

Signing Day in Laingsburg

On Thursday, May 8, 2025, seven Laingsburg High School Seniors signed Letters of Intent to compete in athletics at the college level next year.

Addyson Buchin, signed with Aquino's College in Grand Rapids, Michigan to play softball for the Saints. She is the daughter of Jared and Kristin Buchin.

Brothers, Dominic and Emilio Garcia, both signed with University of Olivet to play baseball for the Comets. They are the sons of Emilio and Stacey Garcia.

RJ Garcia, signed his Letter of Intent with University of

Olivet to play baseball for the Olivet Comets. He is the son of Rudy Garcia and Stacey Garcia.

Mitchell George, signed with Ferris State University, in Big Rapids, Michigan to run track for the Bulldogs. He is the son of Eric and Shannon George.

Erin Pohlod, signed her Letter of Intent with the University of Pikeville in Kentucky, to play soccer for the Bears. She is the daughter of Chris Pohlod and Angela Clark-Pohlod.

Felix Ramirez, signed with Alma College to run Cross Country for the Alma Scots. He is the son of Gilbert and Melissa Ramirez.



Addyson Buchin with
parents Jared &
Kristin Buchin



Dominic and Emilio Garcia with parents
Emilio & Stacey Garcia



RJ Garcia with parents
Rudy Garcia &
Stacey Garcia



Mitchell George with
parents Eric &
Shannon George



Erin Pohlod with parents
Chris Pohlod and
Angela Clark-Pohlod



Felix Ramirez with parents
Gilbert and
Melissa Ramirez



Elsie Gets Safety Upgrade Grant

submitted by Dawn Levey

Nineteen Michigan dams will receive grant funding to help reduce risks and protect residents. The funding is through the Dam Risk Reduction Grant Program (DRRGP) as authorized by the Michigan Legislature.

This grant program provides private owners with resources to manage existing dams and reduce the overall risk of dam failure in Michigan. Some \$14.9 million is newly authorized for work ranging from dam removals to critical maintenance.

The Dam Safety Unit of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) is excited to be able to connect with and provide dam owners and operators with the necessary resources for proper management of dams in Michigan, including the following grant awards for the 2024-25 grant funding cycle:

Elsie: \$1,597,500 to Duplain Township for the removal of Elsie Dam on the Maple River, which breached on Aug. 18, 2023. The dam continues to fail, posing a critical safety hazard to the community. As a result of the failure, the township has acted to remove the remaining structure to prevent further dam failure and release of sediment downstream. Dam removal will reconnect the river and return the Maple River to its natural state, improving the ecological health and restoring the natural ecosystem.

The Dam Safety Unit oversees the regulation of more than 1,000 structures under Part 307, Inland Lake Levels, and Part



315, Dam Safety, of The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act. The unit has grown to meet the needs of dam owners and operators, expanding to seven full-time engineers to offer statewide coverage.

The DRRGP was created in 2022 and reflects the demand for grant dollars to address aging dam infrastructure. This is the final grant cycle under the program's current funding. The Dam Safety Unit will provide relevant updates should additional funding become available.

For more on dams and dam management in Michigan, visit Michigan.gov/DamSafety.



Five Star Masonry working on the Boyer Park project

LEAP Secures \$2.27M in State Funding to Revitalize Public Spaces

submitted by Jessica Vilca

Lansing —The Lansing Economic Area Partnership (LEAP) is proud to announce that it has been awarded more than \$2.27 million through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation's (MEDC) Revitalization and Placemaking (RAP) Grant program. This transformative funding, distributed through LEAP's Community Enhancement Grant (CEG) program, will support revitalization projects in 12 communities big and small, all across Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham counties.

From reimagined downtowns to reactivated public gathering spaces, these projects represent a bold investment in the places that shape our regional identity. By creating vibrant, welcoming spaces for residents and visitors alike, the CEG program aims to strengthen community pride, support small business growth, and attract new talent to the region.

"This is more than beautification—this is economic development," said Bob Trezise, President and CEO of LEAP. "Public spaces define the heart and soul of our towns. When we invest in them, we're investing in our people, in our small businesses, and in our region's ability to compete for the future."

The selected projects span a wide range of community enhancements from restoring historic assets and enhancing main streets to creating permanent infrastructure for events and placemaking initiatives.

These efforts directly support LEAP's three-pronged strategy for regional growth: Business Development, entrepreneurship and small business development, and people/place/community growth strategies.

Local recipients include:

Bath Township – Streetscape improvements including lighting, wayfinding signs, and benches.

City of Ovid – Enhancements to Boyer Park near the downtown area. The City of Ovid matched the \$11,000 to complete repairs of broken bricks and pathways, removal of broken planter, addition of cafe string lighting, addition of cafe tables & chairs, security camera and music speakers

City of St. Johns – Restoration of historic rail cars and façade upgrades in the downtown district.

Each of these awardees proposed high-impact projects that demonstrate strong community support, economic potential, and alignment with regional goals for vitality and growth.

This latest round of funding builds on LEAP's successful 2024 Small Town Enhancement Grant program, which invested over \$75,000 in communities with fewer than 10,000 residents. That program laid the groundwork for activating public spaces and igniting new energy in rural areas and smaller cities—setting a precedent for broader and deeper impact with the 2025 grants.

Emma Bostwick, LEAP's Vice President of Business Attraction, emphasized the broader implications: "This is part of a larger regional vision. These investments will help our towns feel proud and energized, while also creating the kind of magnetic environments where entrepreneurs want to launch and grow, and where families want to stay."

Social

The Clarkson's Are Back

Attention music lovers, starting Saturday, May 10th, beginning at 6:30pm, the popular Barn Dances will return at 10901 S. Hollister Road, Laingsburg. Jack & Tess will be joined by Bill Fuller and Kathy Ford the second Saturday each month thru October. There is a \$10 cover charge, BYOB, food will be provided for purchase by Ovid Cafe, sloppy joes, chips and such. Also, horses are returning to the farm. Ovid Inn owners, Steve and Jenny are moving their horse operation to the ranch. So put on your favorite barn attire and join us for some great music and good ole fashioned fun. Can't make Saturday, join us on Wednesday evenings beginning, May 14th at 6:30 pm in Downtown Laingsburg at Twilliger's, rain or shine every Wednesday night until October.

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Elsie Lions Donation

(l-r): Elsie Lions president Lion Dennis Long presenting a \$500 check to Elsie Legion Commander Brian Valentine and Legion member John Shipley, to go towards the Elsie Legion Roof Replacement fund.

Clinton County Historical Museum to Open May 21st

submitted by Kelly Jurman

Hello and Welcome to our 46th season at the Clinton County Historical Museum! We officially open on Wednesday, May 21st from 2 - 5 PM.

This year's exhibit is: The 100th Anniversary of Rodney B. Wilson High School 1925 - 1969.

We are highlighting the years RBW was a high school with displays of clothing, clubs, the arts and sports. We are looking for memorabilia from those years, so if you have pictures, clothing, or any other artifacts from those year's at RBW and would be willing to loan them to the Museum please contact us by DM on Facebook or pgsmuseum@gmail.com or give us a call at 989-224-2894 or stop by on Wednesdays from 11 - 4 PM.



Material Management Planning Committee Meeting

submitted by Kate Neese

The Materials Management Planning Committee (MMPC) will be holding a public meeting on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 5:45pm in the Clinton County Courthouse Board of Commissioners Room to review & discuss the Materials Management Plan process.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 5:45pm at the same location.

MMPC meeting agendas & minutes will be regularly posted on the Clinton County website: <http://www.clinton-county.org/.../Materials-Management...>

For additional information, please contact the Clinton County Department of Waste Management by email: recycle@clinton-county.org or call (989) 224-5186.

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Elsie Community Cares

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – Elsie Community Cares – we are here to listen. To recognize May is Mental Health Awareness Month Elsie community leaders are hosting a public forum Tuesday, May 20, 6:30 pm-7:30 pm at the Elsie United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 160 W. Main Street, Elsie. This is an opportunity to talk and enjoy refreshments together. The community is encouraged to save the date. There will be additional details next week.

Ovid Public Library

On Monday, May 12 the Ovid Public Library will be hosting our Adult Booktasting. This is the place to be to find out about new and interesting books. Or you can tell everyone about a book you are reading and enjoying. We meet at 1:00 and there will be light snacks and coffee available.

Wednesday, May 14 will be Classic Movie Day. This month's movie is 'The Love Letter' starring Campbell Scott and Jennifer Jason Leigh. Movie time is 1:00. You are welcome to bring snacks but there will be light snacks available.

Summer is right around the corner and that means it will soon be time for the Summer Reading Program. Sign up for the summer reading program will begin on June 2. The Summer Reading Program is open to all ages and this year's theme is Color Our World. You can call or come into the library for more information.

Elsie Library Adventures

submitted by Ann Trierweiler

Happy Mother's Day! I guess it depends on which day you pick up the paper from the driveway. Mom's can get into Potter Park for free on Momma's Day.

The wonderful "Summer Reading" bookmarks from last month have been turned in and are displayed for voting. We want anyone and everyone to come in and vote for their favorite from each age group. I already voted, now it's your turn!

The Elsie Public Library's new book club book is entitled "The Hundred Years of Lennie and Margot," by Marianne Cronin. It is about the friendship between a seventeen-year-old girl an eclectic eighty-three-year-old, who live in a terminal ward at a hospital. Together they use art to define their hundred cumulative years. We have extra copies if you want to join this adventure. This will be your last chance until September, as our last book club discussion before summer break, is being held on June 12th.

We will be hosting a Potter Park Zoo program on Monday, May 19th. This will be replacing our usual Storytime and Craft. Personnel from the Zoo will come and teach us about their animal world.

Friday, May 23rd is the World Turtle Day Celebration at Potter Park. There will be education stations and fun activities for all ages. Hopefully, the day will be dry, as well. Don't forget your FREE PASS!

We will be closing at 5:00 pm on Thursday, May 22. We will then be closed until we reopen on Wednesday, May 28th. We hope your Memorial Day celebration is punctuated with memories of loved ones who sacrificed so much for our country.

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Ovid Historical Society Paint Fundraiser

by Karen Anderson,
Correspondent

OVID- The Ovid Historical Society Fundraiser to collect money for the Mary Meyers Historical Museum was launched on May 3, 2025. Look for the paint cans in all of the businesses in Ovid. Please help by making a donation to this worthwhile and exciting project to paint and renovate this beautiful historic house donated by the Mary Meyer family.

The first person to donate towards the paint project was Dave DePond, an Ovid native and Veteran.

As the Paint Fundraiser team placed donation cans at the Food Pride, DePond, braving the cold morning, was collecting donations and giving out Red Poppy's in honor of the service men and women Veterans who served in Foreign Wars. (VFW)

This is the 150th year of remembrance of this Patriotic tribute, honored with White Poppy's. We live in a giving community and are proud to help each other when in need.

The Ovid Historical Society would like to thank the citizens of Ovid for their generous support for helping with the preservation of this Historical Home. Donations can also be mailed to P.O. Box 94 Ovid, MI 48866 or dropped off at the Ovid Public Library.



Rep. BeGole Plan Will Make Michigan's Roadways Safer

submitted by Denny Schwarze

State Rep. Brian BeGole has introduced legislation that will give law enforcement officers the latest tools to help protect Michigan drivers.

House Bill 4390 will allow oral fluid screening as a means for law enforcement to determine if people have controlled substances in their body and are operating a vehicle while impaired.

Oral fluid collection is non-invasive and simple. It provides results for common drugs such as cocaine, amphetamines, methamphetamines, THC, and opioids and shows recency of drug use as opposed to historical use. BeGole said updates in the technology behind the collection devices will also soon let law enforcement detect for fentanyl.

Oral fluid screening occurs at the tail-end of an impaired driving investigation following the administration of field sobriety tests and preliminary breath testing to see if there is probable cause for a drug-impaired arrest. To take a test, a person places a sterile swab in their mouth and rubs it under their gums and tongue, as well as on the inside of their cheek. The test sample is then placed into a handheld screening machine that can perform an analysis within five minutes.

In 2016, Michigan instituted landmark pilot programs that authorized law enforcement to use oral fluid screening during roadside stops to identify drug-impaired drivers. Data collected supported the use of this technology, and showed it was easy to use, reliable and accurate for the purposes of preliminary roadside testing. As police continue to examine ways and look for tools for how to identify drivers who may be under the influence of drugs, other states have established their own programs or proposed legislation modeled on what Michigan did. Over 20 states have oral fluid authorization written into law. The National Transportation Safety Board has recommended that Michigan make this type of testing permanent to address a significant, nationwide public safety issue.



Rep. BeGole holding the newest technology for oral fluid screening for drivers.

Regional Event Will Help Bridge Multiple Generations in Today's Workforce

submitted by Carrie A Rathbun Hawks

Owosso — For the first time in history, up to six generations are active in the workforce at the same time — from Traditionalists to Gen Z, and even the emerging Gen Alpha. With so many different backgrounds, experiences and communication styles in play, understanding how to connect across generations has never been more important.

Owosso Rotary Club is presenting Generations in the Workforce, a lunch-and-learn event to help businesses and nonprofits grow their social and emotional intelligence and create more satisfying and rewarding business relationships. It will take place from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wed., May 14, at Lebowsky Center for Performing Arts in Owosso, in partnership with Lebowsky and Inspired Women Network.

"Workplaces and communities are becoming more age-diverse than ever before," said Kim Renwick, president of the Owosso Rotary Club, which regularly engages in service projects and leadership development initiatives that impact all of Shiawassee County. "When we start to understand perspectives from other generations, we can build stronger teams and create environments where everyone can thrive."

CH Training & Coaching co-founders Lisa Goyette and John Ball will coach attendees through a guided session on how generational differences can impact an organization. Participants will leave with in-depth insights and strategies to strengthen communication, collaboration and leadership among a wide age group.

This event is ideal for human resource professionals, nonprofit leaders, and business owners and managers of all ages. Organizers hope to attract participants from Shiawassee, Genesee, Ingham and Saginaw counties.

Lebowsky Center for Performing Arts Executive Director Amy Jo Brown said the theatre is honored to host an event that not only brings organizations together but has the potential to create a massive wave of positive momentum in the local economy and business culture.

Inspired Women Network, a women's leadership program of the Shiawassee Regional Chamber of Commerce, is supporting Generations in the Workforce because it offers women the opportunity to learn more about how they can return value to their workplaces through fostering collaboration, according to SRCC President and CEO Jordan Hankwitz.

Tickets for the event are \$15 and are available at www.lebowskycenter.com/tickets. Lunch is included.



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Camping Lottery Announcement

submitted by Dawn Reha

The annual fair camping lottery will take place on Saturday June 7. Applications handed out starting at 8 a.m. with the lottery starting at 9 a.m. Youth livestock exhibitors (not Cloverbuds) and their parents/guardians must arrive before lottery drawing begins. Applications will not be available one the drawing starts. Each parent/guardian of a youth livestock exhibitor drawing for a site may hold one application only. No refunds if the number (#) is drawn. The lottery will be held in the Exhibit Building. Enter at the West End of the Building.

Exhibitor Guide and Entry Dates for Shiawassee County Fair Guidebooks

submitted by Dawn Reha

The Shiawassee County Fair Exhibitor Guidebooks are available now at the Fair office, Monday-Friday from 9-5. Copies are also available at all local libraries. Digital copy is available at shiawasseeffair.com.

Exhibitor entry for Shiawassee County residents will begin June 1 and end on June 15 at 5 p.m. Out of county exhibitors are welcome in our dog program and Exhibit Building for Still Exhibit Departments ONLY. Those entries will begin June 16 and end at 5 p.m. on June 20. The fair office will offer assistance for entries by appointment. You can call the office at 989-743-3611 to schedule an appointment. Please visit our website or follow us on Facebook for all your exhibitor questions. We are excited to see everyone August 3-9 at the Shiawassee County Fair



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Obituaries

Peggy Joyce Johnson

Peggy Joyce Johnson, age 86, of Ovid, Michigan, passed away with her family by her side Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at Stoneleigh Residence, Lansing, Michigan.

Peggy was born in Teague, Texas on November 6, 1938, the daughter of Inez (Cox) and Charles Rodgers. She moved to Michigan when she was 7 years old and was raised in the Owosso area. On August 16, 1958, Peggy married Robert James Johnson at the West Owosso Church of Christ, Owosso, Michigan. They were married nearly twenty-eight years prior to his death on June 20, 1986.

Peggy devoted her life to her family and friends. She was the "Neighborhood Mom" to many. She was a Girl Scout leader for 8 years. She cared about people and could talk to anyone. She loved crocheting and Channel 6.

Peggy is survived by her daughter Connie (Gary) Kioski of Ovid, MI; her son Allen Johnson of Ovid, MI; four grandchildren: Scott (Madalyn) Kioski, Chris (Sandy Litomisky) Kioski, Kelsey (Matt) Holmes, and Avery Squires; eight great-grandchildren: Joseph, Peyton, Blake, Chloe, Charlie, June, Lexi, and Lucas; "Bonus" daughters: Charline (Mark) Thomas, Millie (George) Soto, Ruth Griffin, and Sherri Hartman; her brother Terry (Marita) Rodgers, sisters-in-law: Arlene Johnson, Suzanne Grubaugh, and Sandra Keaton; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers: Ronald Rodgers, and Charles Keaton; brothers-in-law: Jack Johnson, Terry (Bonnie) Johnson, Clyde (Lou) Johnson, and Charles Johnson; and niece Sandy Johnson.

Funeral Services were held at Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, Michigan, on Saturday, May 10, 2025, with Pastor Kathy Leydorf-Keck officiating. Burial has taken place at Middlebury Township Cemetery, Ovid, Michigan.

Memorials may be made to Clinton County Meals on Wheels. Online condolences may be made at www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, Michigan.



John Carl Stoll, Sr.

We are sorry to announce the passing of John Carl Stoll, 86, of Ashley, Michigan. John was surrounded by his loving family on April 29, 2025.

John was born in Detroit, Michigan on June 30, 1938, the son of Romine Carl Stoll and Violet (Peacock) Stoll. John graduated from McKenzie High School in Detroit with the Class of 1956. After high school, John attended Michigan State University, Lansing, Michigan where he played drums in the marching band. John furthered his education at Lawrence Technical Institute and Wayne State University.

John joined the Michigan National Guard and served for 6 years. John worked as a private consultant in Germany where he helped to design a major computer operation. On his return to Michigan, he worked at Redman Motors in Owosso, Michigan, and Evenrude Boat Motors in Chicago. He went to work for the State of Michigan as a Computer Operations Manager for 10 years. John worked as a private consultant for several small businesses. His working career ended as a Computer Instructor at Lansing Community College. John had a gift of talking and as a part time professor he now had all the audience he needed.

While working at the State of Michigan, John met the love of his life, Sally Ann Malek. They have enjoyed 54 years of marriage. One of the wonderful happenings in John's life is when his son John Carl Stoll, Jr. (JC) was born on December 23, 1975.

Building his own home was a dream he had and he accomplished the undertaking with much satisfaction on their farm near Ashley.

John was an assistant Boy Scout Leader, and he enjoyed watching JC earn his Eagle Scout rank. This was a major highlight in his life. John, while teaching his grandson Nolan how to play drums, brought memories and smiles to his life.

John loved taking pictures, reading, fishing, bowling, painting acrylics, gold, and camping. John was a member of the Ashley Sportsman Club and Better Life ZCBJ Lodge in Bannister.

Over the years, John and Sally took a couple trips to Europe, several cruises, and many outings with family and friends.

Surviving is his loving wife, Sally of 54 years, his son John Carl Stoll, Jr. (JC) and wife Amy, grandson Nolan and granddaughter Haley Rueckert. Other survivors are brother Tom (Joyce) Stoll, sisters-in-law Ruth Malek, Judy Cramer, Kendra Malek, and special cousin Margaret Dawson. Many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews, cousins, friends, and special friends Alexander and Faye Buchman.

John was preceded in death by parents Romine Carl and Violet Stoll, stepmother Virginia Stoll, in laws Charles and Anna Malek, brothers-in-law Jerry, Joe, Bob, Charles III, and sister-in-law Mary Ann Malek.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held on June 14, 2025 at 11am at the Better Life ZCBJ Lodge, Bannister, Michigan. A private burial will take place later at Collier Cemetery, Washington Township.

Memorials may be made to Hazel I. Findlay Country Manor of St. Johns, Better Life ZCBJ Lodge, Bannister, MI, and Gratiot Commission on Aging in Ithaca.

John will be deeply missed by his family and friends, but his spirit and sense of humor will live on in our hearts.

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



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Editorial



The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster
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The Wood Duck Soon to be Michigan's State Duck

This last week the wood duck (Aix sponsa) became one step closer to becoming named the official State Duck of Michigan as HB 4044 Sponsored by Rep. Alabas Farhat was voted out of the House Government Operations Committee with a bi-partisan vote of 5-0. The bill now proceeds to the floor for passage.

During the committee meeting, Michigan Ducks Unlimited Craig Lesley (Volunteer) and Kali Rush (Senior Biologist), spoke on behalf of Michigan's 44,000 duck hunters why the wood duck should appropriately be named the official State Duck of Michigan. Wood ducks thrive when viable habitat exists like flooded timber and old growth trees with cavities for nesting. Once nearly extinct, wood ducks have made a remarkable comeback serving as both a Michigan and American conservation success story. By the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, wood duck populations crashed because of over exploitation and habitat destruction. By 1904, wood duck populations were estimated to be under threat of extinction across its range, including Michigan. Due to concentrated efforts enacting sound public policy such as the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, the wood duck began to recover. Today populations have rebounded significantly, and sustainable hunting has been reopened in several states across the Mississippi and Atlantic Flyways.

Habitat improvements continue today as many schools, scouting groups, FFA, and DU volunteers build and distribute wood nesting boxes. Although wood ducks are the second highest harvested duck in Michigan, after the mallard, their popularity continues to increase as mallard numbers decrease. Only one other state, Mississippi, has a state duck, also the wood duck.

The passage of HB 4044 into law designating a State Duck will affirm Michigan's commitment to environmental protection, conservation, and helps to celebrate a responsible hunting heritage.

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Retired School Personnel to Meet

submitted by Peg Zink

The Clinton-Shiawassee MARSP Meeting will be held on Monday, May 12, 2024 at 12:30 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church, 510 Mabbit Rd., Ovid, MI. Luncheon (\$12) is payable at the door. Our speaker is Safe Centers of Clinton & Shiawassee County by Kristen Gilpin. 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, May 9, 2025 by noon.



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TIPPING ETIQUETTE

Dear Andy, We took an old friend out to dinner and drinks for a milestone Birthday celebration. Our service was outstanding and the friendly, efficient waitress went above and beyond to keep us happy. Due to the ridiculous giant portions, both couples decided to share a meal, which was nice on my wallet since I was paying. The other couple said they would leave the tip. Even with sharing and limited cocktails, our bill came to \$62.00. After dinner, we socialized briefly, reminiscing over some old memories. I sent my debit card with our waitress. She processed the payment. As we finished our drinks and my buddy pulled out his wallet, while we were leaving, I glanced up and he dropped 4-one dollar bills on the table. I said, "Hey bud, our bill came to \$62.00" and he said, "I don't believe in leaving too big of a tip, there was only 4 us. Buck for each is enough." After they left, my wife went back in and gave her \$20 and thanked her for her hard work and service. Do people not have any etiquette guidelines for tipping?

Stunned Restaurant Connoisseur

Dear Stunned,

Your friend is a cheap, tightwad scrooge and downright rude. Waitresses and waiters are more than just delivery slaves, who cater to you, just because you honored them with your presence at their restaurant. First of all, there is an unbelievable overhead cost for restaurant owners, and they are some of the hardest workers you will ever meet.

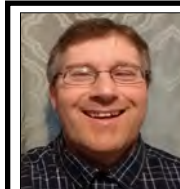
Wait staff typically, tip back to the bartenders who prepare the drinks and wait staff walk up to 10 miles in an evening waiting on people. They tolerate moody, tired chefs and dishwashers. Before, suggested tips were added to the bill, I remember an event that occurred at an upscale Mexican restaurant in a posh area of Hollywood, California. The waitress was a 19-year-old struggling young actress from the mid-west auditioning for bit parts and going to an expensive acting school. This was her story:

Some customers were having a private birthday party with about 25 people at the tables. There was just one waitress available. She worked hard to ensure every meal was as ordered, refilled drinks, and if she heard a fork fall to the floor, she reached into her apron pocket and replaced it. She was great at projecting customer needs. There were children in messy high-chairs, and lots of chips, salsa, and dips were being eaten and dripped all over the table and floors. The entire event lasted over two hours. The bill was over \$200.

The waitress cleared the table herself with speed; brought clean plates and silverware for the table, and helped serve the birthday cake they brought in. When the event was over, the waitress noticed there was no tip on the check and no cash on the table. She went out into the parking lot and asked the birthday guy who had paid the bill, "Did you forget to leave a tip?" He said, "No, if you want more money for your job, you need to talk to your boss, not me, but thank you; the service was wonderful. Tearfully, she walked back into the restaurant. She was making \$2.80 an hour and depended on tips. Since then, I suggested tips be added to large parties. And, now it is, and should be in most all restaurants.

I might add, since you only had 2 dinners but 4 people got meals with their own plate and fork. I think you should tip double the bill total, as if you had 4 meals from the menu. Some restaurants charge extra. If they don't charge, it's still 4 being served. In fact, I also think tips should be paid in cash. You have already paid tax on your earned money, why should a waitress pay tax again on the same money you earned? Humm. Something to think about. Your wife did the proper etiquette move to return to the waitress and give her an appropriate tip.

Thanks for asking. Send me questions on any subject. If I don't know or do not have an opinion, I will find out or give an opinion anyway. Ask_andy@aol.com or askandyforadvice@gmail.com



Religious Thoughts

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Let's start this article off with a true story.

A woman named Heather was attending what seemed on the outside like a solid church. But in time, she would discover that the church was self-centered, instead of others centered, and this changed her.

From this unbiblical focus that the church had, Heather learned that church was mostly about getting her needs met. She would often join the chorus of critics when anyone suggested change in the church. Though she would not admit it or articulate it, she really began to view the church as a religious country club that was very careful about letting outsiders in.

One day a woman named Megan told her, "Maybe you should not be asking what you can get out of a church, but how God would have you serve through a church. Instead of saying 'I want,' consider saying 'I will.'"

Heather's church was what Thom Rainer calls a "country club church." In his book, "I Am a Church Member," he describes such a church in this way-

"We are joining the church to see what we can get out of it. The pastor is to feed us through his sermons. We have specified an acceptable range for the length of the sermon. The music is to fit our style exactly. Any deviations are not acceptable. The programs and ministries are for our benefit. We will determine what we like and don't like. We are members who expect perks, privileges, and service."- Pg. 68.

If you are in one of these types of churches, you should first try to change things from the inside. See if your church's leadership will change to focus first on Christ and second on people outside of the church.

If this doesn't work, you can do what one woman did and her whole life changed.

Rainer writes, "First, she made a commitment to stop being a critic or judge of everything that takes place in the church. Second, her daily prayer time included a petition to God that she might have an attitude of servanthood every day. Third, her prayer time each day also included prayers for specific leaders and members in the church, including those that irritated her. Fourth, she committed to a minimum of one hour of service through the church each week."- Pg. 54. (from Rainer's book, "I Will")

After doing this for 7 months, she said, "I don't have to worry about getting my way. My mission is now to serve others...I truly have learned in action what Jesus meant when he said we would be first if we put ourselves last. I am last in the sense that I serve others before me. I am first in the sense that I have incredible joy coming directly from Jesus...I wish I had made this effort years ago. I have truly learned how to experience the joy of Christ by serving."

- Pg. 55. ("I Will.")

For others, like Heather, the church may either not want to change or just be too toxic an environment and so it's best to move on. Heather did this and praise God found a healthy church. After doing so, she said, "I just find so much joy in serving others...That's how most of the members are at my church now. We don't serve in ministry because of some legalistic guidelines. We serve because we are motivated by joy to do so."

"Heather used to dread going to church on Sundays. Now she wakes up with anticipation about attending...She serves in areas that energize her, not in areas where someone has given her a guilt trip to participate."- Pg. 48. ("I Will")

Ranier writes, "It's time. It's time for a decision. It's time for a church membership revolution. Not because we are legally obligated. Not because we equate activities to commitment. But because a great attitude toward your church, the bride of Christ, will result in great actions for her."- Pg. 23 ("I Am a Church Member")





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Joseph plans to attend Saginaw Valley State University to study Accounting



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Kathryn plans to attend Central Michigan University to study Exercise Science: Kinesiology



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Sports

Marauders Host Annual Lions Club Meet; Qualify for State Meet in Discus Throw and 4x200 Relay

OVID-ELSIE -- Brock Spitzley continues to break school records in the discus, and the Marauder boys 4x200 relay have already qualified for the State Meet.

That's just a quick summary from the Marauder track teams' dominance of their annual Lions Club Invitational at Mark O'Donnell Field here May 2.

The Marauder boys easily bested the 12-team field with 197.5 team points. Bath was 2nd at 133, Perry 97, Morrice 80.5, Dansville 41, Fulton-Middleton 31, Hemlock 26, Burton Atherton 24, St. Charles 17, Vestaburg 6, Bellevue 5 and Ashley one.

Spitzley also qualified for the State Meet with another record heave of 153'8." The 4x200 relay quartet of Tryce Tokar, Wyatt Lover, Owen Long and Travis Milner completed the oval in 1:31.54 to punch their ticket to the MHSAA Meet.

Other winning efforts for the O-E boys were Milner in the 400 m (:51.84); Clay Powell in the 800 m (2:10.52); Tokar, Alex Aekvorathongchai, Lover and Long in the 4x100 (:45.14); Tokar, Marshall Leavitt, Powell and Milner in the 4x400 (3:35.0); Josh Miller, Mitchell Blaha, Leavitt and Powell in the 4x800 (8:54.95); Jeremiah Stewart in the high jump (5'8"); and Tokar in the pole vault (13'6").

The Lady Marauders totaled 53 points to finish 6th, behind Bath 106, Hemlock 83, Perry 81, Fulton 67.5 and Vestaburg 57. Rounding out the field was Morrice 43.5, St. Charles 38.5, Bellevue 34.5, Burton Atherton 22, Dansville 20, Merrill 10 and Ashley 6.

Top finishes for the O-E girls came from Jessica Kozlowski, 1st in the 100 m hurdles (:18.16); Clarissa Baese 3rd in the 800 m (2:39.72); Dylan Masarik, Piper White, Bensinger and Baese, 3rd in the 4x800 (12:25.14); Kozlowski 3rd in the long jump (14'5"); and Audrey Bensinger, Baese, Carly Williams and Tava Kvalevog 3rd in the 4x400 (4:39.21).

Spitzley breaks record -- again -- as Marauder boy, girl thinclads sweep past Durand, Byron in MMAC double-dual action

OVID-ELSIE -- Brock Spitzley reset his own school record in the Discus with a throw of 177'9," and O-E's dominant track teams swept to MMAC double-dual wins while hosting Byron and Durand at Mark O'Donnell Field.

The Marauder boys bested Durand 111-22 and Byron 123-9, while Durand scored a 93-34 team win over Byron.

The Lady Marauders prevailed 84-35 past Durand and 99-16 over Byron. Durand's girls won 75-38 over the Byron Eagles.

Nick Hufnagel's Marauder girls received top finishes from Madalynn Bushard in the 800 m (2:45.50), Clarissa Baese in the 1600 m (6:19.25), Alizabeth Throop in the 3200 m (16:26.0), Jessica Kozlowski in the 100 m hurdles (:17.60), Kendal Tokar in the 300 m hurdles (:51.34), and Kortlynn Loynes in the shot put (29'4.25") and discus (96'2").

Too, the O-E girls swept the relay events: 4x100: Kozlowski, Kyla Washburn, Kenlee White, Tokar, :55.77. 4x200: Washburn, White, Bushard, Tava Kvalevog, 1:59.45. 4x400: Kvalevog, Baese, Audrey Bensinger, Tokar, 4:35.95. 4x800: Bensinger, Bushard, Baese, Piper White, 11:41.42.

The male Marauders rolled to dominant victories in the sprint events, grabbing the top 5 places in the 100 m dash and the top three in the 200 m.

Individual event winners for O-E were Owen Long in the 100 m (:11.85) and 200 m (:23.83), Marshall Leavitt 400 m (:55.93), Clay Powell 800 m (2:00.91), James Kelley 3200 m (11:18.0), Jackson Custer 110 m hurdles (:17.90), Alex Wright 300 m hurdles (:45.45), Ben Wildes shot put (43'7.75"), Kody Ash pole vault (9'0") and Travis Milner in the long jump (19'8").

No one could beat Ovid-Elsie in the relays: 4x100: Tryce Tokar, Alex Aekvorathongchai, Wyatt Lover, Long, :45.83. 4x200: Tokar, Lover, Long, Milner, 1:33.68. 4x400: Josh Miller, Cooper Ritenburg, Leavitt, Powell, 3:58.28. 4x800: Miller, Mitchell Blaha, Leavitt, Powell, 10:00.0.

Durand Golfers Grab 11-Stroke Win over Ovid-Elsie

BYRON — Durand was 11 strokes better than Ovid-Elsie in a MMAC dual meet at Willow Brook Golf Club.

The Railroaders won the match by a score of 191-202. Durand's Brayden Kelley was the medalist with a 43 for the Eagles.

For Ovid-Elsie, Michael Bancroft was second with a 44 and Easton Keck fired a 50. Tucker Loynes carded a 52, Ryker Parson shot a 56 and Tayton Kline shot a 59 for coach Josh Latz's Marauders.



Brock Spitzley broke his own Discus record with a throw of 177'9" on May 7th

Wolfpack Boys Snag Championship at Davison Track & Field Classic

DAVISON -- Davison High School was the setting for a championship performance by the Laingsburg boys track team at the Twilight Track & Field Classic.

The Wolfpack girls team was nearly as impressive, finishing 2nd by just 9 points to Whitmore Lake. Rounding out the girls field was Laingsburg at 116.5, Caro 102, Unionville-Sebewaing 78, Kingston 70.5, Almont 70.5, Otisville-Lakeville 33, Madison Academy 25 and Flint Beecher 8.

Top female finishers for LHS were Lilli Morrill in the 400 m run (1:08.21), Emily Rathka in the 800 m (2:48.15) and 1600 m (6:00.12), Samantha Lipinski in the 100 m hurdles (:19.13), Edie Zacharda in the 300 m hurdles (:57.42), Sophia Hughes in the shot put (27'0") and discus (87'2"), Kendall Michels and Mallory Woodbury in the high jump (4'5"), Madison Phillips in the pole vault (9'6"), and Morrill in the high jump (14'6.5").

Brooklyn Miller, Abby McNeil, Sara Hart and Woodbury completed the 4x100 relay in :57.67. In the 4x200, Miller, Samantha Magyar, Hart and Evelyn Logghe completed the oval in 2:03.05. LHS clocked a 11:27.43 time in the 4x800 behind Logghe, Hazel Burley, Jayden Foltz and Rathka.

-- WOLFPACK BOYS ARE CHAMPIONS: Brian Borgman's Wolfpack boys team brought home the small school team title with 136.5 points, outdistancing Almont 132, Caro 106.5, Otisville-Lakeville 100.5, Whitmore Lake 85, Kingston 49.5, Unionville-Sebewaing 34, Madison Academy 10 and Flint Beecher 4.

Grey Sequin topped the Wolves in the 100 m dash in :11.56 and 200 m (:23.96); Logan Robinson in the 400 m (:54.64); Felix Ramirez in the 1600 (5:09.64) and the 3200 m (11:19.65), Keaton Dietz in the 110 hurdles (:18.84) and 300 m hurdles (:44.18), Shaun Mills in the shotput (40'8"), Charles Dehnert in the discus (132'2"), George in the high jump (5'10"), Dylan Witgen in the pole vault (12'0") and Dietz in the long jump (17'9.5").

In the relays, Leandro Dolega-Caceres, Sequin, Carson Helmer and Mitchell George ran the 4x100 in :45.58, Tristan Sherman, Charleston Crisp, Caiden Nidefski and Dylan Witgen 1:45.07 in the 4x200; Caceres, George, Robinson and Helmer 3:40.01 in the 4x400, and Camerson Spedoske, Ramirez, Robinson and Asher Shastal 9:31.24 in the 4x800 quartet.

Fowler, Bath get best of Wolfpack at CMAC double-dual meet

FOWLER -- Laingsburg's girls scored a 79-52 victory over Bath, the only win the Wolfpack track teams could bring home from Fowler in the CMAC double-dual May 7.

Fowler's boys kept their hopes alive for a league title, dispatching Laingsburg 70-53 and Bath 75-48. Bath nipped Brian Borgman's Wolves in team points, 62-61.

The Wolves' best event came in the 400 m run, sweeping the top three finishes.

Individual titlists for LHS were Carson Helmer in the 400 (:53.35); James Foltz in the 800 (2:09.82); Felix Ramirez, Foltz, Logan Robinson and Noah Devereaux in 4x800 relay (8:37.65); Shaun Mills shot put (42'1.5"); and Mitchell George in the high jump (6'0').

On the girls side, it was Fowler 99, Laingsburg 33; Fowler 95, Bath 31; and Laingsburg 79, Bath 5-2.

Emily ran 1st for the Wolfpack in the 1600 m (5:53.63) and Sophia Hughes topped the discus competition (83'11").

Marauder Girls Tennis Team 2nd at Owosso Steck Invitational

OWOSSO -- The host Trojans and Mount Pleasant tied for first place, while Ovid-Elsie outdistanced Lansing Eastern for runnerup honors at the Steck Girls Tennis Invitational here May 13.

Jenna Tomasek, Evaley Swender and four different doubles teams grabbed first places for the Lady Marauders.

Complete results for Ovid-Elsie included ...

Singles: No. 1 - Willow Gott, Mount Pleasant def. Ellyanna Carman, Ovid-Elsie, 6-3, 6-3. No. 1 - Ginger Golombisky, Owosso def. Ellyanna Carman, Ovid-Elsie, 7-5, 7-5. No. 2 - Lauren Collard, Owosso def. Jenna Tomasek, Ovid-Elsie, 6-1, 6-1. No. 2 - Jenna Tomasek, Ovid-Elsie def. Ketia Wakiyota, Lansing Eastern, 6-0, 6-0. No. 2 - Eliana Daum, Mount Pleasant def. Jenna Tomasek, Ovid-Elsie, 6-4, 6-2. No. 3 - Evaley Swender, Ovid-Elsie def. Avery Reed, Lansing Eastern, 6-2, 6-2. No. 3 - Evaley Swender, Ovid-Elsie def. Kelly Zheng, Mount Pleasant, 6-2, 6-1. No. 4 - Audra Szeleg, Mount Pleasant def. Grace Remenar, Ovid-Elsie, 6-2, 6-2. No. 4 - Alexa Allison, Lansing Eastern def. Grace Remenar, Ovid-Elsie, 6-1, 6-4.

Doubles:

No. 1 - Hailie McCreery and Mikayla Bashore, Ovid-Elsie def. Addison Collard and Olivia Scrimger, Owosso, 6-3, 5-7, 10-6. No. 1 - Addison Koch and Jordyn Egger, Mount Pleasant def. Hailie McCreery and Mikayla Bashore, Ovid-Elsie, 6-3, 6-7 (5), 12-10. No. 1 - Hailie McCreery and Mikayla Bashore, Ovid-Elsie def. Addison Collard and Olivia Scrimger, Owosso, 6-2, 6-2. No. 2 - Jolene Hebel and Lauren Phillips, Ovid-Elsie def. Natalie Bonner and Malaisha Miller, Lansing Eastern, 6-1, 6-1. No. 2 - Megan Hemenway and Gabrielle Dalley, Owosso def. Jolene Hebel and Lauren Phillips, Ovid-Elsie, 6-3, 6-2. No. 2 - Jolene Hebel and Lauren Phillips, Ovid-Elsie def. Ava Deans and Jessie Noggle, Mount Pleasant, 6-3, 6-0. No. 3 - Emmylou Blaha and Alexis Chadwick, Ovid-Elsie def. Cassidy Stites and Janire Sansteban, Mount Pleasant, 6-2, 6-2. No. 3 - Emmylou Blaha and Alexis Chadwick, Ovid-Elsie def. Lillian Pumford and Cassidy Jones, Owosso, 6-1, 7-5. No. 4 - Alison Kozlowski and Meadow Evans, Ovid-Elsie def. Taylor Friend and Vada English, Owosso, 6-1, 6-0. No. 4 - Alison Kozlowski and Meadow Evans, Ovid-Elsie def. Diagia Hughes and Za'kyra Thomas, Lansing Eastern, 6-1, 6-3.

Sports

Marauders Thumped by St. Johns Bounce Back to Nip Lakeville

OVID-ELSIE -- The baseball Marauders faced a meaty schedule here Saturday, May 3 at the St. Johns Baseball Classic -- and held their own in a split of games opposite St. Johns and Lakeville.

The St. Johns Redwings (7-5) plated 11 runs in the 2nd inning enroute to an 18-2 mercy win over O-E.

Mike Loynes' Marauders bounced back later in the day with a 5-4 victory past the LakeVille Falcons (8-2).

Kyle Lockwood pitched SJHS to the big win in game one, yielding three hits and two earned runs while striking out four Marauders.

Tied at 1-1 in the first frame, the Redwings unloaded on O-E pitching to the tune of 12 hits and 13 RBI.

O-E managed five hits off Lockwood and reliever Ryan Priest: a double by Jake Bowen, and singles off the bats of Tucker Loynes and Brody Howard.

In game two, the Marauders held off a furious 7th-inning comeback by Lakeville to make the most of a five-run rally of their own. O-E scored three in bottom of the 4th and two in the 5th, capitalizing on 7 hits; two each off the bats of Corbyn Janes and Bowen. Luke Wiktorowski, Howard and Logan Brown added the other Marauder hits. Howard and Janes drove in RBI as O-E climbed to 5-4 overall.

The four-headed pitching monster of Bowen, Brown, Wiktorowski and Janes combined to nail down the win, limiting the Falcons to four hits. Combined, the O-E quartet struck out six and walked three. Brown was credited with the win.



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Circuit Court for Clinton County, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder or bidders at public auction or venue for purposes of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on said Mortgage, together with all allowable costs of sale and includable attorney fees, the lands and premises in said Mortgage mentioned and described as follows: SITUATED IN THE CITY OF SAINT JOHNS, COUNTY OF CLINTON, STATE OF MICHIGAN: A parcel of land in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 4, Town 7 North, Range 2 West, Clinton County, Michigan, the surveyed boundary of said parcel described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 4; thence North 89 degrees 02' 51" West along the South line of said section 987.15 feet; thence North 00 degrees 57' 09" East 449.63 feet; thence North 01 degrees 21' 14" West 337.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING of this description; thence North 89 degrees 02' 51" West parallel with the South line of said section 19.30 feet; thence North 01 degrees 21' 14" West parallel with the North-South 1/4 line of said section 565.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 02' 51" East parallel with said South line 565.00 feet; thence South 01 degrees 21' 14" East parallel with said North-South line 540 feet; thence South 44 degrees 47' 57" West 34.64 feet; thence North 89 degrees 02' 51" West parallel with said South line 520.70 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as: 203 E. Tolles Drive, Saint Johns, Michigan 48879 Tax Parcel Number: 300-004-300-080-00 The period within which the above premises may be redeemed shall expire six (6) months from the date of sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector. Dated: May 1, 2025 MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION of East Lansing, Michigan, Mortgagee FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS & SMITH, P.C. Benjamin J. Price Attorneys for Mortgagee 313 S. Washington Square Lansing, MI 48933 (517) 371-8253

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY ADVERTISEMENT. 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 May 21, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE INFORMATION: Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Connor M. Tracy and Kelly Ann Tracy, husband and wife, as tenants by the entirety, whose address is 15217 Loxley Lane, Lansing, Michigan 48906, as original Mortgagors, to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR SUMMIT COMMUNITY BANK, being a mortgage dated November 16, 2012, and recorded on November 28, 2012 with Document Number 5193014, Clinton County Records, State of Michigan and then assigned through mesne assignments to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee of Quercus Mortgage Investment Trust, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated November 21, 2019 and recorded on November 25, 2019 and given document number 5286526 and corrected via a Corrective Assignment of Mortgage dated January 23, 2020 and recorded on February 7, 2020 and given document number 5289167 in Clinton County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE AND 08/100 DOLLARS (\$149,579.08). Said premises are situated in the Township of Watertown, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, and are described as: UNIT NO. 44, NOTTINGHAM FIELDS CONDOMINIUM, A CONDOMINIUM ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED RECORDED IN DOCUMENT NO. 5106948, INCLUSIVE AND AMENDMENTS THERETO, CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS, AND DESIGNATED AS

CLINTON COUNTY CONDOMINIUM SUBDIVISION PLAN NO. 64, TOGETHER WITH 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. Street Address: 15217 Loxley Lane, Lansing, Michigan 48906 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA § 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCLA § 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ATTENTION HOMEOWNER: IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICE MEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY, IF YOUR PERIOD OF ACTIVE DUTY HAS CONCLUDED LESS THAN 90 DAYS AGO, OR IF YOU HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY, PLEASE CONTACT THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PARTY FORECLOSING THE MORTGAGE AT THE TELEPHONE NUMBER STATED IN THIS NOTICE. Dated: April 20, 2025 For more information, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing: Robert A. Blumberg (P87490), Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC, 5955 West Main Street, Suite 509, Kalamazoo, MI 49009. Telephone: (312) 541-9710. File No.: MI 25 6437

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CLINTON
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Trust**

THE KAREN M. SCHLEGEL TRUST UAD APRIL 5, 2012, AS AMENDED AND/OR RESTATED TO ALL CREDITORS: The Settlor, Karen M. Schlegel, born February 24, 1943, died April 19, 2025. There is no personal representative of the settlor's estate to whom letters of administration have been issued. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Karen M. Schlegel Trust dated April 5, 2012, as amended and/or restated, will be forever barred unless presented to Sharon Lamoreaux, Trustee, of 6685 Burnside Street, Unit 344, Portland, Oregon 97210 within four months after the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the Trust will thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

Sharon Lamoreaux
6685 Burnside Street, Unit 344
Portland, Oregon 97210
(971) 645-9143

Gregory R. Bashore Esq. (P39448)
2161 Commons Parkway
Okemos, MI 48864
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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 June 11, 2025. 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): KIMBERLEY L MCGUIRE Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns Date of mortgage: February 21, 2006 Recorded on March 3, 2006, in Document No. 5096178, and re-recorded via Affidavit of Correction on April 17, 2025, in Document No. 5353307, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2006-HE4, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-HE4 Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-One and 50/100 Dollars (\$126,861.50) Mortgaged premises: Situated in Clinton County, and described as: Unit 4 of Country Meadows Condominium, according to the Master Deed as recorded in Liber 375, Page 864 through 911, inclusive, Clinton County Records and any amendments thereto and designated as Clinton County Subdivision Plan No. 1, 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. Commonly known as 13037 Appletree Ln, Dewitt, MI 48820 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 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. Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2006-HE4, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-HE4 Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400

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(05-11)

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CLINTON
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate**

Estate of ANDREW ALLAN VANVLEET Date of birth: June 13, 1990 NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, ANDREW ALLAN VANVLEET died April 17, 2025. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Randy A. Sillman, personal representative, or the probate court at 100 E. State St. Ste. 3400, St. Johns, MI 48879 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sara L. Schafer, to Sovereign Bank, Mortgagee, dated September 10, 2007 and recorded September 14, 2007 in Instrument Number 5121817 Clinton County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Four and 1/100 Dollars (\$121,284.01). 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 MAY 21, 2025.

Said premises are located in the Township of DALLAS, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as:

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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: April 20, 2025

File No. 25-005216

Firm Name: Orlans Law Group PLLC

Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084

Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE (ALL COUNTIES) AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ATTENTION HOMEOWNER: IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICE MEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY, IF YOUR PERIOD OF ACTIVE DUTY HAS CONCLUDED LESS THAN 90 DAYS AGO, OR IF YOU HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY, PLEASE CONTACT THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PARTY FORECLOSING THE MORTGAGE AT THE TELEPHONE NUMBER STATED IN THIS NOTICE. 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 a.m./p.m. on May 28, 2025. 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 having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Scott R. Jubeck and Tamara M. Jubeck of Clinton County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Fifth Third Bank (Western Michigan) dated the 20th day of October, 2006, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Clinton and State of Michigan, on the 13th day of November, 2006, in Document No. 5108844 of the Clinton County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$31,591.78 plus accrued interest at 9.50000% percent per annum. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Dewitt, in the County of Clinton and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Lot 103 Northway Hills No. 4, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 7 of Plats, Page(s) 91-92, Clinton County Records. Commonly known as: 12916 Menominee Drive, Dewitt, MI 48820 Tax ID: 050-376-000-103-00 If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale the borrower, pursuant to MCLA 600.3278 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. The redemption period shall be six 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. Dated: April 27, 2025 By: Benjamin N. Hoen #P-81415 Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 5990 West Creek Road, Suite 200 Independence, OH 44131 Telephone: 216-739-5100 Fax: 216-363-4034 Email: bhoen@weltman.com WWR#: 25-000225-1

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Sports

Wolfpack Big in Sweep of Bath Baggers, 6-1 and 4-0

LAINGSBURG -- Meo Garcia collected three hits in four at bats, and Laingsburg's varsity baseball kicked off a sweep of neighboring CMAC foe Bath, 6-1 here May 1.

Garcia doubled in the sixth inning, singled in the third inning, and singled in the fourth inning to set the stage for Todd Randall's Wolves.

Laingsburg got on the board in the first when Dom Garcia scored after tagging up. A passed ball extended the lead to 2-0 in the bottom of the second inning.

The Wolfpack added to their early lead in the bottom of the third inning after Garcia scored after tagging up, and Jake Rivet singled down the right field line, driving in a run.

Dom Garcia earned the win. The hurler gave up zero hits and zero runs over five innings, striking out six and walking four. Colton Heaton came on in relief to earn the save.

Jay Kreisler took the loss for Bath (3-6, 1-6). The pitcher went six innings, surrendering six runs (four earned) on 11 hits, striking out four and walking none. Colton Heaton appeared in relief for Laingsburg Varsity Wolfpack.

Liam Esch and Garcia were a force together in the LHS batting attack, as they each collected three hits. Dom Garcia, Esch, Meo Garcia, Rivet, and RJ Garcia each drove in one run for Laingsburg Varsity Wolfpack. Quintin Garcia collected two hits in three at bats.

LHS was flawless in the field. Collin Logghe had the most chances with eight.

-- LAINGSBURG 4, BATH 0: Randall's charges completed their sweep with a 4-0 shutout in a rain-shortened game two.

Laingsburg got on the board in the top of the second inning after Dom Garcia grounded out, Liam Esch singled to the left side of the infield, RJ Garcia was struck by a pitch, and Everett Rodriguez was struck by a pitch.

Meo Garcia opened the game for Laingsburg Varsity Wolfpack. The lefty allowed one hit and zero runs over one and one-third innings, striking out two and walking none.

Garcia, Esch, and Garcia each drove in one run for the red-and-white. Esch led the way with two hits in two at bats.

Wolfpack sackers split at Lansing Christian; now 10-6

LANSING -- A CMAC split doubleheader at Lansing Christian left Laingsburg's baseball Wolfpack with a 6-6 league record, 10-6 overall here May 5.

The Pilgrims (7-4, 4-4) shut out LHS in the opener, 1-0, before Todd Randall's Wolfpack bounced back with a 4-1 win in game two.

The Wolves fell behind early and couldn't come back in the 1-0 loss. Lansing Christian scored one run on a single in the first inning for the only scoring.

The pitching was strong on both sides. Ethan Damesworth earned the win for LCS. The starting pitcher allowed two hits

and zero runs over seven innings, striking out 10 and walking three.

Dom Garcia took the tough-luck loss for the Wolfpack. The lefty went three and one-third innings, giving up one run on two hits, striking out five and walking one.

Everett Rodriguez and Emilio Garcia each collected one hit for Laingsburg.

Laingsburg rallied to a 4-1 victory in the nightcap, after a single by Damesworth put Lansing Christian on the board in the top of the first.

The red-and-white captured the lead, 2-1, in the bottom of the first after RJ Garcia singled to center field, and Quintin Garcia singled to center field, each each plating an RBI.

Laingsburg added two runs in the second when Liam Esch singled to the left side of the infield, making the score 4-1.

Meo Garcia earned the win, allowing five hits and one run over five innings, striking out nine and walking one. Collin Leavitt started for the Pilgrims, allowing six hits and four runs (two earned) over four and two-thirds innings, striking out four and walking one.

Colton Heaton tossed two innings of zero-run relief for Laingsburg. The righty allowed two hits, striking out one and walking none.

Esch provided pop in the middle of the lineup, and led the Wolves with two runs batted in. The outfielder went 1-for-3 on the day. Dom Garcia set the tone at the top of the lineup, leading Laingsburg with three hits in four at bats.

Wolfpack Soccer Gals Blitz Dansville, 3-0; Stay Atop CMAC

DANSVILLE -- Freshman Aleigha Highifield tallied her first varsity goal, and Laingsburg's girls varsity soccer team stayed undefeated in CMAC play, with a 3-0 victory here May 1.

Goals by Allie Brasseur and Payge Woodworth got the scoring started for John Hill's Wolfpack. Assists were by Kierra Rusz, Woodworth, and Addison Rusz.

College-bound goalkeeper Erin Pohlod notched another shutout in net for LHS (4-0 league, 10-2 overall).

Wolfpacks clinch 2nd-straight CMAC soccer championship

LAINGSBURG -- The Laingsburg HS girls soccer Wolfpack kept their perfect conference record intact by beating Lansing Christian, 3-2, here Tuesday.

Payge Woodworth scored a hat trick, assisted by Addison Rusz, Ivy Collier, and Madison Phillips.

The Wolfpack moved to 9-0 in the CMAC and 12-1 overall -- clinching the CMAC girls soccer championship for the second straight season.



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