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(At right): Elsie Lions President Rick Jones presenting Elsie Village Manager Shane Grinnell a \$3,000 check to go towards the new fence at the Hero's Park.





High school winter sports have begun! See pages 7-8-9 for more results and photos.

Photos by Burg Sports

#### Ovid Christmas Basket Committee Seeking Volunteers

submitted by Holly Hibbard

The Ovid Christmas Basket Committee is planning for the 2023 distribution in Ovid. It takes many volunteers to make this happen each year. We would like to invite you to join us in helping fill the baskets. We are looking for volunteers on Sunday, December 17th starting at 11:00 a.m. at the Lions Hall in Ovid. Sunday we will be setting up



tables, sorting through donations and putting together the baskets and shopping area.

We are also looking for volunteers on Monday, December 18th at 8:30 a.m. to help with distribution from 9:00-10:30 a.m.

If any individual, organization, or business would like to donate food, personal products, household goods or clothing we welcome the donations. In Ovid, supplies can be dropped off to the Ovid Meridian Weekly or Ovid Public Library. Donations will be accepted through Saturday, December 16th. Monetary funds can be left at the Ovid Service Agency or sent to the Ovid Lions Club, P.O. Box 493, Ovid MI 48866 (please indicate the donation is for Ovid Christmas).

Please call or text Holly Hibbard at 989-666-2215 or e-mail allsmileshkh@aol.com with any questions on donations or volunteering. This program is one of many reasons small town living is so special and involvement is a wonderful way to celebrate Christmas in our community.



Winterfest Week in Laingbsurg was held Nov.26th-Dec3rd. The popular light parade was held on Saturday, Dec 2nd. Pictured here were the stars of the parade, Santa and Mrs. Claus. Events during the week included 5K run, decorating contests, food drive, story time and Community Singers Concert. See page 12 for more photos and results. Photo by Tom Turek

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### Social

#### **Laingsburg Schools Board of Education Meeting**

submitted by Krissy Pratt

Laingsburg Community Schools Board of Education will conduct a regular meeting on Wednesday, December 13, 2023. The meeting will begin at 7:00p.m. in the Middle School media center. Please visit our website at www.laingsburg.k12.mi.us for up to date meeting information.

The major tentative agenda items for this meeting include the following:

2023-24 Budget Update, Preliminary 2024-25 Budget Discussion, Board Bylaws and Policy Updates, Legislative Update, Emergency Operations Plan Update, Strategic Goal Planning, Personnel, and any other business that may properly come before the board.

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#### **Owosso Parkinson Support Group Meeting**

submitted by Owen Prussner

The Owosso Parkinson Support Group to meet on Wednesday, December 13th at 5:00pm at the Shiawassee Council on Aging, 300N Washington St., Owosso. Phone 989-723-8875.

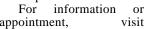
The Owosso Parkinson Support Group meets the second Wednesday of each month.

We will have no speaker for the evening. We will be discussing Michigan Parkinson Foundation's issues they are working for us. Many can participate. Also discuss what are members may be dealing with.

If you or a loved one may be diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease, please join us. We provide information, encouragement, fellowship, and support. If you have any questions about Owosso Parkinson Support Group, please call Karen Prussner, Facilitator att 989-723-6901.

#### **Blood Drive at Duplain Church of Christ**

The Duplain Church of Chrisst, 5565 E. Colony Rd., St. Johns will be holding a Blood Drive on Tuesday, December 26 from 12:00pm to 5:45pm.



RedCrossBlood, org (sponsor code DUPLAINCOC) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767.



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#### Monday

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#### Tuesday and Friday

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

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# **Library News**

#### Ovid Public Library

December is a busy month but we are hoping you can take a break from all your holiday shopping, baking and bustle and ioin us at the Ovid Public Library.

On Monday, December 11 the Adult Booktasting group will be meeting at 1:00. Come join them and find out what good books everyones been reading. Or, you can share a good book you've recently read. There are always snacks and good times to be had at this program!

On Monday evening the Junior Book Club will be meeting at 5:30. This group is for kids aged 10-15. If you love to read, come join them.

On Wednesday, December 13 we will be showing a holiday movie for our Classic Movie. Movie time is 1:00.

Friday, December 15 is our Children's Story Hour and Craft. This month, Ms. Shelly will be reading some Christmas themed books. We will have a Christmas craft for the kids to make and as a special treat, we will have a special guest who will be playing some ukulele music for us. Come join the fun. Story time starts at 10:30.

And just a reminder that if you haven't already donated for the Christmas baskets, there's still time. We will be collecting donations of non-perishable foods, personal and household items, toys, and hats and gloves until Friday, December 15. Please help us to fill the library with items so that we can help everyone in our community have a happy holiday. We appreciate everyone who has already donated but there's still room for

#### **Elsie Library Adventures**

submitted by Ann Trierweiler

We kicked off the holiday season in fine style by making reindeer out of clothespins. For those who missed that Saturday event, there will be a chance to create a reindeer of your own on December 11th. Come at noon and join in all the reindeer games.

The Winter Bingo Reading Challenge will start on December 29th and runs through February 29th. This reading challenge is open to all ages.

The Elsie Public Library will be closed December 22nd through December 26th, so our staff can enjoy the holidays

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#### Ashley FFA at State Competition

Over the course of four weeks, the three groups worked together on the Broiler project, making sure that all of the chickens' requirements and objectives were met. These objectives included nutrition management, record keeping, processing and final finish, and much more.

This year, all three groups achieved a remarkable Gold ranking in the State Competition. A first for both the re-chartered Ashley FFA and their advisor, Amber McAllister.



(l-r): Egg-stein: Gibson Jason, David Johnson, Robert Kral, Chase Kral, and Blake Smith



(l-r): Chickalicious: Owen Crumbaugh, Carson Litwiller, Lee Follett, and Gavin Malek



(l-r): The Ashley Chicks: Brayden Ryan, Marissa Brady, Olivia Dysinger, and Sophia Wirt







Front Row (l-r): Layne Studt, Charlie Zammeron, Elise Drummond. Back Row (l-r): Ryan Kiefer, Gibson Jason,

## Ashley Varsity Quiz Team submitted Joe Shaw The Ashley Vision Control

The Ashley Varsity Quiz Team competed this fall in the MSAC regular season and tournament. Ashley finished with a final record of 7 wins and 4 losses and placed 4th overall in the final league standings. Congratulations to Ryan Kiefer and Gibson Jason on earning 1st team All MSAC Honors.

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submitted by Brian Valentine

hope is for all to have a Merry Christmas!



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#### Christmas Celebration

submitted by Iurman

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### Obituaries

#### Dawn Marie Kajdas

Dawn Marie Kajdas, age 63, of St. Johns, MI, passed away Friday, December 1, 2023, at her home.

Dawn was born in St. Johns, MI on December 6, 1959 the daughter of Stanley C. and Leota M. (Stewart) Kajdas. She was a graduate of Ovid- Elsie High School and later earned an Associate's Degree at Davenport University.

Dawn worked at Capital Area Community Services in St. Johns as a Homeless Assistance Program Specialist. She was an avid reader. Dawn loved her two dogs, Akita and Apollo. She enjoyed camping and boating. Dawn also had a love of scrap booking.

She is survived by her son Cory Sheldon of St. Johns, MI; her siblings: Ronald Kajdas of Elsie, MI; Susan and Dr. Robert Peterson of Elsie, MI; Diane and Dr. Douglas Saylor of Chicago, IL. Dawn is also survived by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral Services were held at Smith Family Funeral Homes

Elsie, MI on Monday, December 4, 2023, with Pastor Mona Kindel officiating. Memorials in Dawn's honor may be made to the Elsie Food Pantry.

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





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#### Laingsburg United Methodist Church

210 Crum St., Laingsburg 517-651-5531

Worship Service: 10:30am Minister: Rev. Tiffany Newsom

#### Middlebury United Methodist Church

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Worship Service: 9:30 a.m. Pastor: JD Paik

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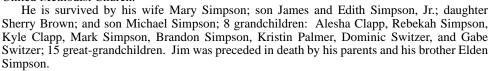
We Welcome You to Come.. Father Raj

#### James Edward Simpson, Sr.

James Edward Simpson, Sr., age 82, of Elsie, MI passed away Thursday, November 30, 2023, at his home surrounded by his family.

James was born in Owosso, MI on August 10, 1941, the son of Ivan and Wiletta (Wilcox) Simpson. He was a graduate of Owosso High School with the Class of 1959. On October 25, 1963, he married Mary L. Cordray at Bannister Methodist Church.

Jim retired from Alma Products and he also was a farmer. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, and loved anything outdoors. His family was very important to him. Jim would help anyone and was always fixing something and working on a project. He had a love of traveling and enjoyed camping. Jim enjoyed watching and feeding birds. He was a member of Carland United Methodist Church.



Funeral Services were held at Smith Family Funeral Homes Elsie, MI on Saturday, December 2, 2023, with Pastor Carol Kusnier officiating. Burial has taken place at Fairfield Township Cemetery, Elsie, MI.

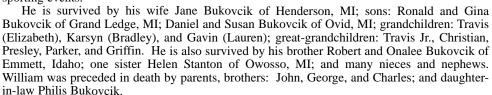
Memorials may be made to Carland United Methodist Church or Shiawassee County Humane Society. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, MI.

#### William "Bill" Bukovik

William "Bill" Bukovcik, age 92, of Henderson, MI, passed away Monday, December 4, 2023, at Memorial Healthcare, Owosso.

William was born in Owosso, Michigan on December 1, 1931, the son of George and Anna (Hlozka) Bukovcik. Bill graduated from Owosso High School with the class of 1950. Bill married Jane Shuster Desborough on August 6, 1960; they were married at Evangelical United Brethren Church of Owosso, MI.

Bill was a lifelong farmer, he continued to farm until 5 weeks before his passing. During the winter months he worked in Laingsburg doing TV repair and also Montgomery Ward. He enjoyed hunting, watching sports and trips to the casino. He was a past 4-H leader in Shiawassee County, volunteered at the Shiawassee Fair and coached 4-H softball for many years. Bill always looked forward to attending his sons and grandchildren's sporting events.



Funeral Services were held at Smith Family Funeral Homes Elsie, MI, on Friday, December 8, 2023. Burial has taken place at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Owosso, MI.

Memorials may be made to Ovid-Elsie Baseball or WOES Radio (Polka Palace). Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan



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Thank You for your generous donations on Saturday, December 2nd during the "Fill the Cop Car" event held at Village Food Pride in Ovid. Pictured here (L-R) are volunteers, Dan, Stacey, Shea and Destin Kinney, Damon Perrien, Chief, Lisa Rousseau and Sgt. Hoy. The community has once again stepped up to the plate for others.



## The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster theweeklysportsman@meridianweekly.com

Cane Poles for Christmas

Despite the fact that bamboo cane fishing poles date back over 4,000 years they are still very effective when used to catch panfish but will also work for larger fish in both rivers and lakes. Most poles can be found in ten foot lengths or even longer and some break down in multiple pieces for transporting to and from fishing holes. A line at least as long as the pole or longer is attached to the eyelet at the tip and a small float bobber is used with a hook for worms or an artificial lure. Technique is simple by either slowly lowering the line into the water so there is no vibration or a quick flip of the wrist while lowering the tip of the pole will give maximum distance.

The Weekly Sportsman got a really late start with fishing this year and didn't wet a line until mid- August during a trip to Les Cheneaux Islands. Earlier in the week, a couple of cane pole kits were purchased for under \$10 and upon arrival at the cottage on Hill Island one was immediately unwrapped and put to use. Racing against the setting sun, a nightcrawler was attached and the line dropped into the water off a raft dock. Instantaneously a perch was caught and the pole lifted in amazement. After this happened numerous times, the Weekly Sportsman called for son Owen to come to the water. He was all smiles when the perch kept striking! That evening the decision was made to only use a cane pole for the rest of the season. The last time on the water was a trip to Park Lake on October 29th which was a calm cool morning spent with friend Nate Hollenbeck. The bluegills were hitting hard just like the perch were two and a half months earlier in the UP. In between those fishing trips, the cane pole was used on trips to Round Lake and Lake Ovid along with the Shiawassee River and Grand River. Similar results all around.

A cane pole is not only cheap to purchase but also is timeless with its simplicity. No matter the age, whether a kid or an old timer, it would be hard not to enjoy going "old school" by using a cane pole when fishing. Christmas is coming and with less cost than a fishing license, or even a couple dozen night-crawlers, you can give someone a gift that will bring enjoyment day after day next summer. If you can't find a cane pole locally to purchase there are plenty of options online and it is still early enough to have it arrive in time to place under the tree.

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Editorials are welcome. 250 words or less. Email to: news@meridianweekly.com Must include name.

#### By the Light of the Tree

submitted by Emily Klingbell, Guest Writer

Basking in the moonlight, soaking up sunlight, enjoying the pink hues of dusk and dawn...all lovely and inspiring... but this time of year nothing can compare to the warm twinkly lights of the Christmas tree. There is something magical about a quiet house late at night with the cozy warm lights of the Christmas tree glowing in



the dark. If lights could be a hug this would be it. You can't wait to grab a hot drink, put on your fuzzy socks, turn on the fireplace, and put your feet up in the recliner. As you stare at the lights, memories of years around the tree dance in your mind. The oohs and ahhs from the kids when the lights first come on. That time when the baby took off all the ornaments around the bottom, or when the cat decided to climb up to the top and the whole thing tipped over. You reminisce about the kids digging through the ornament box to find their favorite ones, and the subtle rearranging of tinsel globs after the little ones have finished decorating. Fond Memories, Warmth, Love, Goodness, Excitement, and Anticipation... all wrapped into a scratchy evergreen covered in twinkly lights. O Christmas tree... O Christmas tree... How lovely are your branches!!!

This year Christmas is extra special. My family moved back to Michigan after many years away. We are blessed to be living in the old farmhouse where now five generations of my family have called home. As I strung the lights on the tree this year, I couldn't help but smile. I remember decorating a tree here with my grandma. Her trees were always so prickly, sometimes I even broke out in hives after helping her. Some of her ornaments were really old and fragile. She only let me handle the non breakable ones! Then there are the memories of decorating trees in the exact same spot with my little brother. Our family moved into the farmhouse when I was 6 or 7. My mom was meticulous about the tinsel. It had to hang a certain way and not be clumpy. It was always very obvious what sections my brother had been in charge of decorating, as the ornaments and strings of tinsel were all in one big bunch. And now tonight I'm back in that very same living room, putting lights on my own family's Christmas tree. It is so special to be adding another generation of family holidays to the life of this house. My kids will have their own Christmas memories in this special place. My daughter already has claimed the tree as her own. Every morning she runs downstairs to say hello to her tree. "Mom, look at the Christmas tree. It's so warm and cozy." Yes dear child, it's the magic of Christmas and the love of family in one twinkly pine tree. Take time to enjoy the lights of the Christmas tree this year. Cherish the moments with precious family and friends as they gather around in love.

O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree... How lovely are your branches!!!

#### Capital City Ringers 40th Annual Holiday Concerts

submitted by Shannon Donnally Quinn

The Capital City Ringers' 40th Annual Holiday Concerts-"The Many Colors of Christmas"--will be at the following dates, times, and locations:

Monday, December 11, 7:00 p.m. Delta Presbyterian Church 6100 W. Michigan Ave. Lansing, MI 48917

Join CCR and Music Director Mark Loring for a family-friendly concert of seasonal carols and holiday favorites—our present to you! For info, www.capitalcityringers.com/events.html or call 517/321-3221.

CCR's 40th Annual Holiday Concert, "The Many Colors of Christmas"--join us for a family-friendly concert of seasonal carols and holiday favorites—our present to you!



## A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

Another week has flown by, granted it was a busy week. I spent Sunday taking a senior day trip to Cadillac House for lunch and then onto the Lexington Theater for a Carpenter's Christmas. The tour bus only had nine thousand miles on it and smelled of its newness. Everything was very stylish and our guide was a hoot and a half. Cadillac House is beautiful and the inn faces the bay. I would enjoy the setting any time of year. I can imagine the bay area filled with snow and ice or the beauty of a spring or fall storm upon the bay. Yes, I do enjoy watching storms when I'm in a cozy environment they are a mastery to behold. I had their salmon served with asparagus upon a bed of wild rice. It was delicious and their coffee was tops. I want to go back and spend a night or two there and learn about the inn's history. The Cadillac House was opened on July 4, 1860 and was operational until it was shut down from 2016 thru the summer 2018 when it received a complete historic renovation. It is now listed on the National Registry of Historical Places. It is worth the trip and Lexington has much to offer just make sure that you are wearing your walking shoes. It was very enjoyable and the folks that also took the tour were fun.

I did spend most of Monday baking for the Winter Market in St Johns. It was an enjoyable day but fraught with minor mishaps. Such as I needed baking powder, I believe that mine had migrated to MG's and I forgot to bring it home. Thank goodness Barb had an extra on hand and I went down to her home and picked it up. I intruded upon their breakfast, I did replace it Tuesday evening when we were both at the Winter Market. I still had to make a mid-day run to St Johns to pick up a few items for the shop...it is terrible to be so disorganized.

Tuesday morning was fraught with minor mishaps. Nothing bad, just enough to throw me off stride. I did have time to take a forty-five minute power nap when I got home at noon. I was up at 4:30 and had a double batch of lemon blueberry bread into the oven by 4:45AM and it takes fifty minutes to bake. So I didn't get to the shop until almost quarter after six. Poor Diane was held over at work and got there by half past...we hustled to get things done. Our regulars gave us a rash for being five minutes late in opening up the door. Diane wasn't feeling well and I encouraged her to go home. Marge came in later for her cinnamon roll fix and I didn't get them done. But she was forgiving and helped me to get things done and almost pushed me out the door at noon. Wednesday I did have the rolls made when she arrived. Wednesday evening I got to have a spaghetti dinner with Diane and Brent. Their nome is decorated for Christmas and their yard is filled with a wonderful variety of displays. I did ask when their tree will be up so that I can start migrating the gifts at my place to theirs.

The Winter Market was enjoyable. I did more talking and got to reconnect with many of my old St Johns' Market folks. It was a wonderful gabfest and also a time of buying some unique ornaments which don't just have to hang upon my tree but will look great hanging upon the open beam between my living and dining rooms. Today I got to sleep in and now to get myself back into high gear. I was hoping to get a double batch of Christmas cut-out cookie dough made. I'm in the mood to get them into the oven. They are a great reminiscing trigger for me, filled with laughter and outlandishly colored cookies. Coffee, hot cocoa, and cookie crumbs abound. This afternoon I have the Sunshine Club Christmas to attend. I am hoping to stop in and see Linda yet this morning.

Of course I'm excited that Karen is finally home after her surgery. I was getting worried but that grand gal is bouncing back well. She is one of those upbeat personalities that are necessary in our lives. I would call her a natural blessing. I have two or three friends like that. The first would be Carol and we have been friends since we were toddlers... Karen and Robin are both healthy additions to my life. And I can't forget Miss Prudence who makes me laugh daily. My life is good and filled with many wonderful blessings.

May your blessings be filled with a loving family(mine is) and laughter and appreciation and encouragement. I know terrible English but the truth of life. God bless.

Crystal Mitchell@2023

### Editorial



#### Have a Question for Andy?

Submit them to: ask\_andy@aol.com

You can also mail or drop question off to: Meridian Weekly P.O. Box 11, Ovid, MI 48866

#### **A Danish Christmas Tradition**

Dear Andy,

Thank you for allowing me to write about our Danish family Christmas tradition. We have an extended family that represents Danish Immigrants going back seven and nine generations. It is our honor to have settled in the Mid-Michigan area. We mostly eat a lot of good food, but it is fun to get together to eat, play games, and catch up with cousins in person rather than on Facebook.

We have a group of 80 to 100 who meet every December for a breakfast that takes all day. We are all descendants of the same grandparents. I have been doing this since I was a baby. My oldest memory was when I was 4 years old. I remember grinding walnuts with my grandmother's glass-etched nutcracker by turning a small black knob. It was a wedding gift for grandma in 1915, sent from a cousin in Denmark. I still have it as a keepsake.

My generation of Danish decedents are from 10 siblings living in mid-Michigan as a Mint Farm family who gather to look at old pictures and eat ablesquels - which are puffs of buttermilk pancake batter with folded egg whites and lots of fresh ground nutmeg cooked in a 7-hole Aebleskiver. Some eat them with Maple syrup, brown sugar or jelly filled. An Aebleskiver is the name of the pan that cooks ablesquels. A sharp point of a crochet hook or a fork flips the of batter into the round ball shape.

The cast iron pan is given as a coming-of-age gift when a young Danish leaves home to have their own kitchen. Most of the older generations will spend the 3-day process of mak-

ing Kringle, a butter layered pastry with fruit and nut filling. Kringle is also available at Sam's and Meijer bakery for the busy non-bakers; it is shipped from a famous Racine, Wisconsin Danish settlement bakery; only available during the holidays. We also make woven red and white paper hearts to decorate the Evergreen tree on Christmas Eve. And we always leave St. Nickolas lots of Kringle for him and his reindeer.

You're Velkommen to attend the 60th annual 2024 Danish Festival in August, Greenville, Michigan which is a 4-day event. Come visit to get the full Danish experience without going to Denmark. I recommend you read The Little Book of Hygge (pronounced Hooga) by Meik Wiking and learn the Danish secret to happiness. Happy Christmas and Good food blessings for the holidays.

Danish Mom

Dear Danish Mom,

Thank you for sharing your family tradition. I will be reading the book this holiday and attending the Danish Festival next August. Happy Christmas to all, even if you are not Danish. Send your family traditions to share with our readers. Start a tradition. It could be as simple as watching the same movie every year and eating popcorn balls. Send your questions, comments and anything you like to share to: ask\_andy@aol.com or askandyforadvice@gmail.com

#### Grove Bible Church Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

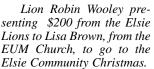
Grove Bible Church will be hosting a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5:00pm on Sunday, December 24th. We will be singing Christmas Carols, sharing the Christmas Story, and having fellowship with cookies and hot chocolate following the service.

#### Elsie Lions Club gives to Elsie Community Christmas



Pictured above is Lion Richard Easlick presenting \$200 from the Elsie Lions Club to Pastor Phillip Rogers of the First Baptist Church of Elsie, the First Baptist Church will match the \$200 and give the Elsie Community Christmas \$400 total.







Ovid-Elsie Lioness Karen Wooley presenting \$100 from the OE Lioness to Lisa Brown, from the EUM Church, to go to the Elsie Community Christmas.









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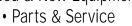
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### Sports

#### **Opening Victory for Lady Marauders, 65-42** over Charlotte

CHARLOTTE —The Ovid-Elsie Lady Marauders picked up an opening night win defeating Charlotte, 65-42. Ava Bates had a team high 15 points including 3-3 point field goals.

O-E opened up the game with a 16-2 run that included four quick points from Ellyanna Carman. The Lady Marauders would finish the first stanza up 21-5 and lead 36-13 at the half. OE also won the third quarter 20-12 before surrendering the fourth quarter 17-9.

"It was a great opening night win for us," said head coach Ryan Cunningham. "We were able to play all 15 girls and saw some great contributions from a lot of kids."

Evalyn Cole had a solid, all-around game with 11 points, 5 rebounds, 7 assists, and 7 steals while Danikka Campbell added 9 points. Braeden Tokar (7 rebounds, 6 assists) and Hailee Campbell (7 rebounds, 3 assists, 6 steals) each added 7 points while Francesca Giacobbe added 5 points in her debut. Carman finished with 4 points, 2 rebounds, and 2 steals, Lily Bates 3 points, and Aly Moore and Tava Kvalevog 2 points each.

Ovid-Elsie connected on 9 of 12 from the charity stripe for a solid 75% and out-rebounded Charlotte 34-21. The Lady Marauders also collected 24 steals on 35 Oriole turnovers while shooting 40% on the night which included 6 triples. OE also handed out 21 excists on 25 mode field goals. also handed out 21 assists on 25 made field goals.



Senior #14 Evalyn Cole going up for two of her 11 points, 5 rebounds, 7 assists, 7

#### Lady Marauders Power Past Ithaca in Non-League Hoops Action

OVID-ELSIE -- The Ovid-Elsie Lady Marauders picked up their second win in three nights, defeating the Ithaca Yellowjackets, 59-22, in their 2023-24 home opener.

'We opened up strong again tonight and built a quick lead," said coach Ryan Cunningham. "When we're able to score a couple of quick buckets, our confidence just builds and we started

Ovid-Elsie (2-0) would outscore Ithaca (0-1) in each stanza - 20-8, 15-4, 8-4 and 16-6.

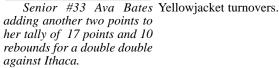
"Defensively, we did a great job stopping their pick-and-roll game," added Cunningham.

Our kids played hard and helped each other out which limited their top scorer from getting going.'

Senior Ava Bates recorded a double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds while fellow senior Hailee Campbell added 10 points while collecting 4 steals and handing out 3 assists. Braeden Tokar added 9 points while Dannika Campbell and Evalyn Cole (8 assists, 4 steals) each added 6 points. Francesca Giacobbe and Ellyanna Carman chipped in with 4 points each, Lilian Bates 2

points, and Isabella Phillips 1 point to round out the Marauder scoring

Ovid-Elsie out-rebounded Ithaca 27-18 and handed out 20 assists on 24 made baskets. The Lady Marauders shot 49% on the night including 61% from twopoint range while adding four three-pointers. Ovid-Elsie also collected 18 steals on 26







Photos by Denise Burgess

#### **Walker Gets First Marauder Coaching Win**

OVID-ELSIE — 1st-year varsity coach Conyon Walker notched his first win as Ovid-Elsie dominated non-league Owosso in boys varsity basketball action.

On the Marauders' home floor, O-E rolled to a 56-31 victory to move to 1-1 overall on the young 2023 season.

Tucker Loynes scored 14 points and Mason Ritenburg added 10 to lead the

Gunner McCreery goes up for 2 points



#### Home Team Blackhawks Spoil Wolfpack Girls Cage Debut, 42-26

LESLIE — Payge Woodworth scored six points and Kyleigh Luna and Bella Strieff each scored five but Laingsburg lost a 42-26 season opener to the host Blackhawks on December 4.

The 'Hawks took a 14-3 lead after one quarter and held the Wolfpack off the rest of the way. "We spotted them 14 points in the first quarter but after that we pretty much played even with them," said Laingsburg coach Doug Hurst. "They're a good basketball team and I was really happy with the way my young team was able to adjust. There were a lot of nerves going on early in the game.

Strieff was the Wolfpack's rebounding leader, hauling in five caroms.

#### Wolfpack Moves to 2-0 with Critical OT **Basketball Win at Pewamo-Westphalia**

PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA — Senior guard Zander Woodruff scored a career-best 39 points to push his career total north of 1,000 Wednesday evening, and Laingsburg needed every one of them in order to beat Pewamo-Westphalia, 59-55, in overtime.

Woodruff entered the game with 990 career points and is now up to 1,029 total.

Cam Ballard and Dom Garcia each scored six points for the defending CMAC champion Wolfpack, now 2-0 and 1-0 in the league. Pewamo-Westphalia, which placed second in the CMAC last season, were led by 31 points from Grady Eklund. The Pirates now stand 1-1 and 0-

Woodruff was fouled with 30 seconds left in regulation trying to shoot a 3-pointer. His three free throws and a subsequent Laingsburg stop to forced OT. In the extra session, Woodruff scored eight points and Ballard made three key free throws.

Woodruff had been nursing an injured hip but was able to come up big for a game that loomed important in the CMAC standings. Head coach Tim Beebe said the guard was obviously a big part of the victory but several players "stepped up" at key moments.

Down 15-5 after one quarter, Laingsburg led 23-22 by halftime.

"It's a good win and we're still trying to get healthy," Beebe said. "Dom Garcia and Logan Holm also came up big for us. We're still missing three pretty good basketball players who are out with injuries.



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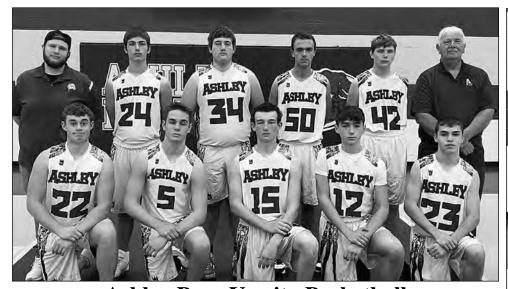
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### TEAMS - A



#### Ashlev Bovs Varsity Basketball

Front row (l-r): Gib Jason, Carson Litwiller, Robert Kral, Joie Fabus, Trevor Dolloff. Second row (l-r): Asst Coach Jacob Schmidt, Tristan Ringle, Chase Kral, Sabastion Harrell, David Johnson, Head coach Frank Sourek. Missing: Trent Bylasma, Andrew Passmore.

Photo by Deb Price



#### **Ashley Girls Varsity Basketball**

Front row (l-r): Sophia Wirt, Marissa Brady, Paige Larson. Back row (l-r): Coach Joe Shaw, Katrissa Brady, Savanna Denman, Ellie Drummond. Photo by Deb Price

#### **Ashley Boys Basketball**

by Ashleigh Shaw

One word can describe the Ashley Boys Basketball team this year "inexperienced." The team consists of one senior, one junior, five sophomores, two freshman and an eighth grader. Chase Kral is the lone senior along with Carson Litwiller the junior. Sophomores Robert Kral, Gibby Jason, David Johnson and Sebastian Harrel return to the team this year and are joined by sophomore Andrew Passmore, freshman Trevor Dolloff and Tristan Ringle and eighth grader Joie Fabus. Coach Frank Sourek has taken over the boys program this year after being a few years removed. He says "The goal of the teams is to get better every day and work hard." Sourek believes that Vestaburg and Mount Pleasant Sacred Heart will be at the top of the league.



Coach Frank Sourek

#### **Lady Bears Preview**

by Ashleigh Shaw

Although young, the ladies team has all returning players for this year's team. Seniors Sophia Wirt and Savannah Denman, and freshman Ellie Drummond, Karissa Brady, Marissa Brady, and Paige Larsen. These young players though, played most of the varsity season last year, so though they are young they do come with almost a whole varsity season under their belt. Coach Joe Shaw says "We will look to improve every game and should be able to compete with a few teams in the league this year." He believes that St. Charles and Breckenridge should be towards the top of the league this year.



Coach Joe Shaw

#### **Bears Open the Season with a Win but Lose Game Two to Comets**

by Ashleigh Shaw

Ashley traveled to Caseville in a nonleague game to begin the season. Carson Litwiller had 15 points and Joie Fabus had 14 rebounds. "We played okay to win but need to cut down on the turnovers." Expressed Sourek. They also took on Coleman and were outsized and speed. Ashley didn't shoot the ball great and lost the game. Joie Fabus had 11 points 7 rebounds, Litwiller chipped in 6 points 5 rebounds and Robert Kral had 5 points and 4 assists.



Carson Litwiller



Joie Fabus

#### **Ashley All Conference**

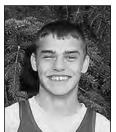
by Ashleigh Shaw

Gavin Malek made all-state linebacker this year as a junior. Gavin had 142 tackles, 50 assists, 6 sacks, 1 interception, 4 forced fumbles and a

Trevor Dolloff made second team all MSAC for Cross Country.



Gavin Malek



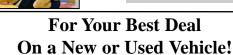
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#### **GRIDIRON GURUS**

by Tom Turek sports@meridianweekly.com

Oh what a battle for pizza in our next-to-last week as the Gridiron Guru goes to Gonesville. For 2023, at least.

The popular contest, started just after Labor Day with a fresh and promising slate for both collegiate and NFL teams, is now growing long in the tooth.

Ah ... the days of September. When Michigan State was 3-0 with a prominent coach on the rise on the national scene, named Mel Tucker. When the Los Angeles Chargers actually looked like they were good. And when for a brief moment, at least, it looked like Aaron Rodgers would lead the JETS-JETS on a playoff run.

Football seasons are long and tough, a marathon, as our veteran pundits well know. Only the best of the best competitors survive.

Which is exactly where we're at as we await the results of our final Weekly picks, which will be announced next week.

In the meantime, the Wolfman howls out his congratulations to Elsie's Mike Cole, Bannister's Pam Grieder and St. Johns' Roger Skaryd for their expert tip-toeing through what proved to be a tough slate that included Miami (O.) winning over Toledo, and the Bengals surprising the Jags on Monday Night Football.

We will be granting a free pizza (1st place), sub sandwich (2nd) and breadsticks (3rd) for another week. After that, our Grand Prize winners will be announced.

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#### **End of the Season Plaudits for Record-Setting** O-E Gridders

OVID-ELSIE — The Ovid-Elsie varsity football team was awarded Academic All-State by the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association (MHSFCA) and individual awards were doled out at the Marauaders' end-of-season festivities.

Coach Travis Long's team caught fire late in the season and advanced all the way to the MHSAA State Semifinals in Grand Blanc, before finally falling to Almont.

Named individual Academic All-State for O-E was senior Jamison Custer (4.05 GPA), senior Jaksen Jones (4.0) and senior Brian Dennis (3.75).

Junior Tryce Tokar, a 2nd year starter, brought home 1st Team All-MMAC QB and All-Region QB honors. His stat line looked like this: 96 completions, 194 attempts, 1448 yds, 20 TDs (all school records); 43 passing attempts in one game (new school record); 153 carries, 819 yds, 13 TD; 9 kick returns, 196 yds, 1 TD, long 88; 15 punt returns 259 yds, 1 TD, Long 65; total offense 2722 yds, 35 TDs; and on defense, 73 tackles, 1 sack, 6 TFL, 1 INT at strong safe-

Senior Cole Workman 12, a 2nd-year starter on the defensive line, was 1st Team All-MMAC DL and All-Region DL. He recorded 61 tackles, 5 sacks, 9 TFL, and 1 fumble recovery. Junior Javen Belill was feted as a 1st Team All-MMAC LB and All-Region LB with 115 Tackles, 7 Sacks, and 7 tackles for loss; and on offense 15 receptions, 260 yds, 2 TDs.

Junior Jake Bowen, a junior on the OL and 2nd-year starter, was 1st Team All-MMAC OL and All-Region OL, while also garnering MHSFCA All-State in Division 6. He started at RT, and was also the long center for PATs, and played both ways as a defensive lineman. Jake helped lead the Marauder offense to 3,751 total yards, 2303 rushing yards, 1448 passing yards and 51 Total

Senior Jamison Custer, a 2nd year starter at WR, was a 1st Team All-MMAC Receiver and All-Region Receiver, as well as Academic All-State. His 25 receptions, 412 yds and 8 TDs tied the school record. He also rushed 30 times for 143 yds and 2 TDs; on defense, he recorded 55 tackles, 2 TFL, 1 INT, and 2 fumble recoveries

Junior RB Clayton Fruchey earned plaudits as a 1st Team All-MMAC Running Back and All-Region running back on 108 carries for 724 yds and 10 TDs. He nabbed 31 receptions for 462 yds and 5 TDs On defense, Clayton turned in 34 tackles and a fumble recovery.

Sophomore Braxton O'Bryant, a two-year varsity player on the OL and DL, was 2nd Team All-MMAC OL. He started at LT and also on the DL.

Senior DE Hunter Bates was 2nd Team All-MMAC DE. He started at DE, played some OLB and TE, finishing with 43 tackles, 5 tackles for loss and 4 sacks.

Sophomore Brock Spitzley was Honorable Mention All-MMAC LB with 97 Tackles, 2 sacks and 6 tackles for loss.

Team awards went to:

Offensive MVP - Tryce Tokar QB Defensive MVP - Cole Workman DL Best Teammate - Jake Bowen OL/DL

Most Improved - Javen Belill TE/LB and Brady Risinger DE

#### **O-E Bowling Back in Action**

submitted by Matt Fabus

The boys and girls varsity teams were at Colonial Lanes in Flushing on December 2nd against Bentley.

The girls lost 14-16 with high scores of Lily Saylor 71; Grace Goetschy 86; Victoria Dennis 83, 91; Kyra Pupava 80, 134; Alexah Heckman 100, 111; Brooke Pugsley 128, 138.

The boys also took a loss with high scores of Peyton 124; Holmes Vanderphoof 94; Collin Jullie 167; Gage Wikdorowski 131, 140; Braydon Gruesbeck 161, 180; Devyn Pugsley 222, 213.

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#### Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be fore-closed 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 January 10, 2024. 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): Lisa A Hollis and Gerald R Hollis, wife and

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 premis-

es: 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 Common street address (if any): 2700 N US Highway 27, Saint Johns, MI 48879-8502

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

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Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nathan Hoard and Shawn Hoard, husband and wife, to PNC Mortgage, a division of PNC Bank, National Association, Mortgagee, dated September 25, 2014 and recorded October 27, 2014 in Instrument Number 5220735 Clinton County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Two and 33/100 Dollars (\$122,322.33).

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 NORTH-WEST CORNER OF SAID SEC-TION 26; THENCE S86°30'24"E, 1321.75 FEET TO THE NORTH-EAST CORNER OF THE NORTH-WEST 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 SEC-TION 26 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26, AS RECORD-ED 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 SEC-TION 26, RECORDED AS DOCU-MENT 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 CON-TINUING 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 SOUTH-WEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST

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