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Photo by Orman Production, Inc.

See complete sports coverage on page 11-12-13 & 16

## Physician Order to be Required to Get COVID Test at Sparrow Sites

submitted by John Foren

LANSING, MI – Almost three years after Sparrow's innovative drive-thru lab site opened at Frandor, patients will now be required to have a physician order in advance to obtain a COVID test at Frandor and all other COVID testing sites.

The change is due to the end of the Federal Pandemic Declaration at 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, May 11. As a result, insurance will no longer cover COVID testing at Sparrow locations without a provider order. The need for a physician order begins Friday, May 12.

Those seeking treatment or testing for COVID should contact their Sparrow Medical Group provider for a consultation and order. Those without a primary care provider can request a Sparrow On-Demand video visit on the MySparrow Portal or at [Sparrow.org/virtualhealth](http://Sparrow.org/virtualhealth), or through a visit at any of Sparrow's Urgent/Walk-in Care locations. Patients can still get blood draws at the Frandor drive-thru site, along with COVID tests with a physician order.

Sparrow has performed 930,000 COVID tests throughout the health system since the pandemic began in March 2020. The Sparrow Drive-Thru Lab Services site has received international attention as an example of the innovation Sparrow exhibited throughout the pandemic. The former Sears Automotive Center was converted into a testing site after being closed for years. Besides quickly implementing a strict visitor policy and masking mandate after the pandemic began, Sparrow was also one of the first hospitals in Michigan to offer COVID tests to inpatients.

For more information about Sparrow Laboratories, go to [Sparrow.org/labs](http://Sparrow.org/labs).

## Elsie Village Council

by Dawn D. Levey

ELSIE – The regular meeting of the Elsie Village Council was held Tuesday, May 9, 2023. The evening was highlighted by moving forward with a reliability study of the water system.

Elsie Police Chief Bryce presented the department's, monthly police report. It has been a busy month with 97 complaints and two traffic stops. Complaints have increased. During the month of April, the department handled three arrests, several domestic and felonious assaults, welfare checks, and a harassment complaint.

During the month Bryce attended a three-day supervision training conducted by DeWolf and Associates. The training was very beneficial.

The department assisted with the Ovid-Elsie Middle School dance, to patrol for safety reasons and then herded cows that were loose. The farm group was very appreciative for the assistance. Chief Bryce also announced that the Clinton Substance Awareness Prevention Coalition, Eaton County RESA and the Mid-State Health Network Distributed State Opioid Response material at the Elsie Police Department for a total of \$754.00 in supplies.

Finally, the Ford F150 Police Responder has arrived, additional equipment will be arriving soon. Chief Bryce thanked the council for their support on her first-year anniversary as chief.

Shane Grinnell, presented the manager's report, which included an update on the development of the former Elsie Junior High. The prospects are promising. Mr. Ken Harris, a developer, will do a walk through after June 1, 2023 and he will be considering development possibilities of the site.

Code enforcement has been busy with six blight letters sent, with a ten-day response required. Clinton Courts have been supporting the code enforcement measures taken by the Village. Lawn letters are being sent, as well. Noting that if the village mows the property the fee is added to the tax rolls.

Bad news, regarding paving. The former contractor is now part of Pitch-Black group, they are getting out of the paving business. Grinnell has been referred to American Asphalt. The goal, as always is to have roads fixed by the Dairy Festival, may not happen this year.

Chris Ormes, DPW, reported that it is time to update and redo the reliability study for the water system, the Spicer Group provided a quote. Once completed it will be necessary to update the study every five years. ARPA funds could be used. This is a required study which has not been updated in more than ten years. Officials approved to contract with Spicer Group to complete of the study and negotiate the possibility of extending payment over time.

Officials took action to contract with Morton Outdoor to repair two-man holes on east side of town. Brooke Wooley, Dairy Festival, updated officials on the status of the festival. It is coming together, there will be new events and also a ramping up of favorites.

The Grand Marshals have been named - Denny and Carolyn Long. Wooley requested that deliveries be delivered to the village business office, and a dumpster has been ordered. The festival committee will take care of white barrels during the festival. Police Department will be in contact with the Clinton County Sheriffs Posse.

Mr. Larry Melvin complimented the code enforcement officers and the Elsie Police Department for quick responses. He requested that officials consider the possibility of adding parking restrictions to the code regarding parking between the sidewalk and the street. It was noted that a change could be hardship for families. Discussion followed.

Monthly action was taken to approve the meeting agenda, the minutes of the April 11, 2023 minutes, and the monthly financial reports. Expenditures presented totaling \$116,481.29 were approved.

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## Social

### Pastor Kathy Leydorf-Keck Retirement Party

A retirement party will be held for Kathy Leydorf-Keck, Thursday, June 29, 2023 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Lowe Methodist Church Social Hall located at 5485 Lowe Road, St. Johns

Hosted by Lowe Methodist Church.

All are invited and welcome to attend.



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### Horse Teams to Plow DeVries Fields

*submitted by Jessica Hickey*

Owosso – DeVries Nature Conservancy will host its annual Historic Horse Drawn Plow Day on Saturday, May 20. Be there from 9 am to 3 pm to see how farm fields were prepared for planting in the old days, with powerful teams of draft horses. Guests will also be able to enjoy a horse-drawn wagon ride or explore the Historic Carriage & Sleigh Museum. This event is free to attend.

For more information, contact DeVries Nature Conservancy at (989) 723-3365, info@devriesnc.org, or check out www.devriesnature.org.

### Memorial Healthcare Foundation to Host Free Lunch and Learn

*submitted by Vicki McKay*

Owosso – Memorial Healthcare Foundation will be hosting a free community Lunch and Learn presentation on Tuesday, May 23 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.

The topic of this educational series is “Multiple Sclerosis” and will be presented by Multiple Sclerosis experts from the Institute for Neuroscience at Memorial Healthcare including Dr. Jeanie Cote, Dr. Robert Pace, Dr. Rosemarie Walch, and Paige Goulette, DNP-BC. Topics covered will include risks; emerging therapies and approaches to treatment; diet, exercise, and other lifestyle modifications; and reproductive options.

This presentation will be held in the Educational Theatre at the NOW Building, located at 819 N. Shiawassee Street, Owosso (please enter through the “Wellness” entrance). To reserve your seat, please RSVP to the Foundation at (989) 729-4675 by Friday, May 19.

For more information please visit, www.MemorialHealthcare.org

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### Shiawassee County Fair Entries

*submitted by Carrie Rutkowski*

The Shiawassee County Fair, to be held August 6-12, 2023, is only weeks away! There are endless opportunities for Shiawassee County residents and new possibilities for our neighboring counties, any age, to showcase their talents at the fair. NEW FOR 2023 our neighbors of out of county areas may enter their Still Exhibits in our fair this year. Still exhibits are entries that are not consisting of a live animal. These exhibits are located within the Exhibit Building only, ranging from cooking, canning, photography, arts and sewing, etc. Entries are online only and you may visit www.ShiawasseeFair.com for entries. In-county residents (residency rules are on page 4 of the exhibitors guide) entries begin May 15, 2023 and end promptly June 15, 2023 at 5 pm. These will be for livestock and Still Exhibitors. For our neighbors and out of county exhibitors entries will be June 17, 2023 and end on July 1, 2023 promptly at 5 pm. There will be absolutely no late entries.

We have made it easier for our exhibitors who are having trouble with entries to call the fair off and schedule an appointment. We will be happy to assist you with your entries. For appointments please call (989) 743-3611, office hours are from 9 am -5 pm Monday thru Friday.

Exhibitor guides and our special Neighbor edition are available at the fair office, local libraries and senior centers throughout the county as well as a full printable versions on our website. www.ShiawasseeFair.com Don't miss the best week of the year - enter the Shiawassee County Fair!

### Special Board Meeting and Regular Board Meeting

*submitted by Krissy Pratt*

Laingsburg Community Schools Board of Education will conduct a special board meeting in the Middle School Media Center, prior to the scheduled monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 17, 2023.

The special board meeting will be held at 6:45 p.m. to review the Shiawassee RESD General Fund 2023-24 Operating Budget and review and consider the biennial election process and candidate(s) for Shiawassee RESD Board of Education.

The regular board meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The major tentative agenda items for this meeting include the following: 2022-23 Budget Update, 2023-24 Budget Update, Legislative Update, District Staffing Update, Strategic Plan Update, Building Updates, 98b Goal Report, Shiawassee RESD 2023-24 General Fund Operating Budget Resolution, Personnel, Any Other Business That May Properly Come Before the Board.

Board meetings are open to the public. Upon request to the Superintendent, the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a person with disabilities to be able to participate in this meeting.

### Informational Meeting for Summer 2025 Trip

*submitted by Dana Blank*

Ovid-Elsie Communities, you are invited to travel to Ireland, Scotland, Wales, and London, England Summer 2025. There will be an informational meeting about this opportunity on Thursday, May 18th, 6:30 pm, at United Church of Ovid, 131 W. Front St. Can't make it? Reach out to Dana Blank at danablank@aol.com for info. A after the meeting. Please put Re: "ISWE Tour" in the Attention Box. See you there!

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State Rep. Graham Filler explains his opposition to House Bills 4160-64 today during a press conference. He was joined (from left) by Rep. Mike Harris, Eaton County Prosecutor Doug Lloyd, Rep. Bob Bezotte, Rep. Brian BeGole, Michigan Sheriffs' Association CEO and Executive Director Matthew Saxton, and crime victim advocates Karen Jackson and Crystal Grigonis.

## Rep. Filler: Dangerous Plan Could Let Oxford Shooter, Others Out After 10 Years in Prison

submitted by Christina Doerr

State Rep. Graham Filler expressed deep concern about a measure making its way through the Legislature that would make Oxford shooter Ethan Crumbley and other dangerous murderers eligible for parole after serving just 10 years in prison.

Filler said House Bills 4160-64 would invalidate sentences of life without parole for murderers who were younger than 19 when they committed their crimes and make many of them immediately eligible for parole. Crumbley, who was 15 years old when he killed four of his fellow students at Oxford High School in 2021, could become eligible for parole when he is just 25 years old under this plan.

"Allowing psychopaths who commit heinous acts of violence to go free after just 10 years in prison is a dangerous policy that risks the safety of our communities," said Filler, the Republican vice chair of the House Criminal Justice Committee where the bills were brought up for discussion today. "This plan is a slap in the face to victims and the families whose loved ones were murdered, and it's a slap in the face to communities like Oxford that have been victimized by these senseless killings."

House Bills 4160-64 would allow an individual sentenced to life in prison without eligibility for parole to be released on parole after serving 10 years if they were younger than 19 when they committed murder.

When an individual becomes eligible for parole under these bills, the parole board would be required to consider the individual's age and immaturity at the time of the offense; the individual's family and home environment at the time of the offense; and the circumstances surrounding the offense, including the influence of peer pressure.

"If this legislation becomes law, the parole board can begin reviewing Ethan Crumbley's sentence in 10 years and consider his upbringing and age as factors to release him," Filler said. "The parole board would meet with victims – forcing them to go through the trauma and horrific experiences they endured all over again. Once that review is complete the Oxford school shooter could be released back to society after just 10 years behind bars."

Several other dangerous murderers would be eligible for parole immediately if this proposal became law.

Filler and other Republican members of the House Criminal Justice Committee have vowed to vote against House Bills 4160-64 if they are brought up for a vote, and they called on the Democrat majority to do the same.

## Sparrow Clinton Emergency Department Celebrates National Recognition for Patient Satisfaction

submitted by John Foren

ST. JOHNS, MI – Sparrow Clinton Hospital is celebrating its national recognition for a top score in patient satisfaction, fueled by its leading-edge medicine and highly skilled physicians.

The Sparrow Clinton Emergency Department received a four-star Excellence in Healthcare award from Professional Research Consultants, Inc. in recognition of scores in the top 25 percent nationally for "Overall Quality of Care." The PRC Excellence in Healthcare Awards are presented to organizations and individuals who have achieved top standards in patient satisfaction scores in the previous year, based on patient surveys.

The award certification commended the Sparrow Clinton team's "commitment to excellence that makes Sparrow Clinton's Emergency Department a wonderful place to work, a wonderful place to practice medicine, and a wonderful place for our patients to be treated."

"It is with deep appreciation that we recognize the collaborative efforts of the Sparrow Clinton Emergency Department to achieve the four-star patient experience award," said Sparrow Clinton President Kris McCarty. "This recognition symbolizes commitment to the community and the patients it serves and is a wonderful testament to the teamwork at Sparrow Clinton. The patient experience is the sum of each caregiver in their respective roles and their individual contributions, and we are honored to celebrate this wonderful recognition that comes from the patients we serve in times of adversity."

For more information about Sparrow Clinton, go to Sparrow.org/Clinton.

## Swine Check In Information

submitted by Carrie Rutkowski

NEW FOR 2023 – All Swine projects will need to be pre-registered. Hair samples, 840 tag numbers, ear notches, description of pig, gender, pictures, exhibitor name and club name in a ziplock bag labeled with Exhibitor's Name. These will be due June 1, 2023 to the fair office. Swine Check-In forms will be available at the fair office, at the end of the Swine department in the Exhibitor's Guide and online at www.ShiawasseeFair.com (select Forms & Applications from the Home Menu.) Please remember this is a check in and you will also need to register for your classes through the online entry process. Registration begins May 15, 2023 through June 15, 2023 ending at 5 pm.



### Joint Meeting City Council, Downtown Development Authority & Planning Commission

May 15th at 7:00pm LSW Emergency Services Building, 7425 Woodbury Rd.  
Informational meeting on Marihuana Ordinances & Allen Edwin Homes-120 Railroad housing development.

Special Meeting City Council to Approve 2023-2024 Budget - Monday, May 15, 6:45 p.m.,  
Emergency Services Building, 7425 Woodbury Road

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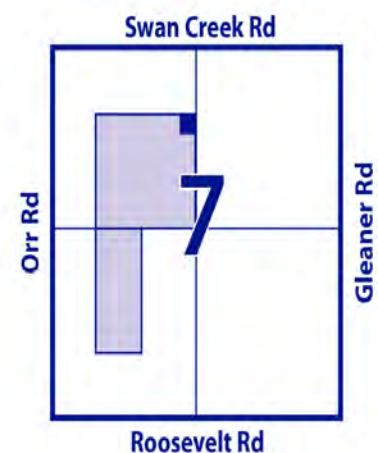
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## Awards Presented at SAC

### AWARDS PRESENTED AT SAC

The Shiawassee Arts Center presented awards to the following artists at the 26th Annual Member Artists Show reception on May 5th.

Jane Cloutier, Mason  
 Lisabeth Curnow, Holt  
 John Diephouse, Lansing  
 Jennifer Ross, Corunna  
 Dianne Wolter, Williamston

Honorable mentions were given to Ruth Egnater, Sam Huff, Chance Liscomb, Dennis McCarty, Sally Rose and Alice Tompkins. The juror was Johanna Paas, Professor of Art at Central Michigan University. The multimedia exhibit, displaying the work of over 80 mid-Michigan artists, continues through July 9th.

The Shiawassee Arts Center, located in Curwood Castle Park in Owosso, is open Monday through Friday 10am-5pm, weekends 12-3pm. The Arts Center features the artwork of local and statewide artists in nine galleries including the Frieske Gallery and a specialty Gift Shop. SAC, which is celebrating its 51st anniversary, is a non-profit organization whose mission is to educate, entertain and enrich the quality of life in our community. For more information call the Arts Center at 989.723.8354 or visit [www.shiawasseearts.org](http://www.shiawasseearts.org).



Jennifer Ross, of Corunna, with her oil painting, "Praying for Pop-its".

## Help Tidy Up Laingsburg During this Year's Springtime Community Clean-Up Day

submitted by Katie Brewer

Laingsburg, Mich. – The City of Laingsburg, the Greater Laingsburg Recyclers and Laingsburg residents are partnering to tidy up the city May 21 from 1-5 p.m. City of Laingsburg residents can place their yard waste, debris and trash at the curb. Trailers will pick it up during the clean-up hours.

Volunteers are also needed for this event. If you are interested in volunteering to help collect recyclables or trash, use this link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/.../10COE4EA5AB2DAAF49...>

To participate, just leave your waste on the curbside. Waste can fall into three categories:

### Recyclables:

All metal items, steel containers, tin cans, holiday lights, extension cords, shelving, (electronics including TVs and monitors).

No fuel or freon tanks. No aerosol cans.

### Yard Waste:

This service is offered to you free of charge as residents of the City of Laingsburg. Please be considerate and remember the following rules when placing your yard waste at the curb for pick up:

Yard waste and leaves can be piled curbside for pick up by the leaf vac.

All sticks and limbs should be piled up neatly in the same direction and no bigger than 6 inches in diameter and three feet in length.

Please place thorn bearing item in separate piles.

No stumps, firewood, dirt, vines or foreign objects.

Please be patient as the DPW will not be picking up yard waste until Monday morning.

### Trash:

Items in your yard that you need to get rid of that do not fit in the first two categories (kiddie pool, lawn chair, etc.)

For more information, visit <http://www.laingsburg.us/.../springtime-community-clean.../> or contact the Greater Laingsburg Recyclers at [recyclelaingsburg@gmail.com](mailto:recyclelaingsburg@gmail.com).

## Michigan Youth Challenge Academy Information Sessions Now Open for Next Class

submitted by Michael Kroll

LANSING, Mich. — The Michigan Youth Challenge Academy (MYCA) is hosting information sessions for interested youth and parents to learn more about enrolling in the academy's next class, Cycle #49, to begin on July 16, 2023.

Information sessions are a mandatory first step in the application process and are listed on the MYCA events page. There are options for in-person or virtual sessions and each event includes a registration link.

For more information:

Area codes 231, 269, 517, 616 and 906 - contact Joan Miller at 269-968-1368.

Area codes 248, 313, 586, 734, 810 and 989 - contact Frank Vasquez at 269-968-1397

The MYCA is a cost-free alternative education program which offers at-risk youth the opportunity to change their future. As part of the curriculum, cadets participate in drill and ceremony formations, meet physical fitness standards, perform community service and receive classroom instruction. Candidates for the academy are 16-18 years old and are at risk of not graduating high school. Because of the voluntary nature of the program, applicants cannot be mandated to attend by parents or the justice system and there is no requirement for military obligation. Graduates of the MYCA are eligible for the Michigan Job Challenge Program, an extension program of the MYCA, which teaches workplace essentials, provides opportunities to learn a skilled trade and assists with job placement.

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## “Kindness Grows Here”

submitted by Ashlee Murray

In times like these, it is imperative that we grow kindness amongst our youngest generation and what better place than to start in our own schools! We started in November, by showing students a Kid President Video talking about how to change the world.

Through the video, kiddos learned that the best way to change the world is by being kind! We asked them "What is Kindness?". As a school, they brainstormed different ways to be kind and spread kindness amongst our community. Following their brainstorms, we voted as a school on the best way to spread kindness. In December, the school voted on "Kindness Grows Here."

Following our Holiday Break, kiddos came back and started getting to work. First things first, we needed to raise money for our project. Students started bringing in their spare change to donate towards our Kindness Grows Here passion project. We called this "Be the Change". In total, kiddos raised \$526.66.

Second graders built 6 garden boxes.

Each first grade class painted their own garden box.

\*A huge thank you to Brandy at Studio Glaze (St. Johns) who came in to chat with our first graders about mixing colors and different painting techniques.

Kindergarten, with the help of Simpsons Greenhouse, planted a variety of flowers and herbs.

\*A huge shout-out to Simpsons as they donated all the supplies to plant and grow our beautiful flower boxes.

The project was completed on April 28, 2023 with our PBIS Assembly. Boxes were dispersed throughout OE. They can be found at Bluemoon Ice Cream Shop, Simpsons Greenhouse, Main Bar, Ovid Public Library, Elsie Library, and Leonard Elementary.



Front row of students.(l-r): Kevie Zmitko, Karlea Sowle, Alayah Martin, Jack Murray, Jaxon Hofacker, Caroline Evans, Lucy Barretta. Back row of adults (l-r): Megan Mischi (Simpsons Greenhouse) and Jake Hofacker (The Main Bar)



## OE Daisy Troop Visit with Police and Firefighters

Monday, May 8, at United Church of Ovid, OE Kindergarten Daisy Troop 30528, had Ovid Police Chief Lisa Rousseau, Elsie Police Chief Destinee Bryce, Elsie Village Manager Shane Grinnell, and Ovid Middlebury Firefighters Greg Atwood, Ken Monks, and Katie Hart talk to them about authority and what it looks like in their roles as police/fire fighters.

This a brand new Daisy troop that is working on earning their petals and Monday nights focus was "Respecting Authority." All the girls attend Leonard Elementary and this is their first year as Girl Scouts. Troop leaders are Amanda Atwood, Roni Behrens, and Suzanna Clapham.

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# Obituaries

## Larry Victor Ladiski

Larry Victor Ladiski, age 73, of Elsie, MI, passed away Thursday, May 4, 2023, at McLaren Greater Lansing Hospital, Lansing, Michigan.

Larry was born in St. Johns, Michigan on October 22, 1949, the son Frank Stephen and Jennie Marie (Horak) Ladiski. He graduated from Ovid-Elsie High School with the class of 1967. Larry served his country in the U.S. Army from 1969 to 1971. On October 16, 1971, he married Patricia Jane Skriba at St. Cyril's Catholic Church, Bannister, Michigan, and she survives him. He retired from the United States Postal Service in 2017 after twenty years of service. He was a lifetime member of St. Cyril's Catholic Church.

Larry enjoyed his grandchildren and spending time with them. He liked gardening which involved planting and harvesting, but no weeding. He was a story teller, telling jokes, and pulling pranks. Playing cards was also a favorite pastime, with his parents, brothers, and his children.

He is survived by his wife Pat Ladiski, of Elsie, MI; two sons: Tim and Nicole Ladiski of Elsie, MI; and Dan and Jill Ladiski of Commerce Township, MI; six grandchildren: Megan, Colten, Emily, Madeline, Micah, and Ben; his sister Joanne and Krys Gromek; two brothers, Bob Ladiski and Frank and Connie Ladiski. He is also survived by his furry companion Elliott. He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers: James, Edward, and Joseph, and one sister, Carleta.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Cyril's Catholic Church, Bannister, MI, on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. Burial has taken place at Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, Michigan.

Memorials may be made to Elsie Public Library, 145 West Main Street, Elsie, Michigan 48831. Online condolences can be sent to [www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com). The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



Participants included from left to right: (front) Vance Jorae, Rian Kirby (3rd year - Expert), Dannika Campbell, Clarissa Baese, Chloe Thiel, Katelyn Wright, Victoria Dennis, Peyton Milz, Trey Litwiller, and Ms. Abigail Turner of the Iowa-based World Food Prize Foundation. Second row- Emmylou Blaha, Alyson Moore, McKenzie Keck, Danica Bancroft, Isabella Phillips, Chloe Preston, Leticia Rodriguez-Oliva, Ava Kremer, Lilian Bates, Lilliana Kennedy, Owen Long, Tayton Kline, Brock Spitzley, Gavin Chadwick. Back row- Josh Miller, Nolan Rasch, Jolene Hebler, Braxton O'Bryant, Daniel Topping, Robert Kebler, Jackson Custer, and Payton Maas.

## OEHS Students Visit MSU

submitted by Dana Blank

On Thursday, May 11th, OEHS students traveled to MSU to participate in the Michigan Youth Institute's World Food Prize event. Students wrote essays in English IB based on a country and a global challenge that contributes to its food insecurities. They submitted these in March with their researched solutions and recommendations in an effort to participate in this established and esteemed program.

At MSU, as WFP Delegates, students presented their findings in small groups to panel experts and took part in other group activities. At the end of the day, each student was awarded the honor of earning the title of becoming a Borlaug Scholar.

Each student received an official certificate, which allows them to take part in a multitude of other educational opportunities associated with the World Food Prize.

## USDA Offers Funding to Protect Agricultural Lands

submitted by Brian Buehler

EAST LANSING – The U.S. Department of Agriculture encourages groups wanting to protect agricultural land to consider enrolling in its Agricultural Conservation Easement Program.

The Agricultural Conservation Easement Program, administered by the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service, provides matching funds for farmland preservation entities to purchase permanent easements. Land enrolled in an agricultural land easement is permanently protected from conversion to non-agricultural use. Applications for the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program are taken on a continuous basis. Applications must be submitted by May 26, 2023, to be eligible for the current round of funding.

"Protecting agricultural lands preserves Michigan's heritage, natural resources and open space," said Natural Resources Conservation Service State Conservationist Garry Lee. "Easements are also important tools for people who are trying to improve the management of their land."

Entities eligible to receive matching funds through the program include American Indian tribes, land trusts, state and local units of government, and non-governmental organizations. Agricultural land easements purchased through the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program focus on conserving productive agricultural lands and grasslands. The USDA can contribute up to 50 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land easement. Landowners are compensated for enrolling their land in easements.

Individuals interested in enrolling land in an agricultural land easement should contact their local farmland preservation organization. Land preservation organizations interested in agricultural easements funding should contact their local USDA Service Center.

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# Editorial



## A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

Have you ever noticed how aggravating automated customer service can be? Seems that this is the week where the idiocy shines the brightest in my quadrant of Michigan. My credit card had been spammed and I had to cancel it. The replacement had come in the mail and it had an email address or a text address to be used in order to activate the new card. The email address that was attached to the card was not viable. According to my computer, which uses google, it was an invalid address. Of course there was no phone number so I found the card online and presto change-o I was able to call the card company. Got the card activated and then had to either wait for 15 minutes or hang up the phone. I hung up the phone because the automated service did not understand that they had accomplished my chore and was done with their input. I did learn that the card company was giving me back what the spam artist had taken... it will be here in ten business days by check.

I have hopes that my garden will be rototilled by this weekend. This, of course, depends upon Brent coming over to start my tiller. I need to do an outline so that the gentleman who is offering this service can get it done when I'm not here. I do hope that this event will happen on Thursday of this week. Of course it would help if I could find the phone number on my cell phone. Thursday did not work because my garden wasn't dry enough, hoping that Friday will work.

Just finished mowing the lawn and it shows that I was in a hurry. There are some very strange patterns in the grass now. But it is all the same length and ready to be raked up and transferred to the garden plot. My great grandson Enrique is coming over Saturday to rake the grass and transport it to the garden. If we have time I also need to dig up a small red maple which now resides smack dab on top of my well, so it must be moved and if I can carefully do so I will have another red maple in the yard where I want it to be. And the garlic bed needs a great deal of attention also, it seems as if overnight northern thistles have attempted to crowd out the garlic. So tomorrow afternoon I will try to fix that mess.

At MG's Perx & Pastries we will be offering sausage breakfast burritos on Friday and Saturday. Last weekend the burritos went well and we had special orders to fill this Friday. So of course we made extras. Kathy Tyler has been coming in with the girls for breakfast and she likes my cinnamon rolls which makes me feel good. Diane has been experimenting with her donuts and keeps coming up with different combinations like her Bavarian creme filled donuts with a maple syrup cream cheese glaze or her chocolate crème filled donut with a peanut butter/cream cheese glaze. Of course both have chopped nuts to add to their appeal.

This week I will be experimenting with salt rising bread and hope to master the recipe well enough to offer to our regulars. No more cream puffs for awhile. I think that I will be trying a new recipe for double chocolate brownies that has caught my eye. Diane and I have been talking about making a breakfast pizza served with sausage gravy, it will be a wait and see if folks are interested. Renee came in this week and agrees that the filled donuts are decadent and her hubby came in to make sure that he got his biscuits. We get to meet many interesting and fun folks.

In the morning Diane will be making the fried fruit pies. The case was filled this morning and everyone seems to enjoy the fried pies. I know that we must make more sausage gravy and of course more biscuits in the morning. I'm tickled pink well I'm at least pleased that our new coffee machine should be here by Tuesday and am looking forward to our creative vendors who will be with us during the Elsie Dairy Days. I hope that you can take the time to look in on us. Have a wonderful week and may God bless you daily.

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## The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster  
theweeklysportsman@meridianweekly.com

## New Firearm Legislation Town Hall Meeting

After several months of contentious committee meetings and floor speeches in Lansing the dust has finally settled about new legislative proposals aimed at putting an end to mass shootings, lowering suicide rates, preventing domestic violence, along with efforts to keep firearms out of the hands of children. Voted on and approved mostly along party lines there were three major legislative packages and each had numerous bills pertaining to; storage requirements, universal background checks, and the creation of a red flag law. Whether you agree or don't agree with this new legislation is irrelevant and moot at this point. These legislative packages have been signed into law and it is your responsibility as a firearm owner or user to become educated on the new changes. Failure to understand the new laws and continuing with a business as usual attitude could quickly get you charged with a felony.

To help everyone understand the significant changes that were made a town hall meeting is being held this upcoming Monday May 15th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Shiawassee Conservation Association located just north of Owosso at 4247 N. M-52. Hosted by Representative Brian BeGole this event will be a non-partisan, informational town hall meeting with a panel of experts and representatives from the National Rifle Association, the Michigan House's Second Amendment Caucus, Michigan Coalition of Responsible Gun Owners, Michigan United Conservation Clubs and Michigan Open Carry. The panel will discuss the recent reforms and answer questions from guests. The event is open for everyone to attend regardless of your legislative district. Participation and discussion are welcomed by all attending but must be constructive in nature.

The Weekly Sportsman was once told by a retired volunteer conservation officer that ignorance of the law is no excuse. Plan to attend the town hall meeting on Monday and become informed.

-WS

## Dear Laingsburg Community Members

Letter to the Editor:

Thank you for supporting our Non-Homestead Operating Millage Renewal May 2nd. With the passing of this proposal, Laingsburg Community Schools will be able to continue to receive nearly \$560,000 in annual operating revenue from the State of Michigan. Your continued support of Laingsburg Community Schools is greatly appreciated by the students, staff and the Board of Education.

Thank you for your support,  
Matt Shastal, Superintendent

## MDARD Announces Public Input for 2024 Rural Development Fund Grants Guidelines

submitted by Chelsea Lewis-Parisio

Lansing - The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) today announced a public input opportunity for the Rural Development Fund Grants Program. To ensure effective program priorities, MDARD is asking for public input by emailing your comments to mda-grants@michigan.gov by June 6, 2023.

The grant funds, established by Public Act 411 of 2012, aim to promote the sustainability of land-based industries (food and agriculture; forestry; mining, oil and gas production; and tourism). Currently established priorities include infrastructure development, workforce training, business development, and rural capacity building that benefits rural communities.

Eligible counties include those with a population no greater



## Liberty Coin Service Acquires A US Currency Issue With No Previous Known Survivors

submitted by Tom Coulson

At the recent Central States Numismatic Society convention near Chicago, Liberty Coin Service acquired a US Series 1918 \$5.00 Federal Reserve Bank Note issued for the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia as a replacement (or star) note. To date, this is the first discovered surviving specimen of this previously unknown US paper money issue.

Said Tom Coulson, Liberty Coin Service owner and general manager, "This note was brought to the show by an East Coast dealer to whom it had been consigned by the long-time owner. That dealer's business is almost exclusively trading US coins on a wholesale basis, with whom Liberty Coin Service has transacted business for decades. They were not the optimum dealer to market this rarity. However, Liberty Coin Service has a long history of handling new discovery notes—including the 1865 \$2.00 National Bank Note issued for the Second National Bank of Lansing, Michigan. When we saw this note in their showcase—and having retail customers who love collecting scarce US currency—we worked out a deal to acquire it. The note has a brand-new catalog number: Friedberg #784\*. It has been authenticated and graded by Paper Money Guaranty in Fine-12 condition with stained surfaces. The note's design features a bust of President Lincoln to the left of the front, The reverse features engravings of Columbus Discovery of Land at the left side and Landing of the Pilgrims on the right side."

Tom continued, "As a category, US Series 1918 \$5.00 Federal Reserve Bank Note replacement notes (called star notes because of the star at the end of their serial number) are all great rarities. With this discovery note, there are known survivors for only five of the 12 Federal Reserve Bank districts. Including this specimen, Paper Money Guaranty has authenticated and graded only 10 pieces among all five Federal Reserve Bank districts combined. Whoever ends up owning this note will have a treasure that no other collector will have."

US Paper Money issues pre-1928 were 20% larger than those printed today, with notes measuring 7-1/2 inches long by 3-1/4 inches high.

Founded in 1971, frequently honored Liberty Coin Service celebrated its 50th anniversary two years ago. It is Michigan's largest rare coin and precious metals dealership. It serves precious metals investors and numismatic collectors across the country. Liberty Coins, as it is known locally, has been located in Lansing's Frandor Shopping Center since 1973.

than 70,000 residents or micropolitan statistical areas. In accordance with Public Act 411, preference is given to projects in Marquette County.

All interested parties may visit [www.michigan.gov/mdard-grants](http://www.michigan.gov/mdard-grants) for more information on the Rural Development Fund grants and review the 2023 guidelines.

Public comments can be sent to [mda-grants@michigan.gov](mailto:mda-grants@michigan.gov) until June 6, 2023, at 5 p.m. Please use the subject line of "Rural Development Public Comment". The input received will be considered when developing final grant guidelines for the 2024 program.

For more information on MDARD's Agriculture Development Grants Programs, please visit their website at [www.michigan.gov/mdardgrants](http://www.michigan.gov/mdardgrants).

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GPA .984  
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## Watch Out for Ticks This Summer

submitted by Brady Guilbault

St. Johns, Stanton, Ithaca, MI – The Mid-Michigan District Health Department (MMDHD) is reminding residents to watch for ticks during the warm summer months. Ticks may transmit numerous diseases, with the most common being Lyme Disease. Ticks generally prefer shady, moist areas in wooded and grassy locations, and are most active in the warmer months, from April to September, when the weather is above 40°F.

MMDHD Medical Director, Dr. Jennifer Morse, MD, MPH, FAAFP, says, “Most tick bites can’t cause illness unless the tick is attached for longer than 24 hours. Get into the habit of checking your entire body every night, including in your hair and under your clothes since ticks like to crawl up under them. Look and feel carefully for ticks and remove any you find to prevent getting infections.”

There are several tick species found in Michigan. Tick data for citizen-reported ticks is available on the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) MiTracking data portal. Since 1999, the American Dog Tick (wood tick) has been the most widely reported tick in Michigan. The wood tick can transmit Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. The blacklegged Tick (deer tick) is the second most submitted tick in Michigan, which can transmit diseases like Lyme Disease. Other common ticks in Michigan include, the Lone Star Tick, Woodchuck tick, and the Brown Dog Tick (kennel tick).

Residents can prevent tickborne diseases by:

- Wearing Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved insect repellent that contains DEET, Picaridin, or Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus.
- Checking for ticks daily.
- Showering after being outdoors.
- Calling your doctor if you get a fever or rash following a tick bite.

If you find a tick attached to your skin, remove the tick as soon as possible. There are several tick removal devices on the market, but a plain set of fine-tipped tweezers works very well.

How to remove a tick:

1. Use clean, fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin’s surface as possible.
2. Pull upward with steady, even pressure. Don’t twist or jerk the tick; this can cause the mouthparts to break off and remain in the skin. If this happens, remove the mouthparts with tweezers. If you cannot remove the mouth easily with tweezers, leave it alone and let the skin heal.
3. After removing the tick, thoroughly clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol or soap and water.
4. Never crush a tick with your fingers. Dispose of a live tick by:
  - o Putting it in alcohol,
  - o Placing it in a sealed bag/container,
  - o Wrapping it tightly in tape, or
  - o Flushing it down the toilet.

If residents are concerned about a found tick, they can get them identified by MDHHS in 2 ways:

- Submitting a photo of your tick for identification. If residents submit a photo of their tick, MDHHS asks that 2 photos are captured. In a well-lit area, take a photo of the tick belly side down, and a photo belly side up. When the photos are captured, email the photos (JPEG, GIF, or PNG format) to: MDHHS-Bugs@michigan.gov.
- Mailing your tick to MDHHS for microscopic identification. MMDHD has tick kits on hand where residents can send in their tick for identification. Supplies are limited at all 3 MMDHD branch locations. Once supplies run out, residents then must send photos of ticks to MDHHS.

MMDHD has informational pamphlets and materials regarding ticks available at all 3 branch locations:

- Clinton County Branch Office: 1307 E. Townsend Road, St. Johns. Phone: 989-224-2195
- Gratiot County Branch Office: 151 Commerce Drive, Ithaca. Phone: 989-875-3681
- Montcalm County Branch Office: 615 N. State Street, Stanton. Phone: 989-831-5237

For additional information, visit <https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/safety-injury-prevention/environmental-health/topics/mitracking/ticks>, or <https://www.cdc.gov/ticks/>.

### Protect our Environment: Celebrate Earth Day - Everyday

Dear Andy,

Earth Day was recognized and celebrated on Friday, April 21 this Year. Educational programs on Capitol steps and 5-minute discussions in classrooms at many schools. One day is not enough. Every day the Earth and Environment need attention from trash pickup in our yards to pollution outside the atmosphere.

Recently our family has been traumatized by “Earth Pollution” reports on television programs which include stories of global warming, loss of our rain forest, radon in our basements, too much carbon in the air, contaminated drinking water, our sea life and birds with stomachs filled with plastic debris and trash flowing in our ocean currents. We want to be part of the solution not a part of the problem. Any suggestions? Concerned Family

Dear Family,

It all starts with family at home. Educating and teaching your children how to conserve resources and treat the earth with respect. Congratulations! Sounds like you have already taken that first step. So as reminders to our readers, some easy starts...Not running water while brushing your teeth, limiting time length of showers, turning off lights when not needed, lower heat and cooling temperatures to conserve energy.

One major change to save the earth from trash is to never buy water in a plastic bottle again or stop using plastic grocery bags. According to earth-policy.org, a trillion single-use plastic bags are used each year around the world; that is nearly 2 million each minute. The amount of energy required to make 12 plastic shopping bags could drive a car for 5 miles. Large reusable bags from grocery stores are only \$1 - \$2 each. Low-cost lunch containers and reusable glass food storage containers are a much smarter decision. Stock up and use them!

For our crafty environmentalists: My niece was just telling me she only has one box of large resealable bags in her pantry; and for the last 2 years is still using the same box. She only uses them when she is sending food home with guests. To wrap her food at home, she has made and reused her own left-over covers and sandwich bags. She cuts a 10 x 10 piece of fabric, sews a zig zag to finish the edges, (leave raw edges if you do not sew); sprinkles a layer of beeswax over the fabric; next place parchment paper over it; use a hot iron until the wax is melted; when it cools, peel off the parchment paper. Vola! Years of baggies and food wrappers. Wash in warm soda water after each use. [www.pinterest.com](http://www.pinterest.com)

Here is another statistic we could fix...Drinking filtered cold water from the refrigerator tastes better than most bottled water at the cost of \$1.25+ per bottle. Instead of throwing out 50 million plastic water bottles in the U.S. every day, use reusable pba safe containers. Wow... if you measured all the 16 oz bottles, about 8 inches tall, used in the U.S. it would measure to 6,313 miles of bottles...and counting.

There are unbelievable statistics of waste from paper towel usage to electronics, and drinking straws killing animals and fish all over the world. From small streams to recreational lakes and major waterways. Recycling and reusing are part of a necessary plan to be a part of the change. I have been using the same set of plastic dishwasher-safe straws for over 5 years. I carry them with me in my purse. Easy clean up. I may have saved a sea animal or a rare bird. Cut up your straws and plastic bottle organizers before you trash or recycle them.

Some families have stopped buying new clothing. They are taking everything to the donation centers. Many families are generating limited amounts of trash by compacting, reusing, and refurbishing. Sadly, we are a “throw-away” society. We can change that reputation. I know my family can easily fill a kitchen trash bag daily. We all can be a part of the change we want to see. Start at home.

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# Sports

## O-E Boys, Girls are Runners-up at Stockbridge Track Invitational

STOCKBRIDGE — Alexis Spitzley placed first in the 800-meter run (2:32.60), the 1600 run (5:34.60) and the 3200 run (5:34.60) to lead the Ovid-Elsie girls to a second-place team finish at Friday's eight-school Stockbridge Invitational.

The Marauders scored 133 points and trailed only Parma Western, which scored 144.

Other first-place solo winners for Ovid-Elsie were Isabella Loynes (100 dash, 13.85), Jessica Kozlowski (100 hurdles, 17.90) and Aubrey Kurka (400 dash, 1:04.58).

Ovid-Elsie's boys finished second as well, scoring 72 trailing only Parma Western. Team scores were Parma Western 204, O-E 72, Concord 55, Jackson Northwest 53, East Jackson 46, Stockbridge 31, Lansing Eastern 28, Springport 25.

Medal Winners for coach Doug Long's Marauder boys were:

- 1st Place: Tryce Tokar - PV 13'9"
- 2nd Place: Beau Price - 400 53.32; 4 x 800 Relay - Tokar/Clay Powell/Nick Long/Jamison Custer 8:47.45
- 3rd Place: Price - LJ 20'5"; 4 x 400 Relay - Tokar/Long/Jamison Custer/Price 3:44.13; 4 x 200 Relay - Brock Spitzley/Bruce Thornton/Jamison Custer/Price 1:37.48
- 4th Place: Tokar - 400 53.61; Powell - 3200 10:47.21; 4 x 100 Relay - Kevin Ley/Julien Mortier/B. Thornton/Spitzley 47.26; Ley - SP 42'11.5"
- 5th Place: Long - LJ 19'1"; Cohen Brown = SP 39'1.25"; Long - 800 2:15.93; Jamison Custer - 400 54.91; B. Thornton - 200 24.76
- 6th Place: B. Thornton - 100 12.37; Ben Wildes - SP 38'10.75"

"It was a great team performance," said coach Long. "Finally the weather was good ... and we had so many personal (bests)."

## Lady Marauders Take Upper Hand in MMAC Showdown vs Chesaning

CHESANING — Alexis Spitzley delivered first-place efforts in the 1600 run (5:49.49), the 3200 run (13:30.30) and the 400 dash (1:03.76) and O-E's girls track team outlasted Chesaning, 71-66, in a MMAC showdown here May 9.

Other critical winners for coach Nick Hufnagel's Lady Marauders were Izzy Loynes (100 dash, 13.72), Jessica Kozlowski (100 hurdles, 17.98) and Samantha Snider (long jump, 14-2.5).

O-E also won the 4x100 relay with Kozlowski, Braeden Tokar, Snider and Loynes (54.79); and in the 4x800 relay, Ovid-Elsie's Audrey Bensinger, Hannah Koutz, Tava Kvalevov and Piper White prevailed in 14:42.20.

Here is the list of key individual performances in O-E's winning performance:

Izzy Loynes 1st in the 100, 2nd in the 200, 1st in the 400 Relay.

Braeden Tokar: 1st in the 400 Relay. Aubrey Kurka 2nd in the 400. Hannah Koutz 1st in the 3200 Relay. Tava Kvalevov 1st in the 3200 Relay. Kaia Spiess: 2nd in the 1600, 2nd in the



Jessica Kozlowski won the 100 hurdles at Stockbridge

800. Piper White 2nd in the 3200, 3rd in the Long Jump, 1st in the 3200 Relay, 1st in the 3200 Relay. Alexis Spitzley 1st in the 1600, 1st in the 3200, 1st in the 400. Clarissa Baese 3rd in the 3200. Jessica Kozlowski 1st in the 100 Hurdles, 1st in the 400 Relay, 3rd in the 300 Hurdles, 2nd in the Long Jump. Audrey Bensinger 1st in the 3200 Relay. Samantha Snider 1st in the Long Jump, 1st in the 400 Relay. Audrey Johns 2nd in the High Jump, 3rd in the Pole Vault, 2nd in the 100 Hurdles, 2nd in the 300 Hurdles.

Chesaning boys rule MMAC meet

The Chesaning boys track team stayed unbeaten in MMAC dual meets Wednesday, sweeping Ovid-Elsie (99-38), Lakeville (112-24) and Mt. Morris (113-22).

Coach Doug Long's Marauders turned back Mt. Morris (98-37) and Lakeville (104-32) but fell to the Indians. Chesaning swept all four relay events. Ovid-Elsie got victories from Tryce Tokar (pole vault, 14-0), Beau Price (400 dash, a personal-best 53.05) and Clay Powell (3200 run, 11:02.26).

"We knew Chesaning was loaded and we just wanted to compete well," said Ovid-Elsie coach Doug Long. "We are the only league team to hold them under 100 points. It was a great weather day to obtain many personal records. Looking forward to hosting the league meet."

Runner-up places for the Marauder boys were:

- LJ - Price 19'0". Discus - Austin Darling 98'0". 4 x 800 Relay - Tokar/Powell/Nick Long/Jamison Custer 8:42.09 which is a season personal record. 4 x 400 Relay - Bruce Thornton/Brock Spitzley/Nick Long/Jamison Custer 4:00.88. 4x 200 Relay - Tokar/Thornton/Jamison Custer/Price 1:36.96. 1600 - Powell 5:02.17.

## Marauder Tennis Girls Capture First League Crown Since 1997

OVID-ELSIE -- For the first time since 1997 the Ovid-Elsie Girls Tennis Team are Conference Champions.

The Lady Marauders topped the MMAC with 30 points, followed by Durand 26, Chesaning 11 and Mount Morris 7 on the Marauder home courts Wednesday, May 10.

All four of Ovid-Elsie's singles players were crowned 1st team MMAC. At 1st singles Rylee Lewis dominated with a 6-0, 6-1 against Chesaning, 6-2, 6-1 over Durand and 6-0, 6-0 against Mt. Morris. Brooklyn Belill remained undefeated at 2nd singles with a tough fought win over Durand 7-6 (7-3), 3-6, 6-3 and then 6-0, 6-0 and 6-1, 6-2 wins over Mt. Morris and Chesaning. Christina Rademacher-Vine was strong all day posting 6-0, 6-0 victory over Mt. Morris, 6-0, 7-5 win against Chesaning and a 7-5, 6-3 win against Durand. Itziar Bustamante rounded out the singles sweep with a 6-4, 6-1 win over Durand at 4th singles.

At first doubles Claire Thornton and Jollee Swender secured 2nd placed all MMAC with 6-0, 6-0 wins against Chesaning and Mt. Morris and a 2-6, 4-6 loss against a strong Durand team. The 2nd doubles team of Hannah Moore and Ellyanna Carman placed 1st team all MMAC with a impressive 6-0, 6-0 wins over Chesaning and Mt. Morris and then a 6-3, 6-2 win over Durand. The 3rd doubles team of Jenna Tomasek and Kaia Spiess took 2nd placed all MMAC with 6-0, 6-0 wins against Chesaning and Mt. Morris and a 1-6, 5-7 loss against Durand. The Marauders 4th doubles team of Ava Anderson and Willow Evans took 1st team MMAC honors with an impressive 6-3, 7-5 win over Durand.

Ovid-Elsie will travel to St. Johns on Monday while preparing for Regional action on Saturday, May 20 in Grand Blanc.

## Marauders in Rare 'Overtime' Golf Victory Over Montrose

ST. JOHNS — Ovid-Elsie had two players tie Montrose's Jaxon Schlorf for medalist honors, and coach Josh Latz's Marauders eeked out a rare "overtime" MMAC golf victory at The Emerald.

Both Ovid-Elsie and Montrose finished with 205 totals but the Marauders earned the tiebreaking victory thanks to a better fifth man score Friday at The Emerald.

The match medalists were Michael Bancroft (49) and Clay Wittenberg (49) for O-E, tying Schlorf atop the leader board.

The Marauders' Jayce Herblet shot 52 while Dominic Kline carded a 55 and Tucker Loynes and Justin Cole each fired 56.

### Ovid-Elsie golf team nips Durand in MMAC action

DURAND — Clay Wittenberg led Ovid-Elsie to a 172-179 victory over Durand on May 9, carding a medalist 40 round at Dutch Hollow.

Teammate Dominic Kline was right behind with a 41 round. Jayce Herblet scored a 45 for the Marauders while Justin Cole shot 46. Tucker Loynes shot 52 and Michael Bancroft 55 for coach Josh Latz's Marauders.

### Ovid-Elsie Links Team 2nd in Play at Webberville

WEBBERVILLE — Clay Wittenberg tied Webberville junior Brad Davis for medalist honors at 38, as the host Spartans scored a 12-point victory over Ovid-Elsie, and a 87-stroke win over Mt. Morris.

Final team scores were Spartans 168, Marauders 180 and Panthers 255.

Joining Wittenberg on the O-E leader board was Dominic Kline 42, Michael Bancroft 50, Justin Cole 50, Tucker Loynes 51 and Jayce Herblet 54.

## Wolfpack Victorious at Royal Scot Golf Jamboree

LANSING — Laingsburg finished four shots better than Bath, 186-190, to win a neutral site conference jamboree at Royal Scot on May 9.

Pewamo-Westphalia was third (197) and was followed by Portland St. Patrick (200). Fowler 208, Dansville 215 and Potterville (n/a) closed out the team scoring.

Portland St. Patrick's Landon Simpson shot a medalist round of 41. Sam Duncel of Bath shot a 44 for second place while Austin Wright of Laingsburg was third individually at 45.

Seth Sivak, Eli Woodruff, Jacob Essenberg and Aidan Maddaloni all shot rounds of 47 for coach Greg Beavers' Wolfpack.

### COACHES

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Izzy Loynes came in first in the 100 meter dash at Chesaning

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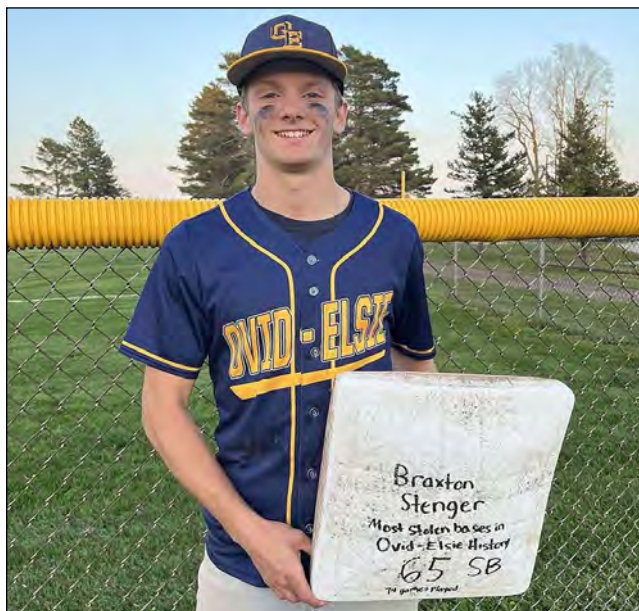
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# Sports



**OVID-ELSIE'S** Braxton Stenger needed 20 stolen bases coming into this season to break the O-E all-time stolen base record, which was previously 64 held by Chris Zruna (who got the record in 114 games played). Stenger surpassed the record last Tuesday when he notched his 65th stolen base in just 74 games played. Stenger had a very productive night against Laingsburg, going 4-for-7 from the plate with 3 doubles and 2 stolen bases. Now he just needs 11 more stolen bases to break the single season record he tied last season (31 is the current season record held by Braxton Stenger and Josh Cole).

## Girl Soccer Wolfpack Keeps Impressive 2023 Rolling Along

**LAINGSBURG** — The girls soccer Wolves kept their impressive 2023 season rolling with a 3-0 shutout of the Owosso Trojans here May 4.

Coach Natalie Elkins' Wolfpack got goals from Ivy Collier, freshman striker Kendal Hoard and leading scorer Desire Knoblauch.

Collier scored off a defensive rebound and placed the ball in the left corner.

Hoard tapped in a crash off a corner kick while Knoblauch scored on a breakaway.

The victory left the Wolves 8-2-2 overall, 4-1-1 in conference play.

## Stenger Breaks O-E Steals Record; Laingsburg Takes Two from Marauders

**OVID-ELSIE** -- It took him just 74 games to do it. Marauder senior Braxton Stenger wrote his name into the O-E baseball record book on his home field May 9, swiping the 65th steal of his staunch career in blue-and-gold.

Unfortunately, it came in a losing effort.

A few runs at a time let neighboring Laingsburg build a big lead over Ovid-Elsie, the Wolfpack taking home a 7-1 victory over the Marauders in game one. They followed that up with a 14-2 victory in the nightcap, as coach Todd Randall's improved to 17-3 overall.

Laingsburg opened up the scoring in the first inning when Mo Garcia grounded out, scoring one run.

Austin Hart pitched LHS to victory. The righthander surrendered zero runs on four hits over four and two-thirds innings, striking out six and walking one. Nick Regan threw one-third of an inning in relief out of the bullpen.

Offensively, the Marauders were lead by Jake Bowen who had one hit, one RBI and one run scored.

Said O-E coach Brian Young, "Laingsburg is a great team it was a tough challenge for us. We have played probably the toughest non-conference schedule in the area, with Goodrich, PW, Freeland and Laingsburg. In order for us to get better we must play great teams and we have done that."

Laingsburg scattered ten hits in the game. Ty Randall, Cam Ballard and Mo Garcia each had multiple hits for LHS.

-- **LAINGSBURG 14, OVID-ELSIE 2:** Regan drove in five RBI to lead the Wolfpack onslaught in the second game. Regan drove in runs on a double in the second, a single in the third, a single in the fifth, and a groundout in the fifth.

Laingsburg secured the victory thanks to eight runs in the fifth inning, with big hits coming from Regan, Dom Garcia, Hayden Johnston, Kyle Thelen, Jack Audretsch and Elliott Wilsey, who each had RBIs in the inning.

Ovid-Elsie was led offensively by Stenger who went 3-4 and had an RBI -- in addition to his record-setting steal.

Said coach Young, "We are 4-3 in conference play and by the end of the season will be well prepared for anyone we play in districts. The boys are working hard every day and we will finish the season on a great note."

Laingsburg totaled 14 hits in the game, with Regan, Audretsch, Mo Garcia and Johnston each collecting multiple safeties. Ballard swiped two steals for the Wolves.

## Ovid-Elsie Sackers Pick Up 5th Win in MMAC, 14-1 Over Rams

**MONTROSE** — Ovid-Elsie's varsity baseball team continued a solid MMAC season here May 11, picking up their 5th victory with a mercy win in a 14-1 victory over the Rams.

That wasn't particularly the highlight of the day, however. "We played overall probably our best two complete games even though losing game two," said coach Brian Young. "We lost game two late will rebound Saturday at the Ionia invitational."

The Marauders won game one via a five-inning mercy 14-1. Corbyn Janes threw a complete game, going 5 innings, allowing just 1 hit, 1 run, and striking out five. Offensively, O-E was led by Jake Bowen with 3 hits and 2 RBI. Hayden Pontack added 2 hits, 3 runs, and 1 RBI, with Janes helping himself with 2 hits and 2 RBI. "Overall we had 14 hits, our best offensive game of the season," explained coach Young.

In the nightcap Ovid-Elsie took a loss, 6-4. Offensively, they were led by Pontack with 3 hits and one RBI. "These games were our two best games of the season from all three phases: pitching, defense, and offense," said coach Young.

O-E stood 5-4 in conference play after the split.

## Calvin Christian Deals Wolfpack Rare Loss in 15-3 Start to 2023

**GRANDVILLE** -- Laingsburg fell behind early and couldn't come back in an 11-1 non-league varsity baseball loss to Calvin Christian here May 6.

It was the first a rare loss for LHS, which stood 15-3 overall following the action near Grand Rapids.

The host Squires got things moving in the first inning. A single on a 1-2 count scored one run -- then Calvin really heated things up, scoring five runs in the third inning. The big inning for Calvin Christian came thanks to a pair of home runs.

Squire pitching surrendered one run on three hits over five innings, striking out nine and walking one.

Mo Garcia took the loss for Laingsburg. The lefthander allowed ten hits and six runs over three innings, striking out one and walking one.

Elliott Wilsey, Cam Ballard and Ty Randall each collected one hit to lead the Wolves.

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# Sports

## Unbeaten Maruader Soccer Girls Battle to 1-1 Draw with Pilgrims

OVID-ELSIE -- "What a night, what an atmosphere!," exclaimed first-year Ovid-Elsie soccer coach Jerome White after his Marauders hosted an outstanding Lansing Christian squad.

In a battle of two completely different styles of soccer, Ovid-Elsie and LCS battled to a hard fought 1-1 draw.

O-E maintained possession for most of the match and outshot Lansing Christian 10-2 but could only find the back of the net once. In the 74th minute, Madison Thornton notched her 7th goal of the year off Evalyn Cole's (area-leading) 15th assist of the season.

The Lady Pilgrims roared right back and scored an equalizer just 30 seconds later for the game's final goal.

The draw keeps the Marauders undefeated on the season with a 9-0-2 record overall.

OVID-ELSIE, HOLT GIRLS BATTLE TO NIL-NIL SOCCER DRAW: In non-conference action, Ovid-Elsie hosted Holt on Monday night and battled to a 0-0 draw. Both teams took turns controlling play but came up short on scoring opportunities. Keeper Ava Bates turned in an incredible performance with 11 saves, her fourth clean sheet of the season. Center back Hadley Bukantis controlled the back line, and the midfield combination of Evalyn Cole and Hailee "Soupy" Campbell gave O-E a shot until the final whistle. Coach Jerome White's Marauders stayed undefeated on the season at 9-0-3.



Goal Keeper Ava Bates had 11 saves during the match with Holt.

Photo by Jody Thornton

## Ovid-Elsie Girls Rock Montrose 4-0, to Capture 2023 MMAC Soccer Title

OVID-ELSIE -- Evalyn Cole continued with her all-state caliber season with a goal and an assist while generally controlling play in the middle, and the Lady Marauders wrapped up the 2023 MMAC championship here May 10, with a 4-0 whitewashing of the Montrose Rams.

Maddie Thornton scored twice, McKenzie Keck scored once, and Ava Bates recorded her fifth shutout of the season for the Marauders.

Coach Jerome White's O-E champs improved to 10-0-3 on the season with a showdown with powerhouse DeWitt looming on the horizon last Friday.



Maddie Thornton scored twice during the games against Montrose. Photo by Jody Thornton



Pictured here are members of the Ovid-Elsie Baseball team. They enjoyed a team outing on April 29th to Tiger Stadium.

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# CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

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Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Matthew L. Sedore, Tracy Sedore, husband and wife, to Fifth Third Mortgage - MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2013 and recorded November 20, 2013 in Instrument Number 5208678 Clinton County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Fifth Third Bank, N.A., FKA Fifth Third Bank as Successor by merger to Fifth Third Mortgage Company, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Eight and 7/100 Dollars (\$103,168.07).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Clinton County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on MAY 24, 2023.

Said premises are located in the Township of Eagle, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as: That part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 10, T5N, R4W, Eagle Township, Clinton County, Michigan, described as: beginning at a point on the West line of Section 10, 817.91 feet North of the Southwest corner of Section 10, thence South 82° 14' 30" East 474.5 feet; thence North 6° 53' 45" West 195.3 feet; thence North 75° 18' 53" West 461.79 feet; thence South 246.9 feet to the point of beginning.

12815 S Hinman Rd, Eagle, Michigan 48822  
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 23, 2023  
File No. 23-003452  
Firm Name: Orlans PC  
Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084  
Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

(04-23)(05-14)

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Amy Wisner  
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns  
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Pingora Loan Servicing, LLC  
Date of Mortgage: March 19, 2021  
Date of Mortgage Recording: March 24, 2021

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$202,052.63  
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lot(s) 3, Supervisor's Plat of Chapel Hills Subdivision, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plat(s), Page 7, Clinton County Records.  
Common street address (if any): 16646 Eunice St, East Lansing, MI 48823-9451

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

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

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This notice is from a debt collector.  
Date of notice: May 7, 2023  
Trott Law, P.C.  
31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334  
(248) 642-2515

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(05-07)(05-28)

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Darin Dismuke and Constance Dismuke, husband and wife  
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns  
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Cenlar FSB

Date of Mortgage: May 29, 2015  
Date of Mortgage Recording: June 17, 2015  
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$378,370.61  
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Dewitt, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 87, Creeping Brook Estates No. 6, DeWitt Township, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 8 of Plats, Page 83, Clinton County Records.  
Common street address (if any): 11281 Wilson St, Dewitt, MI 48820-7841

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

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

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Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Countrywide Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns  
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): PennyMac Loan Services, LLC  
Date of Mortgage: April 8, 2009  
Date of Mortgage Recording: May 22, 2009  
Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$132,929.88  
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the City of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 134 Geneva Shores No. 1, a subdivision on part of Section 8, Town 5 North, Range 2 West, City of Dewitt, Clinton County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 349, Page 761, Clinton County Records.  
Commonly Known as: 1007 Montreux Dr., Dewitt, MI 48820  
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 foreclosure 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 return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, and the purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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: 04/23/2023  
Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 251 Diversion Street, Rochester, MI 48307 248-853-4400 317210

(04-23)(05-14)

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

Decedent's Estate FILE NO. 23-31826-DE  
Estate of Joseph Hubert Reaume  
Date of Birth: October 2, 1951  
TO ALL CREDITORS: "NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Joseph Hubert Reaume, died March 30, 2023.  
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Stephen J. Reaume, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 100 E. State Street, Ste. 4300, St. Johns, MI 48879 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.  
05/14/2023  
Stephen J. Reaume  
Personal Representative  
1538 E. Riley Rd.  
Owosso, MI 48867  
(989) 277-7083  
Wieber Green, PC  
Alexa B. Prall  
201 E. State St.  
St. Johns, MI 48879  
(989) 224-9449  
(05/14)

## FORECLOSURE NOTICE

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

Decedent's Living Trust of Shirley A. Warstler. Date of Execution: November 26, 1991 and amended April 7, 2009 and April 13, 2015  
Date of Birth: October 2, 1951  
TO ALL CREDITORS: "NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Shirley A. Warstler, who lived at 1507 Glastonbury Dr., St. Johns, MI 48879 died November 16, 2022.  
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the deceased will be forever barred unless presented to the Trustees of the Shirley A. Warstler Living Will, or to both the probate court at 100 E. State Street, Ste. 4300, St. Johns, MI 48879 and the Trustee Susan Lounds within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.  
05/14/2023  
Susan Lounds  
Trustee  
807 E. Baldwin St.  
St. Johns, MI 48879  
(989) 292-0693  
Wieber Green, PC  
John E. Wieber  
201 E. State St.  
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and are described as: Commencing at the Center of Grand River Turnpike, between the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 and the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 26, Town 5 North, Range 4 West, Running thence North to the Section line between Sections 23 and 26, thence West on said line 18 rods; thence South to the center of said Turnpike, thence in a Southerly direction to the place of beginning, Clinton County Records. Commonly known as: 11250 W GRAND RIVER HWY, GRAND LEDGE, MI 48837  
If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: April 23, 2023  
Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Fifth Third Bank, National Association 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 22MI00869-1

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# Sports

## Wolfpack Sackers Now 19-3 After CMAC Sweep Over Saranac Hawks

SARANAC — Laingsburg scored twin 7-1 victories on the CMAC baseball diamond, improving to 19-3 and keeping pace with the league lead with a convincing DH sweep of Saranac here May 11.

With Ty Randall on the bump, LHS romped in the first game, opening up the scoring in the first inning, when Mo Garcia singled on a 1-0 count, scoring one run.

Laingsburg scored three runs in the fifth inning, thanks to doubles by Hayden Johnston and Jack Audretsch.

Randall was credited with the victory for LHS, surrendering zero runs on two hits over seven innings, striking out seven and walking one.

Laingsburg tallied nine hits with Randall and Johnston delivering multiple hits.

In the nightcap, coach Todd Randall's Wolves put up four runs in the fifth on its way to a 7-1 victory. Cam Ballard and Elliott Wilsey each had RBIs in the big inning.

The Pack got things started in the first inning when Ty Randall singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run.

Dom Garcia led the Laingsburg to victory on the hill. The southpaw went seven innings, allowing one run on five hits, striking out eight and walking zero.

Laingsburg Wolfpack Varsity racked up nine hits in the game. Mo Garcia, Dom Garcia, and Wilsey each had multiple hits.

## Wolfpack Softball Team Romps to Title at Waverly Invitational

LANSING -- Laingsburg's streaking girls softball team opened the annual Waverly Invitational with a gritty 6-2 victory over Division 1 Holt here May 6. They then finished off the field to claim the invite championship, climbing to 18-1 overall in the process.

The Rams jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead, but Laingsburg came right back to take the lead for good, 3-2 in the top of the second inning. Jeff Cheadle's Wolves added a single run in the 4th, then put a bow on the win with 2 tallies in the top of the 6th.

LHS out-hit the Rams, 10-9, in support of winning pitcher Addyson Buchin. Buchin led Laingsburg at the plate with three RBI; Ashley Bila went 2-for-4 with three runs scored, Harper Strouse and Ella Merrell each delivered two hits, and Savvy Stirm, Haley Konieczny and Alaina Asher also hit safely for the red-and-white.

Buchin outdueled Holt's Kristy Sandberg in a 7-inning duel, striking out 8 while walking just one.

-- LAINGSBURG 5, LUMEN CHRISTI 2: Buchin got the win and Harper Strouse fired two innings to get the save as the Wolves advanced to the title game, outlasting the Lumen Christi Titans in 7 stanzas. Buchin struck out six and allowed only one hit over five innings, before giving way to Strouse -- who kept the Titans at bay.

Bila, with three hits and three runs scored, was joined by Merrell and Bella Latuszek with multiple hits in Laingsburg's 9-hit attack. Stirm added the other hit for LHS. The top three in the LHS batting order -- Bila, Latuszek and Buchin -- delivered all 5 RBI in the win.

-- LAINGSBURG 4, WAVERLY 0: The championship was on its way to Laingsburg after Buchin shutout the Division 1 Warriors, allowing a paltry three hits.

The Wolves broke open a tight 0-0 contest in the bottom of the 3rd, then put the exclamation point on the win with three decisive runs in the bottom of the 4th. Bila, Buchin and Asher all drove in RBI. Bila led LHS going 2-for-3, while Konieczny, Asher and Merrell added the other safeties to the Wolves' 5-hit attack.

### Lady Wolves limit Saranac to two runs in DH, sweep Redhawks

SARANAC — Savvy Stirm led the way with three hits, as Laingsburg socked 10 safeties in the opening game, paving the way for a CMAC doubleheader sweep of the host Redhawks here May 11.

Addyson Buchin limited Saranac to one run in each of the two games: 7-1 and 14-1 victories for coach Jeff Cheadle's Wolfpack.

LHS bolted to a 3-0 lead in the opener, then tacked on three more runs in the closing (7th) frame in the opening win. In addition to Stirm, Ashley Bila, Harper Strouse and Alaina Asher all had multiple hits for the Wolves. Stirm drove in three runs; Asher had two RBI and Bella Latuszak added a hit to the attack. Laingsburg ran wild in the opener with 8 steals.

Cheadle's charges improved to 20-1 in the second game, romping to a 13-run victory. Latuszek plated four RBI as Laingsburg battered Redhawks pitching with 12 hits in just 23 at-bats. Bila, Latuszak, Buchin, Stirm, Strouse, Asher and Ella Merrell all hit safely for the Wolfpack. Buchin picked up another pitching win, striking out 7 in a 2-hitter that was completed after five innings by the mercy rule.



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