

Student/Athlete Signing Day at Ovid-Elsie



On Tuesday, November 14th, Maddisyn Miller signed a Letter of Intent to play softball at the next level at Adrian College, a liberal arts college in Adrian, Michigan. Honored three times MMAC 2nd team and two times All District in softball. She also was a member of the wrestling team earning a Regional Championship and placing 3rd at States. The voice on the field from the catcher position, a power hitter on offense and a cannon for an arm, are just a few of her strengths described by Coach Gingrich. Maddy is pictured here with her parents, Teanna and Kyle Miller and her brother Jarred.



On Tuesday, November 14th, Karigann Cuthbert signed a Letter of Intent to play softball after high school at Aquinas College, a liberal arts college in Grand Rapids, Michigan. A captain of the varsity softball team for 3 years, MVP in the 2023 season, 1st Team All District & MMAC 1st Team with high school season ending 50 hits and a 4.40 batting average. Described by Coach Gingrich as a leader on the field and in the classroom, a universal player on defense and on offense can power hit or play small ball. Karigann is pictured here with her parents Derek and Erin Cuthbert and brother, Camren.



Ava Bates, the third to sign her Letter of Intent on November 14th. She will play basketball at the next level at Northern Michigan University in Marquette, Michigan. Named All State 2022-23, MMAC Player of the year 2022-23, Mid-Mich All Area (1st team) 2022-23, 1st team All Conference 2021-22-23 and school record most 3 points in a season with 46. Coach Cunningham offered these remarks, a passionate basketball player and one of the most versatile players he has coached as well as a great teammate. Ava is pictured here with her parents Courtney and Andy Bates and sisters Lilian and Audrey.

Photos by Denise Burgess



Ovid-Elsie Marauders raised the regional trophy on Saturday, November 11th at Constitute. See story on page 7. Photo by Michelle Ladiski

Ovid Lions Club Cheese Sale Returns

Just in time for Thanksgiving, the Ovid Lions Club has begun their Cheese Sale. The varieties include Amish Creamery, Vintage Habanero, Colby Jack, Pepper Jack, Horseradish and Baby Swiss for \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Also available is a Variety Wheel which includes Colby/Pepper/Monterey Jack & Colby for \$12. To order call Doc O'Bryant at 989-834-2425, Mary Perrien at 989-251-8517.

The cheese is also available for purchase at the Meridian Weekly on Tuesdays from 8:30-noon or Wednesday and Thursdays from 8:30-4:00.

This delicious Amish cheese will compliment your Thanksgiving table and it also makes a great Christmas gift.



OVID: On Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23rd, Suzanne and Chara, the Mother/Daughter team from Mary's Country Kitchen along with community volunteers, will be hosting a Free Thanksgiving Dinner at the Ovid Lions/VFW Hall in downtown Ovid. A delicious turkey dinner with all the fixings will be served from 11am-1:30pm. Shut-in deliveries will be available if pre-ordered by calling the restaurant at 989-834-9640. Donations will be accepted at the dinner and will be going towards the Ovid Christmas Basket Program.

"My daughter and I are excited about continuing the tradition that my Mom started years ago. My staff and I will be preparing the meal and will be accepting desserts from those who would like to contribute from the community," explained Suzanne. Those desserts can be dropped off at the hall on Wednesday the 22nd after 9am. All are welcome to bring the family and enjoy this holiday meal together.

LAINGSBURG: The Laingsburg American Legion Post 248 along with the Laingsburg Lions Club will be hosting a Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner on November 23rd from 1pm-3pm at the Post home hall located at 1240 East Grand River in Laingsburg. The menu will consist of turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cranberries, cole slaw, rolls, pumpkin pie and beverage. **"Dine-In Only"**

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.



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The Christmas basket donations are beginning to pile up here at the Ovid Public Library. We are so happy to see how generous our community is. Thank you all for giving to this wonderful cause. But we have room for lots more! So if you haven't donated yet, it's not too late. We will be accepting donations of non-perishable foods, toys, household goods and personal hygiene supplies until Friday, December 15.

Monday, November 20 we will be having the Adult Booktasting. The group will meet at 1:00. Please come join us, you might just find your next favorite book.

The Junior Book Club will also be meeting on Monday, November 20. This group meets at 5:30. If you are a teen between the ages of 10 and 16 and you love to read, come join the fun.

The Ovid Public Library will be closing at 5:00 on Wednesday, November 22. We will be closed for the rest of the week and will reopen on Monday, November, 27. We hope everyone has a very happy Thanksgiving filled with lots of turkey and time with family and friends.

Servsafe Class

submitted by Grace Dennis

The Shiawassee County Health Department is offering a ServSafe Food Protection Manager certification class on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at the Caledonia Township Hall from 8:00am-5:00pm.

This class covers a variety of topics and is nationally recognized to certify food professionals.

Pre-registration is required! The class costs \$147.00 and covers the cost of the textbook and exam. Individuals interested can submit their registration and payment at the Shiawassee County Health Department Environmental Health Division (201 N. Shiawassee St. 3rd Floor, Corunna, MI 48817).

Questions about the ServSafe Certification Class can be directed to Alexis Challender (achallender@shiawasseechd.net or 989-743-2341).

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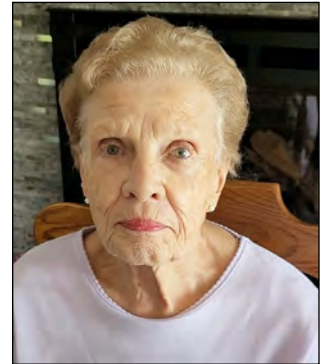
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Mary Lou Hebeler Celebrating 90th Birthday

Mary Lou Hebeler will be celebrating her 90th birthday on Tuesday, November 21st.

Birthday wishes may be sent to her at 409 N. Main St., Ovid, MI 48866.



Elsie Community Christmas Project

by Dawn D. Levey

ELSIE – The holidays are a wonderful time of year to give back to our community. The Elsie Community Christmas Project has partnered with Elsie United Methodist Church as a drop off and pick-up location. Last year we were able assist Elsie area families during the holiday season.

The Community Christmas Project committee is once again seeking support from local businesses, community organizations, churches and individuals to make this season wonderful for our area families. The Elsie Community Christmas Project intends to create joy during the holidays by providing items for family fun - popcorn, hot chocolate, children's card games, board games, plus personal care items.

Checks and donations can be dropped off at the Elsie United Methodist Church, 160 W. Main Street, Elsie, on Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday between 8 am-2 pm or at the Elsie Village Office Monday thru Friday. Monetary donations can be mailed to Elsie United Methodist Church, PO Box 189, Elsie. Contributions need to be made by December 15.

**Free Thanksgiving
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Thursday, November 23rd - 1pm-3pm

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Cole Slaw - Rolls
Pumpkin Pie
Beverage**



Massage Therapist and Nail Tech Join Piggy Tails

Tara Baese, owner of Piggy Tails Hair Salon in Elsie is proud to announce the addition of a massage therapist and nail tech to her salon.

Elsie resident, Megan Heathman, is a licensed massage therapist with ten years experience. Previously she worked for Dr Massa in St Johns for 8 years. She specializes in Therapeutic, Deep Tissue, Lymphatic drainage and Pregnancy Massages. She is available by appointment on Monday & Tuesday 11am-7pm, Thursdays & Friday 8:30am-4pm by calling or texting her directly at (517)896-5770. With the holidays approaching, a Piggy Tails Gift Certificate makes a great gift.

Elsie resident, Ellie Gerelt, is the new nail tech at Piggy Tails. She was an exchange student at Ovid-Elsie in 2021-22, hosted by Jeff & Cassandra Davis. After graduation she returned to Mongolia and attended a nail academy there. She then returned to the states this year and attends LCC studying Biology with aspirations of becoming the 1st Neurosurgeon in Mongolia. Ellie offers Gel, Shellac and GelX nail services as well as manicures and pedicures. She is available by appointment on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday by calling Piggy Tails at (989) 862-4080.



Piggy Tails owner, Tara Baese, seated with her staff, standing l-r, Ellie Gerelt, nail tech, Megan Heathman, massage therapist and Brooke Ladiski, stylist. Piggy Tails Salon is located in downtown Elsie.

City of Ovid Regular Monthly Meeting

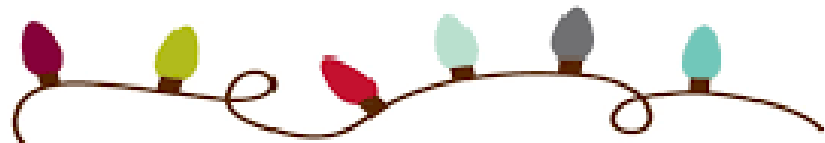
The City of Ovid regular monthly meeting was held on Monday, November 13th with full council present. The agenda, minutes from October meeting and check register was approved.

Public comment included, Nick Lucas, part-time DPW employee, he asked the council to consider him continuing in his role as part-time employee thru the winter months as needed. This request was approved for up to 30 hours per week as needed. Resident, Gayla Ehlert, addressed the council of a continuing standing water problem at her residence on E. Clinton Street. She explained that the problem has been constant and would like to see the issues resolved. Her property sits lower than the road according to DPW Superintendent, Rich Simpson. Ehlert explained that the ditch was filled in years ago and suggested the possibility of digging out the ditch area for better drainage of water. Mayor Lasher explained that with the water project going on, now would be the time to talk with the excavating company to look into a fix for the issue.

The Mayors report included an update on the removal of trees at Gumaer Park. Treasurers report included needing to take action on amendments to budget and action on fund balance policy. Both were discussed and approved. In the attorneys report, he presented to the council the discrimination & harassment letter for consideration. In the police report, Chief Rousseau informed the council of the promotion of officer Hoy to Sergeant, that the in car computers have been installed, two upcoming events for the department, Fill the Cop car on Dec. 2nd from 10am-2pm at Food Pride and Shop with the Cop on Dec 6th in St Johns, She asked the council for consideration to purchase in car camera systems, she explained the need and benefits to the department. After discussion, the council approved the request. During the DPW report, Superintendent Simpson reported that a gas line was hit during the water project work on E. Front street. As a result, Consumers was going to provide an educational session immediately on how to locate the gas lines.

New business agenda items included: The approval of increasing the janitorial pay to \$15.00 per hour retro active to September 1, 2023. Chrome Books for council members was approved for ordering 7 for a cost to not exceed \$2,000. Other action included putting out for public review the 2024 Budget, Parental Responsibility Ordinance and the ORV Ordinance. The Gulf Cart ordinance was tabled until December meeting.

Committee, Boards and Commission reports were given and discussed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10. The next meeting of the Ovid City Council will be held on Monday, December 11th at 7 pm at City Hall.



CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKET APPLICATION

submitted by Holly Hibbard

The applications for the Ovid-Elsie Christmas Assistance will be available starting Monday, November 6, 2023. The applications will be available at the following locations:

Ovid – Leonard Elementary, Ovid City Hall and Ovid Public Library
Elsie – E.E. Knight Elementary and Elsie Village Hall

Families MUST live in the Ovid-Elsie School District and must not be receiving holiday assistance from another agency. Applications must be turned in at one of the above listed locations by Monday, December 4th.

Mid-Michigan Honor Flight

Early Thursday morning on November 9, the St. Johns Kiwanis club was honored to have veterans and a representative from the Mid-Michigan Honor Flight organization at their meeting. Kathy Barnes spoke about their goal of providing Michigan veterans with a free "Tour of Honor" to Washington D.C. The trip is intended to reinforce on a personal level our country's appreciation for their service. The trip allows the participants to visit various monuments in the D.C. area.

Since the Mid-Michigan Honor Flight chapter was founded in 2014, they have completed 17 flights, while accompanying over 1050 honorees.

The Mid-Michigan Honor Flight chapter is one of three chapters that cover the state of Michigan. The Mid-Michigan chapter serves 51 counties spanning the central and upper part of the Lower Peninsula.

For the honoree everything for the trip is free. Kathy explained that every flight or mission costs between 120,000 to 150,000 thousand dollars to complete. Veterans who have attended spoke of what a wonderful event it is-whether as an honoree or as a guardian (escort). John Fitch attended the meeting and spoke of his experiences as a guardian/escort.

The Mid-Michigan Honor Flight current 2024 schedule is: Mission 18 Flight Dates, May 14 – 15, Grand Rapids, Gerald Ford Airport and Mission 19 Flight Dates, June 11 – 12, which will be an all-female veterans (honoree and guardian) flight.

The success of this project is only possible with the help of many helping hands.

Financial support works hand in hand with all of the volunteers needed to make this event literally "fly". Help can be given in many forms, such as, thank you notes to the honorees, greeting Veterans at the airport, welcoming home, among many others. An example of this would be the lap quilts that have been made to give to the honorees.

For more information or to apply for the "Tour of Honor" please check out their website: www.midmichiganhonorflight.com. Any questions on partnering with them as a financial sponsor, or volunteer you can also contact Mid-Michigan Honor Flight at 231-803-4255.



left to right: Sue Lounds, Mike Zigler, Howard Pierce, Dick Root, Bob Paksi, Dale Brown and Kathy Barnes.

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Obituaries

Kenneth Merlon Draper

Kenneth Merlon Draper, age 81, of Elsie, died on November 14, 2023 at Memorial Healthcare in Owosso.

Private family services will take place.

Ken was born on June 11, 1942 to John M. and Charlotte (Palmer) Draper in Elmhurst, Illinois. He graduated from Elsie High School with the class of 1960. Ken then married the love of his life, Ruth Rutkowski, on July 12, 1963. They shared 60 years of marriage together.

During his life, Ken owned and operated his own chainsaw and lawn mower shop. He also worked at Midland-Ross in Owosso for 30 years.

Ken loved the outdoors, old tractors, and the Michigan State Spartans. He was a hard worker and was always working on various projects or tinkering with things. He was also a member of the Old Gas Tractor Club.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Ruth; children, Mike (Kathy) Draper, Kim Draper; grandson, Heath Puckett; step-grandchildren, Nina and Theresa; 6 great grandchildren, 1 great great-grandchildren; brother, Steve (Paula) Draper; and sister, Linda (Kelly) Stinbower.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brother-in-law, Butch Rutkowski; and sister-in-law, Barbara Robinson.

Private family services will take place.

In Lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Elsie Area Fire and Rescue.



Nancy June Flegel

Nancy June Flegel, age 91, of Elsie, died Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at Ashley Care Center in Ashley.

Nancy was born January 30, 1932, in Wood County, Ohio, the daughter of Ralph and Grace (Philips) Perry. She graduated from Alma High School with the class of 1950, and married Phillip Flegel on February 1, 1952 in Alma, spending 71 years together and raising three sons.

Nancy was famous for her oatmeal chocolate chip cookies, and every kid in the neighborhood knew about them. Phil would take six of them to work with him. She was an avid reader, and loved raising flowers. She loved her petunias, but was never able to successfully grow her favorite flower, the pink rose.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Phil; her son Steven of Ithaca; two grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two sons, Rick and Thomas; her parents; her brother, Carroll; and her sisters Betty, Mary Lou, Shirley, Peggy, Janette, and Kay Ruth.

Funeral services were held on Friday, November 17, graveside at Mt. Rest Cemetery in St. Johns, with Pastor Dave Perry officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the organization of your choice.

The family is being served by the Barden Funeral Home in Ithaca. Condolences may be left for the family online at www.bardenfuneralhome.com.



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Pastor Phillip Rogers

Laingsburg United Methodist Church

210 Crum St., Laingsburg
517-651-5531
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Minister:
Rev. Tiffany Newsom

Middlebury United Methodist Church

8100 W. Hibbard Rd., Ovid
989-834-2573
Minister:
Rev. Tiffany Newsom
Worship Service
9:00 a.m.

Bannister United Methodist Church

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Sunday Worship 11:15am

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Sunday School: 9:00am
Worship Service 10:00am
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Pastor: JD Paik

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WINTERFEST IN LAINGSBURG

A Holiday Tradition in Laingsburg is Winterfest. The event will run from November 26th thru Saturday December 2nd. Events include a business decoration contest featuring storefronts showcasing their holiday spirit. A home decorating contest will be held again this year. Anyone with a Laingsburg address can participate. Thoughtful Tress Decorating, Stuff the Bus, Letters to Santa and Mr. Grinch.

The annual first Saturday in December will feature a celebration downtown from 4pm-8pm on Friday, December 1st. Santa & Mrs. Claus will be greeting kids inside the ECDC. A holiday market, kids games, music and merchant specials will highlight the evening. Santa's Light Parade will begin at 6pm. Don't miss this annual holiday event in Laingsburg. For more information on Winterfest can be found online at <https://laingsburgbusiness.org> or on facebook by searching LaingsburgBCA.

ELSIE TREE LIGHTING

The annual Community Christmas celebration will be held in downtown Elsie on Saturday, December 2nd. Visit the Gingerbread Exhibit at the Masonic Building before the parade. The event will start at 7:00pm with the light parade followed by the official lighting of the Christmas tree. Santa will visit with children and event goers will enjoy music, cookies, popcorn and hot chocolate. This event is hosted by the Elsie Fire & Rescue, Elsie American Legion Post 502 and the Village of Elsie. For more information or to sign up for the parade call the Village office at (989)862-4273.

ELSIE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Join Santa for Breakfast on Saturday, December 9th from 10:00am-2:00pm. Elsie Fire Department, 140 W. Maple St., Elsie.
Breakfast includes: Pancakes, Sausage, Muffins, Juice, Coffee and Hot Cocoa. Donations only.
Get a picture with Santa for \$5. Photos provided by Selfie Sensations Photobooth.
All proceeds benefit the Elsie Area Fire Auxiliary.

CHRISTMAS IN OVID

The Ovid Carriage Days Committee will once again host Christmas in Ovid on Friday, December 8th at the Ovid Lions/VFW Hall. As part of the event, a tree will be erected and families will be invited to decorate the tree. The tree will be officially lit once Santa arrives at the tree, during the light parade. Santa will then lead children to the hall where visits with Santa, refreshments and the passing out of gifts for kids ages 12 and under. Mark your calendar now for this community event.



Editorial



A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

Holy smokies, Thanksgiving is just a week away... I've confirmed that I will have fresh turkey for the day and honey cured ham on the side. This year I only have fourteen folks in to celebrate the day. After talking it over with my family I will be also be fixing dressing, mashed taters with cream cheese, sour cream, butter. Sweet potatoes from my garden, dinner rolls and a seven layer salad. Possibly deviled eggs... Any fill ins will be furnished by them. Then there are the pies, of course pumpkin, followed by banana cream, coconut cream, chocolate cream, and finally lemon meringue. I am blessed with the company for the day and with the ability to prepare most of the food. I know that I will probably get help with the clean up and dishes that follow. I even cheated this year and bought some pretty paper plates for the desserts.

I was excited when I found two colorful tablecloths for my extended dining room table. It pleases me greatly to have the table set and appealing for all to see the bounty and the pretty dishes that it is served in. Oops, I believe that is a hanging participle, oh well I no longer have to answer to my English teacher's approval and have found that it is okay to not always meet up with the approval of others. As I look over this past year I am reminded that life is progressing well. MG's Perx & Pastries is humming along and growing gradually. There are quite a few improvements. Today I will be making another quick run into Lansing to pick up two more stainless steel tables for Brent to assemble and for Diane to arrange in our baking room. The tables are necessary to hold the new professional mixers and the space to knead breads and roll out pastries. Yes, God is good to us.

There are lots of special orders for us to fill this coming week. Dinner rolls, cinnamon rolls and pies are in high demand. So are the pumpkin rolls that Diane breezes through. Of course we have started with the home made fudge, dipped pretzel sticks and peanut clusters (dark chocolate, milk chocolate and white chocolate). We have peanut butter fudge, chocolate walnut fudge on hand and I will be making a batch of chocolate mint this morning. Diane is making our breakfast burritos for Saturday morning. The are so delicious that I'm salivating just thinking about them, I am glad that she is such a good cook and baker, she now makes a very good fruit kolachy.

Yesterday afternoon Karen and Robin came to the shop to help with the pretzel sticks. This is getting to be an annual event for us. We get to sip our coffee and have a wonderful gabfest. Get silly without imbibing. Tell jokes and make inferences. Of course it is also a test of our artistic bent. Some of the pretzel sticks are very colorful and they are all tasty. We only used milk chocolate and white chocolate to dip them in. There was some green involved, some chopped roasted walnuts and mashed candy canes. I should clarify the process, Karen and Robin came to help and did most of the work. I only had to keep the chocolate melting and then we went to the FooG's for a thin crust pizza. It was good.

It is now time for me to finish de-cluttering the house. Tiffaney has been over and has greatly improved my kitchen area. Like wow, I have counter top space. I'd forgotten how nice that is and I really need it now...I need to use two roasters this Thanksgiving. She will be back Saturday afternoon so that I can continue deminishing the mess. The trunk of my car is full and I have another box being filled to make the trip St Vincent De Pauls. I also have to take pictures of some nifty vests that the Alma Players group may be able to use. Some of them definitely have the Seventies Vibe.

As I sit and write this morning I am very thankful that I have many readers. I enjoy talking to them during their coffee breaks and they do make my days brighter. Yup, I consider them a great blessing. They rank right up there with my family, friends, and good health and freedom to speak my mind and know that if someone doesn't agree with my thought process that there is no bad outcome.

May your Thanksgiving be filled with much happiness and many blessings. Enjoy the day and may your family and friends be there to help in your celebration. God bless.

Crystal Mitchell©2023



Have a Question for Andy?

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Being Thankful this Thanksgiving

Dear Andy,

I volunteer at a local food bank and people would be surprised how many in our communities depend on the generosity and kindness of others in the community. Support for our local food banks and pantries are important, not only this time of year but throughout the year. Please remind our community to give their local foodbank. Many children in public schools are missing their breakfast and lunch during the days off school and during the Holidays. (For some it may have been their only meals of the day.) Please remind those who can give to the food bank to call for instructions or make an inquiry as to specific needs. This Thanksgiving is going to be difficult for many in our community. I have been a Food Bank volunteer for 17 years. I am blessed to be a part of the giving to others.

Sandy O.

Dear Sandy,

Thank you for your commitment to your local food bank. We still need more volunteers in our local areas. Others can help by donating 2 hours a week, buying groceries or donating money. Call your local food pantry to see what you can do to make a difference. Following are some of the Food Banks in our area:

Laingsburg Area Food Bank: 210 Crum St, Laingsburg. Distribution hours are Monday between 1 - 3 p.m. and Thursdays between 6 -8 p.m....Call 517-651-5531

Elsie Area Food bank is open 1st Monday & 3rd Thursday weekly, Produce Days 3 x's per month on opposite Wednesday's 8am to 9:30 am. For more info call Terry or Toni Ornelas at 989-388-8717

Ovid Food Pantries Beacon of Hope Family Care Center. Pantry Hours: Tuesday 5:30pm...Sponsored by - Clinton County Service Center. For more information, please call. Capital Area Community Services - 989-224-6702

Perry, Morrice, Shaftsbury 203 W. Polly St Perry, 517-625-6155 ext 7 Leave a message to set up and appointment time.

St Johns Area Community Services 1001 S. Oakland St. Johns. Food Pantries Hours Monday - Friday: 8:00-11:30 a.m. and 1:00-3:30 p.m. Eligibility Clinton County residents. Documents Required Proof of residence. ie: drivers license, pictured id and mail posted to your address. Any questions: Call 989-224-6702

There are many churches in your hometown that have a food pantry. Please call if you are in need or know of someone who is homebound. It is tough times for many during this Thanksgiving Holiday. With our abundance of food, no one should go hungry. Now is the time we must be there for our friends and neighbors. And, now is a perfect opportunity to count our blessings and be happy. Happiness is contagious.

The old adage that "...It is better to give than receive" goes both ways in today's economy and low wages for many. "It is ok to receive." It humbles us and teaches us to be grateful. Let's be thankful for our loving and generous neighbors; we are all lucky enough to live and thrive in a wonderful community. "HAPPY THANKSGIVING" Andy Send your questions and comments to ask_andy@aol.com or askandyforadvice@gmail.com

REMINDER: There is a FREE Thanksgiving Dinner sponsored by Suzanne and Char from Mary's Country Kitchen of Ovid. If you are a shut in and need your meal delivery call 989-834-9640. All are welcome to dinner at the Ovid VFW hall 214 Main St from 11am -1:30 pm

Laingsburg Lions Club also hosting a FREE Thanksgiving dinner Dine-in ONLY at the American Legion Post 248 located at 1240 W. Grand River, Laingsburg from 1pm - 3pm. Serving until the last drum stick is gone. Free-will donations are welcome.



The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster
theweeklysportsman@meridianweekly.com



The Weekly Sportsman, along with his sixteen year old son Owen, credit opening day success to being prepared, staying cool headed, and a good luck blanket. The nine point buck had an inside spread of twenty inches and aged by the DNR to be four and a half years old. More details to come next week!



Phillip Gruber got this nice 12 point buck with a shot gun on opening day, November 15th at approximately 12:30pm while hunting with his daughter Kayla in rural Elsie.



SRCC Regional Shop Hop Event Celebrates Small Business

submitted by Erin Huska

Small Business Saturday is quickly approaching, and the Shiawassee Regional Chamber of Commerce (SRCC) is excited to announce the Regional Shop Hop Event, happening on November 25, 2023.

The SRCC encourages small businesses within the Shiawassee Region to participate for FREE. They can sign up at www.shiawasseechamber.org under "Small Business Saturday" or by contacting ehuska@shiawasseechamber.org. The deadline to register is Monday, November 20th at 4pm. Businesses will be featured on a map that shares their exclusive deals as well as where to find them and can join in on other customer incentive activities to attract more customers.

Join the SRCC on Small Business Saturday to celebrate and support local businesses in the Shiawassee region. Visit The Shiawassee Chamber on Facebook to check out the event and for more details or call our office M-TH 8:30-4:30!

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Elsie Village Council

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE: The regular meeting of the Elsie Village Council was held Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 7 pm at the Duplain Township Hall.

The Granger Resolution for solid waste management plan, as required by all the municipalities in Clinton County, was presented to officials for adoption. It was noted that the resolution has nothing to do with the proposed super-center. The resolution was adopted.

Elsie Police Department report was presented by Chief Destinee Bryce. The Elsie Police Department conducted five traffic stops resulting in seven citations and one arrest. Overall complaints have decreased from last month with a total of seventy-nine calls for service. Police activity for the month of October consisted of domestics, mdop's, suspicious situations, mental transports and child abuse/neglect complaints. Code enforcement was very busy trying to resolve "problem" blight properties before the snow flies.

Chief Bryce and Officer Grinnell attend the Clinton County Commissioner Meeting regarding the new Clinton County ORV ordinance that was adopted. Bryce stated, "The meeting was very informational and a huge step forward for all Clinton County residents."

Finally, Halloween 2023 was a success, retired Ovid Police Chief Al Goodrich and his wife helped pass candy out to the kiddos. It was miserable outdoors but the kids stilled bared the cold and wet conditions and enjoyed themselves. The department handled two complaints during the event.

Shane Grinnell, village manager, reminded officials of the Business and Property Workshop with a focus on business project grants, November 30, 2pm, in the Village conference room. In addition, an update was presented regarding the newly adopted Clinton County ORV ordinance. The next step is adding ORVs to the Village of Elsie Ordinance. Discussion followed. The consensus is to add the ORV vehicles to the ordinance, a public hearing will be held at 6:45 PM prior to the December meeting.

Elsie Development (Elsie Junior High) update was presented to officials. The property qualifies for a blight reduction grant MEDC. There are positive reasons to keep the building in the ownership of the Village until December 2, 2023 for the initial grant application. After the December date the property will be transferred to the developer, Ken Harris.

Officials took action to renew involvement with Clinton County Catalyst group. The advantage to belonging is looking for and qualifying for economic development the group used to be Clinton County Economic Development. The cost is \$1,000 annually.

Grinnell, proposed that the Village enter into a partnership with the Clinton County Road Commission, regarding weighing trucks that may be over the road weight limits. The proposal was for the Village to provide the site, and building with the Road Commission providing the scales. Further conversation will be taking place.

Next, the Department of Public Works report. Working with EGLE there were no violations on the water and sewer side of the department. Test wells are in, first test has been pulled.

Finally, street signs were discussed with a sample provided. It was recommended to purchase steel signs, cheaper than the coated Styrofoam. There are 76 signs and four "Welcome to Elsie" signs \$1,500 - \$2,000 each. There is road money to purchase the signs. Total cost for signs not to exceed \$11,000. The action will dress up the Village.

Public Comment – Val Vail-Shirey, Clinton County Commissioner, there will be a public hearing December 14, for the renewable energy ordinance at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting. Noting, the state has reduced local control on the topic. However, the County will continue with the process. The 2023-24 budget was adopted.

Hannah Grinnell, Elsie Fire Association Auxiliary, informed officials of the recent purchase of a used ambulance for the services they provide. The auxiliary will be holding a December 9, 10 am-2p, Breakfast with Santa fund raiser. The cost is donation only. Photos with Santa will be available.

Elsie Christmas kick-off December 2, 7 pm. light parade and the arrival of Santa. Cookies and hot chocolate. Fun for all.

Monthly action was taken to approve the meeting agenda with the addition of street signs, minutes of the October 2023 meeting, and the financial reports. Action was also taken to approve expenditures totaling \$44,359.17.

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Marauder Gridders Advance to MHSAA Semifinals for Second Time in School History

CONSTANTINE — Clayton Fruchey accounted for four touchdowns and 206 yards rushing, leading Ovid-Elsie's sudden-strike attack in stunning Constantine, 38-25, in MHSAA Regional football action at Constantine HS here November 11.

It was a Veteran's Day to remember at O-E. Coach Travis Long's Marauders dominated the opening quarter — particularly on the offensive and defensive lines — and raced to a 21-0 advantage before the home-team Falcons could catch their breath. The hosts entered the contest with a 10-1 record and were the favored team.



Clayton Fruchey scored four touchdowns and 206 yards of rushing during quarterfinals against Constantine.

Photos by Michelle Ladiski

Long's charges tore up the "underdog" label in the first two possessions of the game. First, they stymied Constantine's old-school, wing-T running game. Then, with the ball in their grasp, they unleashed Fruchey, who had 24-yard and 2-yard TD runs to his credit with 5:07 left in the first quarter.

The running dominance set up the passing game, Tryce Tokar hitting Hunter Bates with a 21-yard strike and with :17 seconds left still in the opening

Photos by Michelle Ladiski

period, it was 21-0.

The stunning opening set the stage for just the second Regional football championship in school history. O-E advanced to play a familiar post-season foe, Almont, in the state semifinal.

Coach Long explained: "Defensively, we were able to stop their running game. We did a great job of winning the line of scrimmage, both on offense and defense. Fruchey had a monster game running the ball. We took advantage of opportunities."

The Marauders' biggest job was stopping 6'3", 230 lb. RB Bennett Vandenberg, who carried most of the offense for the Falcons.

The Falcons scored the last two TDs of the contest — the final one on a 62-yard run with no time left — to make it closer than it seemed. Pau Gifre booted a 20-yard field goal win the third quarter, with Fruchey adding the exclamation point on a three-yard TD reception from Tokar.

That made it 38-13 entering the 4th quarter.

Tokar finished 11-for-16 passing for 67 yards and the two TD aeriels. Tokar added 34 yards rushing and Carter Kelley 32, as the Marauders outgunned the Falcons 339-282 in total offense. Fruchey daughter four passes for 22 yards, Bates 3 for 33, with Kelley and Cohen Brown adding receptions.

Brock Spitzley had a monster game for the O-E defenders, leading the way with 13 tackles — four of them solo — a fumble caused and a fumble recovery. Braxton O'Bryant also had a big game, pouncing on two fumbles while recording three tackles. Javen Belill boasted 8 stops, Tokar 9, Jamison Custer 8, Cole Workman 5, Owen Long 4, with Jake Bowen, Jaxon Ladiski and Fruchey all recording tackles.

Cole Workman of the "O" line, the guys that get their hands in the dirt.

Photos by Michelle Ladiski



2023 Regionall Champs pictured here with the trophy. Next up, semi-finals Saturday, November 18th in Grand Blanc against Almont.

Photos by Michelle Ladiski

Sports

Wolfpack Soccer Program Doles Out Team Awards for 2023 Season

LAINGSBURG — Veteran coach Natalie Elkins has an eye on the future, while looking fondly back at the past.

"We can't wait for next year," says the boys soccer mentor, "While we will miss our seniors."

"Congrats to our (graduating) seniors Zach Grandy and Dano Winans."

The Wolfpack doled out team awards during the 2023 season-closing banquet. "Congratulations to our captains Dano Winans, Lucas Shastal, Hudson Yates and Andre Van Ells," coach Elkins praised. "They earned it."

Winans was the Wolfpack's representative on the All-CMAC 1st Team. Winans was also lauded as the team's Most Valuable Player.

CMAC 2nd team plaudits were awarded to Lucas Shastal.

The Wolves' CMAC Honorable Mention selections were Dylan Hoard, Hudson Yates and Alex Myers.

All-District honorees were Dylan Hoard and Dano Winans.

Individual team awardees were:

- Most Improved Player, Kyler Campbell, goal keeper
- Freshman Impact Landen Hart, wingback
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- Best Offensive Player, Landon Freeman
- Wolfpack Award, Hudson Yates

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Gridiron Gurus PICK ‘EM Contest

1st place Bryan Reed (Pizza)
2nd place Jason Grieder (Sandwich)
3rd place (tiebreaker) Zach Grieder (Breadsticks)

Happy Thanksgiving, you jive turkeys!

Oddly, one of the big stumbling blocks in Week 10 of our all-consuming contest was San Francisco’s dominance of the Jacksonville Jags. Didn’t they know after three-straight losses the 49ers would be mining gold?

The Guru threw a curveball at y’all with the Dartmouth vs. Cornell game. Whazza matta? Can’t hit the curveball? The Dartmouth Big Green rolled!

Bryan Reed took the big salami — a pizza, that is — by nearly mastering the slate at 11-1. Jason Grieder was nearly as good at 10-2.

But the big story was the race for 3rd place, where 8 pigskin prognosticators — that’s right, EIGHT — finished tied at 9-3. The determining factor was MSU’s putrid performance at Ohio State, a 35-point loss that ended with just a 38-point game total. Zach just missed perfection on the tie-break with 41 points.

Now, we’re down to the wire. Pull on your big boy pants, and give it your best shot, pundits!

The Guru 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.

First place - \$100; second place - \$60 and third place - \$40. Just pick your winners and make a check mark to the right of their name on the entry blank below. Just pick who you think will win the game outright. Weekly, we will be granting a free pizza (1st place), sub sandwich (2nd) and breadsticks (3rd).

MOST IMPORTANT: make sure your entry gets to The Weekly (EARLY DEADLINE) WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND AT 4PM.

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 reminds his faithful readers that this is Rivalry Weekend. Tread lightly, but carry a big stick. Wolfman’s picks are Ohio State, Oregon, Ol’ Miss, Washington, Florida, Grambling, Lions, Seahawks, Jags, Patriots, Browns, Cards.



GRIDIRON GURUS
by Tom Turek
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CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

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 December 13, 2023. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Danielle Heller, a married woman Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender’s successors and/or assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC

Date of Mortgage: June 18, 2021
Date of Mortgage Recording: June 21, 2021

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$103,599.95
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in City of Ovid, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 4 and the West 1/4 of Lot 5, Block 5, Village (now city) of Ovid, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 21 of Deeds, Page 367, Clinton County Records. Common street address (if any): 331 W Pearl St, Ovid, MI 48866-9699 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: November 12, 2023
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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 DECEMBER 20, 2023. Said premises are located in the Township of BATH TOWNSHIP, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as:

PART OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26, T5N, R1W, BATH TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 26; THENCE S86°30’24”E, 1321.75 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 2, PAGE 850 OF THE CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE S03°33’24”W, 1320.38 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 2, PAGE 851 OF THE CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE CONTINUING S03°33’24”W, 20.65 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26, RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NO. 5086591 OF THE CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE CONTINUING S03°33’24”W, 330.00 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING S03°33’24”W, 148.50 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE; THENCE N88°22’56”W, 1326.19 FEET PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST

1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26 TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 26; THENCE N03°40’12”E, 148.51 FEET ALONG SAID WEST LINE; THENCE S88°22’56”E, 1325.90 FEET PARALLEL WITH SAID SOUTH LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.EASEMENT A: A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, BATH TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE SURVEYED BOUNDARY OF SAID EASEMENT DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 26; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 1797.20 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST 1025.31 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS EASEMENT DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 86 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST 300.00 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID EAST LINE 16.30 FEET; THENCE NORTH 96 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST 300.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 03 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE 16.30 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. EASEMENT B: A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, BATH TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY MICHIGAN, THE SURVEYED BOUNDARY OF SAID EASEMENT DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 26; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 1648.81 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST 935.39 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS EASEMENT DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 86 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST 389.62 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID EAST LINE 33.34 FEET; THENCE NORTH 86 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 05 SECONDS WEST 389.62 FEET. THENCE NORTH 03 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE 33.34 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING 15340 Upton Rd, East Lansing, Michigan 48823

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: November 19, 2023
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Firm Name: Orlans PC
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A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Gerald Chapman, A Married Man Joined by Spouse, Spring Chapman to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc acting solely as nominee for ClearPath Lending, Mortgagee, dated November 2, 2019, and recorded on November 13, 2019, as Document Number: 5286009, Clinton County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC by an Assignment of Mortgage dated July 05, 2023 and recorded July 05, 2023 by Document Number: 5336595, , on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Ninety-One and 76/100 (\$275,091.76) including interest at the rate of 3.62500% per annum. Said premises are situated in the Township of Eagle, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: A parcel of land in the Southeast 1/4</p>	<p>of Section 11, Town 5 North, Range 4 West, Eagle Township, Clinton County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 11, 1,681.7 feet North 89 degrees 38 minutes 40 seconds West of the Southeast corner of Section 11; Thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 43 seconds West 990 feet; Thence South 89 degrees 38 minutes 40 seconds East 568.03 feet; Thence South 01 degrees 33 minutes 44 seconds West 990.37 feet; Thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 40 seconds West 541.02 feet on the South line of Section 11 to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 11266 W HERBISON ROAD, EAGLE, MI 48822 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 is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: October 29, 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. 23MI00898-1</p> <p>(10-29)(11-19)</p>	<p>Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM on DECEMBER 13, 2023. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Casey Ovenhouse, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Bank, FSB., Its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 29, 2007 and recorded April 6, 2007 in Instrument Number 5115267 Clinton County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by US Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For VRMTG Asset Trust, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-One Thousand Five Hundred Twelve and 3/100 Dollars (\$91,512.03). 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 DECEMBER 13, 2023. Said premises are located in the Township of DeWitt, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as: LOT 4, PARMAHI ACRES, SECTION 21, T5N, R2W, DEWITT TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY MICHIGAN, CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS. 14904 Turner Rd, Dewitt, Michigan 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 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: November 12, 2023 File No. 23-012199 Firm Name: Orlans PC Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084 Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400</p> <p>(11-12)(12-03)</p>	<p>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 29, 2023. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Douglas M. Root, a married 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): Independent Bank Date of Mortgage: April 27, 2022 Date of Mortgage Recording: April 28, 2022 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$198,088.43 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Watertown, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at a point on the South line of Section 6, Town 5 North, Range 3 West, Watertown Township, Clinton County, Michigan, which is 318.5 feet East of the South 1/4 post of said Section 6; thence East 200 feet on the South line of Section 6; thence North 300 feet; thence West 200 feet; thence South 300 feet to the point of beginning. Common street address (if any): 9440 W Howe Rd, Eagle, MI 48822-9501 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: October 29, 2023 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515</p> <p>1513260 (10-29)(11-19)</p>	<p>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 29, 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: Mortgagor(s): Michael L. Harcourt, married man Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns Date of mortgage: August 16, 2019 Recorded on August 28, 2019, in Document No. 5283037, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Nationstar Mortgage LLC Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: Eighty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Twelve and 36/100 Dollars (\$89,612.36) Mortgaged premises: Situated in Clinton County, and described as: The South 45 feet in width of Lot 2 of Block 1, City of St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. Francis Lynd's Addition to the original plat of the City of St. Johns, together with the East 1/2 of the vacated alley of abutting said premises on the West. Commonly known as 309 N Lansing St, Saint Johns, MI 48879 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. Potential Bidders: For sale information, please visit www.realtyBid.com or call 877-518-5700. Nationstar Mortgage LLC Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400</p> <p>1513505 (10-29)(11-19)</p>	<p>FORECLOSURE NOTICE Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, December 6, 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 certain mortgage made by Jeffrey Taylor and Melissa Littlejohn, Husband and Wife to Fifth Third Mortgage - MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated October 9, 2003, and recorded on October 20, 2003, as Document Number: 5044264, Clinton County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Fifth Third Bank, N.A. by an Assignment of Mortgage dated July 11, 2023 and recorded July 11, 2023 by Document Number: 5336841, , on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Eight and 26/100 (\$72,978.26) including interest at the rate of 6.50000% per annum. Said premises are situated in the Township of Riley, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 22, Township 6 North, Range 3 West, Riley Township, Clinton County, Michigan; thence North 660 feet; Thence West 165 feet; Thence South 660 feet; Thence East 165 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 8980 S LOWELL RD, DEWITT, MI 48820 If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: October 29, 2023 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Fifth Third Bank, N.A. 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 23MI00871-1</p> <p>(10-29)(11-19)</p>
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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Lisa A Hollis and Gerald R Hollis, wife and husband
Original Mortgagee: CMS Mortgage Group, Inc.
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): U.S. Bank National Association
Date of Mortgage: October 6, 2004
Date of Mortgage Recording: October 14, 2004
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$142,765.88
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Bingham, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Beginning 996 feet North of the West 1/4 post of Section 4, Town 7 North, Range 2 West, Bingham Township, Clinton County, Michigan, thence East 321 feet, Thence North to the East-West 1/8 line, thence West to the West line of Section 4, Thence South to the point of beginning lying Southerly and Easterly of the Highway right of way as described in deed dated June 3, 1993 and recorded in Liber 597, Page 491, Clinton County Records
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instituted to recover the moneys secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof; NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the date and time stated above, the undersigned will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said Mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said mortgage, and all other legal costs, charges and expenses including the said attorney's fee, also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect their interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows: Township of DeWitt, County of Clinton, and State of Michigan, to wit: 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 line; thence North 88° 58' 10" East 264.0 feet to said East line; thence North 199.0 feet to the point of beginning. PROPERTY ADDRESS-12240 WOOD ROAD, DEWITT, MI 48820-8373 The redemption period shall be SIX (6) MONTHS from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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