

Editors note: This obituary appears on the front page in honor of a person who dedicated 42 years of his life to teaching and coaching. From teaching elementary children to coaching high school athletes in basketball, volleyball and track, he was respected and loved. He will be greatly missed by his family friends and all those who had the privilege of his guidance. Rest in Peace Mr. Long.

Douglas Gaylord "Doug" Long

Douglas Gaylord "Doug" Long, age 67, of Ovid, MI, passed away Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at McLaren Greater Lansing Hospital, Lansing, MI.

Doug was born in Flint, Michigan on May 6, 1958, the son of Gaylord Leslie and Shirley Geraldine (Seelhoff) Long. Doug graduated from Ovid-Elsie High School with the class of 1976. He went on to obtain his teaching degree from Central Michigan University.

Doug worked at Ovid-Elsie Schools as a physical education teacher for the elementary schools, retiring in 2025. Doug dedicated his life to teaching and coaching. He coached girls basketball, girls volleyball and 42 years as a track coach. Throughout his coaching career he coached many state athletes. Doug enjoyed gardening and selling produce in his roadside stand. He liked attending his nieces & nephews sporting events. Doug will be remembered as a dedicated son and an avid MSU fan.

He is survived by his brothers David and Sally Long of Elsie, Dennis and Carolyn Long of Elsie, sister Debra Long of Elsie, nieces and nephews: Mike (Valerie) Long, Amy (Brad) Long-Carman, Christi Stenger, Brad (Kerri) Long, Travis (Sandy) Long, and Heidi (Randy) Uresti; 14 great nieces and nephews: Cayleb, Dylan, Braxton, Nicholas, Myah, Ellyanna, Hunter, Owen, Oliver, Emmylou, Griffin, Mitchell, Grace, and Ian and a great-great nephew on the way. He is also survived by special friend LaMont. He was preceded in death by his father Gaylord Long, his mother Shirley passed away 15 hours after him and sister Darlene.

Funeral Services will be held at Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI, at 1:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, with Pastor Kathy Keck-Leydorf officiating. Burial will follow at Fairfield Township Cemetery, Elsie, MI. Visitation for Doug and his mother Shirley will be held on Sunday, April 19, 2026, from 2-8 P.M. with family present from 2-4 & 6-8 P.M. and on Monday, April 20, 2026, from 4-8 P.M. at Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI.

Memorials may be made to A Charity of the Donor's Choice. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, Michigan.



New Assistant Fire Chief

On Tuesday, March 24, 2026, during the regular meeting of OMESA (Ovid Middlebury Emergency Services Association) meeting, Ovid resident, Nate Pease was named Assistant Fire Chief by the Board. Pease is an 18 year member of the fire department, serving as Captain for the past four years and 14 years as a fire fighter. Nate replaces his Uncle, Steve Pease, who retired from the department earlier this year. Nate's duties will be to assist Fire Chief, Jerry Stevens.

Elsie Village Council

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – The regular meeting of the Elsie Village Council was held Tuesday, April 14, 2026. Public hearings were slated for two issues.

Officials approved expenditures totaling \$82,400.24. There was a slight adjust due to the purchase of a door for the business office.

Ed White, gave a brief Elsie Village Park update. Flooding became an issue at the park which resulted in additional cleanup. The leaf pile located at the back of the park will be pushed back to give residents additional space to dispose of leaf bags and lawn waste. He also noted that people are dumping garbage like tires, diapers and building materials at the site. Residents are reminded that burning leaves, garbage and lawn waste is not permitted within the village limits. Tennis court and pickle ball nets will be installed soon.

Jason Freeman, village president, updated officials on village business. Freeman alluded to a letter that was received by officials that included a lot of misinformation. Thus, it was not read publicly. Further noting that it was an anonymous letter.

The clerk, Kelsey Kelly reported that the website has been updated. The water bills were sent out a week ago. Unpaid residents will be sent a shutoff notice before the next billing cycle. Free leaf bags have been paused until September 2026. However, leaf pick-up will still take place when employees have time. Water meter appointments continue to be scheduled. The water meter upgrade is the result of a grant program and there is no cost to village residents.

Police Chief Destinee Bryce presented the March 2026 department report. The department handled eight traffic stops, with one citation issued. There were thirty-six calls for service within the village. These calls included traffic enforcement, motor carrier enforcement, one suspicious person, community policing, several ordinance violations and an assist to St. Johns Police Department. Bryce reminded residents that golf cart 2026 permits are available and that residents should be aware that the 2025 permits expired March 30, 2025. Fourteen code violations are being addressed. Training is an ongoing process for the department.

Destinee Bryce updated officials on the happenings from the managers' side. April all CDS paperwork has been submitted to Senator Peters and Senator Slotkin's office, regarding the Elsie Infrastructure project. A public comment notice will be published ten days prior to the May 12, 2026 regular village council meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to explain the scope and cost of the water project. After a thirty-minute presentation a resolution will be presented for official approval. July 2026 the audit will begin. Waiting for grant application results that should be announced by the end of April. Quotes are being sought for the walking trail at the park and should be available at the May regular meeting.

The complaints regarding the over growth of vegetation in the alley beside Perks and Pastries will be addressed by the property owner in collaboration with the Elsie Department of Public Works.

Chris Ormes, Department of Public Works, updated officials on the department's activities. He addressed the Consumer Energy's activities within the village. They are replacing copper gas line of gas lines, approximately 92 will be replaced. Currently they are identifying the sewer lines and village utilities before work begins. In addition, Frontier is installing fiber. McKerny Asphalt will be submitting quotes for specific road areas for consideration. There are 136 more water meters to be installed, the project is approximately 76% complete. Salt shed issues are being addressed and waiting for an updated quote. Cemetery cleanup is slated for Saturday, April 18, 2026 unless it rains, if it rains an alternate date may be set. FD Engineering will be evaluating well number one with the possibility of relocation.

Under action items officials approved the proposed budget amendments, updated revenue figures were entered, not changing the budget that was approved at the March 2026 meeting.

Next, officials approved the sale of the back hoe. It was recommended to award the bid to the highest bidder for \$10,101.50. The Joe Fabus bid was accepted. Funds will be used to replace equipment.

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Cinco De Mayo Taco Dinner

submitted by Cindy Suggate

The American Legion Auxiliary will be having a Cinco De Mayo taco dinner on May 5th at the American Legion in Laingsburg, from 4:30 to 7:00. It is open to the public and it is CASH ONLY. You have a choice of the taco meal (3 tacos) with rice and beans for \$13.00, the taco meal (2 tacos) with rice and beans for \$10.00, or the taco meal (1 taco) with rice and beans for \$8.00. There is also loaded nachos for \$12.00. You can get a single taco for \$3.00, a side of rice for \$2.50, a side of beans for \$2.50 or chips and salsa for \$3.00. The chips, beans and rice are homemade. We hope to see you there. You will not regret it.



A GREAT BIG Thank You for all the cards, flowers, phone calls and lunch dates for my 93rd Birthday.

Lorraine Fett

BetterLife Bannister ZCBJ Lodge Hosting a Day of Service for Hospice Patients

submitted by Joanne Fornusek

The BetterLife Bannister ZCBJ Lodge is hosting a day of service on Saturday, April 25th to contribute to the comfort and dignity of hospice patients. Attendees will be making clothing protectors, catheter bag covers, neck pillows, lap robes and hand pillows. All material and thread will be provided.

Volunteers are invited to the Lodge hall at 401 E. Main St Bannister anytime between 8 am and 4 pm. to sew, iron, stuff pillows or make gift tags. If you have a portable sewing machine, please bring it. If not, we will have extra.

Luncheon will be served. If you would like to bring a dish to share please do.

Duplain Township Cemetery Cleanup

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – Duplain Township has scheduled a cemetery cleanup for Saturday, May 2, 2026, 9am. The Duplain Township Cemetery is located on W. Main Street, Elsie, Michigan. Participants are encouraged to bring their own tools, for example: rakes, weed whip, etc. Duplain Township will provide refreshments and supervision. Elsie Masonic Lodge will provide a lunch of hotdog, chips, and drinks. The more volunteers the more that can be accomplished.

Ovid Public Library Happenings

Monday, April 20 will be our Adult Booktasting. Come join our lively group and hear what everyone is reading. This is a great place to find a new favorite author or book. You can also share what you have been reading with the group. Light refreshments will be available. The meeting starts at 1:00 and usually runs for about 2 hours.

Wednesday, April 22 will be our Classic Movie. This week's movie will be 'Seven Brides for Seven Brothers' starring Jane Powell and Howard Keel. Join us for this musical comedy. Refreshments will be provided but you are welcome to bring your own. Movie time is 1:00.

The next Children's Story Hour will be Friday, April 24 at 10:30. This week's theme will be Earth Day. We plan on having a special guest and will be making an Earth Day themed craft.

Attention: Help Needed

by Karen Anderson

OVID- Do you like being outdoors on a beautiful day? Getting fresh air? Having fun and helping in a community project? This invitation is for YOU...

In celebration of EARTH DAY this year, the Ovid Historical Society (OHS) is asking for your help at the Mary Meyers Museum fenced-in back yard, located at 131 East Williams St. The event will take place on Saturday, April 25, 2026, anytime between 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Jobs for volunteers, any age, especially strong teens, are WELCOME. Jobs will include raking leaves, picking up sticks, planting plants, and other odd yard jobs. Wear a sweat-shirt or jacket. It is predicted to be 50 degrees. If rain or inclement weather occurs, the work day will be rescheduled for Saturday, May 2nd. Any questions text: 517-282-9222.

Donations for perennial plants will be gladly accepted to help build the gardens. Plants can be dropped off on April 25th or any Tuesday from Noon to 4pm, when the restoration and cleaning crew is at the museum. The OHS members are in the process of restoring the Historic Italian Vintage home, donated by Mary Meyers of Ovid.

A Hot Dog lunch, sponsored by the Ovid Checkered Flag Diner, will be served for workers during the noon break. Vetted adults will supervise to ensure safety and fun. Anyone under 12 must have a parent or responsible adult with them to help out.

Ovid Historical summer projects this year include the restoration of the wrought iron fencing and gazebo. Any community help, physically or financially, will be appreciated.

Spring Treasure Sale!



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Village of Elsie...continued from front

Ordinance updates were discussed; the committee did meet. The public hearing to address the proposed changes is slated for 6 pm June 9, 2026, prior to the regular meeting. FE Engineering will attend the May meeting to address the water project.

Stop sign placement at E. Elm and Second streets, and Knowlton and W Elm streets, there have been numerous complaints about the speed of vehicles on these streets and intersections. Officials discussed the request, and took action to install the signs as requested.

Public comment – Ed White presented a request or possibly a variance for a fence relocation on Church Street for landscaping reasons. This will be an action step for the May meeting and will also include a second request by Dan Fabus. A public hearing will be held prior to the May 12, regular meeting.

Duplain township clerk announced that there are four open seats on the Village Council up during the 2026 election cycle. Candidate paperwork is available on the township office 145 W Main, Elsie. Filing paperwork is due July 21, 2026 by 4 pm.

Emergency Services Increase

by Dawn D Levey

The Duplain Township Board would like to let area residents and taxpayers know what is happening with emergency services within the township and area. The cost of providing emergency services continues to rise. The Elsie Area Fire Department recently relocated to a new facility and is now responsible for rent, utilities and insurance expenses that were previously covered by the Village of Elsie. In addition, operating costs for Clinton Area ambulance Service continue to increase, while reimbursements from Medicare and Medicaid continue to decline.

Ten years ago, township property owners paid 2.5 mills for emergency services. When the Elsie Area Ambulance was disbanded, the millage rate was reduced to 1.5 mills. In 2024, the rate increased to 1.75 mills. To ensure the quality of emergency services the township officials will be requesting an additional 0.75 mills, which would return the millage rate to 2.5 mills.

The board remains committed to maintaining high-quality emergency medical and fire services for township residents. The board is seeking input from our residents and businesses.

Residents are encouraged to share written comments by emailing duplaintwpclerk@gmail.com or by attending a Township Board meeting the second Wednesday of each month, 7:30 pm, held at 145 W Main Street, Elsie, Michigan.

Community feedback and support is essential to ensuring the Duplain Township continues to provide reliable and sustainable emergency services.

Ovid Carriage Days Committee Meeting

The Ovid Carriage Days committee will meet on Wednesday, April 22nd at 6pm at Ovid City Hall. Plans are well underway for the July 10th, 11th and 12th festival. If you are looking to get involved in your community join them as volunteers are always needed.

CITY OF OVID NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING – SYNOPSIS APRIL 1, 2026

A Special Meeting of the Ovid City Council was called to order by Mayor M. Perrien at 7:00 p.m. at 114 E. Front Street, Ovid, Michigan.

Members Present: M. Soliz, M. Perrien, E. Brown, E. Starn

Members Absent: L. Perrien, M. Olger, M. Jones

The agenda was approved as presented. Public comment was opened and closed with no participation.

Council received a legal debriefing regarding the J. Allen hearing. The court dismissed the case at the summary disposition stage, indicating no wrongdoing by Chief Rousseau. The appeal deadline is April 15, 2026. Council also discussed the appeal process, public communication, and related matters.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Tomasek Swan, City Clerk

Full minutes can be viewed at www.ovidmi.org or at 114 E. Front St. during lobby hours.

Memorial Healthcare to Host Free Lunch & Learn on Hospice and Palliative Care

submitted by Dianna Vsetula

Owosso – Memorial Healthcare will host a free community Lunch & Learn on Friday, May 8, from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (doors open at 11:30 AM), offering valuable insight into hospice and palliative care services.

Titled “Understanding Hospice and Palliative Care,” the presentation will be led by Dr. Anthony Patsy, Medical Director of Memorial Healthcare Hospice and Family Medicine Physician, alongside Dr. Lynn Larson, Geriatric Palliative Care Specialist at Memorial Healthcare. Together, they will discuss the role of hospice and palliative care in improving quality of life for patients and supporting families through serious illness.

The event will take place in the Memorial Healthcare Auditorium, located at 826 W. King Street in Owosso. Community members interested in attending are encouraged to RSVP to Dianna at (989) 729-4619 or via email at DVsetula@memorialhealthcare.org by Friday, May 1st.

For more information, visit www.MemorialHealthcare.org

OID TOWNSHIP PROPOSED BOARD MEETING MINUTES - Thursday, March 26, 2026

Supervisor J. West called the regular meeting to order at 6 p.m., with the Pledge to the Flag. Roll Call: Supervisor Jennings West, Clerk Claudia Barrett Pluger, Treasurer Nancy Hughson, Trustee Bobby Byles, Trustee Kurt Wolf

Absent: None.

Guests: Keith Jones, Woody Woodworth, Lionel Olson, Connie & Gary Kiosk, Peggy Lidgard - Assessor

Brief Public Comment on Agenda Items: Keith Jones (2x), Connie Kiosk (2x)

Approval of Agenda:

Moved by B. Byles to approve the Agenda, as submitted, Seconded by K.

Wolf. Carried. Approval of Budget Hearing Minutes of February 11, 2026:

Moved by N. Hughson to approve those minutes, Seconded by K. Wolf.

Carried.

Approval of Minutes of February 26, 2026: Moved by B. Byles to approve the

minutes of February 26th, as submitted, Seconded by K. Wolf. Carried.

Treasurer's Financial Report:

Moved by K. Wolf to accept the Treasurer's report to be put on file, Seconded

by B. Byles. Carried.

Amend and Approve Budget:

Board discussion.

Moved by C. Pluger to amend and approve the budget for the Miscellaneous Expense, Transfer Out, Printer Contract, Assessor Postage, Deputy Treasurer, for a total of

\$118,772.65, and any other year-end Budget amendments in preparation of the audit, and as they suggest, Seconded by K. Wolf to approve those budget amendments and allow for any corrections requested by the auditors. Carried. Clerk's Report & Check Register-\$31,625.89 (February 27, 2026-March 26, 2026):

Moved by N. Hughson to approve the Clerk's report, Seconded by B. Byles. Carried.

New Business:

Applied Innovation - Printers - HP LaserJet E40040 - Clerk & Treasurer:

Treasurer reported that our current HP 4250 printers will no longer be supported due to no Longer being able to buy toner. These printers are around 25 years old. The printer contract would go up \$50 per month to \$200.19. Applied Innovation suggested Leasing two HP E40040. Board discussion. Moved by B. Byles that we get rid of the two working printers and enter into a contract for these two printers, E40040, at \$200.19 a month.

Seconded by K. Wolf. Carried. Board discussion.

Resolution Number 2026-02-Resolution to Establish Ovid Township Officers Salary-Clerk:

During the Budget meeting, Supervisor West suggested cost of living raises for everyone. The Clerk and Treasurer are asking for cost of living. Board discussion.

Moved by C. Pluger to approve Resolution Number 2026-02, Seconded by N. Hughson.

Roll Call Vote: K. Wolf-No, 8. Byles-No, N. Hughson-Yes, C. Pluger-Yes, J. West-No. 2-Yes, 3-No.

Resolution Number 2026-03-Resolution to Establish Ovid Township Officers Salary Treasurer: Moved by N. Hughson to approve Resolution Number 2026-03, Seconded by C. Pluger.

Roll Call Vote: K. Wolf-No, B. Byles-No, N. Hughson-Yes, C. Pluger-Yes, J. West-No. 2-Yes, 3-No.

Road Commission Contracts:

Treasurer N. Hughson reported she attended the annual Township meeting with the Road Commission. At that time, Nancy and the Road Commission staff discussed the

2026 recommended Road projects for Ovid Township. Board discussion.

Trustees K. Wolf and B. Byles discussed their ride around with Doug Steffen, Managing Director, Clinton County Road Commission, looking at the Ovid Township roads.

8. Byles and K. Wolf explained to the Board that we could do spot gravel on all the roads, according to their talk with Doug when they drove around. Lengthy Board discussion.

K. Wolf is going to contact Doug and get revised contracts drawn up with the language Kurt and Bobby explained and discussed with Doug.

Moved by K. Wolf that he would reach out to Doug Steffen at the Clinton County Road Commission to ask him what we need to do to adjust these agreements so that we're able to address each road on the recommended list, and increase the spot gravel -

N. Hughson decrease the gravel and increase the spot gravel - Seconded by B. Byles. Board discussion. Motion restated:

Moved by K. Wolf that he would reach out to Doug Steffen at the Clinton County Road Commission to make adjustments to the contract amounts, and the new number will reduce the gravel on all the recommended roads, leaving out High Street, and increasing the spot gravel, with the budget not to exceed \$180,250, and once the updated contracts are received, the Board can sign all contracts, Seconded by B. Byles.

Roll Call Vote: K. Wolf-Yes, B. Byles-Yes, N. Hughson-Yes, C. Pluger-Yes, J. West-Yes. Carried.

CAASA - \$17 per capita, per email & Invoice:

Board discussion regarding ambulance.

Moved by C. Pluger to go ahead with the \$17 per capita, because we have to

supply the ambulance service, Seconded by K. Wolf.

Roll Call Vote: K. Wolf-Yes, B. Byles-Yes, N. Hughson-Yes, C. Pluger-Yes, J.

West-Yes. Carried.

2026-2027 Proposed Budget:

Board discussion regarding proposed budget and salary for deputies and Election workers. Deputies will be \$18 per hour, Election Chairs will be \$18, and Inspectors will be \$17.

Moved by 8. Byles that we approve the 2026-2027 Budget with the amend-

ments that we made today that we all agreed upon, Seconded by C. Pluger.

Roll Call Vote: K. Wolf-Yes, B. Byles-Yes, N. Hughson-Yes, J. West-Yes, C.

Pluger-Yes. Carried.

Hall Rental Refund - October 2025:

There was a rental in October. The renter couldn't find the check, and then later responded she never received it. There were a few discussions with her. Board discussion.

Moved by 8. Byles that we cancel the check, at whatever the fee is, issue her a new check, for her to pick up, Seconded by K. Wolf. Board discussion.

Carried.

Flooring in Janitor Room:

8. Byles commented on putting the new flooring in the janitor room also. He spoke with Dan from DanMark Flooring, and the cost to do so, approximately. Board discussion. Moved by 8. Byles that we have him do the room for \$1,000 or less, tear out the old tile, fix the flooring and cracks that are there, and put new flooring in. Board discussion.

No support.

Pest Control:

Supervisor supplied the Clerk with a business card for a pest control company. The Clerk called the company, Alpha Pest and Wildlife Control. They are in the Holt area. They do not use worms. They use mole traps. The cost for trap

setup would be \$350-\$500. They charge for moving traps around. Each mole caught is \$25. The Mole Assassin, Ed, is from Owosso. The cost for trap setup is \$170. Each mole caught is \$50. No charge for moving the traps around. Board discussion.

Moved by C. Pluger that we go with the Mole Assassin, as he's called, Board discussion. Seconded by J. West. Carried. B. Byles-opposed. Carried.

Zoning Ordinance Data Center Moratorium:

The Board discussed the proposed Ordinance received from Clinton County regarding a Data Center. The Board is fine with the County's proposed Ordinance.

Reports by:

Assessor - Peggy Lidgard Library - Trustee Bobby Byles

OMESA - Treasurer Nancy Hughson CAASA - Supervisor Jennings West

Public Comments: Keith Jones (FOIA to Clerk)

Board Comments: N. Hughson discussed changing the Board meeting day

back to the second Thursday of the month. Board discussion.

Moved by N. Hughson to move the Ovid Township Board meetings to the sec-

ond Thursday of the month at 6 p.m., Seconded by C. Pluger.

Board discussion - B. Byles. K. Wolf - regarding motions during Board com-

ments.

N. Hughson withdrew her Motion. Board comments continued.

Adjournment: Motion by C. Pluger to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by K.

Wolf. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Claudia Barrett Pluger, Clerk

Susan DePond Mulder

Susan DePond Mulder, 70, of Belding, MI, passed away Saturday, April 11, 2026.

Susan was born in Alma, MI on May 12, 1955. She was the daughter of Richard and Marie (Halliday) DePond. She graduated from Ovid-Elsie High School with the class of 1973.

Susan worked as a legal secretary in Sault Ste. Marie for over 20 years. She previously worked for Key State Bank in Owosso, MI.

On February 14, 1983, Susan married Michael Mulder in Corunna, MI. They spent over 43 wonderful years together before her passing.

Susan had many hobbies, including sewing, cross-stitching, reading, spending time at the Big Falls Hunting Club, cooking and baking, shopping, and spending time with her grandkids. She also enjoyed entertaining and playing cribbage while wintering in Pine Island, FL.

She is survived by her loving husband, Michael; children Katie (Andrew) Austin, Ann Thacker, Casey (Tina) Mulder, Michelle Mulder, and Amanda Mulder; and brothers David (Kathy) DePond, and Bob (Teela) DePond. She is also survived by grandchildren Kaye, Keegan, Emily, Jakob, Claire, and Thomas; great-grandchild Holly; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Richard and Marie.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Susan's honor can be made to the St. James City Civic Association - P.O. Box 605 St. James City, FL 33956.

A Celebration of Life for Susan will be held on Wednesday April 29th from 4:00-7:00 P.M. at Ovid Township Hall located on 1015 Baese Ct, Ovid, MI. Susan will be laid to rest at Middlebury Cemetery during a private ceremony.

Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI.



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Donald "Don" William Wallen

Donald "Don" William Wallen, age 79, passed away peacefully Saturday April 11, 2026, surrounded by his loved ones.

Born January 13, 1947 to Arthur and Marie (Dancer) Wallen, Don grew up on a family farm with seven siblings in the south-west corner of Saginaw county.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Duane Wallen.

Don graduated from Ashley Community Schools with the class of 1965. He was drafted and served in the U.S. Army from 1966 to 1968 doing one tour in Vietnam.

Don married his wife Carol Woolston of 54 years on December 18, 1971. They had two sons, Don (Phyllis Grasley) Wallen Jr. of Texas, and Joe (Daina Lombard) Wallen; five grandchildren Breanna Wallen, Nathan Wallen and Heather Wallen of Texas, Kera (Chris) Snyder, and Joseph Wallen; two great-grandchildren Riverlynn Snyder, and Paisley Snyder.

Despite Don's ongoing health problems after his military service, he worked 35 years for Owosso's Georgia Pacific (formerly Olincraft and Mansville) in maintenance and in the shipping department. He drove semi-trucks transporting product.

Over the years, Don enjoyed hunting, snowmobiling, and riding motorcycles. He belonged to the Hour Gang Camping Club and the Mid Michigan Old Gas Tractor Association.

Don will be forever loved and missed deeply.

A visitation was held for Don on Wednesday April 15th at Smith Family Funeral Homes in Elsie, MI, from 2:00-8:00 P.M. with the family present from 2:00-4:00 P.M. and 6:00-8:00 P.M. Military Honors was held at 2:00P.M., and a time of sharing will be held at 7:00 P.M.



Shirley Geraldine Long

Shirley Geraldine Long, age 94, of Elsie, MI, passed away Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at Haven of Rest in Owosso, MI.

Shirley was born in Henderson, MI on October 18, 1931, the daughter of William and Clara (Wellmer) Seelhoff. She graduated from Owosso High School with the class of 1949. During co-op in school, Shirley worked for Midwest Abrasive in Owosso. On August 19, 1950, she married her high school sweetheart Gaylord Long at Salem Lutheran Church in Owosso, MI. They were blessed with 74 years of marriage.

After they were married, Shirley worked alongside her husband on their family farm. She was the farm bookkeeper, cook, raised her family and chauffeured her kids to their school and sporting events. Shirley could be found mowing the lawn while Gaylord farmed. She loved watching her soaps, game shows and Perry Mason with her children. She liked polka dancing with her husband Gaylord, she was a competitive bowler and enjoyed tending to her flower gardens & planters in the yard. Shirley and Gaylord spent their winter months in Zephyrhills, Florida where they enjoyed time with friends. They liked playing cards in Florida and with their friends back home in Michigan. Shirley always had a bountiful garden and she will be remembered for canning her produce and canning meat - especially her sweet pickles, strawberry jam, and sweet corn.

She is survived by her sons: David and Sally Long of Elsie, Dennis and Carolyn Long of Elsie and twin daughter Debra Long of Elsie. She is also survived by 6 grandchildren: Mike (Valerie) Long, Amy (Brad) Long-Carman, Christi Stenger, Brad (Kerri) Long, Travis (Sandy) Long, and Heidi (Randy) Uresti; 14 grandchildren: Cayleb, Dylan, Braxton, Nicholas, Myah, Ellyanna, Hunter, Owen, Oliver, Emmylou, Griffin, Mitchell, Grace, and Ian and a great-great grandson on the way. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, son Douglas Long, twin daughter Darlene, siblings: Arlene Simpson, Lorraine Shuster, Doris Atkinson, Bernice Sutliff, Norman Seelhoff, and Donald Seelhoff.

Funeral Services will be held at Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI, at 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, with Pastor Mona Kindel officiating. Burial will follow at Fairfield Township Cemetery, Elsie, MI. Visitation for Shirley and her son Doug will be held on Sunday, April 19, 2026, from 2-8 P.M. with family present from 2-4 & 6-8 P.M. and on Monday, April 20, 2026, from 4-8 P.M. at Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 262 Danny Thomas Place Memphis, TN 38105. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, Michigan.



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Earth Day

Earth day is April 22 2026. It started in 1969 after the massive 1969 oil spill in Santa Barbara, California, caused Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin to be increasingly concerned about the deteriorating environment. He was inspired by the student anti-war movement and wanted to combine the energy with raising public awareness of pollution. In 1970, Senator Nelson recruited a young activist named Denis Hayes to organize campus teach-ins and to broaden the idea to a bigger public. April 22 was chosen in order to maximize student participation, as it falls between Spring Break and Final Exams. It caught on across the country and encouraged the creation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Today, Earth Day is celebrated worldwide to promote environmental protection and sustainability. It is recognized as the planet's largest civic event each year. The initiative has transcended past just the day, with the entire month of April now considered as Earth Month. The theme for Earth Day 2026 is "Our Power, Our Planet." This theme refers to the role of people in sustaining environmental protections that affect current and long-term living stability. It calls on communities to take action to support clean air, clean water, clean energy, protected natural resources, and climate stability. "Our Power, Our Planet" was chosen because of environmental protections facing pressure worldwide, resulting from economic stress, climate impacts, and shifting political priorities.

There's many ways to celebrate this Earth Day. Small acts of just researching and advocating sustainability create effective change. There are more ideas that can be found on the Earth Day website, which also provides great resources such as quizzes, petitions, and articles to make change. This Earth day, remember to do what is in our power for our planet!



Planet Perspectives

by Alison Kozlowski

Editorial



City of Ovid Draft Regular Meeting March 9, 2026

Open Regular Meeting:

Mayor M. Perrien called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers located at 114 E. Front Street, Ovid, Michigan.

Roll Call: Present: M. Soliz, L. Perrien, M. Olger, M. Perrien, E. Brown, M. Jones, E. Starn.

Absent: None

Guests: There were 9 people in attendance

Agenda: Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member L. Perrien to approve the agenda as presented. Carried on a voice vote.

Minutes: Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member L. Perrien to approve the minutes from February 9th regular and closed; February 16th, 2026 Special Meeting; March 2nd Special Meeting; March 4th Public Hearing as presented. Carried on a voice vote.

Invoice/Check Register: Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member L. Perrien to approve the invoice/check register from February 11th, 2026 through March 10th, 2026 for a total of \$30,810.11. Carried on a voice vote.

County Commissioner: 7:04 pm – 7:08 pm Nicole Fickies briefed the board on the county activities.

Police Report: Motion by Council Member M. Olger and supported by Council Member M. Soliz to purchase furniture for the Police department for no more \$2,500.00. Carried on voice vote.

Report Motion: Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member M. Olger to accept receipt of the reports from Treasurer, Attorney, and Police. Carried on a voice vote.

Open Public Comment: Opened 7:20 pm Closed: 7:20 pm – none

New Business:

a. CAASA Budget Approval: Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member M. Perrien to approve the 2026-2027 CAASA budget at \$17.00 per capita as presented and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the approval. Carried on voice vote.

b. 2026-02 Resolution MMPA IFT Application Approval: Mayor read the resolution. Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member L. Perrien to adopt Resolution 2026-02 MMPA IFT Application Approval. Roll Call Vote:

Upon roll call vote the following voted YES: M. Soliz, L. Perrien, M. Olger, M. Perrien, E. Brown, M. Jones, E. Starn

Upon roll call vote the following voted NO:

Absent: None

c. MMPA IFT Agreement: Presently in the MMPA attorney hands, will need a special meeting to vote on the Agreement. Special meeting will be set on Monday 16th at 7:00 pm to vote on this issue.

d. Election Commission: Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member M. Soliz to appoint the following to the Election Commission: City Clerk, Mayor M. Perrien and L. Perrien. Carried on voice vote.

e. Street Administrator: Motioned by Council Member E. Starn and supported by Council Member E. Brown to Adopt Resolution 2026-03 Street Administrator and appoint Mayor as Street Administrator.

Roll Call Vote:

Upon roll call vote the following voted YES: M. Soliz, L. Perrien, M. Olger, M. Perrien, E. Brown, M. Jones, E. Starn

Upon roll call vote the following voted NO: None

Absent: None

f. Mercantile Bank Card Limit: Motioned by Council Member E. Starn and supported by Council Member M. Olger to approve the increase of the City of Ovid blanket credit card limit to \$10,000.00 from \$5,000.00. Carried on voice vote.

g. Approve Huron Environmental Contract: Motioned by Council Member E. Starn and supported Council Member L. Perrien to approve the Huron Environmental Contract with the recommended change by Atty Gould under Terms and conditions adding early termination clause and to give the Mayor authorization to sign the contract. Carried on voice vote

h. Appoint an alternate to BOR:

Motioned by Council Member M. Perrien and supported by Council Member E. Brown to appoint the following people to the City of Ovid's Board of Review: Kim Williams, Andrea Ordiway, Wells Monroe and Michael O'Bryant. Carried on voice vote.

i. USDA Estimate #8: Motioned by Council Member L. Perrien and supported by Council Member M. Olger to approve USDA pay estimate # 8 in an amount of \$5,659.50 and authorize the mayor to sign all necessary documents. Carried on voice vote.

j. West Shore Contract: Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member L. Perrien to enter into contract with West Shore Services for Inspection and Preventative Maintenance for the Community alert system for an amount of \$475.00 per site without battery replacement and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract.

k. Art Walk: Motioned by Council Member L. Perrien and supported by Council Member E. Starn to approve the Art Walk STEPP activity for July 25, 2026 from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm for downtown sidewalks. Carried on voice vote.

l. Farmer's Market: Motioned by Council Member E. Starn and supported by Council Member M. Soliz to approve establishment of a farmer's market in the City of Ovid from May to October on Thursdays from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Carried on voice vote.

a. CAASA- Council Member E. Brown briefed the board on CAASA activity. Discussed the future funding of CAASA. Articles of Incorporation still need to be update. Council discussed the upcoming expiring emergency millage.

Adjournment-

Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member M. Olger to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 pm. Carried on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by
Susan Tomasek Swan
Clerk

Full minutes can be viewed at www.ovidmi.org or at City Hall, 114 E. Front St. during lobby hours.

City of Ovid Draft Synopsis of Regular Meeting April 13, 2026

Open Regular Meeting:

Mayor M. Perrien called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers located at 114 E. Front Street, Ovid, Michigan.

Roll Call:

Present: M. Soliz, L. Perrien, M. Perrien, E. Brown, E. Starn

Absent: M. Olger and M. Jones

Guests: There were 6 people in attendance.

Agenda: Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member E. Starn to approve the agenda as presented. Carried on a voice vote.

Minutes: Motioned by Council Member L. Perrien and supported by Council Member M. Soliz to approve the minutes from March 9th and April 1st, 2026 as presented. Carried on a voice vote.

Invoice/Check Register:

Motioned by Council Member E. Starn and supported by Council Member E. Brown approve the invoice/check register from March 11th, 2026 through April 14th, 2026 for a total of \$107,911.78. Carried on a voice vote.

Public Comment: Opened 7:05 pm Closed 7:05 pm None

Police Report: Motion by Council Member L. Perrien and supported by Council Member M. Soliz to purchase 4 tables and 4 chairs for the interrogation room and the police department entry way for no more \$2,500.00. Carried on voice vote.

Report Motion:

Motioned by Council Member E. Starn and supported by Council Member E. Brown to accept receipt of the reports from Treasurer, Attorney, and Police. Carried on a voice vote.

New Business:

a. Resolution 2026-04 Authorizing Certain Business Officers to apply for credit on behalf of the City. Mayor read the resolution. Motioned by Council Member L. Perrien and supported by Council Member E. Brown to adopt Resolution 2026-04 Authorizing certain business officers to apply for credit on behalf of the city. Upon roll call vote the following voted YES: M. Soliz, L. Perrien, M. Perrien, E. Brown, E. Starn

Upon roll call vote the following voted NO: none

Absent: M. Olger and M. Jones

Resolution adopted.

b. Resolution 2026-05 Authorizing application for Michigan Department of Natural Resource Recreation Grant: Mayor read the resolution. Motioned by Council Member E. Starn and supported by Council Member L. Perrien to adopt Resolution 2026-05 Authorizing application for the Michigan Department of Natural Resource grant.

Upon roll call vote the following voted YES: E. Starn, E. Brown, M. Perrien, L. Perrien, M. Soliz

Upon roll call vote the following voted NO: none

Absent: M. Olger and M. Jones

Resolution adopted.

c. Code Enforcer/ Zoning Administrator- Personnel Committee reviewed the interviews and the candidates. Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member L. Perrien to hire Randall Wade for the code enforcer/zoning administrator position. Carried on voice vote.

d. Resolution 2026-06 Proposed Ballot Language: Mayor Perrien read the resolution. Motioned by Council Member E. Starn and supported by Council Member M. Soliz to adopt Resolution 2026-06 Proposed Ballot language.

Upon roll call vote the following voted YES: M. Soliz, L. Perrien, M. Perrien, E. Brown, E. Starn

Upon roll call vote the following voted NO: none

Absent: M. Olger and M. Jones

Resolution adopted.

e. MMPA PA 198 IFT Agreement: Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member L. Perrien to accept the agreement as presented and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documents.

Upon roll call vote the following voted YES: E. Starn, E. Brown, M. Perrien, L. Perrien, M. Soliz

Upon roll call vote the following voted NO: none

Absent: M. Olger and M. Jones

Resolution adopted.

f. Disposal of unused City equipment: Motioned by Council Member E. Starn and supported by Council Member E. Brown to approve the selling of the plotter (printer) pending Mr. Gould investigation. Carried on voice vote. The council was in consensus to scrap the old water meters.

Adjournment-

Motioned by Council Member E. Brown and supported by Council Member M. Soliz to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 pm. Carried on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by
Susan Tomasek Swan
Clerk

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Turning Pages into February and Marching into New Worlds: Recognizing our February and March Reader's of the Month

submitted by Kortney Miller

The hallways of Leonard Elementary were buzzing with excitement this week as the school officially announced its "Readers of the Month" for February and March. This award recognizes students who go above and beyond in their reading goals and demonstrate exceptional enthusiasm for storytelling.

Despite the winter chill, our February honorees proved that a good book is the best way to stay warm. Teachers noted a significant spike in library check-outs, with students diving deep into mystery series and historical biographies. As spring began to peek through, the March Readers of the Month kept the momentum going, focusing on "Expanding Horizons" by stepping outside their comfort zones to explore new genres like graphic novels and science fiction.

Please join us in congratulating our February and March Reader's of the Month! Keep Turning those Pages!!



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Obituaries

Marcella Ann Baese

Marcella Ann Baese, age 90, of Elsie, MI, passed away Thursday, April 16, 2026.

Marcella was born in Ashland, Pennsylvania on June 25, 1935, the daughter of John Palembas and Stephanie (Corini) Marton. She married Gale Lee Baese, on November 20, 1954, at St. Cyril's Catholic Church in Bannister, MI. They were married for sixty-eight years, prior to his passing away on August 11, 2023.

Marcella loved to golf and was a very good bowler. She also loved to play card games with her family and video games with her grandchildren. Marcella was a fabulous cook and made many special dishes, like Polish and Czech foods. Marcella will be remembered as a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother. She and Gale were very proud of their home, it was important to her to keep her home wonderful for her family. Marcella was a cancer survivor of 15 years. She was a devoted catholic and a member of St. Cyril's Catholic Church in Bannister.

She is survived by her children: Dolores and Roger Sosebee of Chippewa Lake, MI; Juleann Beane of Ashley, MI; Jeffrey Baese and Doreen Besonen of Fort Worth, TX; Cheryl Quillico and Thomas Perkins of Canton, MI; ten grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; brother John "Terry" and Carol Palembas of Owosso, MI; sisters: Francie Marton of Tampa, FL and Mary Marton of Tampa, FL. Marcella was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Gale, her son-in-law David Bruce Beane, also her brother Paul Marton.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Cyril's Catholic Church, Bannister, MI, at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, with Rev. Fr. Andrzej Boroch presiding. Burial will take place at Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, MI.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



Gloria J. Danek Celebration of Life

The Celebration of Life for Gloria J. Danek, who died on December 2, 2025. It will be held May 2, 2026 at the Laingsburg American Legion Post 248 at 1240 E. Grand River, just east of the Woodbury/Grand River intersection. It will start with visitation at 12:00 noon followed by lunch at 1:00. After lunch will be a short speech and a sharing of our experiences with Gloria.

If you plan to come it would be helpful if you informed Mick at danekm@aol.com so we get a better estimate of the number to accommodate.

If you cannot make it but would like to see the slide show that was developed for it ask Mick for an internet link to it. Please use "celebration" as the title of your email to better distinguish it from spam. If the sound doesn't start, click on the speaker icon a couple times.

Her complete obituary can be found at <https://NeptuneSociety.com>, scroll to the bottom, click on obituaries, and search for "Danek".



St. Peter Church Fundraiser

submitted by Kris Pullman

The St. Peter Church, 404 S. Wood St., Chesaning, is having a fundraiser featuring Michigan's most sought after Elvis Tribute Artist, Jake Slater on Sunday, May 3rd.

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Lady Wolfpack Begins Quest for CMAC Title with Huge Softball Sweep of St. Pats

LAINGSBURG -- Bella Latuszek drove in five runs on three hits, setting the stage for a Lady Wolfpack softball sweep of Portland St. Patrick 15-0 and 9-3 here April 13.

Jeff Cheadles's Wolves plated 13 runs in the second inning to bust open the opening game of the CMAC twinbill. Ju Ju Latuszek singled, scoring one run, Latuszek singled, scoring two runs, Skylar Stiff singled, scoring two runs, an error scored two runs, Latuszek drew a walk, scoring one run, Latuszek doubled, scoring three runs, Peyton Stahr doubled, scoring one run, and Harper Strouse singled, scoring the final run in the onslaught.

Stiff pitched the Wolfpack to victory, giving up one hit and zero runs over three innings, striking out eight and walking none. Kennedy Drake took the loss for St. Patrick.

LHS collected 10 hits in the game. Addison Westfall and Latuszek each had multiple knocks.

The 'Pack moved to 5-1 overall, 2-0 in the league with a 9-3 romp in the closing game.

Bella Latuszek drove in four runs on four hits to lead Laingsburg, after the Shamrocks opened the scoring in the first after Maria Austen tripled, scoring three runs to shock the partisan home crowd.

The Wolfpack finally captured the lead, 4-3, in the top of the fifth after Latuszek singled down the left field line, and Makenna Johnston walked, each scoring one run.

Stahr earned the pitching win, allowing four hits and three runs over four innings, striking out eight and walking three. Macie Leonard took the loss for St. Patrick, surrendering nine runs on nine hits, striking out one and walking eight. Skylar Stiff collected the save for LHS in relief of Stahr.

Ju Ju Latuszek collected two hits for Laingsburg Varsity Wolfpack in four at bats. Laingsburg piled up eight walks; Addison Westfall and Johnston led the team with two free passes each.

The Lady Shamrocks stood 0-2 after their opening action of the 2026 season.

Lights, Marauders Shine at Annual Fowler Kickoff Track and Field Event

FOWLER -- Brock Spitzley won the discus competition with a 157'8" heave, and Travis Milner grabbed 2nd place in the 200 meter as Ovid-Elsie track and field thinclads turned in impressive showings here April 10.

Spitzley added a runnerup finish in the shot put (42'6"), helping new coach Michael Reiber's squad shake the rust off in one of the first big invitationals of the 2026 season.

The event was unique: Fowler's Under The Lights Invitational, that the Eagles present on an annual basis.

In the male events, Pewamo-Westphalia topped the field with 119 team points, followed by Owosso 90.5, St. Johns 73, Hillsdale 67, Ovid-Elsie 64, Belding 58, Bath 45.5, Fowler 44,



Peyton Stahr earned the pitching win for Laingsburg against St. Pats

Photo by Burg Sports

New Lothrop 28, Webberville 27.5, DeWitt 21, Clio 14.5 and Potterville 11.

For the girls, P-W topped the team scores with 171, followed by Fowler 102, St. Johns 89, Hillsdale 81.5, Owosso 61.5, New Lothrop 60, DeWitt 37, Bath 19, Webberville 10, Potterville 9, Clio 9, Ovid-Elsie 8, Belding 4 and Fulton-Middleton 1.

Top Marauder efforts were turned in by Bryce Krueger 5th in the discus (118'5"); Jeremiah Stewart 9th in the high jump (5'6"); Josh Miller 16th in the pole vault (8'6"); Kane Pupava 12th in the long jump (17' .25"); Wyatt Lover 5th in the 100 m (:116) and 7th in the 200 m (:23.47); Kane Pupava 22nd in 100 sprint (:12.65); Marshall Leavitt 4th in 400 m (:54.28); Joey Kozlowski 6th in 800 m (2:09.64); Will Baese 19th in 1600 m (5:15.39); Destin Kinney 33rd in 3200 m (14:51.84); and Jackson Custer 6th in 100 m hurdles (:18.24).

Ovid-Elsie's finishes in the relay events went like this:
-- 4 x 100 relay: Lover, Custer, Leavitt, Milner, 2nd (:45.46).

-- 4 x 400 relay: Josh Miller, Kozlowski, Mitchell Blaha, Jeremiah Stewart, 11th (4:08.51).

-- 4 x 800 relay: Miller, Blaha, Baese, Kozlowski, 7th (9:13.91).

The Lady Marauders got top efforts from Victoria Kozlowski, 7th in the long jump (13'11"); Callie Risinger 9th in the high jump (4'4"); Kortlynn Loynes 9th in the discus (79'1"); Abigail Lehman 6th in the shot put (28'9.5"); Victoria Kozlowski 8th in 100 m hurdles (:18.18); Clarissa Baese 17th in 1600 m (6:27.21) and 16th in the 800 m (2:53.86); Kyla Washburn 18th in the 400 m (1:14.31); Victoria Kozlowski 7th in the 200 m (:28.84) and Emmylou Blaha 9th in the 100 m dash (:14.02).

Tough Doubleheader for Lady O-E's Opposite Division 2 Okemos Wolves

OVID-ELSIE -- O-E's varsity softball Marauders had trouble keeping up with Okemos in a doubleheader loss here April 14.

Sadie Casaday's Marauders dropped the opener, 12-4, though Mercedes Grieder staked them to an early 2-1 lead with a two-run shot to left field in the bottom of the first frame.

The Wolves opened up a 8-2 lead in the top of the third and never looked back after that. Danica Levey pitched five innings in relief for O-E, helping out starter Brooklyn Thornton, who took the loss. Levey surrendered four hits and five runs (one earned) while, striking out five and walking six.

Thornton went two innings, giving up seven runs on nine hits, striking out two and walking one.

Isabella Phillips, Haley McClung, Levey, and Grieder each collected two hits for the home team. Grieder went 2-for-4 at the plate and led the team with two runs batted in.

The second game went to Okemos, 14-4, after a three-run homer and a three-run triple to open the first inning.

Thornton again took the loss for Ovid-Elsie, going four and one-third innings, allowing seven runs (six earned) on four hits, striking out one and walking five in relief of Audrie VanDeusen. Audrie allowed two hits and seven runs over two-thirds of an inning, striking out one and walking four.

Dakota Lott provided pop in the middle of the lineup, and led O-E with two runs batted in. The catcher went 1-for-3 on the day. Isabella Phillips, Haley McClung, Lott, Thornton, and Laiken Watkins each recorded one hit.

Sports

Marauder Girls Prevail in MMAC Tennis Showdown at Durand, 5-3

DURAND -- Ovid-Elsie's varsity girls tennis teams got wins from Alexis Chadwick (No. 2 singles), Alison Kozlowski (No. 3 singles) and the doubles of Lauren Phillips and Jolene Hebler (No. 1), Chloe Preston and Jazmyn Brantley (No. 3) and Kailee Parker and Alivia Peters (No. 4) -- in a big MMAC win over the host Railroaders.

The Marauders' 5-3 victory was a "statement win" between two teams that have clashed for the Mid-Michigan Activities Conference (MMAC) title in recent seasons.

First-year coach TJ Phillips' Marauders hosted Chesaning on Thursday in MMAC play.

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Sports

Wolfpack Boys Capture Championship at Davison Invitational; Lady Wolfpack 2nd

DAVISON — The event was billed to “shake off the rust” of winter. The Laingsburg track and field teams -- both boys and girls -- took to heart.

Shaking off the doldrums, indeed, coach Brian Borgman's Wolfpack boys captured first place out of nine teams with an impressive 129 points, while the Lady Wolfpack finished second to Caro (165) with 129 team points.

The Wolfpack's Leandro-Dolega Caceres took 12th in the varsity 100 (11.60), which was the fastest time for any runner in the small school division. Logan Robinson (55.04) had the fastest small school time in varsity 400, taking seventh overall.

Keaton Dietz ran the fastest small school time in the 300 hurdles (44.55).

For the Lady Wolfpack, Sophia Hughes' discus toss of 84 feet, 11 inches was best in the small school division in the discus and Hailey Magley (4-6) recorded the best high-jump leap in the division.

Madison Phillips (8-6) and with Claire Seger (8-0) took first and second, respectively in the pole vault while Hailey Jury recorded the best small-school long jump (13-5.75).

Marauder Broom Durand for Opening Baseball Wins of 2026

OVID-ELSIE -- The Marauder varsity baseball team took full advantage of its opportunities -- scoring the winning run when Durand uncorked a wild pitch -- to sweep the Railroaders 9-4 and 6-5 here April 12.

The twin wins were the first of the 2026 season for Mike Loynes' club, which moved to 2-1 overall, 2-0 in the MMAC. Durand fell to 0-6, 0-4 in the conference.

Brody Howard powered the Marauders in the opening win, going 3-for-4 with three RBI, while Lance Wiktorowski also drove in three RBI for the hosts.

Wiktorowski allowed four runs (three earned) on four hits with 10 strikeouts to earn the pitching win, firing all 7 innings.

Adding hits in support of Wiktorowski was Eyan Fabus 2-for-3 with a RBI and a walk; Logan Brown 1-for-3 with two RBI; Dan Topping and Trey Palatka. Maxon Fabus walked twice in the 9-run onslaught.

Loynes' Marauders walked off Durand in a darkness-shortened Game 2, winning 6-5 in six innings; a wild pitch plating the winning run in the bottom of the sixth.

Eyan Fabus went 2-for-3 with an RBI, and Kanyon Keusch drove in a pair of runs for O-E. Topping and John Kelly, Wiktorowski and Howard also hit safely off Durand loser Brody Demo.

Getting the mound win, Howard threw five innings and allowed two earned runs on three hits with 10 strikeouts.





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Marauder Softball Gals Swept by Perry Ramblers at O-E HS

OVID-ELSIE -- The Marauder varsity softball team dropped a pair of games in 2026 home season-opening action here April 9.

The Perry Ramblers hit the '10' spot twice, downing O-E 10-5 and 10-7 in a battle of offensive-minded teams. After the first two contests of their 2026 campaign, the Ramblers climbed to 2-0 while coach Sadie Casaday's Marauder contingent fell to 0-2.

In the opener, Perry blew open a 1-0 lead by scoring five runs on five hits in the top of the fifth inning. Oliva Davis did the most damage on a grand slam to left field.

Audrie Vandeusen took the loss, firing went seven innings, surrendering 10 runs (seven earned) on 10 hits, striking out eight and walking two.

Audrie also led the Marauder bat attack with two runs batted in, on a 1-for-2 effort on the day, launching a solo home run to centerfield in the 6th inning. Isabella Phillips, Haley McClung, Vandeusen, Mercedes Grieder and Laiken Watkins each collected one hit for Ovid-Elsie Varsity Marauders. Ovid-Elsie showed patience at the plate, collecting seven walks for the game; Danica Bancroft and Vandeusen led the team with two free passes each. Phillips and McClung each stole multiple bases.

Game two went to the Ramblers, after they jumped out to the lead in the top of the first inning after a dropped third strike scored one run, and Riley Allen hit a grand slam to left field for a quick 5-0 advantage.

Perry eventually built the lead to 9-2, but O-E continued to battle back with McClung going 1-for-3 at the plate and leading the team with two runs batted in. Isabella Phillips amassed two hits in four at bats.

Danica Levey was saddled with the pitching loss, the righthander firing seven innings, allowing four earned runs on six hits, striking out six and walking seven.

Lady Marauders rally past Durand in MMAC softball sweep, 10-6 and 11-5

OVID-ELSIE -- The host Marauders trailed by as many as five, but came back to defeat Durand, 10-6, in the opening game -- leading the way for a Mid-Michigan Activities Conference (MMAC) softball sweep of the Railroaders.

In game one, coach Sadie Casaday's O-E squad flipped the game on its head in the bottom of the second, scoring five runs on five hits to take the lead, 8-5. The biggest blow in the inning was a triple by Haley McClung that drove in two. Then, a single by McClung extended the lead to 9-5 in the bottom of the third inning.

Danica Levey earned the win for Ovid-Elsie, surrendering two hits and one run over five and one-third innings, striking out five and walking four.

Mercades Grieder opened the game in the circle for O-E, yielding three hits and five runs (four earned) over one-third of an inning, striking out none and walking three. Audrie VanDeusen tossed one and one-third innings of shutout ball in relief, giving up zero hits, striking out one and walking one.

The victors collected 10 hits, with Isabella Phillips and McClung leading the way with three safeties apiece. Danica Bancroft and Levey showed strong eyes at the plate, with two free passes each.

The Marauders back up the game one rally with an impressive 11-5 victory in game two. O-E jumped out to the lead in the bottom of the first inning after Audrie Vandeusen singled, scoring two runs, Brooke Pugsley drew a walk, scoring one run, and Ava Juhas lined out, scoring one run.

In the bottom of the 5th, the Marauders tacked on more when Danica Levey hit an inside the park home run, scoring two runs, Juhas hit into a double play for a RBI, and a passed ball scored one run.

VanDeusen earned the win, allowing four hits and three runs (one earned) over three innings, striking out two and walking two. Levey came on in relief of VanDeusen and held the Railroaders at bay.

Isabella Phillips went 2-for-4 at the plate, and VanDeusen, Levey, and Laiken Watkins each drove in two runs for Ovid-Elsie. Brooke Pugsley paced O-E with three walks.

The two teams' records mirrored each other after the MMAC action, O-E at 2-2 overall, 2-0 in the league; Durand at 2-2 for all game, 0-2 in the circuit.

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CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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. Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jereme Luce and Teah Luce to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, N.A. dated January 6, 2023 and recorded January 13, 2023 in Instrument Number 5332276 Clinton County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment. In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of Foreclosure entered for Plaintiff, Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC against Defendants, Jereme Luce and Teah Luce in Case No. 25-12561-CH of the Clinton County Circuit Court, the below premises shall be foreclosed and sold by public auction. Said Judgment of Foreclosure was entered on the 9th day of March, 2026, wherein there is claimed to be due on said date the sum of Three Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$322,280.55), plus sums advanced for taxes, insurance and other fees incurred and allowed by said mortgage. Under the Judgment of Foreclosure and related statutes, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgage premises pursuant to the Judgment of Foreclosure and that the sale shall be at public auction to the highest bidder, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Clinton County, on the 10th day of June, 2026 at 10:00 AM, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, viz: All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Bath, County of Clinton and State of Michigan, described as follows: Beginning on the East line of Section 15 at a point 1178.00 feet North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East of the Southeast corner of Section 15, Town 5 North, Range 1 West; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 38 seconds West 500.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 311.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 38 seconds East 500.00 feet to the East line of Section 15; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 311.00 feet on the East line of Section 15 to the point of beginning. AND Beginning on the East line of Section 15 at a point 1486.00 feet North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East of the Southeast corner of Section 15, T5N, R1W, thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 38 seconds West, 500.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 311.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 38 seconds West, 253.30 feet; thence North 00 degrees 01 minutes 51 seconds West, 411.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 38 seconds East, 753.52 feet to the East line of Section 15; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 100.00 feet on the East line of Section 15 to the point of beginning. Commonly Known As: 13734 Upton Rd, Bath, MI, 48808 Tax ID: 010-015-400-010-57 and 010-015-400-010-10 This property may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the sale. Dated: April 13, 2026 Orleans Law Group PLLC /s/Sogol I. Plagany Attorneys for Plaintiff Firm Name: Orleans Law Group PLLC Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084 Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400 File No. 25-009646

(04-19)(05-24)

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 20, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Jeffrey Taylor and Melissa Littlejohn, husband and wife Original Mortgagee: Fifth Third Mortgage-MI, LLC Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for Freddie Mac SLST 2025-1 Participation Interest Trust Date of Mortgage: October 9, 2003 Date of Mortgage Recording: October 20, 2003 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$61,783.39 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Riley, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 22, Township 6 North, Range 3 West, Riley Township, Clinton County, Michigan; Thence North 660 feet; thence West 165 feet; thence South 660 feet; thence East 165 feet to the point of beginning. Common street address (if any): 8980 S Lowell Rd, Dewitt, MI 48820-9156 The redemption period shall be 1 year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: April 19, 2026 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515

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(04-19)(05-10)

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 April 29, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Justin Keibler, an unmarried man Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): PennyMac Loan Services LLC Date of Mortgage: March 5, 2021 Date of Mortgage Recording: March 9, 2021 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$160,504.59 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in City of Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 31, Briggs-Stoller Subdivision, City of St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 6, Clinton County Records. Common street address (if any): 505 S Traver St, Saint Johns, MI 48879-2041 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: March 29, 2026 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515

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(03-29)(04-19)

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING REGARDING PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE STATE OF MICHIGAN 29TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - FAMILY DIVISION COUNTY OF CLINTON

CASE NO: 26-32885-NC

In the matter of ALEEN MAE PLONT TAKE NOTICE: ALEEN MAE PLONT has filed a petition for name change. A name change hearing will be held on Thursday, April 30, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at 100 E. State Street, 4th Floor Courtroom St. Johns, Michigan 48879, before Judge Lisa Sullivan change the name of ALEEN MAE PLONT to AILLENE MAE PLONT

(04-19)

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLINTON NOTICE TO CREDITORS DECEDENT'S LIVING TRUST

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, ROBERT ROYAL RISLEY, who lived at 2914 North Birmingham Road, Ovid, Clinton County, Michigan 48866, died on March 4, 2026. There is no personal representative of the decedent's estate to whom letters of administration have been issued. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Risley Joint Living Trust dated November 24, 2003 (now irrevocable), will be forever barred unless presented to Gayla Ruehle, 3850 N. Watson Rd., St. Johns, MI 48879 or Cindy Rademacher, 3615 N. Watson Rd., St. Johns, MI 48879, within four (4) months after date of publication of this Notice. Dated: April 13, 2026 Kyle A. Wallace (P-81486) -- GAULT DAVISON, P.C. Saginaw St., Suite 8 Grand Blanc, MI 48439 (810) 234-3633 Gayla Ruehle, Co-Trustee 3850 N. Watson Rd., St. Johns, MI 48879 Cindy Rademacher, Co-Trustee 3615 N. Watson Rd., St. Johns, MI 48879

(04-19)

STATE OF MICHIGAN 29TH JUDICIAL COURT COUNTY OF CLINTON NOTICE TO CREDITORS ORDER REGARDING ALTERNATE SERVICE

Case No: 25-12651-CH Hon. Cori E. Barkman Plaintiff's Name: CC VALLEY ESTATES PROPERTY, LLC c/o Swistak Levine, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorney: Jarrett E. Levine (P71902) 30833 Northwestern Hwy, Ste. 120 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 851-8000 Defendants Name: MARCIA LYNN VANBUREN 62 Neetie Ave. Lansing, MI 48906 THE COURT FINDS: 1. Service of process upon the defendant, MARCIA LYNN VANBUREN, cannot reasonable be made as provided in MCR 2.105 and service of process may be made in a manner that is reasonably calculated to give the defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard.

IT IS ORDERED: 2. Service of the summons and complaint and a copy of this order shall be made by the following method(s). a. First-class mail to 62 Neetie Ave. Lansing, MI 48906 b. Tacking or firmly affixing to the door at 62 Neetie Ave. Lansing, MI 48906 d. Other: Certified mail return receipt requested to the last known address of: 62 Neetie Ave., Lansing, MI 48906 and by publishing for three consecutive weeks in the Meridian Weekly pursuant to MCR 2.106

(04-05/04-19)

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLINTON NOTICE TO CREDITORS DECEDENT'S TRUST ESTATE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Trust Estate In the Matter of: ROBERT KRIEDEL TRUST DATED OCTOBER 16, 2025 Date of Birth: September 12, 1956 NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The Settlor/Grantor and Initial Trustee, Robert Kriegel, died on April 4, 2026 Creditors of the Settlor/Grantor and Initial Trustee are notified that all claims against the trust estate will be forever barred unless presented to Hantz Trust, appointed Successor Trustee, within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice. Hantz Trust 26200 American Drive, 5th Floor Southfield, MI 48034 (248) 304-2855

(04-19)

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 6, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Jerold Makara, single Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): MID-FIRST BANK Date of Mortgage: June 9, 2023 Date of Mortgage Recording: June 15, 2023 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$146,896.38 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Village of Elsie, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lots 1, 2, 13 and 14, B.D. Hicks Addition to the Village of Elsie, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 48 of Deeds, Page 415. Common street address (if any): 315 W Main St, Elsie, MI 48831-9806 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: April 5, 2026 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515

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Native Plant Sale at DeVries Nature Conservancy

submitted by Jessica Hickey

A Native Plant Sale will be held at DeVries Nature Conservancy on Saturday, May 9 from 11am to 2pm. Pre-orders are being taken until April 30, for pickup at DeVries on the day of the sale. The plant sale includes Michigan native wildflowers and grasses, all locally grown to pint (3") size by East Michigan Native Plants. Shoppers are also welcome to stop by and purchase plants the day of the sale without pre-ordering. In addition, there will be a Native Gardening Workshop before the sale, at 10am on Saturday May 9; tickets to the workshop are \$10 per person.

Call DeVries at (989) 723-3365 or visit www.devriesnature.org for more information. DeVries Nature Conservancy is located at 2635 N. M-52 in Owosso.

CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC, MAY BE DEEMED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450, Alpharetta, GA 30004 ph:470-321-7112 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 A.M. on May 13, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): GARY ALAN WALLACE AND STACY ROGERS WALLACE. Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by GARY ALAN WALLACE AND STACY ROGERS WALLACE TO MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS MORTGAGEE, AS NOMINEE FOR THE DART BANK, for a mortgage dated July 17, 2015, and recorded on July 27, 2015, as Instrument Number 5230655 in the Clinton County Register of Deeds. Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to SELENE FINANCE, LP, as documented by an assignment dated February 12, 2025, and recorded on February 25, 2025, as Instrument Number 5351823 in the CLINTON County Register of Deeds, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$126,876.56. 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 on May 13, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. Said premises are located in the city of BATH in CLINTON County, Michigan and are described as: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PREMISES SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BATH, COUNTY OF CLINTON AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, TO-WIT: PARCEL A: A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTH 1/2 OF SECTION 9, T5N, R1W, BATH TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE SURVEYED BOUNDARY OF WHICH IS DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION 9; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 51 SECONDS EAST 661.89 FEET ALONG THE NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 9 TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 00 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 51 SECONDS EAST 6.11 FEET ALONG SAID NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 443.73 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 31 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST 200.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 79 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 752.10 FEET TO A POINT ON THE

BANK OF MUD CREEK, SAID POINT BEING NORTH 79 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 173 FEET MORE OR LESS FROM THE CENTERLINE OF MUD CREEK; THENCE ALONG SAID BANK ON AN INTERMEDIATE TRAVERSE LINE ON THE EASTERLY BANK OF SAID CREEK THE FOLLOWING 2 COURSES; NORTH 28 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 29 SECONDS EAST 75.68 FEET AND NORTH 24 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 273.64 FEET TO THE END OF SAID INTERMEDIATE TRAVERSE LINE, SAID END BEING NORTH 89 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 14 SECONDS EAST 165 FEET MORE OR LESS FROM THE SAID CENTERLINE OF MUD CREEK; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 14 SECONDS EAST 251.73 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; SAID PARCEL HAVING RIGHTS OF INGRESS AND EGRESS BY MEANS OF A PRIVATE DRIVE EASEMENT AS DESCRIBED BELOW. PRIVATE DRIVE EASEMENT: AN EASEMENT IN THE NORTH 1/2 OF SECTION 9, T5N, R1W, BATH TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION 9; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 51 SECONDS EAST 668.00 FEET ALONG THE NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 9; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 714.46 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST 208.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 628.50 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF ANGLE ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE 177.24 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF SAID EASEMENT; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST 20.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 879.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 23.00 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL "C"; THENCE NORTH 81 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 46 SECONDS WEST 262.20 FEET ALONG THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID PARCEL "C" TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF PARCEL "B"; THENCE NORTH 67 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST 55.53 FEET ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY LINE TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL "B"; THENCE NORTH 23 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST 215.00 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID PARCEL "B"; THENCE SOUTH 58 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST 23.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 31 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 20 SECONDS EAST 50.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 58 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST 23.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID PARCEL "A"; THENCE NORTH 31 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 20 SECONDS EAST 30.00 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE OF PARCEL "A"; THENCE SOUTH 58 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST 66.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 31 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST 30.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 58 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST 23.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 31 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST 34.25 FEET; THENCE ON A CURVE TO THE LEFT 21.94 FEET, SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 90.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 13

DEGREES 58 MINUTES 07 SECONDS AND A LONG CHORD OF 21.89 FEET BEARING SOUTH 25 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST; THENCE SOUTH 19 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST 53.85 FEET; THENCE ON A CURVE TO THE LEFT 139.72 FEET; SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 90.00 FEET; A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 88 DEGREES 57 MINUTES 06 SECONDS AND A LONG CHORD OF 126.11 FEET BEARING SOUTH 25 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 13 SECONDS EAST; THENCE SOUTH 69 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 46 SECONDS EAST 45.37 FEET; THENCE ON A CURVE TO THE LEFT 32.19 FEET; SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 90.00 FEET; A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 20 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 44 SECONDS AND A LONG CHORD OF 32.02 FEET BEARING SOUTH 79 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 38 SECONDS EAST; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 855.23 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Property Address: 12110 SCOTCH HOLW DR., BATH, MI 48808 Tax ID No. 19-010-009-100-035-01 The redemption period shall be Twelve (12) 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. If this 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 sale or to the Mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. SELENE FINANCE, LP, Mortgagee/Assignee April 12, 2026 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Mortgagee/Assignee 26-399019 - DaT 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450 Alpharetta, GA 30004 Telephone: 470-321-7112 Facsimile: 404-393-1425 Service Email: MIFCLTeam@raslg.com

(04-12)(05-03)

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLINTON NOTICE TO CREDITORS DECEDENT'S TRUST

The Mary Lou Hicks Trust Agreement, dated September 22, 2022
TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
The decedent, Mary Lou Hicks, who lived at 10586 Williams Road DeWitt, Michigan 48820 Died on March 8, 2026 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the deceased will be forever barred unless presented to the Trustees of The Mary Lou Trust Agreement within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest 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 20, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Lenny Thayer, and Michelle Thayer, Husband and Wife Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Success Mortgage Partners, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC Date of Mortgage: August 20, 2020 Date of Mortgage Recording: February 18, 2021 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$340,564.84 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: A parcel of land in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 3, T5N, R1W, Bath Township, Clinton County, Michigan, the surveyed boundary of said parcel described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 3; thence North 89° 27' 48" East along the South line of said Section 3 a distance of 1578.65 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence North 00° 29' 36" West 373.37 feet; thence North 89° 27' 48" East parallel with said South line 78.62 feet; thence North 00° 16' 45" West 75.00 feet; thence North 89° 27' 48" East parallel with said South line 225.00 feet; thence South 28° 37' 06" East 111.19 feet; thence South 00° 16' 45" East 350.28 feet to said South line; thence South 89° 27' 48" West along said South line 355.00 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly Known as: 7337 Howe Rd., Bath, MI 48808 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 home-owner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: 04/19/2026 Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 251 Diversion Street, Rochester, MI 48307 248-853-4400 321747

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submitted by Joanne Fornusek

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(Top left): A warm welcome was extended to new members Samuel Kremer, Mark Garrity and Amelia Garrity.

(Bottom left): Celebrating 50 years of membership were Victor Ladiski, Dana Dvoracek, and John Ladiski. Honored for 75 years of membership were James Maddox, Nancy Brown, Carol Nixon, Leonard Beldyga, and Diane Bradley.

(Top right): Also pictured are officers Sarah Bradley, Ed Fornusek, Bob Ladiski, Sally Stoll and BetterLife Director Mary Bradley. Program participants were Amy Brown, Anmarie Bradley-Dodd, Isaac Bradley, Tisha Bradley-Dodd, Joe Smolka and Charles Olsen.

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