



Dean Gilbert to Perform Concert at Elsie United Methodist Church

by Dawn Levey

ELSIE – Elsie United Methodist Church will host a concert Sunday, December 10, 3 pm with Dean Gilbert performing, a 1981 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School. Please bring a donation for the Elsie Baby Pantry: diapers, pull-ups, formula, new/gently used children's clothing, shoes, toys, blankets, maternity clothes or a monetary donation.

Dean currently resides in Lakeview, Michigan with his wife Jill (Wakefield), a 1982 O-E graduate performing. They have two children, Kaitlynn and Kameron, who are both graduates of Lakeview High School and Michigan State University. Dean was a piano major at Michigan State University and graduated in 1986 with Bachelor of Music Education/Instrumental degree. He was also a member of the MSU marching band.

Dean was the Director of Bands for thirty-three years at Lakeview Community Schools before retiring in 2019. During his tenure at Lakeview Community Schools, his bands received many first division ratings and performed at the state level several times. His bands performed at Mackinaw City, the state capitol in Lansing, the Holland Tulip Festival, Disney, Universal Studios, and have made a commercial for Nickelodeon. In 2015 his band performed the national anthem at Comerica Park for a Detroit Tigers' game. Dean was a member of the Michigan Schools Band and Orchestra Association (MSBOA) during his teaching years and is currently a MSBOA Director Emeritus. Currently, Dean has twenty private students learning piano and guitar, in addition he teaches guitar to home schooled students in Greenville, Michigan.

In 2017 Dean received the "Make A Difference Award" given by the Montcalm County Intermediate School District to an educator who has made a difference for special needs students in the classroom. Also, in 2017 he received the Lakeview Area Community Foundation "Quality of Life Award" which is given to an individual who is dedicated to making the community of Lakeview a better place. Lastly, Dean received the VFW Post #3701 Lakeview "2021-2022 Teacher of the Year" award.

Dean's piano skills include eleven years of private lessons, including three years of training at Lansing Community College and two years at Michigan State University. Dean has played for many church choirs over the years. He has played for melodramas put on by the Flat River Players of Greenville, Michigan and played piano for the Flat River Big Band. In 2019 Dean was hired as the piano accompanist for the Ferris State University choir. He has been a piano accompanist for Solo and Ensemble students for Greenville, Lakeview, Fulton Middleton and Fremont. He has played for many dinners, church services, extended care units, assisted living centers, bazars, craft shows and is a regular performer at the Lakeview farmers' market. He is currently the piano player for the Lakeview United Church of Christ.

The community is encouraged to attend and enjoy the musical talents provided by Dean Gilbert and to support the Elsie Baby Pantry. Light refreshments will be served immediately following the concert.



Dean Gilbert

HollyDazzle Returns to the Michigan Renaissance Festival for a Spectacular

Holly, MI - Michigan's most enchanting holiday tradition, HollyDazzle, is set to illuminate the Michigan Renaissance Festival once again, promising a dazzling spectacle and unforgettable winter wonder. This annual event has become a must-see attraction, capturing the magic of the season, and bringing joy to visitors of all ages.

This year, HollyDazzle promises to enchant patrons with even more captivating displays, Live Santa and Mrs. Claus, Christmas Barbie, a Gingerbread House with free crafts for kids, evening Putt-Putt Golf, a maze of lights & Free gift bags for adults, children & even your dog and just for coming, a chance to win a Giant Stocking packed full of presents for the entire family.

Highlights of HollyDazzle 2023 include:

1. Romance Packages: Make reservations for a cozy, romantic dinner in our exquisite, heated igloo nestled amidst the mesmerizing lights dancing to your favorite Christmas songs.
2. Christmas Barbi: Your children don't want to miss out on meeting Christmas Barbi. She is near the castle with her slide by her side waiting for you to come by to get your photo taken with her.
3. Pub Crawl: Join your beloved entertainers on a thrilling guided Polar Pub Crawl every Friday and Saturday. Jingle from the front gate, dipping into the enchanting light show stopping at three pubs. Get a free T-shirt and pub crawl passport with your ticket.
4. Holiday Token Hunt: A mobile app will help guide you to the location of 20 tokens. If you find all 20, you'll receive a prize and chance to win the Grand Prize.
5. Unique Shopping: Explore the festival's marketplace for one-of-a-kind gifts from talented artisans, perfect for finding that unique something for loved ones.
6. Seasonal Delights: Indulge in seasonal treats with a variety of cookies and brownies, free hot cocoa for children and adult beverages for Mom & Dad. Delicious soups, chili, BBQ pork sandwiches, turkey legs & more. There's something to satisfy every craving.

The Michigan Renaissance Festival grounds will be transformed into a magical wonderland, a perfect setting for families and friends to come together and celebrate the spirit of the season.

Where: HollyDazzle – A Winter Wonderland Celebration at Michigan Renaissance Festival Grounds –12600 Dixie Hwy. Holly, MI 48442

When: Now through Dec 31st Fridays & Saturdays 5pm to 10pm; Sundays 5pm to 9pm

Buy tickets online at: www.hollydazzles.com or at the box office



Christmas in Ashley, Saturdays and Sundays now thru December 17th. Trains arrive at 11am and 6pm. Everyone is welcome to experience the arrival of the North Pole Express. Activities include visits with Santa, shopping, food vendors and live entertainment. Visit the tiny Village that's turned into a Christmas Wonderland.



Tuesday, December 5, 2023
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Photos with Santa!
5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Bring your own camera!
Suggested museum donation:
\$5 per child



Social

Christmas Celebration

submitted by Kelly Jurman

Enjoy the music of Jeff Richards and Friends while experiencing the sights, sounds and smells of a traditional Victorian Christmas on Sunday, December 17th from 2-4pm at the Clinton County Historical Museum, 106 Maple St., St. Johns.

Christmas Trees For Sale



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Wilma Ferrall Celebrating 88th Birthday

Wilma Ferrall of Elsie, will be celebrating her 88th birthday on December 4, 2023.

Help her celebrate this day by sending a card to 3254 E. Gratiot County Line Rd., Elsie, MI 48831

Enjoy Dinner & Music at Ovid-Elsie High School

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – The Ovid-Elsie Music Department will hold an annual Holiday Concert Tuesday, December 5, with the music starting at 6 pm. Prior to the concert, 4-5:30 pm, dinner will be available for \$10 for adults and \$6 school aged, preschool and younger free. Dinner includes: pasta with alfredo or marinara sauce, smoked chicken, salad, desserts and beverages. Dinner tickets for dinner are available from any band or choir student. Tickets are also available at the door.

There will be basket raffles throughout the concert at a cost of \$1 each or 12 for \$10.

The community is encouraged to attend a delightful evening of food, holiday music and to enjoy the talents of the Ovid-Elsie Music Department.

Toys for Tots Distribution

submitted by Brian Valentine

On December 16 at the Elsie American Legion Post from 10 am to 4 pm, the Toys for Tots distribution will be open to deserving families to assist them with their children's Christmas. No eligibility requirements and no judgments. The hope is for all to have a Merry Christmas!

Merry Christmas to All from the Elsie American Legion Post 502

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*Front row l-r: Stuart, Charles, Diane, Jeff
Back row l-r: Greg, Leslie, Brian*

Hazels Celebrate 70th Wedding Anniversary

Charles and Diane Hazel of St. Johns celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary on November 29, 2023

The couple were married at Lowe Methodist Church in St. Johns on November 29, 1953.

They have five children; 17 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

The couple celebrated with family at their home in St. Johns.

Christmas in Ovid

submitted by Holly Hibbard

Maybe Christmas doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas, perhaps . . . it means a little bit more." The Ovid Carriage Days Committee invites you to join in on an evening of community fun on Friday, December 8th.

The Ovid Country Christmas light parade (its bigger than ever) will kick off the festivities at 6:45 pm starting at the High Street hill and going down Main Street. Santa will be dropped off at the Christmas Tree in Boyer Park where kids can hang an ornament. There will be a wagon at the end of the parade where you can place a non-perishable food or personal hygiene item for the Ovid-Elsie Christmas Baskets.

Santa will then lead a walk to the Lions Hall where a 'Merry Grinchmas' Party will be. There will be cookies and milk for all, gifts for those 12 and under, a game to play and ornaments to make. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there for pictures as well.

Childrens' Victorian Christmas

submitted by Kelly Jurman

The Clinton County Historical Museum, Paine Gillam Scott House, 106 Maple St., St. Johns will be holding a Childrens' Victoria Christmas on Saturday, December 9th, 10:30am - 12pm.

Victorian Christmas Crafts; Christmas Carols; Visit with Santa; Prizes

Call 989-224-2894 to reserve your spot

Adults must accompany children



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Monday

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

Tuesday and Friday

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

Monday, Tuesday 9am-3pm and Friday 9am-2pm we are open for you to come socialize, play a game or put together a puzzle.

We have gift shops for you to browse, too.

Currently, we have office space to rent. Please call for current availability.

We hope to see you soon!

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A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

First, I wanted to share with you that our Thanksgiving was a success. My youngest granddaughter came over at one to help, my daughter at two and my oldest granddaughter made it there at or around three. My house was swept and greatly de-cluttered. It was an amazing event filled with much laughter. By the time everyone arrived to eat, we were ready. Yes, my desk was a bit funky but there were no noticeable cobwebs or dusty floors. Granted we didn't eat on schedule but we did have table full of yummy food. This included two turkeys, one spiral cut ham, and two kinds of taters, two salads, veggie casseroles, home made dinner rolls and too many desserts! I was and am very thankful that all showed up and we enjoyed both the food and the laughter. Also I didn't have to do a dirty dish when we were done and no I did not use disposable dishes or plastic silverware. I got to hold a tiny three month old great granddaughter and laugh at the antics of my fourteen month old great granddaughter. Life is good.

Onward to the next event on my agenda. Well, actually a couple. First I want to tell you about our decor at MG's Perx & Pastries. Even our scarecrow buddies are dressed to play in the snow, they get to oversee Santa and his sleigh's progress. I believe that they are eyeing the pretty packages that are sitting within their reach. I also wanted to remind you of all the goodies that are available at our shop. We have some very beautiful bread boards made of exotic woods, hand turned wooden bowls, and lavender oil to stock up on. Of course, we also have chocolate dipped oreos, peanut clusters in three shades of chocolate, peanut brittle made with butter. And two or three different cookies for you selection. Starting this coming Tuesday(December 5th) there will also be an assortment of quick breads.

Speaking of December fifth, I will be at the Winter Market west of St Johns and do hope to see many of your there. I will be at booth forty-eight which will be filled with chocolate zucchini, pineapple zucchini, banana nut, banana chocolate chip, Maltese pumpkin, fresh apple cranberry, and lemon blueberry breads. Yes, I will also have peanut butter fudge, chocolate walnut fudge, and mint chocolate fudge. If I'm on top of things, I will also have peanut brittle and almond brittle...that's if my right shoulder keeps cooperating with me. In case you are unaware, the Winter Market at AgroLiquid has grown. It will be open from three in the afternoon until 8:00 PM. I hope to see many of my St John's Farmer Market friends.

I have been trying to keep my house low maintenance and de-cluttered. I managed for almost a whole week until I went Christmas shopping. I had closed down my dining room table so that it only held two of it's leaves... My thoughts were to get my Christmas cards done, so the west end of the table is filled with Christmas cards, stamps and addresses. No they are not done yet, but there is hope. The middle of the table holds my poinsettia which is bright red with variegated leaves. It is a beauty and sits on a small deep green accent piece. Around the poinsettia is piled with gifts to be wrapped. I've gone shopping twice and everything seems to find a place in my shopping bags. Both toys for big and little folks and treasures found as I shopped. Yes, it is dangerous for me to shop sometimes. I am waiting on one particular address so that I can make a shipment out to Kansas. I hope no later than next Wednesday so that it will be delivered by Christmas. Not like Brent's choice which will be shipped sometime between December 18th and January 18th of 2024.

Next weekend I need to go over to Karen's to cut down my Christmas tree and then hopefully Brent and Diane will be able to help me get it into my house and into the tree stand. Currently I have about twenty gifts nestled under my poinsettia sitting on the desk. Gradually they will migrate over to Diane's and be placed under their tree. I will enjoy looking at my tree filled with lights and be reminiscent about other shared Christmases.

May your time be filled with good memories and the making of good memories. May God bless you all. Enjoy even the smallest of blessings.

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The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster
theweeklysportsman@meridianweekly.com

A Thirty Second Creek Buck

On the fourth day of gun season the afternoon weather was nice and the Weekly Sportsman had a few hours to spare so the decision was made at the last minute to grab the rifle and put on a blaze orange waxed Stormy Kromer and lightweight jacket. The plan was to go sit in a blind on the north end of the farm. After climbing into a friend's new pop up blind the windows were opened and the chair adjusted. Within thirty seconds a buck was spotted in the brush heading eastward along the Little Maple Creek just west of the property line. Once the buck crossed the property line and stepped foot on the farm a shot was fired and the buck did the 'ole mule kick. He kept moving eastward along the bank of the creek and then popped out of the brush on a hill about a hundred yards away. A second shot put him down for good.

The Weekly Sportsman thought he was an older buck at first but they all look bigger when alive. Although some may say this six point symmetrical rack should have been passed over, however, the Weekly Sportsman couldn't resist because he is a true meat hunter/farmer at heart. This year and a half old buck's antlers will be displayed with others both smaller and bigger. One observer of the photo below described him as a "cute little guy" but more importantly than appearance is his meat that will provide many meals over the winter. You never know what you may see, even when time is limited, but one thing is for sure you will see nothing when sitting on a couch inside the house.

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Elsie Lions Club Gun Raffle

We would like to thank all who purchased our Beef Raffle thickets during the Elsie Fall Fest. Our winners were: 1st place, Randy Sampson (1/2 beef), 2nd, Lisa Mathew's (1/4 beef), 3rd, Sadie Green (1/4 beef) and 4th, Joanne Sturgis, \$100 gift card.

Our next project is a Gun Raffle. Tickets for a Savage 350 Rifle will be available beginning Monday, December 4th from any Elsie Lions Club member or at the Meridian Weekly office in Ovid for \$10.00 each. The raffle winner will be announced at the Wild Game Dinner on Monday, January 8th. Watch for further details.



Retired School Personnel to Meet

submitted by Peg Zink

The Clinton-Shiawassee MARSP Meeting will be held on Monday, December 11, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. at Baker College Welcome Center, 1309 S M-52, Owosso, MI. Luncheon (\$12) is payable at the door. Our program is Owosso High School Madrigals, Jessica Draper Director. For reservations, leave your name and number attending by email to rzick5039@gmail.com or call Peg at 517-282-8350 and leave a message by Friday, December 8, 2023 by noon.

NOTICE TO CITY OF OVID RESIDENTS

The Council for the City of Ovid will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM with the Regular meeting to follow. The following will be presented at the public hearing:

1. The proposed 2024 FY Budget
2. To Established Ordinance # 141 Parental Responsibility
3. To Establish Ordinance #142 Operation of Off-Road Vehicles on City Streets

Susan Tomasek Swan
City of Ovid Clerk
114 E. Front St., Ovid
989-834-5550

Victor Township Clinton County, Michigan 6843 E. Alward Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848 Proposed Board Minutes from November 14, 2023

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

Attendance: Roll call: Fickes, Townsend, Willoughby, Prange, Conklin. Absent: None. 9 citizens in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Willoughby to approve the November 14, 2023 agenda. Seconded by Prange. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Willoughby to approve the October 10, 2023 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Fickes to approve the October 17, 2023 special meeting minutes. Seconded by Willoughby. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Prange to accept the November 14, 2023 Treasurer's report. Seconded by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills and Payroll: Motion by Willoughby to disburse the November, 2023 bills. Seconded by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks# 28939-28957 in the amount of \$18,401.39.

Motion by Willoughby to disburse November 2023 payroll and related payroll expenses. Seconded by Prange. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks# 13008-13017 in the amount of \$12,172.60.

County Commissioner Val Vail-Shirey:

- The Clinton County ORV Ordinance passed October 31, 2023
- The 2024 County Budget was approved. The Budget summary is listed on the County website clinton-county.org
- The State legislature is considering bills that would remove local government zoning control for solar and wind siting's and give that authority to the Michigan Public Service Commission. The committee will continue to work on the County's Renewal Energy Ordinance until they hear otherwise.
- The Board of Commissioners is looking for a licensed builder to serve on the Building Appeals committee.

Victor Township Planning Commission: The next meeting of the Victor Township Planning Commission will be December 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Victor Township Hall.

Clinton County Road Commission: There will be an open house for the new facility from 4:00 pm-6:00 pm on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at the Clinton County Road Commission. 3536 S US-27, St. Johns, MI.

Unfinished Business:

Emergency Services (Ambulance): Willoughby moved to pay up to \$5,000 to MSU Extension to provide services with respect to planning a public meeting on the subject of emergency services in Victor Township. Seconded by Townsend. Roll call: Willoughby, Fickes, Prange, Townsend, Conklin: aye. Noes: none. Motion carried.

Broadband: The ROBIN grant challenge process provided additional funding opportunities for applicants that were not awarded funds in initial grant awards. The challenge process for this second round has started and will close on December 21st. Once the challenge process closes late December, another MIHI announcement will be released and show final batch 2 awards.

New Business:

2024 Meeting dates:


Willoughby moved to add Juneteenth to the list of approved Federal and Governmental holidays to Victor Township's Policies and Procedures section 8.10. Seconded by Townsend. All in favor. Motion carried.

Fickes moved to accept the 2024 Victor Township Board of Trustees monthly meeting dates. Seconded by Prange. All in favor. Motion carried.

LSW: Prange moved to support the LSW Emergency Services to use their discretion when responding to level 3 and 4 calls when LSW is the second responder ambulance in Victor Township. Seconded by Willoughby. Roll call: Prange, Conklin, Townsend, Willoughby, Fickes: aye Noes: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Conklin to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Seconded by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion carried.

Lianne Prange
Victor Township Clerk



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Recycling Takes No Holidays

submitted by Ellen Link

Neither rain nor sleet nor snow nor Santa's deliveries stop the GLR from carrying out our recycling mission. Well, maybe sleet or enough snow that it would be dangerous for folks to make the trip to our facility at 7500 Woodbury Rd. in Laingsburg. Otherwise, you'll find us there on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (Dec. 5 and 19), 4-6 p.m., and the 2nd and 4th Saturdays (Dec. 9 and 23), 9 a.m.-1 p.m., eager to relieve you of all the materials listed below so you can make room for new stuff (just hopefully less of it).

So, whether you're celebrating and giving gifts for Christmas, Hanukkah or some other holiday, we hope you'll try to limit your waste and energy use and choose gifts that reflect caring for the environment. Consider homemade presents or even gift wrap. Or how about a gift certificate stating you'll bring in someone else's recycling for one month? There are zillions of ideas to be found online on how to "green" your holidays and life, including on our website, and don't forget to check out our freebie shelves for that truly unique gift. Please keep paper gift-wrapping to a minimum, and then bring it in afterwards to be recycled.

This past year has been a good one for the Greater Laingsburg Recyclers, and the credit for that definitely goes to our recycling community—including some great new volunteers (recyclers really rock!). By the end of 2023 we will have



shipped out approximately 200,000 pounds of materials, amounting to over 50 percent more than last year! That's a lot of material to keep out of the landfill. And when one considers the subsequent decrease in air and water pollution, the conservation of natural resources, and the prevention of environmental damages that routinely result from extracting and transporting those natural resources, we can only say thank you. Thank you for caring enough about the environment we all share to make recycling a regular part of your lives. We hope you'll share that wisdom with friends, family and co-workers.

What we accept, clean and separated: Newspaper and phone books; tin and scrap metal, separated from aluminum; corrugated cardboard (include brown paper bags here); boxboard; mixed office paper and junk mail; magazines; books; plastics— #1 bottles and jars (clear and transparent green and blue only), no clamshells (bakery and produce containers); #2 (rinsed milk jugs/cloudy separated from solid color bottles and jars, seam on the bottom—no motor oil containers); and #5 (food cups, tubs and lids, e.g., yogurt, sour cream, etc.); non-corroded household batteries; glass bottles and jars only (all colors), caps and lids removed—no windows, mirror panes or drinking glasses; electronics; televisions (\$10-20) and monitors (\$5-10), the fees dependent on type and size (call or check our website); Brita water filters; denim (no more than 5% spandex, zippers and metal buttons removed); dental products; empty inkjets; plant/nursery containers; and hearing aids (batteries removed). We're also now a drop site for old eyeglasses for the Laingsburg Lions Club. We do not accept polystyrene (Styrofoam®) or plastic bags (return to grocery store).

For further details on recyclable items, visit our Facebook page or website (<https://recyclelaingsburg.wixsite.com/mysite>). Questions or comments? Contact Terry or Ellen Link at (517) 651-2005 or Beth Lange at 651-6437. New volunteers of any age are always welcome. Let's all work together towards a sustainable future in our own backyard.

BELIEVE

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Editorial



Have a Question for Andy?

Submit them to:
ask_andy@aol.com

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

Happy Christmas for Everyone

Dear Andy,

My daughter and her husband moved to another state last summer. Her 3 children, 2 young teens and a 4th grade girl. I love them all dearly. The last time we saw the boys at our home was before they started at their new school in another state, due to a job transfer for Dad. When we visited them over Thanksgiving, they were all quite the handful. My husband takes out his hearing aids and reads a book, so the kids don't bother him. However, for me...they are too rambunctious. I did not get to spend any quality time with my daughter. The entire family is coming for six days over their Christmas break. I am looking forward to their visit, but I am already stressed. Any suggestions? Frazzled Grandma

Dear Frazzled,

You could calm yourself by planning a spa day for you and your daughter before the Big day. Let Dad and Grandpa know, they are in charge. You might want to leave a couple of Holiday movies for the kids. Things likely settled down since you last saw them. Kids are typically anxious when they change schools. Ask them some good questions that require them to elaborate on their new school.

A day away, with your daughter during their visit will allow you to talk and have some quality time with just the two of you. Get a manicure and/or a pedicure. Go to a fancy coffee shop. Treat yourselves to a Holiday Coffee Special. Sit, talk, and relax. You may want to get a massage or at least sit in the massage chairs at the mall. Do a little last-minute shopping for yourselves. That will get you into the Holiday Spirit.

Make several meals ahead of time. Go out or order Pizza one night. Plan a family game of cards, Dominos, Sorry, Connect Four, or something exciting outside, weather permitting....sledding, a walk on a trail, set up suet, and bird feed. Save some simple chores for the teenagers. Such as bringing in wood for the fireplace or setting up a bonfire and toasting marshmallows. Set out a partially solved 500-piece Christmas jigsaw puzzle on a card table. Set out a bell and when someone

finds a puzzle piece, ring it. See what happens. You better have a 1000-piece puzzle handy. If you do not have board games, buy them all an age-appropriate game, as an "open early" gift. Then play it.

Take them to the library to pick a book. Give them quiet time for an hour every afternoon. You may need a quick cat nap yourself. It is ok. Go Christmas caroling to their great grandma's home or to a friend or cousin they want to see for a short time. Just a couple of songs and a verse or two of "We Wish You a Merry Christmas." Some friends or family members might want to know ahead of time that you're stopping by for a "surprise" visit. Set a bedtime and a breakfast time so you can keep a routine. The time will go fast! Too fast! Plan lots...there is always next time.

And, grandma...delegate. It is fun to have everyone involved in planning and preparing meals. And, of course, have a wonderful "Merry Christmas" with your family. Andy

P.S. Dear Readers, Email me your Holiday traditions and share your Holiday stories. I will try to get them in print for you. Andy @ ask_andy @aol.com or askandyforadvice@gmail.com

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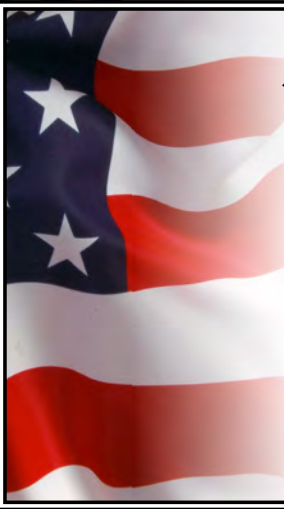
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Obituaries



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Kathleen Marie Dell

Kathleen Marie Dell of Laingsburg, MI, entered eternal rest in Owosso, at the age of 78 on Thursday, November 23, 2023.

Kathleen was preceded in death by her parents, Gerald and Marinella Haeck, as well as siblings, Bernadette Coe, William Haeck, Lawrence Haeck, and Jean Ann Tanner. She is survived by siblings Gerald Haeck, Robert (Carol) Haeck, James (Carmen) Haeck, and Karen (Steven) Roe.

Born on a Thanksgiving day, November 22, 1945, in Lansing, Michigan, to Gerald and Marinella "Nellie" (Platte) Haeck, Kathleen lived a life filled with love, faith, music, and many other talents.

Kathleen graduated from Resurrection High School and pursued her passion for beauty by earning her cosmetology license. Her meticulous attention to detail and precision made her an excellent and favorite hairdresser to many.

On November 12, 1963, in East Lansing, Michigan, Kathleen married the love of her life, Clarence Van Dell, who was then serving in the United States Navy. Their loving union was blessed with five children: Sherri (Sandy) McCord, Jim (Michele) Dell, Debra (Alfred) Greenwood, William Dell, and Valerie (José) James. Kathleen's legacy extends to her 14 cherished grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, all of whom brought immense joy to her life.

Kathleen was a member of St. Isidore Church, where she attended regularly until her health began to decline. Her faith was the cornerstone of her life, and she generously shared it with those around her. Additionally, Kathleen demonstrated her commitment to the love of others through her auxiliary membership to the Local 421 Fire Department in Lansing.

Kathleen was very creative and had a special flair for using her hands to express her many talents. She would often be seen creating arts and crafts, as well as caring for her plants and flowers. She was especially skillful at crocheting and also sewed clothes for her children when they were young. Kathleen also delighted in making homemade jam with the grandkids, and sending them each home with their own to share. Kathleen's many creations were not just objects, but tangible expressions of her love and care for her family, which was always her greatest joy.

Christmas had always been Kathleen's all-time favorite holiday season. She greatly enjoyed making Christmas cookies with the grandchildren while old-time Christmas treats from her childhood played in the background. Kathleen loved to decorate for the holidays. Numerous community members expressed over the years how they looked forward to viewing the holiday display in the front window of the Dell house.

Kathleen also held dear to her the many nights of family karaoke, where she would somehow slip the name of a family member into the song she was singing. Kathleen loved music and enjoyed singing, ever since her years of choir class in school.

Kathleen was usually found cooking something amazing and somehow always made more than enough for everyone. She loved children and babysat for many years, while raising five children of her own. The Dell home was a welcoming haven where everyone felt loved and appreciated.

Remembered for her loving nature, faith-filled spirit, and creative talents, Kathleen Marie Dell leaves behind a legacy of love, service, and dedication. While her physical presence will be deeply missed, her spirit lives on in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing and loving her.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at St. Isidore Catholic Church, 310 Crum St., Laingsburg, MI 48848. Rev. Fr. Anthony Brooks celebrated.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Catholic Relief Services at support.crs.org. The family is being served by Watkins Brothers Funeral Homes, Laingsburg Chapel where online condolences may be shared at www.watkinsfuneralhomes.com.



Kathryn Marie Morris

Kathryn Marie Morris, age 79, of Ashley, MI, passed away Sunday, November 26, 2023, at Ashley Care Center.

Kathryn was born in Owosso, Michigan on March 31, 1944, the daughter of Reno Carl and Faith Eugene (Moore) Wolfe. She was a graduate of Ashley High School. Kathryn married Marshall Morris on August 24, 1963, in Ashley, Michigan.

She was a supportive wife and followed her husband to different posts around the state. Marshall promised to always bring her back home to Ashley and in 1988, they moved back.

Kathryn and her two girls opened up her floral shop in 1996, The Lattice Company. You could find her every day with the coffee pot on and a deck of cards ready. She taught her girls and her grandchildren to enjoy the little things in life; walking the beach looking for washed up glass or picking up rocks from different states to take home for the garden. Her faith was very important to her and sharing the Lord with others.

She is survived by her husband Marshall Morris; daughter Marcella and Darryl Thompson; daughter Angela and James Thompson; grandchildren: Chrissa, Austin, Samantha and Josiah, Christian, William, Caitlin, and Jacklyn; her brother Carl and Marilyn Wolfe; brother-in-law William Kellogg. Kathryn was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Shirley Kellogg.

A Graveside Service was held at Collier Cemetery, Ashley, Michigan at 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, November 29, 2023, with Pastor David Kimball officiating.

Memorials may be made to Ashley Wesleyan Church. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



Obituaries

Chad Curtis Keck

On Sunday, November 19, 2023 our son, brother, uncle and friend, Chad Curtis Keck, unexpectedly died at the age of 39.

Chad was born June 21, 1984 in Lansing, Michigan, the second of four sons to Karen and Curtis Keck. Chad attended St. Johns Public Schools, graduating in 2002. He was active in several high school activities such as jazz band and marching band where he was the drum major his junior and senior years. His interest in computers his last two years of high school helped move him to Lansing Community College where he worked in Information Technology Services as a Systems/Project Coordinator for many years.

Chad was an avid Michigan State University football and basketball fan as well as big Detroit Tigers fan. He loved spending time with family and friends, watching sports, movies, playing board games or just hanging out. Before his health started to decline he enjoyed playing golf. Chad played on a couple of leagues and he and his partner were LCC Golf League Champions in 2007.

Chad had a zest for life, always looking forward to the next adventure or trick to play on family or friends. He would be one of the first to arrive at a party, to help with last minute details and be one of the last to leave, helping clean up. Over the past couple of years his struggles with psoriatic arthritis, chronic extreme depression, anxiety and panic attacks stole the person his family and friends knew as Chad.

Chad's memory will be cherished by his parents, Karen and Curt Keck; brothers and sisters-in-law, Cory (Erin Csapos), Branden and Ceara and Spencer and Taryn Keck; nieces and nephews, Cora, Mason and Logan Csapos, Selina, Jax, Thompson, Sydney and Savanna Keck; grandfather, Melvin Anderson (Ellen Kerns). Also surviving are several aunts, uncles and cousins. Chad was preceded in death by grandparents, Clarence and Jeannette Keck; grandmother, Dorothy Anderson and uncle, Gary Anderson.

A Funeral Service was held Saturday, December 2, 2023 at McGeehan Funeral Home, Keck-Coleman Chapel, St. Johns. Interment will follow at Mount Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the National Psoriasis Foundation or an organization that helps battle the disease of depression and anxiety.

The family was served by the McGeehan Funeral Home.



Coralie Grace (Clever) George

Coralie Grace (Clever) George passed away peacefully on November 24, 2023; she was 88 years old. Visitation and a memorial service will be held at the United Methodist Church in Laingsburg on December 6, 2023 (visitation at 10:00 AM, service at 12:00 PM), followed by burial at the Putnam Cemetery in Sciota Township. Everyone is invited to attend.

James Edward Simpson

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

Funeral Services were held at Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, MI, on Saturday, December 2, 2023, with Pastor Carol Kusnier officiating.

Online condolences may be made at www.smithfamily-funeralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



Penny Grinnell

In loving memory of Penny Grinnell

Penny Grinnell, age 63, of Ovid, gracefully departed from this world on Monday, November 6, 2023, surrounded by the warmth of her home.

Penny, born on February 21, 1960, in Owosso, was the beloved daughter of Richard and Sally (Stinson) Grinnell. She proudly graduated from Ovid Elsie High School in the esteemed class of 1983 and continued her journey at Owosso Beauty Academy, completing her studies in 1984.

A passionate traveler, Penny found joy in exploring Michigan's lighthouses, creating cherished memories during family gatherings, and offering wisdom and guidance to all who sought it. Her deepest and most cherished moments were spent in the loving embrace of her children and grandchildren. Penny radiated an abundance of love, generously shared with everyone she encountered.

Penny's career as a hairdresser thrived at Kut & Kurl in Ovid, a salon she co-owned and operated until an unfortunate fire led to its closure. Undeterred, Penny's devoted clientele followed her to a new salon, where she continued to care for them until her well-deserved retirement in 2001.

Penny is survived by her devoted daughters, Krystal (Justin) Fluharty and Jamie Borton; adored grandchildren, Chelsea (Matt), Brenna, Raygan, Korbyn, Emily, Colin, Allison, and Joshua; precious great-grandchild, Beatrix; her father, Richard Grinnell; step-dad, Ron (Deb) Atkins; sister, Paullett (Ron) Van Lake; several nieces, nephews, and a host of other loving family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her beloved mother, Sally Atkins; step-mother, Hazel Grinnell; brothers, Paul (Denise) and John Grinnell; step-sisters, Philis, Tammy, and Tina; and step-brother, Patrick.

A heartfelt celebration of Penny's vibrant life will take place at 3 pm on Sunday, December 10, 2023, at Nelson-House Funeral Home. Pastor Marlene Webster will be guiding the service, a tribute to a life well-lived. The family will welcome friends on Sunday starting from 2 pm until the commencement of the service.

To share your condolences and memories with the family, please visit Nelson-House.com. Penny's spirit will live on in the hearts of those who were touched by her love and kindness.



Mary Jean Grubaugh

Mary Jean Grubaugh, age 75, of Bannister, MI, passed away Thursday, November 23, 2023, at Sparrow Clinton Hospital, St. Johns, MI. Gathered by her bedside, the family was honored to witness her final proof of devotion as she expressed her enduring love to her husband, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mary was born in Saginaw, Michigan on April 12, 1948, the daughter of Russell H. and Mildred C. (Warner) Nieman. She was the baby of her family with four older brothers. She graduated from Fulton High School. Mary married Ronald Grubaugh on February 5, 1966, on a beautiful, warm day in St. Johns, MI. Together Ron and Mary raised three daughters who grew up to be strong and independent women thanks to their loving mother. As her daughters married and started families of their own, she welcomed her sons-in-law, grandchildren and great grandchildren with loving open arms. Absolutely nothing was more important to Mary than her family and she loved family gatherings.

Mary was a waitress at the Wheel Inn in St. Johns, MI for many years and enjoyed taking care of her customers. Beginning in 1965, Mary began her loyal support of her brother John throughout his decades of drag racing at the Mid-Michigan Motorplex. Mary also looked forward to casino trips with her family and friends.

She is survived by her loving husband of 57 years, Ron Grubaugh, daughters: Jeanne Brouillette, Joann and Dennis Campbell, and Amy and John Swagart, grandchildren: Emily, Alan, Jessica (Justin), David (Emma), Nathan, Rebecca (Dylan), Michael (Leslie), and Brandon (Abbey), great-grandchildren: Lily, Addison, Amelia, Sammy, and Olivia. She is also survived by her sister-in-law Penny Nieman. Mary joins her parents, brothers Paul, Carl, Jerry, John, and her nephew Wade Nieman.

A private, family Graveside Service will be held at Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, MI.

The family requests no flowers. However, Mary was a faithful supporter of Make-a-Wish Foundation and if you choose, donations may be made in her honor. A special thanks to the compassionate care provided by the staff at Sparrow Clinton Hospital. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com.

The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



Jeanette E. Baese

Jeanette E. Baese, 96, of Ovid, passed away peacefully on November 28, 2023.

Jeanette was born on April 30, 1927, the daughter of Clyde and Zetta (Yarger) Morrill and a 1944 graduate of Ovid High School. She owned and operated Mar Mer Beauty Shop in Elsie for over twenty years. In her younger years, Jeanette enjoyed bowling and golfing and she had two holes in one.

Surviving are her children, Linda (Leonard) Huyck, Lynn (Till Lewandowski) Baese and Marilee (Rick) Zruna; grandchildren, Renae and Rhett Huyck, Amber (Corey) Davis, Zack and Chris Zruna; great-grandchildren, Harper and Hudson Davis, Christopher, Brandon, Zaryn and Marrah Zruna; brother, Richard Morrill, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends.

Friends and family gathered at McGeehan Funeral Home, Keck-Coleman Chapel, 1500 Waterford Pkwy, on Saturday, December 2, 2023. Burial followed at Reed Cemetery, Victor Township.

Memorials may be made in her name to Hospice House of Shiawassee County, 2005 East Copas Road, Owosso, Michigan 48867.

The family was served by the McGeehan Funeral Home, Keck-Coleman Chapel.



"Above all, mourning is a spiritual journey of the heart and soul. And the holidays are a spiritual time of year. Together, the two demand your spiritual time and attention."

— Alan D. Wolfelt

Sports

Lady Marauder Volleyball Team Earns All-State, MMAC Honors

O V I D - ELSIE — Three Marauder volleyball players brought home All-State honors, while O-E as a team earned prestigious All-Academic plaquidits in post-season voting following the 2023 campaign.

C o a c h Angela Ehle's squad compiled an overall 4.0383 grade point average as an Academic All-State team.

Individually, Kyden Ehle was named 1st Team all MMAC and All-Region. She capped off an impressive junior season by garnering Division 3 All-State Honorable Mention honors.

Braeden Tokar completed her senior season as a MMAC Honorable Mention selection, and on the Academic All-State Team.

Senior Hailee Campbell was also named to the MMAC Honorable Mention contingent, and was Academic All-State, as well.

Ashton Ehle, a sophomore, was named to the MMAC Honorable Mention team.

First-year coach Ehle's Marauder team captured its first district championship in 37 years, and finished the 2023 season with a 16-15-1 record.



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| James K. 2nd Team All Conference | Travis W. Honorable Mention All Conference | |

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Ashley Fall Sports All Conference Honors

by *Ashleigh Shaw*

This year the Bears had three volleyball players receive conference honors by making the honorable mention team. Those three players are Ellie Drummond, Karissa Brady and Marissa Brady.

The football team also had seven players who were honored. Gavin Malek made first team offensive line and linebacker, Robert Kral made first team defensive back and second team quarterback, Will Long made first team wide receiver and second team defensive back. Jon Snider second team running back, Chase Kral second team offensive line, Gib Jason second team linebacker and Seth Stahr honorable mention defense. Congratulations to all the athletes.



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 Brock S. - Linebacker

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Sports

Wolfpack Blitzes Haslett in 2023-24 Basketball Opener

LAINGSBURG — Senior guard Zander Woodruff poured in 29 points as Laingsburg opened its promising 2023-24 boys basketball season with a 21-48 victory over non-league Haslett.

The final score was 69-48 in Tim Beebe's heading coaching debut. "It was a good way to begin the season," Beebe explained. "I was happy with the way we rebounded and I was really pleased with the way our defense defended their 3-pointers."

Jackson Audretsch scored 12 points for the Wolfpack while Cam Ballard added 11 points.

Laingsburg opened with a 23-12 first-quarter run and led 38-26 by halftime. Laingsburg continued to pull away in the second

The visiting Vikings were led by David Wheeler's 15-point points.



#11 Jackson Audretsch scored 12 points for the Wolfpack against Haslett in season opener
Photo by Burg Sports

The Shiawassee Arts Center will be Hosting a Special Class

submitted by Linda Ruehle

Come for fun or to learn a new skill - Cake Decorating with Jill Davis, of Drizzle Bakes and Cakes at the Shiawassee Arts Center will be held on Thursday, December 14, 6:30-8pm. In this hands-on class, you will learn to create a custom, edible centerpiece for your Holiday table! You probably know the name Jill Davis from being on the Halloween Baking Championship, on Food Network! Jill is very entertaining, as well as very skilled at her trade!

Jill will be demonstrating how to fill and ice a cake, then teach how to pipe buttercream poinsettia flowers and other festive decorations! Learn a variety of traditional and modern techniques to create a cake that suits your style!

Each student will receive a pre-iced 6" cake to decorate, and all materials will be provided. Everyone will take home their creations at the end of evening! Pre-registration and payment required. Call The Shiawassee Arts Center at (989) 723-8354. Limited places available. The cost is \$75 for a

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3rd place (tie) Darren Stump (Breadsticks)



GRIDIRON GURUS
by Tom Turek
sports@meridianweekly.com

The Thanksgiving hangover continues for our resurgent — we hope — Detroit Lions.

The Motor City cats have several pundits pontificating about the #1 seed playoff seed in the NFC. But for what we saw of the Thanksgiving sleepover — the Lions haven't won on the holiday since 2016 — we are forced to wonder.

The loss to the Packers threw a major errant pass at our Gridiron Guru wannabes, as did the Grambling vs. Southern matchup (Southern won) and the Patriots loss the Gotham Giants.

We've got a tussle on our hands for the top spot as we enter the final games, folks.

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).

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Elsie Downtown Redevelopment Group Meets

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – Shane Grinnell, Elsie Village Manager, in cooperation with Tim Fair, Clinton County Catalyst, brought together seventeen local merchants, business owners, village officials, and interested community members to discuss the future of the downtown area and the needs of local businesses. In addition, Rachel Elsinga, community development coordinator for Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) was in attendance to outline possible grant and low interest loan opportunities for area businesses.

The new interest in the businesses in the Village of Elsie was prompted by the future development of the former Elsie High School and the potential of thirty-two apartments becoming available. The additional housing will bring additional residents to the village has prompted a renewed interest in the downtown area and area businesses.

The meeting served as a time for the business community to get to know one another, brainstorm a vision for the Village of Elsie and to simply talk. Businesses asked questions regarding funding opportunities for expanding, improving and purchasing new business sites. It was decided that the group meet every six months and that property owners who desire sell business opportunities attend the next meeting. A date for the next meeting will be announced at a later date.

Winter Sports Previews Coming Soon!
Look for team photos, previews from Ashley, Laingsburg and Ovid-Elsie Schools

Sparrow Carson and Clinton Hospitals Receive Top National Grades from Patients

submitted by John Foren

Sparrow Carson and Clinton Hospitals received a five-star rating and ranked among the best hospitals in the state for nurse communication.

Becker's Hospital Review, a medical industry trade magazine that reports on, as well as conducts, its own research on healthcare, gave the Community Hospitals the top rating based on Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) data. HCAHPS surveys are given to patients and cover areas such as how well nurses and physicians communicate with them, communication about medicines, discharge information, and cleanliness of the hospital.

"It's a great recognition for our brilliant nurses at Sparrow Carson Hospital and Sparrow Clinton Hospital," said Mariah Hesse, RN, interim Chief Nursing Officer, Sparrow Carson and Clinton Hospitals.

"Nurse communication is a key driver for the overall rating of quality patient experience. I am proud to work with nurses that are committed to providing excellent care to the communities we serve. Building trusting relationships with patients, having patients feel respected and listened to, and having their care explained are vital to our care delivery team."

The star rating is based on survey data collected from hospital patients in 2022. To learn more about Sparrow's Community Hospitals, go to Sparrow.org.

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The decedent **Lloyd McMaster, Sr.** Died November 19, 2023. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the Lloyd McMaster, Jr. within three months after the date of publication.

12/3/23
Lloyd McMaster, Jr.
213 W. Pearl St.
Ovid, MI 48866
989-413-1778

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLINTON NOTICE TO CREDITORS

CASE NO: 2023-32028-DE
DECEASED:

MARK DANIEL MCCRACKIN

Date of Birth: 10/26/1967

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent Mark Daniel McCrackin

Died: October 2, 2023

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the deceased will be forever barred unless presented to Jane E. McCrackin, personal representative, or both the probate court at Clinton County Probate Court, 100 E. State Street, Suite 4300, St. Johns and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication.

Jane E. McCrackin
9304 Clark Road
Grand Ledge, MI 48837
(517) 626-6565

James D. Lance
One West Michigan Avenue
Battle Creek, MI 49017
(269) 966-3000

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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, January 10, 2024. 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 Keith J Cornell, a married man to Fifth Third Mortgage - MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated November 24, 2009, and recorded on November 25, 2009, as Document Number: 5150967, Clinton County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Fifth Third Bank, National Association, FKA Fifth Third Bank as successor by merger to Fifth Third Mortgage Company by an Assignment of Mortgage dated October 21, 2014 and recorded October 29, 2014 by Document Number: 5220853, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Eight and 09/100 (\$84,878.09) including interest at the rate of 5.50000% per annum. Said premises are situated in the Township of BATH, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: That part of East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of

Section 19, Town 5 North, Range 1 West, Bath Township, Clinton County, Michigan, lying East of the Michigan Central Railroad, described as: Beginning on the East line of Section 19 at a point 1448.85 feet North of the East 1/4 corner of Section 19, Town 5 North, Range 1 West 181.23 feet to the East right of way line of the Michigan Central Railroad; thence North 19 degrees 14 minutes 30 seconds East, 549.93 feet to the East line of Section 19; thence South 519.21 feet on the East line of Section 19 to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 14264 WATSON ROAD, BATH, MI 48808. 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: November 26, 2023. Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Fifth Third Bank, National Association, FKA Fifth Third Bank as successor by merger to Fifth Third Mortgage Company 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200. Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 23MI00909-1

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Elsie UMC Advent Activities

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – Elsie United Methodist Church has a busy schedule of activities during the advent season. Events begin with a Bible study entitled Because of Bethlehem by Max Lucado, the dates are December 2, 9, 16, and 23, 10 am – 11:30am. Attend all or one, facilitated by Pastor JD Paik.

Sunday, December 10, 3 pm a special concert featuring Dean Gilbert an OE graduate and retired music teacher. The cost is a donation of an item or monetary contribution for the Elsie Baby Pantry. Light refreshments will be served.

Thursday, December 14, 2023, is movie night 6:30 pm. It is an evening to enjoy a creature who tries to steal Christmas and children who discover the true meaning of Christmas. There will be popcorn and beverages.

The season will end with a Christmas Eve Service, 6 pm, a collaboration between the Elsie United Methodist Church and Shepardsville United Methodist Church. The service will be held at Elsie UMC.

Elsie United Methodist Church is located at 160 W. Main Street, all are invited to attend and to participate.

Adverse Childhood Experiences Training

The Shiawassee Prevention Network and the Shiawassee Community Foundation are offering a FREE and VIRTUAL Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) training for business professionals and community members! This training will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2023 from 9:00am-12:00pm over Zoom. Registration is required.

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ACES training registration link: <https://form.jotform.com/231516228986060>

Individuals that sign up for the training will receive the Zoom link prior to the training date.

Additional information about ACEs: <https://www.cdc.gov/violen->

Community Christmas Application Reminder

by Dawn D Levey

OVID-ELSIE - This is a reminder that applications for the Ovid-Elsie Christmas Assistance are due Monday, December 4, 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.

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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.

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This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: November 12, 2023 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515

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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 venue 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 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 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
File No. 23-011382
Firm Name: Orlans PC
Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084
Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400 11-19)(12-10)

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s):
JUSTIN MOLINE, A SINGLE MAN
Original Mortgagee: NPB MORTGAGE, LLC

Foreclosing Assignee (if any):
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for Freddie Mac SLST 2022-1 Participation Interest Trust
Date of Mortgage: May 25, 2007
Date of Mortgage Recording: June 13, 2007

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$105,585.00

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Essex, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Unit 33 of Orchard Estates Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 903, Page 35 through 93, Clinton County Records and any amendments thereto and designated as Clinton County Subdivision Plan Number 21, together with the rights in General Common Elements and Limited Common Elements as set forth in the above Master Deed, and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended.

Common street address (if any): 8033 Idared Rd, Saint Johns, MI 48879-8545

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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This notice is from a debt collector.
Date of notice: December 3, 2023
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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
Common street address (if any): 2700 N US Highway 27, Saint Johns, MI 48879-8502

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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement.

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judiciary act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on 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. MORTGAGE: Mortgagor(s): Joan Wrather, a single woman Original Mortgagee: Beneficial Michigan Inc. Date of mortgage: November 25, 2006 Recorded on December 4, 2006, in Document No. 5109860, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: Thirty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Seven and 99/100 Dollars (\$39,747.99) Mortgaged premises: Situated in Clinton County, and described as: THE EAST 80 FEET OF THE WEST 90 FEET OF LOT 3, BLOCK C OF STONE'S ADDITION, VILLAGE OF OVID, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Commonly known as 221 E 1st St, Ovid, MI 48866 The redemption period will be one year 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. U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400

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Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judiciary act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM on 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.
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New model allows for clearer delineation of business units, innovative service delivery and partnerships

Memorial Healthcare, an independent, community non-profit hospital in Shiawassee County, has adopted a new system-oriented governance structure, which will be known as the Memorial Health System, after unanimous approval from the hospital Board of Trustees.

The move comes after more than two years of deliberation and constitutes a governance and legal restructuring. The implementation of a system model allows the organization to explore new, innovative partnerships and revenue-generating service lines, such as childcare, clinical research and development projects, to bring additional healthcare services to the community.

"From our industry-leading Institute for Neuroscience to our recently opened Childcare Academy, Memorial Healthcare continually punches above its weight class and redefines expectations of what a community hospital can be," said Greg Bontrager, Chairman of the Memorial Healthcare Board of Trustees. "Our reach has expanded both geographically and in terms of service offerings over the past several years, and the creation of the Memorial Health System better positions us to continue innovating our healthcare operations to meet the growing and changing needs of patients in mid-Michigan and beyond in the future."

An initial Memorial Health System Board will be drawn from present members of the Memorial Healthcare Board of Trustees to oversee present and future growth opportunities, as well as oversight of strategic direction for the system as a whole. The makeup of the Memorial Healthcare Hospital Board of Trustees will remain unchanged with a renewed focus on hospital governance to ensure outstanding patient care, quality and safety, and service excellence. Both boards will continue to be populated by members who serve on a voluntary, unpaid basis.

The structure of the new Memorial Health System is unique in that it remains centered around a single community hospital, Memorial Healthcare, and its related business units. While the creation of the Memorial Health System will not change the job status of any employee or provider, expanded reach within new and interesting areas within the healthcare and community landscape is anticipated to create opportunities for professional advancement of team members while attracting additional talent.

The system approach will also provide increasing services to the community while securing Memorial Healthcare's status as an outstanding independent community hospital. The system model does not in any way constitute an affiliation or merger with another hospital or hospital system.

For more information, please visit [MemorialHealthcare.org/system](https://www.MemorialHealthcare.org/system).



About Memorial Healthcare

Memorial Healthcare is an independent, community non-profit hospital with 161 beds and a medical staff of nearly 500 physicians and advanced practice providers and more than 1,500 employees. Memorial is the sole hospital in Shiawassee County, serving a population of approximately 68,000 with an expanded footprint in Saginaw, Bay, Ingham, Livingston and Clinton counties. Memorial Healthcare's mission rings true today, as it did in 1921 when it opened its doors, to be an industry leader in the promotion of health and wellness through quality compassionate healthcare with a commitment to service excellence, teamwork, and innovation. For more information, visit www.memorialhealthcare.org.



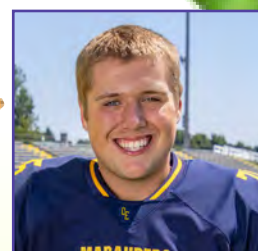
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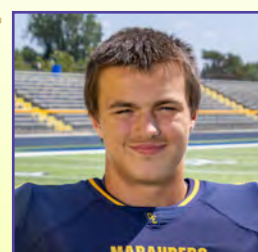
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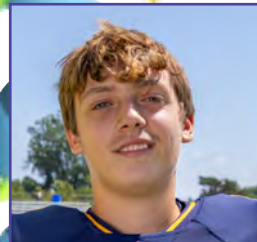
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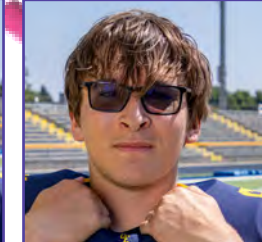
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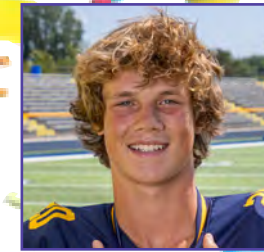
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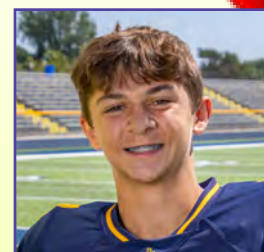
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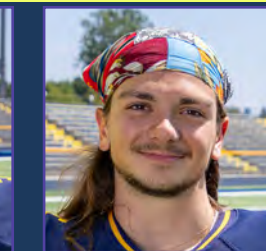


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