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**GOAT:** Greatest Of All Time experience for kids who take part in the Clinton County 4-H Fair. Pictured here is Benjamin Hoch, age 9 of Elsie with his goat Wilson. Ben's first time experience at the 4-H Fair has been a good one as you can see he and Wilson have bonded. Next up is the Shiawassee County Fair and St Johns Mint Festival, see pages 7-9 for schedules and information.



#### **Special Meeting of the Elsie Village Council**

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – A special meeting of the Elsie Village Council was held Tuesday, July 30, 2024. The meeting announcement stated "The Village of Elsie will be holding a Special Meeting on Tuesday, July 30th, 2024. The location of the special meeting is at the Duplain Township Hall, 145 W, Main Street, Elsie MI 48831. The meeting will start at 7 pm. . Speculation and rumor was that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the current Elsie Area Fire Association contract and the obligations of the Village of Elsie.

A regular meeting agenda was presented, officials took action to approve the agenda and postponing all other action items until the regular meeting slated for Tuesday, August 13. Officials moved to go into closed session stating the following, it was moved pursuant to section 8 (h) of the Open Meetings Act, to consider material exempt from disclosure by state statue, section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act, which exempts from public disclosure "information or records subject to the attorney-client privilege" being Confidential Attorney-Client Written

Communication dated July 30, 2024.

Officials returned in open session at 8:10 pm. The action taken was to add to the regular meeting agenda August 13 discussion of Schedule A of the agreement with the Elsie Area Fire Association. The purpose to and cleaning up the language and to propose needed changes to be forwarded to the Elsie Area Fire Association for consideration.

Public comment included a request by Rick Zemla, Fairfield Township Supervisor, for an explanation to what has changed over the past ten months to prompt this action. Further commenting that the goal of the fire association is provide fire protection to the residents.

Officials responded that it is the goal of the Village to support the fire department. The twenty-five-year-old contract needs to be updated, it is time to make changes and support the Elsie Area Fire Association.

Jason Freeman, Elsie Village Councilman, stated, "Number one priority is to keep the fire department where it is.".

#### Pancakes, Recycling & More

submitted by Ellen Link

The Greater Laingsburg Recyclers are thrilled to announce that turning the LBCA's Pancake Breakfast into a zero-waste event was a huge success, thanks to the enthusiastic assistance from the LBCA cooks and many volunteers, including some of the Spirit Expressions dance students! All of the compostable utensils, plates and cups as well as leftover food items were hauled away to be made into compost. And less than ten pounds of related materials, out of nearly 1,000 breakfasts served, were deemed actual waste, destined for the landfill. We're already thinking about next year!

Reducing food waste has become a hot topic in our state and around the country. According to EGLE (Michigan.gov/egle/), "Food waste generates about 270 million metric tons of CO2 equivalent greenhouse gas emissions each year, roughly equivalent to the annual emissions from 58 million passenger vehicles...In the MI Healthy Climate Plan, cutting food waste in half by 2030 is one of the key recommendations for Michigan to achieving carbon neutrality." The USDA



(https://www.usda.gov/foodwaste/activities) frames it well: "When we waste food, we also waste all the energy and water it takes to grow, harvest, transport, and package it. And if food goes to the landfill and rots, it produces methane—a greenhouse gas even more potent than carbon dioxide."

We hope this will get you thinking about how this applies to your own habits. Leftovers can make fantastic meals. Food for thought?

Recycling Updates: The GLR will be open in August per usual on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (August 6 and 20), 4-6 p.m., and 2nd and 4th Saturdays (August 10 and 24), 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Don't forget we also have a variety of freebies that may interest you, including (right now) a box of wrapping paper and gift bags, books, buckets—you'll have to look for yourself. We also take



and give out egg cartons for all you chicken farmers.

Last month we made this note we thought worth repeating: Do not recycle your old cell phone with us or anyone else until you have "wiped" it clean to ensure your safety. Remove the SIM card if it has one (you may be able to reuse it on another phone) along with any SD cards. Do a factory reset; go into settings and sign out of all accounts and erase all personal information. Full instructions can be found online. The same applies to other electronic items containing personal information.

For a complete list of what materials the GLR accepts and other useful info, visit our Facebook page or website (https://recyclelaingsburg.wixsite.com/mysite) or scan our QR code. You can also call Terry or Ellen Link at (517) 651-2005 or Beth Lange at 651-6437. New volunteers of any age are always welcome. Step by step we're working toward a sustainable future in our own backyard.



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#### Elsie United Methodist Church to Host 2nd Annual National Night Out

by Dawn D. Levey

ELSIE – Elsie United Methodist Church is excited to host the 2nd annual National Night Out, Tuesday, August 6, 6-8 pm. The event will take place in the church park located between W. Main and W. Pine Streets on Church Street. Adults and children alike will have an opportunity to "touch a truck" with the following EMS services participating, Elsie Area Fire Department, Elsie Police Department and Clinton Area Ambulance Service. But opportunities will not stop there, representatives from area community resources will be present like Elsie Public Library, Elsie Food Pantry, Elsie Fall Festival, Elsie Baby Pantry, Elsie Masonic Lodge #238 will have child find kits available, Happy Feet Pet Rescue and more.

The fun does not stop there. There will be live music featuring Pastor JD Paik, Dean Gilbert and DJ Jarred Hyzier. There will also be food for all hotdogs, soft drinks, and popcorn.

The introduction of National Night Out, "America's Night Out Against Crime", in 1984 began an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. The event has evolved into an annual event that bring neighborhoods together.

The public is encouraged to come and join in the fun and to get to know their community and neighbors.

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# Social

#### Dennis Long, Elsie Mailman Retires

by Deb Price

After 27 years of delivering mail to Elsie residents, Dennis Long has given up driving on the opposite side of the front seat and has retired from the US Postal Department.

Denny, after graduating from Ovid-Elsie in 1971, continued working on the family Dairy Farm in Elsie. He also worked for Greg Palen at Michigan Livestock for four years. He



became a substitute mail carrier on July 11, 1993, on Elsie Route 1. He became a full-time carrier on January 4, 1997 when he replaced Doris Gregor. He became the Route 2 mailman from Gary Kurka from 2010 until retiring this year. "It was a great choice to continue the mail route after subbing for over 15 years," explained Long.

He worked for three Post Masters: Sue Hardaker, Kathy Penske and Kevin Craig over his 27 years. He explained that they worked "By the Book", with a "Get it Done" mindset. "Back in the day, the carriers would sort 1,200-1,500 pieces of 1st class and standard mail letters at the Elsie Post office, today, the sorting is done in Grand Rapids," he explained. "Also, back in the day, a big day for packages would be 8-10 a day, today, because of Amazon, holiday packages can total 100 per day. That's a lot of getting in and out of your vehicle," he said.

Running the mail route, 5 days a week over the past 25 years and 6 days a week once Amazon entered the picture has been a rewarding job for Denny. "Living in the community we do, you get to not only know who your people are, you get to know their habits, and when someone doesn't pick up their mail, that could mean trouble," he explained. In retirement, Denny will continue farming, contributing to the community and wintering in Florida.

The new mail carrier on Denny's route has been taken over by Eureka resident, Jim Fabor.

#### **Ovid Historical Society**

submitted by Roger Matthies

Please join the Ovid Historical Society for our next meeting on Tuesday, August 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mary Myers Museum Plans for the coming events will be reviewed.

The meeting is at 131 East Williams Street, Ovid.

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#### Elsie Masonic Lodge to Hold Charity Pancake Breakfast August 10

submitted by Dawn D. Levey

ELSIE – The Elsie Masonic Lodge will hold a special charity pancake breakfast Saturday, August 10, 9-Noon, at the Masonic Community Center in Elsie. The purpose of the breakfast is to support Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation. The Foundation supports student scholarships, bikes for books, and residents of Masonic Pathways.

The Elsie Masons have awarded more than fifty scholarships in the past ten years, given away approximately forty bikes to EE Knight students in the last three years and support former Elsie residents at Masonic Pathways. The community is encouraged to support this event, 100% of the donations collected will be given the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation

Elsie Masonic Lodge #238 also hosts a pancake breakfast the last Saturday of each month with all proceeds supporting the Elsie Baby Pantry.



Shiawassee County Capital Area Community Service, Inc. (CACS) Announces an

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# bituaries

#### Lillian Higgins

After a truly great run, Lillian "Diamond Lil" Higgins passed away on July 6th, 2024, at her home in Elsie, Michigan. She was 95. Lillian was born on September 30th, 1928, in McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Joseph and Annie (Matkouski) Wisochanski, both of whom had relocated to the United States from Ukraine in the early 1890s.

Lillian graduated from Stowe Rocks High School in 1947. At the end of her second year of college, she met Otis "Red" Wayne Higgins, a Staff sergeant with the Air Force stationed in Pittsburgh. Wayne and Lillian were married on February 7th, 1951, at St Mary's Ukrainian Church in McKees Rock. Concurrent with their wedding and family plans, she dedicated her life to being a stay-at-home wife and mother.

As an active military couple, they were stationed at various bases throughout the U.S., including Aberdeen, Maryland, Savannah, Georgia, and Santa Maria, California. Upon Wayne's discharge from the military in 1966 (21 years of service), they relocated to Clarkston, Michigan, where Wayne worked an additional 20+ years with General Motors at the

Milford Proving Grounds as a test driver. They were married for 68 years prior to Wayne's passing in 2019.

In 1991, the couple relocated to Elsie from Clarkston, designing and constructing their dream home on a 10-acre lot dubbed "The Crossing," unique in having an active line of the Great Lakes Central running across the driveway and through the front yard.

Lillian was Preceded in death by her daughter Danny and son David. She is survived by her sons John and Timmothy; Grandchildren Nicholas, Shara, Alexander, Emilie, Ella, David, and John; and Great-Grandchildren Rosemary Jade and Maranda. Lillian will be laid to rest beside David and Wayne at the Ottawa Park Cemetery in Clarkston this fall.



#### **Response to Letter**

Letter to the Editor:

This editorial is in response to a letter that I received in the mail today, July 24, 2024 and it is also a rebuttal to the letter in the Weekly from the editorial Dear Critic which was published

The letter written to me suggest that Brian Burch and I do not remember or follow the Ten Commandments. How can you even insinuate that since you know about either of our lives or our religious beliefs? To my knowledge, Donald Trump. has never been arrested for murder or has never advocated for the murder of the unborn in the name of reproductive freedom as Democratic politicians have.

To me, the fifth commandment is the most consequential commandment because with /out life you can not follow the other nine commandments. Joe Biden and Kamala Harris advocate for the murder of the unborn from conception until natural birth in the name of reproductive freedom. It is beyond my comprehension that any true Bible-believing Christian that espouses the Ten Commandments could vote for Joe Biden (in a coma as written in the letter sent to me) or

As far as project 2025 is concerned, President Trump has said he does not have an involvement with the policy blueprint and has attempted to distance himself from it. Agenda 47 was released directly by the Trump campaign. Policy points on education, crime, homelessness, illegal immigration and the economy are very big items in that agenda.

Gale Wadell **Duplain Township** 

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# Laingsburg Pancake Breakfast & Classic Car Show Results



#### NOTICE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS To the qualified electors of Fairfield Township

The Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024. Polls will be open from 7am - 8pm at Fairfield Township Hall (corner of Vincent & Henderson)

Carolyn Long, Clerk 989-277-4826

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE** City of Laingsburg

The City of Laingsburg Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on August 20, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at Laingsburg City Hall, 114 N. Woodhull Street, Laingsburg, Michigan to review the following:

A. Applicant/ Owner - David Rhodabeck

Site Location - 210 W 151 North St parcel # 022-43-007-004-00 Request- To put up a garage that would be under the 10 ft minimum distance of the property line

Ordinance Reference - Section 406(A), Accessory uses and structures Legal Description: CITY OF LAINGSBURG SEC 21, T6N-R 1E COM AT A PT 19 RDS 4 FT E OF W SEC LN IN CEN OF NORTH ST TH N 14 RDS, E 62 FT, S 14 RDS, W 62 FT TO BEG. BLK 7

Any persons wishing to address this issue should attend the meeting in person, by counsel, by personal representative, or they may submit their concerns in writing no later than August 19, 2024:

City of Laingsburg Attn: City Clerk PO Box 178 114 N. Woodhull Street Laingsburg MI 48848

City Hall is barrier-free. If you need assistance contact City Offices at 517-651-5374 prior to the meeting

Kim Hamilton, City Clerk

#### 22nd Annual Laingsburg Classic Car Show Wrap

submitted by Cathy Provines

On Saturday, July 27 was a beautiful sunny day for the Laingsburg Classic Car Sow. The annual car show is hosted by Looking Glass Community Outreach. LGCO is a non-profit organization servicing the southern part of Shiawassee County by providing emergency relief to those in need, and other programs. This year, the annual car show had 91 registered drivers join in the festivities in downtown Laingsburg

Tunes by T, Inc. provided a great mix of music and also called out the winning tickets for our door prizes. Periodically throughout the event, he announced the names of the 33 sponsors of the event. In addition to these sponsorships from local businesses Granger donated a dumpster for the day, Sloan Septic donated the use of one Porta Jon for the day, Hat Trick Tents and Events discounted the price of tables and chairs for the pancake breakfast, Summit Racing donated a Car Show Kit, and Meridian Weekly donated advertising for the event. For door prizes this year we had a Car Wash Bucket from Auto Zone in Owosso, a Car Wash Bucket from Advanced Auto Parts in Owosso, a \$30 Gift Card from O'Reilly Auto in St. Johns, a Flashlight and Grinder from Perry Automotive in Perry, a Utility Tool Set from Car Quest Auto Parts in St. Johns, a Car Wash Bucket from Auto Zone in St. Johns, a 50 Piece Socket Set from NAPA in Owosso and a Summit Racing Banner from Summit Racing.



2nd Place

1st Place

Scott Moore

Richard Volz

At 1 pm prizes were awarded after the ballots from the drivers were tabulated by computer. Trophies were awarded to the top three drivers who received the most votes. Plaques were awarded for 4th through 15th place. Trophy winners were: First Place - Car #63 – Scott Moore who entered a 1930 Ford, Second Place – Car #45 - Ryan Randolph who entered a 1972 Jimmy 4x4, and Third Place – Car #14 – Richard Volz who entered a 1963 Chevy Impala.

Many thanks to all of our sponsors, volunteers, drivers and spectators for making this 22st annual Laingsburg Classic Car Show a success.

To learn more about LGCO please visit our Facebook page at facebook.com/LGCOshiawassee or you can email Cathy Provines, LGCO Director at: cathy.provines@gmail.com

#### Wolfpack Soccer Alumni **Invited to Play in** Feature Game

LAINGSBURG -- August 10 will be the date, says veteran Wolfpack coach Natalie Elkins, when LHS will host an Alumni Soccer Game at the Wolfpack Sports Complex.

The contest, open to all male and female alumni, will kick

Come enjoy some great soccer action.

#### St. Johns Welcomes the Schrock Bros and with Madcat to the Stage on August 7th

submitted by Bill Tennant

A concert like no other will take place on the stage of the William E. Tennant Performance Shell in the beautiful St. Johns City Park on Wednesday, August 7 at 7:00 p.m. The incredible Schrock Bros Band will be performing on the St. Johns' Concert in the Park series. This West Michigan based Americana/blues/original/roots/rock band features soulful lead ocals, family harmony, and solid musicianship.

But that's not all! Performing with the Schrock Bros Band will be the Grammy Award winning Peter Madcat Ruth, who has established an international reputation through his exhilarating, riveting virtuosity on the harmonica. Together, the musicians will present a high-level performance that will resonate with everyone in attendance.

'This will be quite an evening," reflects Bill Tennant, concert coordinator. "We, the concert committee, specifically requested that this combination of musicians perform together on our series this year. The concert will not only appeal to blues aficionados, but to everyone who likes really good music.

The Schrock Bros perform original music peppered with a collection of nuggets from the Americana archives. Over the past 10 years the quintet has performed at a multitude of festivals, concerts, clubs and special events throughout the US.

In June of 2023, they released their first full length recording entitled 'Faith In Love' to the delight of their longtime fans and new converts. This album was awarded the 2024 'Best Blues/Soul Album' WYCE Jammie award winner!

The Schrock Bros include, Andrew – a gifted soulful singer/songwriter who holds down the bass lines, Jasen – the lead singer who plays acoustic guitar, and Mark – a singer/songwriter who plays electric guitar and mandolin. Peter Madcat Ruth -will be on vocals and harmonica, along with Michael Shimmin – one of the most in-demand percussionist in the state of Michigan and beyond.

The Concert in the Park series is co-sponsored by the Clinton County Arts Council and the City of St. Johns. New this year is a third sponsor for each concert as the Shell Committee has started a fund-raiser for a much-needed addition to the back of the Shell for performers to use and for additional storage. We want to thank Studio Retreat and Art Gallery for their donation to the building fund and their sponsorship of this incredible

The concerts are open to the public free of charge - donations are graciously accepted. The Lion's Club food trailer will be available this year and as always, all concerts are presented rain or shine.





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# Editorial

It is one of those pitching days at my house. I'm trying to have more space in my kitchen cupboards and the first thing I pitched was sixteen plastic glasses that I have used for about six years. I came to the conclusion that I no longer



# A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

wished to wash the darn things. I prefer to drink from a regular glass, I like the texture and now pay attention when I 'throw' them into the sink to wash. Don't want to chip or crack them. So maybe I'm just trying to make myself more conscientious of my environment. Besides that all I have to do is rinse and place into the dishwasher and they come out sparkling clean. Can we say lazy?

Have you ever had your plans laid out and ready to rock when others are no longer available as expected? It seems to happen to me all the time. I feel indisposed when I can't connect as needed. Such is life. So I realign my expectations. Today is such a day, hopefully I will be able to maneuver my agenda to fit theirs. Prudence has been watching me closely, I believe that she fears that I will exit without her company. She will accompany me when I zip out to fill up my car and to visit my sister later today. For now she keeps checking the kitchen to see why I'm making so much noise. I will be making a run up to the shop to fill a special order. The multigrain bread that I have made is getting popular. Diane has to fill another special order with her awesome cupcakes. So much for having the day off. Sorta...

Tuesday held a wonderful surprise for me. I was doing dishes and heard a rather annoying

Tuesday held a wonderful surprise for me. I was doing dishes and heard a rather annoying noise near my property. I was overjoyed when I realized that the noise was a rather large tractor with a brush hog type machine attached to it. My corner which had become a blind to drivers facing east was finally being cleaned out. Timing is everything. I was walking out to the road to get my mail when the gentleman who was cutting the growth in the ditch asked if he could bring in his rig to do my side of the ditch. Of course I said yes and thanked him for giving east-bound drivers a clear view of Mason Road north of my corner. It was a wahoo day!!!

Today was another busy day at MG's Perx & Pastries. I had a minor disaster as I was waiting on a couple of youngsters. They needed two large cups of cider, (don't forget the straws), and two of those chocolate cupcakes topped with peanut butter frosting sprinkled with chopped peanut butter cups. I think that they were siblings and wanted one of the larger double chocolate chip cookies. They discussed whether or not Dad was to get the cookie or were they going to split it. They didn't get their cookie, I managed to dump the whole batch of them on the floor. So they went into the garbage and the kids did forgive me for being such a klutz. Such is life.

I just came back into the house. I had planned on wacking the weeds by the mailbox. Of course my battery pooped out on me. Now I need to charge my battery so that I may get the job finished. I might have succeeded if I hadn't stopped to clip the weeds at the end of the driveway. I know that they will still be there when I get home after work tomorrow. I have to go over to pick up my co-op order in the Chapin area. I also plan on making a stop on Marshall Road north of St John's to pick up some vine ripened tomatoes at Davis's in the afternoon. I'm enjoying tomato sandwiches and bacon with tomato sandwiches. Life is good...but a bit exhausting at times

It is already Thursday morning and I'm still paying for pulling weeds last Thursday and Saturday, it is a bit weird because I'm feeling a bit delicate. This is very unusual for me though my daughter chides me because I'm usually running twenty miles an hour in a five mile an hour zone speed zone. She has also admonished me because I have a more than adequate vocabulary and should not be using the  $s\_t$  word when frustrated. Shot was not the word.

I've been working on updating fliers. I just have two more to complete and need to set them up in their own folder so that I won't have to search the numerous documents in my computer to find them. Perhaps I should take a course in using these fandangle things correctly. May your lives be filled with interesting events and people. God bless you.

Crystal Mitchell@2024

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The Village of Ashley will be accepting bid proposal for Repairs on the Village of Ashley's building The Corner Shoppe doing the following:

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Please call DPW Supervisor Paul Beck for bid specifications at (989)640-4314 Bids will be accepted through August 8, 2024 at 4pm and can be received at the Ashley Village Office, P.O. Box 158, Ashley, MI 48806 or request by email to villageclerk@ashleyvillage.net

The Village of Ashley reserves the right to accept and/or reject any and all proposals, and to make the award in the best interest of the Village.

President. Ann Paksi

#### Thank You Elsie Dairy Festival

My family and I would like to thank the Elsie Dairy Festival Committee for choosing myself and my late wife Gwen as Grand Marshals for the parade. We had fun taking part in the various events before the parade. We know that Gwen was looking down from above and enjoying the day along with us.

Thanks Again Dwight Nash & Family

#### Holy Koi!!

Over this last week there has been a story surfacing all over print and social media about a new world record set for a Japanese koi fish harvested with a bow. The record koi



measured 32 inches and weighed in at 24.5 pounds and was a pre-spawn female. Three other koi were harvested including two other pregnant females along with a male filled with milt(sperm). Would you believe that these six to seven year old fish were harvested in Michigan? Glen Lake, right next to the Sleeping Bear Dunes, with its crystal clear water has been serving as the host water for these very large and orange ornamental carp.

The Glen Lake Association has been receiving calls about the koi for a few years and decided to take action against this invasive and nuisance species by hiring a bowfishing team from Thundering Aspens Sportsman Club in Mesick. Yes, Mesick, the morel mushroom capital of the United States. Why remove the koi? Well, they tend to live long, reproduce readily, survive harsh winters, and have a big appetite according to news reports this week. Like wild boars they are diggers and can destroy lakeshores and lake beds by uprooting plants thus reducing food for native fish. Glen Lake is a 4800 acre pristine lake with northern pike, cisco, bluegill, sunfish, along with largemouth and smallmouth bass. However, what is one man's junk is often another man's treasure...

If you travel as far south and east as you can from Glen Lake you will end up in Lake Erie where there are very large goldfish or "gold carp" which are very similar to the aforementioned koi.

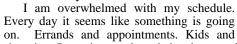
While not targeted as a fish to harvest by commercial fisherman they are a bycatch kept and marketed to New York and Los Angeles. The western waters of Lake Erie near southern Michigan and northern Ohio seem to be the only area with a large population The only other area on the Great Lakes with some gold carp seems to be the Saginaw Bay. Right now the demand outweighs the supply and they sell for about a dollar a pound. Some fish wholesalers are hoping for farm raised operations to start producing the species.

Regardless, keep your aquarium or pond pets where they belong and resist releasing into Michigan's waterways.

-WS

# Summer is Nearly Over! Help!

Dear Andy,





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shopping. Preparing meals and cleaning up. Going to work (part-time) and on the phone all the way home. Laundry and cleaning house. Visiting family, outings with friends, weekend activities - graduation open houses, weddings, baby showers, family and friend reunions. We have had company every weekend or are visiting someone the other weekends.

We are on the go all the time. My list could go on and on. My calendar looks like henscratch. I am making little mistakes and forgetting some things that I need or want to do. I have a limited budget so I like to involve my children in as much free activities as I can in the summer. I even forgot the free day at the zoo. My life is on a merry-go-round. We don't even have time to take a camping vacation this summer. Summer is nearly over, and it will be time to go back to school for the kids.

I am so stressed some nights I can hardly get to sleep, thinking of things. My emails have piled up. Most of them junk but I feel like I need to at least take a quick look. I have some dear friends whom I have not seen in months, and it is breaking my heart. What is happening to me?

Crazy Mon

Dear Crazy mom,

It is not just you; our lives have been in "fast mode" lately. Everyone is commenting about how fast time flys. I have heard many friends and received notes from people saying how they are in the same speed boat.

So much to do can cause anxious behaviors and needless worry. Sometimes it is what it is! You need to get a good night's sleep so you can tackle life with happiness and enough energy to get through each day. You are only one person, and you can only do one thing at a time. Did you know you can delete all your emails 100 at a time? When you see the same twenty popup over and over again...it is stressful. Make a choice to unsubscribe or change your email and only give it to people you want to have it. You have too much on your plate to read thousands of emails. Don't answer your cell phone while driving, unless it is your children, and you talk and drive hands free option. Take that time to breathe. Turn off the radio and music. Calm yourself with the summer breezes.

As for your busy calendar. Yes, there is always something going on, but you do not need to do everything. Plan appointments on the same day when possible. As for all the social engagements and things you "want" or "need" to accomplish the rest of this summer, make a list. Review it and make checkmarks from one to four check marks for most important. Read through your list. Add a check mark as you review your wish list of activities. Prioritize and delete some items on your list.

It is important to enjoy life, but it is not necessary to run yourself ragged. You need and deserve a good night's sleep. Take care of yourself, so you can take care of others. There is time to do what you can with your family. Slow Down and smell the coffee or the fresh summer air. Sometimes it ok NOT to attend or engage in activities when you would rather stay home and push your kids in a swing or weed the flower garden. Plan your campout in your backyard. Closer to home for the bathroom and if you forget something. Have a bonfire, toast marshmallows and play games, drop clothes pin in a jar, play hide n seek. Relax, look at the clouds in the sky, jump rope, Be outside while it still is summer.

Thanks for writing. I am going to take some of my own advice. Ask\_Andy@aol.com

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#### **Information Booth**

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

#### **Festival Grounds**

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

#### Grab a bite to eat

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#### Elba Township Blight Ordinance (as amended 6/20/24)

AN ORDINANCE TO PREVENT, REDUCE OR ELIMINATE BLIGHT, BLIGHTING FACTORS OR CAUSES OF BLIGHT WITHIN ELBA TOWNSHIP, GRATIOT COUNTY, MICHIGAN; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT HEREOF; AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION HEREOF; PURSUANT TO THE ENABLING AUTHORITY THEREFORE PROVIDED BY ACTS 344 (MCL 125.71 ET SEQ.) AND 246 (MCL 41.181 ET SEQ.) OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1945 AS AMENDED.

#### THE TOWNSHIP OF ELBBAGRATIOT COUNTY, ORDAINS:

#### Section 1. PURPOSE

Consistent with the letter and spirit of act No. 344 of the Public Acts of 1945, as amended, it is the purpose of this Ordinance to prevent, reduce or eliminate blight or potential blight in Elba Township by the prevention or elimination of certain environmental causes of blight or blighting factors which exist or which may in the future exist in said township. Section 2. CAUSES OF BLIGHT OR BLIGHTING FACTORS

It is hereby determined that the following uses, structures and activities are causes of blight or blighting factors which, if allowed to exist, will tend to result in blighted and undesirable neighborhoods. On and after the effective date of this Ordinance, no person, firm or corporation of any kind shall maintain or permit to be maintained any of these causes of blight or blighting factors upon any property in Elba Township owned, leased, rented or occupied by such person, firm or corporation.

A. Any parking, storage or accumulation of inoperable motor vehicles, including vehicles being repaired or dismantled on any private property, unless that storage or accumulation is inside a completely enclosed building, or a fence made of such material as would hide said accumulation from view, or if such accumulation and/or storage is accomplished in such a manner as to conceal same from view from adjacent private or public property, including public or private roads. No such storage or accumulation shall be permitted when such storage presents a hazard to public health or safety. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit the storage, out-of-doors, of operable motor vehicles commonly licensed for farm use, whether such license is currently in effect or not, or operable recreational motor vehicles and operable trailers, whether currently licensed or not.

For the purpose of this Ordinance, an inoperable motor vehicle is defined as a motor vehicle not in operating condition and eligible for use in accordance with the requirements of the Michigan Vehicle Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, an engine that runs, four wheels and four tires capable of holding air, current license plates, and a working battery. Inoperable recreational vehicles, farm equipment and trailers are required to be able to perform the functions they are intended to perform. Should the equipment be deemed décor, the vegetation surrounding the equipment shall be upkept.

**B.** The storage upon any property, outside of a fully enclosed building, of building materials. The outdoor storing of building materials is permitted at any retail or wholesale building supply establishment located in a commercial or industrial district. The outdoor storage of building materials is permitted in other zoning districts when stored for the purpose of construction for which construction, a valid building permit has been issued by the appropriate county or township building official and where said materials are intended for use in connection with such construction.

For the purposes of this Ordinance, the term "building materials" is defined to include lumber, bricks, concrete, cinder blocks, plumbing materials, electrical wiring or equipment, heating ducts or equipment, shingles, mortar, cement, nails, screws or any other materials used in constructing any structure.

C. In any area, the storage or accumulation of junk, trash, rubbish or refuse of any kind without a land-fill permit, except domestic refuse stored in such a manner as not to create a nuisance for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days. The term "junk" shall include parts of machinery or motor vehicles, unused stoves or other appliances stored in the open, remnants of woods, metal or any other material or other cast-off material of any kind whether or not the same could be put to any reasonable use.

D. In any area the existence of any structure or part of any structure, which, because of fire, wind or other natural disaster, or physical deterioration is no longer habitable, if a dwelling, nor useful for any other purpose of which it may have been intended.

E. In any area, the existence of any vacant dwelling, garage or other outbuilding unless such buildings are kept securely locked, windows kept glazed or neatly boarded up and otherwise protected to prevent entrance thereto by vandals, or other unauthorized persons.

F. In any area the existence of any partially completed structure unless such structure is in the course of construction in accordance with a valid and subsisting building permit issued by the Township/City/Village and unless such construction is completed within a reasonable time.

**G.** In any area, the existence of any dangerous vegetation or blighted factor that poses a danger to adjacent properties or persons.

#### Section 3. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

A. This Ordinance shall be enforced by such persons who shall be so designated by the Township.

B. First offense: Upon the first offense, a notice of violation shall be personally served by the code enforcement officer upon the owner or upon an adult occupant of the property unless after reasonably diligent effort the owner or an adult occupant cannot be located thereon or personal service is refused, evaded or obstructed by the owner or occupant, in which event the code enforcement officer shall post the notice of violation in a conspicuous place upon the property and shall mail a copy by certified mail to the owner of the property as shown in the tax assessment records of the Township/Village. If the violation involves a vehicle and personal service cannot be made, the notice of violation shall be affixed to the vehicle and a copy mailed to the owner of the property.

Subsequent violations: Upon subsequent or repeat violations by the same offender at the same address such written notice will not be required. All subsequent or repeat violations shall immediately be deemed a misdemeanor and follow the fine schedule and process outlined in section 3E and 3F.

A notice of violation shall contain the following:

- 1. The date and time of issuance of the notice, and the name, mailing address and telephone number of the code enforcement officer issuing the notice.
- 2. The address of the property on which the violation is found.

- 3. The name of the owner or adult occupant if personal service is made.
- 4. A description of the materials or of the vehicle found to be in violation, and their location on the property.
- 5. A statement that the materials must be permanently removed from the property or placed in an enclosed building, or if a vehicle either removed, placed in an enclosed building or concealed with a securely fastened fitted cover manufactured for that purpose, before the expiration of thirty (30) days of the date of issuance of the notice.
- 6. A statement that the refusal, failure or neglect to comply before the expiration of such period of thirty (30) days shall constitute a misdemeanor, that process may issue and the maximum penalty for the violation; that the township may seek additional or other relief by civil process; and that the materials or vehicles maybe removed and disposed of by the township and that the expense so incurred shall be paid by the property owner.
- 7. A statement that the person has the right to appeal the notice of violation to the township board by written notice of the exercise of the right to appeal submitted to the code enforcement officer issuing the notice prior to the expiration of fourteen (14) days from the date of issuance of the notice of violation.
- C. A compliance agreement between the code enforcement officer and the person, firm or corporation whom owns, leases, rents or occupies the property is required to be written and signed within fourteen (14) days of contact.

  D. After issuance of a notice of violation by a code enforcement officer and the refusal, failure, or neglect by the person to comply as provided in this article before the expiration of the thirty (30) day period prescribed, the designated code enforcement officer or township may, in lieu of or in addition to arrest and criminal prosecution and/or the institution of other action provided by law, enforce the provision of this ordinance. Enforcement can, but is not limited to, the actions outlined in section 4
- E. Any violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a nuisance per se. Violation of, or any failure to comply with, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment but not to exceed ninety (90) days or both. Each day that a violation of this Ordinance is continued or permitted to exist without compliance shall constitute a separate offense punishable upon conviction in the manner prescribed in the Section, provided no person shall be imprisoned for a period in excess of ninety (90) days.
- F. In the event a Court Order is entered ordering the abatement of such nuisance, the Township designee may, if the Defendant fails to obey such Order, take such measures as necessary or as directed by the Township designee to abate such nuisance and the entire cost thereof including all costs and attorney fees shall, at the option of the Township designee, become a lien against the premises upon which the nuisance was located and shall be added to the tax rolls, or become a deficiency Judgment to be enforce by levy, execution, garnishment or otherwise.

#### Section 4. <u>COMPLIANCE</u>

In order to be in compliance with this ordinance, the property in which a complaint is against must be substantially and materially free of blight factors described in the complaint and as defined in Section 2 as determined by the code enforcement officer. In order to ensure compliance, the property owner or adult occupant can perform, but is not limited to:

A. Any blighted factors outlined in Section 2 may be repaired, replaced or removed by the owner or adult occupant.

B. The designated code enforcement officer or township/village may remove and disposal of junk, ashes, building materials, or household or yard rubbish or trash and shall be paid by the owner of the property from which the materials were removed; and such expenses shall constitute a lien against the property until paid.

C. Any abandoned vehicle or inoperable vehicle may be taken into custody and removed or caused to be removed by a member of the Sheriff's Department, and disposed of in accordance with applicable provisions of the Michigan Vehicle Code (MCL 257.1 et seq). Recovery of expenses incurred by the designated code enforcement officer or township/village shall be provided by such Act, and any deficit of expenses not so recovered shall constitute a civil claim in favor of the township/village.

D. Any area visible from the road frontage the existence of any structure or part of any structure, which, because of fire, wind, or other natural disaster, or physical deterioration is no longer habitable, if a dwelling, nor useful for any other purpose of which it may have been intended. The township/village may repair, replace, or remove the blighted structure, dependent on the level of deterioration and the most cost-effective method as determined by the code enforcement officer; and such expenses shall constitute a lien against the property until paid.

E. For any area, the existence of any vacant dwelling, garage or other outbuilding will be securely locked, windows kept glazed or boarded up and otherwise protected or otherwise protected to prevent entrance thereto by vandals, animals or other unauthorized persons by the township/village.

F. Following the final approved site inspection completed by the code enforcement officer to determine compliance, the township/village will receive a notice of compliance and will have thirty (30) days to provide a written response. If no response is received within the thirty (30) day period, the complaint will be closed.

#### Section 5. SEVERABILITY

Should any provision or part of the within Ordinance be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable the same shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the balance of this Ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect.

#### Section 6. EFFECTIVE DATE AND ADOPTION

A. This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its publication as required by law. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

B. This Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Elba, Gratiot County, Michigan at the Regular meeting thereof held on June 20, 2024.

Madaline C. Morris Township Clerk Published Date: August 4, 2024

# GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the expired previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Comstitution in Greenbush Township, of 1.00 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 0.9882 mills (\$0.9882 per \$1,000 of Taxable Value) by the required millage rollback, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 1.00 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for four (4) years, 2024 through 2027 inclusive, for funding and defraying, in whole or in part, the cost for improving, maintaining, and repairing secondary roads and gravel roads within Greenbush Township, raising an estimated \$100,609.87 in 2024



#### RE-ELECT

#### Jamie Parker-Wing

EDUCATION and EXPERIENCE:

For a complete resume see the July 27th edition of the Meridian Weekly or https://electjamieparkerwing.wixsite.com/sciotaclerk/resume

The clerk's position was established to ensure business is conducted in accordance with Michigan Common Law and that public records are accurate and kept permanently.



Initially, the clerk position was an extensive amount of knowledge to absorb in a small amount of time When describing the clerk position to anyone, I would say to them, "This position is the most complex and demanding job I've ever held". Many times, training takes place in a classroom setting; however, it this position, a large amount of training can take place as a problem evolves. You must think on your feet—all the while juggling 10 or more other concerns. This was a position that utilized both my life experiences and business skills, all of which became an incredible asset to me.

#### Hometown Girl

My hometown upbringing and extracurricular activities fostered leadership and growth during college and throughout my business career. I grew up on the Parker family dairy farm which laid the foundation of life skills I use today. For example: learning to be responsible, empathy and compassion for people and my love of animals, to finish what I have started, to treat others the way I would like to be treated, and to give my best at whatever I do. For those of you who don't know me, I was extremely active in 4-H clubs, active in sports, and cheerleading throughout grade school. My upbringing and extracurricular activities fostered leadership and growth throughout my college years, a career at Michigan State University, and now the Sciota Township Clerk position. I have been married to my high school sweetheart, Kenneth Wing, for 35 years and have two sons, Cameron and Collin Wing.

#### A Bit of Parker Family History

The 'Quainton' Parker family has resided in Laingsburg for more than 150 years. My great, great grandfather, George Lorin Parker, purchased his Laingsburg farm in 1854. My grandfather, Thornton Parker, grew up on the family farm and later became a dairy farmer. Thornton became supervisor of the Village of Laingsburg for many years, which was eventually split into 2 separate communities now known as the City of Laingsburg and the Township of Sciota. My grandmother, Cecil Parker, worked at the polls during elections, and became a 4-H club leader for many years, and taught in one of 22 one-room schoolhouses in our state. My father, Calvin Parker, was a Vietnam war veteran, became active in Sciota Township government as well as a 4-H club leader, a dairy farmer on Putnam road, and a licensed trim carenater.

#### In summar

The clerk position requires a detail-oriented individual with a strong commitment to community service. Laingsburg is my hometown, and I consider making a difference in my community to be an important part of living here. Your vote for me on August 6th would be a vote for continued progress and development of our community.

erving Sciota Township Since 2018,

Jamie Parker-Wing Incumbent Township Clerk 517-651-5286 clerk@sciotatownship.net

#### CLINTON AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM PROPOSAL

Clinton Area Transit System Millage Proposal Shall the Clinton Area Transit System (The Blue Bus), County of Clinton, Michigan, be authorized to levy annually an amount not to exceed .70 mill (\$0.70 for each \$1,000 of taxable value), of which .6924 mill is a renewal of the millage rate that expires in 2024 and .0076 mill is new additional millage to restore the millage rate lost as a result of the Headlee Amendment millage reductions, against all taxable property within the Clinton Area Transit System limits (the jurisdictional limits of Clinton County except for the area in the jurisdictional limits of the City of East Lansing) for a period of four (4) years, 2025 to 2028, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for all public transportation authority purposes permitted by law, including all capital and operating expenses and providing transportation services to all individuals within the Clinton Area Transit System limits, including seniors, persons with disabilities and veterans. The estimate of the revenue the Clinton Area Transit System will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the Clinton Area Transit System in the first year (2025) is approximately \$2,456,000.

#### CITY OF LAINGSBURG FIRE SERVICES MILLAGE BALLOT PROPOSAL

Shall the City of Laingsburg's limitation on general ad valorem taxes be increased by one mill (which is equal to \$2 per 1,000 of taxable value of all real and personal property subject to taxation) each year for a term of 5 years (2024 through 2028 inclusive) for the purpose of operation and maintenance for fire services (which includes but is not limited to the payment for equipment, supplies, insurance, wages, building construction, repair and other expenses of a fire department operation) It is estimated that if this millage is authorized that in the first year the city will receive \$75,732.29.



# SCIOTA TOWNSHIP FIRE SERVICES MILLAGE

**BALLOT PROPOSAL** Shall the Township of Sciota limitation on general ad valorem taxes be increased by one mill (which is equal to \$2 per 1,000 of taxable value of all real and personal property subject to taxation) each year for a term of 5 years (2024 through 2028 inclusive) for the purpose of operation and maintenance for emergency services (which includes but is not limited to the payment for equipment, supplies, insurance, wages, building construction, repair and other expenses of the fire department operations). It is estimated that if this millage is authorized that in the first year the township will receive \$155,208.00

#### **COUNTY PROPOSALS**

#### DUPLAIN TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL MILLAGE RENEWAL AND INCREASE PROPOSAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE

Shall Duplain Township impose an increase of up to 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution, subject to the required millage rollbacks, and levy it for four (4) years, 2024 through 2027 inclusive, to improve, repair, and maintain roads within Duplain Township, raising an estimated \$122,703.80 in 2024?

#### Millage Renewal Proposal

Emergency Services Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec 6. of the Michigan Constitution in Duplain Township of 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value)which expires in 2024, be increased from 1.5 mills to up to 1.75 mills (\$1.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for four (4) years, 2024 through 2027 inclusive, for the purpose of providing emergency services in the Township, raising an estimated \$143,154.42 in 2024.

#### CLINTON COUNTY RESA PROPOSAL CLINTON COUNTY REGIONAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY SPECIAL EDUCATION MILLAGE PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the intermediate school district to continue to levy the special education millage previously approved by the electors and restores millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963. Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of .2605 mill (\$0.2605 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation), on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Clinton County Regional Education Service Agency, Michigan, to provide funds for the education of students with a disability, be renewed for a period of 20 years, 2025 to 2044, inclusive, and also be increased by .0517 mill (\$0.0517 on each \$1.000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 20 years, 2025 to 2044, inclusive; the estimate of the revenue the intermediate school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2025 is approximately \$873,448 from local property taxes authorized herein (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2024 tax levy and a restoration of millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963).



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# Sports

#### **MHSAA Seeking Referees for** 2024-25 School Year: August 19 Deadline Set

EAST LANSING -- The Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) is accepting registrations online or by mail for game officials for the 2024-25 school year.

The MHSAA registered approximately 8,700 officials for the 2023-24 school year, an increase of nearly five percent over 2022-23 as the ranks continue to build back toward pre-COVID

All officials who register may sign up for up to two sports as part of their registration. Officials also will receive membership in the National Association of Sports Officials (NASO), which comes with a variety of educational and training resources and the NASO's Shield liability insurance that will provide \$6 million in coverage for officials while they are working both MHSAA and non-MHSAA events.

For new and returning officials, a \$70 fee covers registration for up to two sports. Officials may register for additional sports at \$16 per sport. To avoid a \$30 late fee, all fall sport registration applications must be received by Aug. 19, 2024. Winter sports registrations must be received by Nov. 18 to avoid the late fee, and spring sports registrations must be received by March 24, 2025.

Online registration can be accessed by clicking "Officials" on the home page of the MHSAA Website at https://www.mhsaa.com. More information about officials registration may be obtained by contacting the MHSAA by phone (517) 332-5046 or by e-mail at register@mhsaa.com.

There is an officials' registration test for first-time officials and officials who were not registered during the past school year, derived from the MHSAA Officials Guidebook. New officials and those who didn't officiate during 2023-24 also must complete the online MHSAA Principles of Officiating course. Additional exams must be taken by those registering for football or basketball for the first time or those who were not registered for those sports during the previous school year. Links to the Officials Guidebook, Principles of Officiating presentation and the football and basketball mechanics manuals can be found by following the "New Officials" link on the Officials page of the MHSAA Website.

There also are opportunities to officiate for students at least 14 years old and in grades 9-12 through the MHSAA Legacy Program. Juniors and seniors may officiate subvarsity contests, while freshmen and sophomores may officiate contests at the middle school/junior high levels. Mentor officials will work events with Legacy participants to provide guidance and support. Find information on the Legacy Program by clicking Officials Registration" on the Officials page of the MHSAA Website and following the "Legacy Program" link.





#### **2024 Post-Season Awards Roll** in for Ovid-Elsie Thinclads

OVID-ELSIE -- The summer season, 2024, has been a fruitful one for the Ovid-Elsie track and field program.

Even though coach Doug Long's Marauders haven't competed in an event since June.

Most notably, the Marauders brought home the Division 3 Team Award. To get the honor a team must be in the Team State Meet and individuals had to place in the Top 8 at the MHSAA

And, junior standout Tryce Tokar brought home an Individual Award for Division 3 excellence.

Clay Powell, Tokar, Travis Milner and Brock Spitzley represented O-E on the Shiawassee All-Area Team, as named by the Owosso Argus-Press. Too, Tokar was selected to the Mid-Michigan Area Dream Team, as selected by the Lansing State

Tokar, clearing the exact same height he did as a freshman in 2022, the Marauder star is now 3 for 3 in MHSAA pole vault state championship attempts. Soaring over 14 feet, three inches as a freshman, Tokar eclipsed 14 feet, 8 1/4 inches in 2023 before matching his 2022 height here as a junior. Also competing on Ovid-Elsie's 4x100-meter relay team, Tokar was the Marauders' lone medalist at the MHSAA Division 3 State Meet and bested the second-place pole vaulter, Bath junior Luke Skidmore, by three inches.

Powell, a junior, placing second in the 800-meter run in the Marauders' regional at Bath High School on May 17, Powell ran a then-personal best time of 2:01.71. Qualifying for the Division 3 state finals with this effort, he took his performance to another level against the best competition, running a new personal-record time of 1:59.91 and finishing ninth on June 1 in Kent City, just seven-hundredths of a second away from eighth place and an All-State finish.

#### Four Lady Wolfpack Players Make Prestitious LSJ All-Area

LANSING -- Four standout players from the Laingsburg Wolfpack girls soccer program have been named to All-Lansing

The prestigous honor team, selected by the Lansing State Journal, is announced each summer. This year's local awardees from LHS include:

-- Goalkeeper Joy Antcliff. Antcliff, a multi-year veteran in goal for the Lady Wolves, led the team to a 14-5-1 overall record.

> Striker Desire Knoblauch. Knoblauch is the LHS record holder for goals scored. She again led the red-and-white with 54 points, including 24 goals and 6 goal-helpers.

Midfielder Addison Elkins. Elkins was named the team's MVP after anchoring the squad as the Wolves' "quarterback." The multi-year letterwinner and a stellar defender, Elkins scored 10 goals and added 9 assists for 29 total points.

Winger Callie Clark. Clark was another of the Wolfpack's excellent versatile players, exceling on offense and defense. Callie totaled 28 points on 11 goals and 6 assists.



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FORECLOSURE

NOTICE - CLINTON COUNTY
Notice of Foreclosure by
Advertisement. Notice is given under
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will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on August 14, 2024 The amount due on the mort

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ompany, either of which may charg fee for this information. MORT

GAGE: Mortgagor(s): Joli A. Collett Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and

assigns Date of mortgage: January 20, 2022 Recorded on January 21, 2022, in Document No. 5320904,

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): LAKE-VIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC

Amount claimed to be due at the date

hereof: Two Hundred Twenty-Six

Thousand Ninety-Two and 21/100 Dollars (\$226,092.21) Mortgaged

premises: Situated in Clinton County, and described as: Lot 7, Chateau Hills, DeWitt Township, Clinton County,

Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 5 of Plats, Page 2, Clinton County Records. Commonly known as 1738

Sunnymede Ln, Lansing, MI 48906
The redemption period will be 6
month 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 fore-closure 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 peri-od. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active

duty, if your period of active duty has

concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty,

please contact the attorney for the

party foreclosing the mortgage at the

telephone number stated in this notice. Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC

Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr,

Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400

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#### VILLAGE OF ASHLEY NOTICE

The Village of Ashley will be accepting bid proposal for the Village of Ashley Depot to paint 30 x 60 area made up of the following.

- Ceiling 1800 sq ftWalls 2700 sq ft
- Floor 1800 sq ft

Please call DPW Supervisor Paul Beck for bid specifications at (989)640-4314 Bids will be accepted through August 8, 2024 at 4pm and can be received at the Ashley Village Office, P.O. Box 158, Ashley, MI 48806 or request by email to villageclerk@ashleyvillage.net
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mation:
Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Julie
Elizabeth DeGraw, a single woman
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage
Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.,
as mortgagee, as nominee for lender
and lender's successors and/or assigns
Forcedesing Assignee (if any): Foreclosing Assignee (if any): SELENE FINANCE, LP

Date of Mortgage: May 1, 2023 Date of Mortgage Recording: May 1,

2023 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$146,465.03

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 5 North, Range 1 West, Bath Township, Clinton County, Michigan, and including a part of Lot 29 of East Bank, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 35, Clinton

County Records, described as:

Beginning at a point that is North 00 degrees 05 minutes 48 seconds West on the North and South 1/4 line, as occupied, a distance of 1780.60 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 28; thence North 00 degrees 10 minutes 19 seconds East 40.69 feet: thence North 00 degrees 25 minutes 50 seconds West 135.60 feet; thence South 66 degrees 29 minutes 49 seconds East 59.83 feet; thence North 22 degrees 54 minutes 26 seconds East 19.01 feet; thence South 76 degrees 03 minutes 57 seconds East 37.12 feet to the centerline of Park Lake Road; thence South 17 degrees 04 minutes 42 seconds West on said centerline a distance of 167.88 feet; thence South 89 degrees 22 minutes 39 seconds West 48.10 feet to the point of begin-

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If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Attention homeowner: If you are a

military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector

Date of notice: August 4, 2024 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy. Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515

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SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE CLINTON COUNTY Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236 MCL 600 3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County. starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on September 04, 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 infor-mation. MORTGAGE: Mortgagor(s): Brian A. Stoddard and Deborah Stoddard a/k/a Deborah S. Stoddard, husband and wife Original Mortgagee: The Huntington National Bank successor by merger to Firstmerit Bank, N.A. Date of mortgage: October 10, 2013 Recorded on October 18, 2013, in Document No. 5207522, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): None Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: Forty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Four and 70/100 Dollars (\$42,674.70) Mortgaged premises: Situated in Clinton County, and described as: BEGINNING AT A POINT OF THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 333.00 FEET SOUTH 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 57 SECONDS EAST FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SEC TION 15 TOWN 5 NORTH RANGE 1 WEST TOWNSHIP OF BATH CLINTON COUNTY MICHIGAN THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 57 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID EAST SECTION LINE 330.00 FEET THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 27 SECONDS WEST PARALLEL TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SEC-TION 1332.0 FEET THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 50 SECONDS WEST ON THE WEST

LINE OF EAST 1/2 OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 330.00 FEET THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 27 SECONDS EAST 1332.05 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as 13100 Upton Rd, Bath, MI 48808 The redemption period will be 6 month from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in

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. The Huntington National Bank success sor by merger to Firstmerit Bank, N.A Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr,

Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400

which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale,

or 15 days from the MCL

1536502 (07-28)(08-18)

#### Notice of Foreclosure

the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on August 21, 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 infor-

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Donald

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgage as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans,

Date of Mortgage: May 10, 2021 Date of Mortgage Recording: May 14, 2021

Amount claimed due on date of

notice: \$80,247.83
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Bingham, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 1, Town 7 North, Range 2 West described as follows: Commencing at a point 493 feet West of the Southeast corner of Section 1, thence North 275 feet, thence West 105 feet, thence South 275 feet, thence East 105 feet to the point of beginning.

mon street address (if any): 3851 Walker Rd, Saint Johns, MI 48879-

accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or.

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J. Ells, an unmarried man Original Mortgagee:

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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 holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Date of notice: July 21, 2024 Trott Law, P.C.

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that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Rebecca A. VanCamp, personal representative, or to both the probat court at 100 E State Street, Suite 4300, St. Johns, MI 48879 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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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 foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bid-der for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM on AUGUST 28, 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 reg-ister 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 Nathan Hoard and Shawn Hoard, 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 Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Eight and 55/100 Dollars (\$119,178.55).

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 mort-gaged 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 AUGUST 28, 2024. Said premises are located in the Township of Bath, 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 South 86 degrees 30 minutes 24 seconds East. 1321.75 feet to the Northeast corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLINTON **NOTICE TO CREDITORS** 

Estate of JANE ELIZABETH CHURCH, Date of Birth: May 10, 1956 TO ALL CREDITORS: \*\* NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent JANE ELIZABETH CHURCH, died on March 18, 2024. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Steven Lee Church, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 100 E State Street, Suite 4300. St. Johns. MI 48879 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Steven Lee Church 406 N. Bridge St. DeWitt, MI 48820 (517) 449-1844

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Northwest 1/4 of said Section 26, as recorded in Liber 2, Page 850 of the Clinton County Records; thence South 03 degrees 33 minutes 24 seconds West, 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 South 03 degrees 33 minutes 24 seconds West. 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 South 03 degrees 33 minutes 24 seconds West. 330.00 feet along said East line to the Point of Beginning of this description, thence continuing South 03 degrees 33 minutes 24 seconds West, 148.50 feet along said East line, thence North 88 degrees 22 minutes 56 seconds West, 1326.19 feet paral-lel 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 North 03 degrees 40 minutes 12 seconds East, 148.51 feet along said West line; thence South 88 degrees 22 minutes 56 seconds East, 1325.90 feet parallel with said South line 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

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

Dated: July 21, 2024 File No. 24-008097 Firm Name: Orlans PC Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084 Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

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### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

MICHAEL DAVID FANCHER Date of Birth: February 25, 1953 TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, MICHAEL DAVID FANCHER died on April 2, 2024. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Larry G. Schmunsler, personal representative, or to both the probat court at 100 F State Street, Suite 4300, St. Johns, MI 48879 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Larry G. Schmunsler 1101 Greenwood Ave. Lansing, MI 48906 (517) 749-7673

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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 foreclosed by a sale of the will be follectosed by a safe of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the Circuit Court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on August 14, 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. Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Erika Phan, Married Woman Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mort-Registration Systems, inc., as mort-gagee, as nominee for Cross Country Mortgage, LLC, its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee: Flagstar Bank, NA Date of Mortgage: June 24, 2022 Date of Mortgage Recording: July 6, 2022 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice. mortgage on the date of notice: mortgage on the date of notice: \$334,673.26 Description of the mort-gaged premises: Situated in the City of East Lansing, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 275, Hawk Nest Condominium, City of East Lansing, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the Master Deed dated January 8, 2003, recorded January 10, 2003 in Instrument No. 5015889 and First Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Instrument No. 5025073 and Second Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Instrument No. 5080152 and by Fourth Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Instrument No. 5080152 and by Fourth Amendment to Master Deed recorded instrument No. 5224518 and by Fifth Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Instrument No. 5226580, as amended, Clinton County Records and designated as Clinton County Condominium Plan No. 30, together with rights in General common elements and limited common elements as set forth in said Master Deed and as as set forth in said Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1978, as amended. Commonly Known as: 695 Phoebe Ln., East Lansing, MI 48823 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at fore-closure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act 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 Purchaser: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee for any reason. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the sale, plus interest, and the purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney. Attention home-owner: 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 ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: 07/14/2024 Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 251 Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 251 Diversion Street, Rochester, MI 48307

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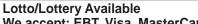
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