3611.



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 November 1, 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 \$60,547.63. 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: September 27, 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

(10-01)(10-29)

Ornament Sale

The Friends of Hospice are selling ornaments of remembrance for the Friends of Hospice Christmas tree. These ornaments are in remembrance of a loved one and will be displayed on the Friends of Hospice Christmas tree located in the main lobby at Memorial Healthcare from November 27th - December 27th. Ornaments must be picked up from the front desk in the lobby the week of January 2, 2024.

Ornament Descriptions:

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Ornaments may be purchased November 1st – November 17th and are \$20 each. Payroll deduction is available to eligible Memorial Healthcare employees. To purchase, please visit www.MemorialHealthcare.org/Foundation.

CACS Christmas Applications and Old Newsboys Applications

submitted by Rebecca Zemla

C.A.C.S Christmas Applications and Old Newsboys Applications for Children 18 or under who reside in Shiawassee County, are available at Capital Area Community Services (1845 Corunna Ave., Owosso), now through November 22, 2023.

All HOUSEHOLDS must meet 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines to qualify. Applications are available by calling CACS at 989-723-3115. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact CACS. Thank you.

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 November 1, 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 INFORMATION: Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Julie Bishop, a single woman, whose address is 704 N. Lansing Street, Saint Johns, Michigan 48879, as original Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for The Dart Bank, being a mortgage dated November 13, 2015, and recorded on November 23, 2015 with Document Number 5235103, Clinton County Records, State of Michigan and assigned by said mortgagee through mesne assignments to J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp., as assignee as documented by an assignment dated April 4, 2022 and recorded on April 6, 2022 and given document number 5323763 in Clinton County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR AND 03/100 DOLLARS (\$80,144.03). Said premises are situated in the City of St. Johns, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, and are described as: Lots 15 and 16, Walker and Steel Subdivision of Out Lot “A”, Except A 13 foot wide portion of

Lot 16, with boundary running parallel to the Northern boundary line of Lot 16, Walkers Subdivision of Out Lot “A”, as recorded in Liber 46 of Deeds, Page 331, Clinton County Records. Street Address: 704 N. Lansing Street, Saint Johns, Michigan 48879 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA § 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCLA § 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. THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 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. Dated: October 1, 2023 For more information, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing: Kenneth J. Johnson, Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC, 5955 West Main Street, Suite 18, Kalamazoo, MI 49009. Telephone: (312) 541-9710. File No.: MI 23 5278

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Joshua A. Jackson, 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): Flagstar Bank N.A.
Date of Mortgage: September 25, 2020
Date of Mortgage Recording: October 20, 2020
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$56,603.19
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Essex, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: One acre of land situated in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 1, Town 8 North, Range 3 West, Essex Township, Clinton County, Michigan, commencing 15 rods East of the North 1/4 post of said Section 1; running thence South 10 rods; thence East 16 rods; thence North 10 rods; thence West 16 rods to the place of beginning. Common street address (if any): 4433 W Gratiot County Line Rd, Saint Johns, MI 48879-9745
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judiciary 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 damage to 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. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judiciary 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 NOVEMBER 22, 2023. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott R. Bradford, to Fifth Third Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated November 10, 2022 and recorded December 9, 2022 in Instrument Number 5331450 Clinton County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Seven and 6/100 Dollars (\$130,247.06). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Clinton County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on NOVEMBER 22, 2023. Said premises are located in the City of Ovid, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as: LOT 1, BLOCK C, STONES ADDITION TO THE CITY OF OVID, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 17. 211 E 1st Street, Ovid, Michigan 48866
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: October 22, 2023
File No. 23-010443
Firm Name: Orlans PC
Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084
Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

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If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: October 1, 2023 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 23MI00718-1

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Clinton County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on NOVEMBER 22, 2023. Said premises are located in the City of Ovid, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as: LOT 1, BLOCK C, STONES ADDITION TO THE CITY OF OVID, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 17. 211 E 1st Street, Ovid, Michigan 48866
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If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: October 1, 2023 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 23MI00718-1

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CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CLINTON
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of
James Franklin Haakenson, also
known as James F. Haakenson,
Deceased
Date of Birth: Redacted
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The
decendent, James Franklin
Haakenson
Died September 22, 2023
Creditors of the decendent. Settlor
are notified that all claims against
the deceased, his estate, or his
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presented to Connie L. Haakenson,
Trustee of the James F. Haakenson
Trust under Agreement dated
October 13, 1989, within four
months after the date of publication.
This notice is published pursuant to
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estate to whom letters of administra-
tion have been issued. Notice is fur-
ther given that the trust estate will
be thereafter assigned and distrib-
uted to the persons entitled to it.

Connie L. Haakenson,
c/o Anthony J. Frasca, Attorney
c/o 2723 S. State Street, Ste 400
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
(734) 214-7614

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CLINTON
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

GLENN C. WHITFORD
LIVING TRUST
Date of Execution: May 12, 2022
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The
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who lived at 2523 Wildcat Rd.,
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Died: September 27, 2023
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deceased will be forever barred
unless presented to the Trustees of
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TRUST within four months after the
date of publication.

Mary E. Prowont
2598 Wildcat Rd.
St. Johns, MI 48879
Liane A. Knight
5827 Lochinvars Trail
Marshall, MI 53559

Wieber Pratl Law, PC
John E. Wieber P28441
201 E. State Street
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**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE SALE** Notice
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or cashier's check at the place of
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at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE
SALE - A mortgage was granted by
LANCE JUBB, Mortgagor(s), to
MORTGAGE CENTER LLC,
26555 EVERGREEN ROAD, STE.
900, SOUTHFIELD, MI 48076,
Mortgagee, dated JANUARY 31,
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the Register of Deeds for Clinton
County, and State of Michigan on
FEBRUARY 4, 2020, in INSTRU-
MENT NO. 5288997, on which
mortgage there is claimed to be
due, at the date of this notice, for
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THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED
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attorney fees as provided for in said
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instituted to recover the moneys
secured by said Mortgage, or any
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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 here-
by 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, neces-
sary 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: That part
of the South 3 / 4 of the East 1 / 2
of the Northeast 1 / 4 of Section
10, T5N, R2W, DeWitt Township,
Clinton County, Michigan,
described as follows: Beginning at
a point on the East line of said
Section 10, 1372.00 feet North of the
East 1 / 4 corner South 88° 28'
50" West 264.00 feet; thence South
196.8 feet parallel with said East
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sale. If the property is sold at fore-
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600.3278, the borrower will be held
responsible to the person who buys
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Family Fun & Fellowship

submitted by Deb Smith

On Sunday, October 29th at 5pm the Bannister United Methodist Church will hold Family Fun and Fellowship.

The music will start at 5pm featuring The Clarkson's Band with guest Kathy Ford.

Food, fun and fellowship will follow at 6pm.

Everyone is invited.



Team Larry Walk to Defeat ALS

submitted by Allen Martin

Nearly fifty walkers represented Team Larry in the Walk to Defeat ALS, held in Ovid on October 8. The annual walk is organized in memory of Larry Martin, who lost his battle with ALS in 2019.

Over \$4000 was raised by the event, exceeding the team's goal. The funds were donated to the ALS Association's Michigan Chapter toward their support of families affected by ALS, as well as researching a cure for the disease.

The Martin family wishes to thank all who came to walk with us and those who so generously donated!



(l-r): Deb (Crocker) Leonard; Deb (Terrell) Smith; Dave Osborn; Patty (Uribe) Roof; Cheryl (Schriener) McGovern; Mary Ann (Fabus) Cobb; Tim Thompson; Trudy (Nelson) Paulis; Kim Cordray; & Sheila (Oswald) Rademacher.

Ashley Class of 1973 Reunion

submitted by Deb Smith

Ashley High School Class of 1973 gathered recently to celebrate 50 years of life after high school! There was a lot of laughter & catching up! After the reunion some of the class toured the school. There have been many updates & improvements in the last 50 years!

Sparrow Clinton Hospital Awards BEE Award to Recognize Outstanding Caregiver

submitted by John Foren

ST. JOHNS, MI – Sparrow Clinton Hospital is pleased to announce that Lead Phlebotomist Mary Gardner has received the BEE Award for her patience, professionalism, and continuously going above and beyond.

The BEE Award recognizes excellence among non-clinical support caregivers who contribute to Sparrow Clinton's quality, compassionate care. The acronym BEE stands for Being Exceptional Every day.

Mary's nomination reads, "Mary is by far the sweetest, most caring team leader I've ever known!! She goes above and beyond the call to demonstrate how to care for others. Through what could be considered the hardest year of one's life, she still manages to always show up and lead this team with patience, professionalism, understanding and the utmost concern for us all. Mary deserves to be recognized for being the best."

Other nominees included Sloane Bingle, Laboratory; Diane Dvorak, Nuclear Medicine; Carroll Hagerman, Environmental Services; Emily Ladiski, Nursing; Tracey Powelson, Radiology; Dr. Katie Ryan, SMG St. Johns; and Marisa Williams, Patient Access.

Thank you, Mary, for your compassion and dedication to our patients and caregivers!

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