



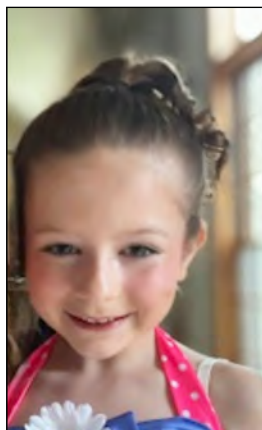
Elsie Dairy Festival T-Shirt Design Winner

Natalie Grecu, a 8 year-old second grader and fourth generation OE student, is the talented young artist behind this year's Elsie Dairy Festival shirt design.

With a love for drawing and a favorite color of pink, Natalie enjoys expressing her creativity both on paper and through her many activities. She has participated in softball, sideline cheer and gymnastics and is currently playing soccer.

When she's not busy creating or competing, Natalie loves spending time with her family and friends.

She is thrilled and proud to have her design chosen for the festival.



Ovid Lions Club President Allen Martin accepts a donation from his grandson, Jud Martin.

Ovid Lions Club Spring Events

submitted by Allen Martin

Ovid Lions Club members have completed another spring highway cleanup along M-21. The Ovid club has participated in M-DOT's Adopt-A-Highway Program every year since its inception in 1990. This April's cleanup removed 34 bags of trash from the three-mile stretch of roadside between the Clinton/Shiawasse county line and Shepardsville Rd. Many thanks to our volunteers: Mary Perrien, Holly Hibbard, Paul Pung, Jack Powell, Luke Martin, Cal Martin, Greg Atwood, Mariel Staggs, Aaron Staggs, Mark Burnash, and Allen Martin.

The Ovid Lions Club participated in the statewide Lions White Cane Week, collecting donations at the Ovid Post Office, Food Pride and Dollar General on April 24th and 25th. We thank all those who generously contributed to our total of over \$700. The funds will be used toward sight-related programs, assist the needy, and support worthwhile community projects. Club members volunteering this year were: Deb Price, Mary Perrien, Paul Pung, Dave Zell, Mike O'Bryant, Larry Squiers, Gregg Martin, Terry Broome, and Allen Martin.



Greater Laingsburg Recyclers volunteered for a community cleanup on April 25th.

The Growing Season Grows Recycling

submitted by Ellen Link

May: the season for planting not just crops but also the seeds of sustainability. The Greater Laingsburg Recyclers try to do that year-round but kick it up in spring, keen on working with others, especially children, to learn how recycling works and plays an important role in a healthier environment. This spring we hosted four groups of middle schoolers and one large group of preschoolers, explaining the ABC's of our recycling operations and ending with a recycling game that's always a hit. And to celebrate Earth Day (April 22) volunteers from GLR led a community clean-up in Laingsburg on Sat., April 25. Plus, GLR volunteers Linda Applebee provides guidance to groups interested in putting on zero-waste events and Beth Lange reads environmentally themed books to children at the public library. And we now have an ongoing relationship with LHS's robotics team. It's all good!

Recycling collections for May, by the way, will be held, as usual, the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (May 5 and 19), 4-6 p.m., and 2nd and 4th Saturdays (May 9 and 23), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. We're happy to note that recycled materials are up 11 percent from last year at this time. If you're still kind of new to recycling with us, check out our website or Facebook page (see below) and learn about all the materials we accept.

As many already know, the St. Johns Lions Club recently announced that they would have to close their recycling operations in June, after providing this service for over 40 years. We were saddened to hear this news, and hope that everyone who used their services—which included the GLR in its early days—will continue to find a way to keep recycling and are welcome to come to our Laingsburg facility.

It's all about creating a sustainable future in our own backyards. Questions or comments? Call Terry or Ellen Link at (517) 651-2005 or Beth Lange at 651-6437, or visit our Facebook page or website (<https://recyclelaingsburg.wixsite.com/mysite>).

Ovid Historical Society

submitted by Karen Anderson

Ovid - Thank you to the individuals who helped in the yard at the Mary Myers Museum last Saturday. In a community effort to recognize Earth Day, a volunteer group worked for several hours helping clean up weeds and debris around the grounds. Thank you also to Scott, at the local Checkered Flag Diner, for providing lunch for the workers.

A special thank you for the annual flowers and plants donated to help make the museum look spring fresh. More room is available for plant donations. They will be appreciated.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 5th at the Mary Myers Museum, 131 W. Williams St in Ovid at 7:00 pm. New Officers elections will be held and a short meeting discussing the 2026 summer plans. Plans include some work sessions, both in and outside of the museum, antique presentations, fundraisers, and social activities to include the community.



Suzie Cole, Ovid Historical President and volunteer, Gage Coohon cleaning yard debris at the Myers Museum



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O-E Class of 1976 Class Reunion

submitted by Daniel Quine

The Class of 1976 50th Class Reunion will be held on Saturday July 11 Noon until ? at the Colony Rd School House and Friendship Park, 5599 Maple Rd, Colony MI 48831

Cost to attend: Free

Let's have a cookout style gathering at the schoolhouse and later socialize in the park. Silent Auction. Proceeds to O-E Scholarship fund. Plan on fun and games!

RSVP by June 30, 2026.

Also this weekend: Fri Night: Pre-event meet up at some local establishment TBA

Saturday: Class Reunion

Sunday: All Class Reunion, location TBA

Contact Dan Quine to confirm attendance and your plus one quinedaniel07@gmail.com or Voice/Text (517) 614-4650



Retired School Personnel to Meet

submitted by Peg Zink

The Clinton-Shiawassee MARS Meeting will be held on Monday, May 11, 2026 at 12:30 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church, 510 Mabbit Rd., Ovid, MI. Luncheon (\$12) is payable at the door. Our speaker is Duane Witter, Lions of Michigan. For reservations, leave your name and number attending by email to rzick5039@gmail.com or call Peg at 517-282-8350 and leave a message by Friday, May 8, 2026 by noon.

Sons of the American Legion Burger Night

submitted by Cindy Suggate

The Sons of the American Legion in Laingsburg is having a burger night on May 16th from 4:30 to 7:00. It is open to the public. It will consist of a 1/2 lb burger starting at \$7.00 and fries for \$2.00. Add ons will be extra. They will also be having Karaoke from 7:30 to close the same night. So come on down for dinner and Karaoke.

Moolenaar Explains What is Needed for a Federal Response to Historic Flooding in Michigan

This month, significant rainfall accompanied with rapid snowmelt led to historic flooding in communities across Michigan. In the last two weeks, Governor Gretchen Whitmer declared a state of emergency in 41 Michigan counties including 13 counties represented by Congressman John Moolenaar. The flooding and severe storms, including a tornado in Carson City, have caused property damage, businesses shuttered, and families displaced. Moolenaar released the following statement on the federal response to this tragedy:

"The historic flooding across our state warrants a significant response. My team and I have been in constant communication with local officials regarding the impact of the flooding. I applaud the dedication of the first responders, and local governments who kept their communities safe during this situation, and are now planning long-term clean up processes," Moolenaar said.

He continued, "The state and local communities are doing everything they can to follow the process to receive a disaster declaration from FEMA to bring additional federal resources to their community. This process has caused some confusion among residents experiencing property loss because of the storm. FEMA is not the first responder when disasters like this occur. First, a governor must formally request for FEMA to make a disaster declaration before the agency can be deployed to a state. That has not happened just yet. Currently, federal agencies like the Army Corps of Engineers, the Coast Guard and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission are on the ground in our state to assist with this process. Meanwhile, the Michigan State Police is collecting reports from residents, property owners, and businesses on the damage caused by the recent weather events. These reports will help the Governor make her request and ensure it reaches the federal government's threshold for FEMA assistance."

"This is a time of crisis and need for families across our district, and it is vital that the process is understood and followed to receive federal disaster resources. I encourage every Michigan family and business owner who has been impacted to submit their report to MSP immediately so the damages can be accurately assessed. I will continue to work with local and state officials and support their efforts to ensure our communities can rebuild," He concluded.

Residents impacted by the flooding or storms can submit their damages to the Michigan State Police.

A state of emergency was declared in Barry, Clare, Eaton, Gratiot, Lake, Manistee, Mecosta, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Osceola, and Wexford counties.

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Obituaries

Mary Louise Howard

Mary Louise Howard, age 83, of Ovid, MI, passed away Sunday, April 26, 2026, at Michigan Medicine, Ann Arbor, MI.

Mary was born in Owosso, Michigan on November 7, 1942, the daughter of Frank and Cora (Austin) Kadolph. She graduated from Ovid High School with the class of 1960. After graduation she received her bachelor's degree at CMU and her masters at the University of Colorado Boulder. Mary married Lyle Howard on December 22, 1973, at the first Baptist Church in Ovid.

Mary was the social studies teacher at Ovid-Elsie Middle School for 33 years until her retirement in 2001. She was a world traveler and spent time visiting all 7 continents with her travel companion Paulette Bird. Her greatest adventures were walking with cheetahs in South Africa, visiting Machu Pichu and the Galapagos Islands. In her earlier years, she enjoyed backpacking on Isle Royale and the Rocky Mountains with Lyle and her children. Mary created glass mosaic stepping stones, enjoyed working in her flower gardens and was a cat lover who kept the neighborhood cats fed. She enjoyed attending MSU football games and playing guitar.

She is survived by her husband Lyle Howard of Ovid, MI; her children: Brian and Lisa Howard of St. Johns, MI; Stacie and Rick Saylor of Ovid, MI; Greg and Gemaya Griffin of Ann Arbor, MI; Tyson and Rachel Howard of Dexter, MI; and Travis and Karissa Howard of Lansing, MI; 11 grandchildren: Jennifer Howard, Jordan and Krista Howard, Dyllan Howard, Ryan Saylor, Chelsie and Jordon Halfman, Josie Griffin, Elke Griffin, Keaton Howard, Zane Howard, Rowen Howard and Isaac Howard. She is also survived by great-grandchildren: Natalie Saylor, Madisyn Halfman, Reece Halfman, Emelia Halfman, Adelyn Howard, Emmarie Howard, Kaden Howard and her brother Hal and Carolyn Kadolph. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers: Gary and Danny Kadolph, her sister Kathryn Kadolph and grandson Michael Howard.

Funeral Services were held at Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI, at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, May 2, 2026, with Pastor Kathy Leydorf-Keck officiating. Burial hastaken place at Middlebury Township Cemetery, Ovid, MI.

Memorials may be made to the Shiawassee County Humane Society Owosso, MI 48867 or Shiawassee/Clinton MARSP. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneral-homes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, Michigan.



Beverly Ann Delaney

Beverly Ann Delaney, age 93, of Owosso, passed away with family by her side April 29, 2026.

Beverly was born on November 27, 1932, in Rogers City, Michigan, the daughter of Michael and Francis (Myers) Mandock.

She graduated from East Tawas High School.

Beverly found great joy in reading, creating beautiful flower arrangements, working on jigsaw puzzles, and traveling to new places. Above all, she cherished time spent with her family and loved ones.

July 12, 1952, she married the love of her life, Patrick Delaney, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Tawas. They shared over 55 wonderful years of marriage before his passing on December 8, 2007.

Beverly devoted much of her life to caring for her family, a role she embraced with love, strength, and quiet dedication.

She is lovingly survived by her children: Frank (Jacquelyn Jones) Delaney, Dennis (Mary) Delaney, Raymond (Cathy) Delaney, Kenneth (Christine) Delaney, Barbara (Mike) Bolton-Chapko, and Karen Delaney; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; as well as several nieces, nephews, and many dear friends.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Patrick; sons, Ronnie and Robert; three grandchildren; her parents; and siblings, John, Robert, and Shirley.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 am Monday, May 4, 2026 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Ovid, Michigan, with Fr. Anthony Brooks officiating. Beverly will be laid to rest at St. Paul Cemetery. The family will receive friends at Nelson-House Funeral Home on Sunday from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm, with a rosary being prayed at 5:00 pm.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Dewitt Retreat Center, Holy Family Catholic Church in Ovid, Michigan, or Owosso Memorial Hospice.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at Nelson-House.com.



Dr. James W. (Jim) Temple

Dr. James W. (Jim) Temple of Sunbury, Pennsylvania passed away on Friday, April 24, 2026, as a result of a pernicious and obnoxious glioblastoma.

Jim is survived by his wife, Kathy, his sons Jeff and Andrew, his daughter-in-law Michelle, his sister Mary, and his nieces and nephews (Sarah, Rachel, Damian, David, Laurie, Doug and Chris). He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Diane, along with a number of beloved Labrador retrievers (Millie, Jenny, Lafitte, Samantha, and Sophie).

Jim was born on June 18, 1947, in Owosso, Michigan to Donald W. and Jeanne I. Temple. He grew up on a farm in Clinton County, graduated from high school in Elsie, and realized from an early age that he wanted to be a veterinarian. He attended Michigan State University, where he once refused to let his roommate borrow his car unless said roommate found him a date. (As he would later explain to his family, Jim wasn't really looking for a date - he just didn't trust his roommate with his car.) That single act of mistrust led to a blind date with Katherine (Kathy), who would become his wife of 56 years.

In December 1971, Jim completed his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. He accepted a job offer from the Sunbury Animal Hospital and immediately took to living in central Pennsylvania like a duck takes to water. Unfortunately, the water did not take to him - no sooner had he learned to pronounce "crick" as a Pennsylvanian than Hurricane Agnes showed him why he should not live in a trailer next to one.

Undeterred, he and Kathy moved to a home on a nice safe hill at the end of 1972. In the summer of 1973, they welcomed their first child, Jeff (who asks that you not ponder too deeply how they celebrated becoming new homeowners). A second son, Andrew, was born in 1976. Together, Jim's sons inherited all of their father's natural curiosity, about half of his mechanical ability, and exactly none of his musical talent.

Jim eventually became partner and majority owner of the Sunbury Animal Hospital. In 2013, he realized a long-held dream by moving the practice to its new state-of-the-art facility along Route 890. He served the community for 45 years before semi-retiring in 2017 and finally relinquishing the practice in 2025.

Jim spent his semi-retirement working as treasurer and board member for the Northumberland County Fair and was a long-time member of the Albright and Faith United Methodist Churches. He enjoyed many hobbies, including gardening, reading histories, hunting and fishing, reading mysteries, playing guitar, reading comic collections, working on model trains, reading farming manuals, rebuilding cars, and reading anything else that he could find.

A celebration of life will be held later this year. In lieu of flowers, Dr. Temple asked that you take your pets for a walk and give them a nice treat at the end (the walk is optional).

Donations in his memory may be made to Faith United Methodist Church, the Sunbury Animal S.A.F.E fund, or the Northumberland County Fair.



Gift of Life Michigan Adds 26 Names to Donor Memorial Tree at UM Health-Sparrow

submitted by John Foren

LANSING - A tree that holds the weight of loss and the power of life grew heavier and brighter today.

Gift of Life Michigan added 26 names to the Donor Memorial Tree at UM Health-Sparrow Lansing, including Tyler Coffey, a 22-year-old from Lansing whose decision to register as an organ donor saved four lives.

Families stood shoulder to shoulder in the hospital lobby in front of the tree. Some held hands. Others pressed hands against the surface where new names now shine.

During the ceremony, speakers passed out white roses to donor's loved ones. Each rose symbolized the gift that the 26 donors gave to their community, giving life, hope and the chance for families to keep loving someone else's loved one.

"26 people said yes. Because of them, many people have another chance," said Christine Wilson, Department Manager of the Neuro-Trauma Intensive Care Unit at UM Health-Sparrow Lansing.

"It's amazing to know he continues to help people," said Kelly Coffey, Tyler's mother. "That's the most incredible thing to me, that he saved other people. Whenever I say that he was an organ donor, people say, 'Oh yeah, that's Tyler.' It doesn't surprise anyone at all that given the option, he would choose that."

Tyler was an Eagle Scout, a multi-sport athlete, a welder, a coach and a volunteer. He was 20 days from marrying his fiancé when a drunk driver took his life. But hours after he left this world, his heart was already keeping someone else alive. Both of his kidneys and his liver also gave strangers a future they were running out of time to have.

"He touched so many lives in such a short time," Coffey said. "He lived life to the fullest. If he was scared, he still took a chance. He did more during his short time on this earth than many do in a lifetime."

Alongside Tyler's name, 25 other organ donors were honored. Each represented a family's shattered goodbye and a recipient's second chance. Together, the 26 names stand as a permanent reminder that even in unbearable loss, lives continue.

The Donor Memorial Tree at UM Health-Sparrow Lansing is part of an ongoing partnership with Gift of Life Michigan, the state's federally designated organ and tissue recovery organization. More than 2,700 people in Michigan are currently waiting for a life-saving transplant.

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Laura Lynn Micka

Laura Lynn Micka, age 58, of Ashley, MI, passed away Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at MyMichigan Medical Center, Alma, MI after complications with diabetes.

Laura was born in Carson City, Michigan on November 18, 1967, the daughter of Raymond J. and Barbara A. (Skaryd) Micka. Laura enjoyed gardening, watching sports, and her grandchildren.

She is survived by her children: Ashley and Bradley Downs of Laingsburg, MI; Brooke and Jason Warner of DeWitt, MI; and Kody and Nicole Coleman of Grand Rapids, MI; her mother Barbara Galehouse and Norman Martin of Ovid, MI; her grandchildren: Tayven, Ezra, Dekyn, Camden, Abe, Arlo, and Emerson. She is also survived by her step-mother Barbara Micka of Grand Ledge, MI; her step-brothers: Troy and Robert Calkins of Chicago, IL; Chad Bryant of DE; her sister-in-law Chris Stewart of Ovid, MI; her friend Rodney Reist of Ashley, MI; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father Raymond, her son Jacob, and her brothers: John and Richard Micka, and her grandparents.

Visitation will be held at Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI, from 2-6 P.M. on Sunday, May 3, 2026. Burial will take place at Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, MI at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the wishes of the family. Online condolences can be sent to



www.smithfamilyfuneral-homes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, Michigan.



Jane (Cerny) McCallister

It is with profound sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of Jane (Cerny) McCallister, who departed this life on April 22, 2026 at home, surrounded by her loving family, after bravely battling cancer for seven years. Jane's unwavering strength and faith throughout her illness were an inspiration to all who knew her, and her legacy will be cherished by the many whose lives she touched.

Born on December 22nd, 1947, in St. Johns, MI, to Charles and Mary (Ladiski) Cerny, Jane was a graduate of Elsie High School, having attended Ola Country School in Pompeii and Ithaca Public Schools before moving to Elsie. Growing up on the family farm, she learned the value of hard work early on by pulling weeds and picking rocks each spring and babysitting by the age of ten. Her childhood was defined by close bonds with her siblings and many cousins, with whom she played tag and Red Rover and shared in the traditions of the ZCJB lodge. She especially loved the music and community of the lodge, where she spent many happy hours dancing the polka. She carried her Midwestern roots and Catholic values throughout her life, always putting family first and welcoming friends with warmth and kindness.

In 1970, Jane's adventurous spirit led her to Tampa, Florida, alongside her sister, Vicki, and two close friends. Though they arrived from Michigan with no jobs and no place to live, they built a life for themselves, and Jane particularly loved her time living on Davis Islands. Throughout her life, she delighted in telling stories of her many adventures and misadventures during her time in Florida and eventually returned to settle in Michigan.

Jane met Doug in 1975 at the Tri-Ami, and they married in May of 1976. Together, they settled on Krouse Road, where for nearly fifty years they cultivated not just their gardens and trees, but a home filled with love and laughter. Jane and Doug renovated their house over the years to welcome an ever-growing family of children and grandchildren. Jane had a gift for entertaining, effortlessly hosting large gatherings of family and friends. She could bring people together with warmth and generosity, always ensuring there was food to spare and memories to be made. For the last several years, she also looked forward to spending part of her winters at Ocean Isle Beach, North Carolina, where she loved being part of a close-knit community of fellow Michiganders.

Jane was born to be a mother. Her nurturing spirit and unending devotion to her children defined her life. She might be the only person in history who woke her children up from naps early simply so she could play with them again, eager to fill every moment with joy. Jane cheered her kids on at every turn, happily shivering through tennis matches and sweating through swim meets, and cheering until she was hoarse at basketball games, never missing an opportunity to support them. She was their most enthusiastic supporter, always present and invested, and her love for her family knew no bounds.

Jane adored being a grandma, and her grandchildren adored her right back. She showed up for them - listening, cheering them on, and making time together feel easy and special. She also had a way of loving people through food: she was famous for her kolache, chocolate cake, pumpkin blueberry muffins, crescent rolls, and pumpkin pies, and no one ever left her house hungry.

Jane also loved animals, and the hilarious stories of her run-ins with turtles and skunks left audiences in tears. When grandchildren were nearby, Jane was always ready with another tale, especially her funny, affectionate stories about her dog, Chloe. In fact, she was lovingly known as "Grandma Chloe" by some of her grandchildren.

Jane is survived by her devoted husband, Doug. Together, they shared nearly five decades of marriage, and were looking forward to celebrating their 50th anniversary on May 15th, a testament to their enduring love. She leaves behind her mother Mary; her daughter Heather, son-in-law Dave, and grandchildren Adam and Jillian of Acton, MA; her son Matt, daughter-in-law Elaine, and grandsons Drew and Evan of Shelby Twp; her son Mark, daughter-in-law Meghann, and granddaughters Zara and Isla of Bainbridge Island, WA. Jane also leaves behind her brother Tom, sister Vicki, brother Dave and sister-in-law Tawny, brother-in-law Gary, sister-in-law Carol and brother-in-law Bill, as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends. She was preceded in death by her father Charlie, her mother-in-law Donna, her sister-in-law Debbie, brother-in-law Bill, sister-in-law Shari, and her beloved canine companion, Chloe.

Jane's genuine spirit, compassion, and generosity made her a beloved presence in the lives of all who had the privilege to know her. Her laughter, wisdom, and kindness will be missed beyond measure, but her memory will live on in the hearts of her family and friends forever.

Visitation will be held at McGeehan Funeral Home, Keck-Coleman Chapel, 1500 Waterford Parkway, St. Johns, on Monday, May 25, from 4-8PM. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at Holy Family Catholic Church, 510 Mabbit Road, Ovid, on Tuesday, May 26, at 1PM with Fr. Anthony Brooks presiding. A luncheon will follow at the church.

Memorials may be made in Jane's name to Nottingham Nature Nook.

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



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Planet Perspectives

by Alison Kozlowski

Emperor Penguins Endangered

The black and white waddlers of Antarctica are one of the most popular flightless birds on the planet. This iconic animal is undoubtedly the penguin. Penguins are adored because of their cute appearance and renowned waddle. However early this month, the emperor penguin moved from Near Threatened to Endangered on The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species.

Emperor penguins are typically the most recognizable species of penguins, due to their distinctive yellow ear patches. They are also the largest, standing up to 4 feet tall. Living in the coldest continent on Earth, they possess exceptional survival skills. They withstand Antarctica's extreme snow storms by huddling close to each other, insulating and conserving heat. The huddle will even shift through coordinated movement to give turns in the center. Emperor penguins also go through a unique annual migration. After mating season when the eggs are laid, the females will journey to the sea to get food for the offspring. The males will stay and incubate the egg by balancing it above their feet and covering it with a featherless pouch. They are even able to recognize each other in the large colony when the females return. They each locate their mate using a specialized call. Then the parents will switch roles; females feeding their newly hatched chick and males traveling to the ocean. Additionally, emperor penguins are excellent swimmers and are the deepest-diving bird.

Despite these incredible abilities, these birds are now endangered due to the impact of climate change on their Antarctic habitat. Climate change causes a dramatic decline of sea ice levels that the penguins depend on. This makes the emperor penguin join the 13 out of 18 penguin species currently experiencing population declines.

UM Health-Sparrow Named Among the Top Maternity Hospitals in the Country

submitted by John Foren

LANSING - University of Michigan Health-Sparrow has been named one of the best hospitals in the United States for maternity care, earning a four-ribbon designation on Newsweek's "America's Best Maternity Hospitals 2026."

UM Health-Sparrow is among only 12 Michigan institutions recognized nationally for delivering high-quality maternity care amid growing challenges in maternal health access. The list, published by Newsweek in partnership with Statista, a data firm, honors 460 hospitals nationwide that demonstrate strong clinical outcomes, supportive patient experiences and innovative approaches to advancing maternal and newborn health.

"This recognition reflects the dedication of our maternity team to every parent and child we serve," said Tonyie Andrews-Johnson, Director of Women's & Pediatric Services at University of Michigan Health-Sparrow Lansing. "We are proud to provide compassionate, evidence-based care that helps families feel supported before, during and after birth."

UM Health-Sparrow Lansing is the pre-eminent birthing center in Mid-Michigan, with 3,300 births annually. C.S. Mott Children's Hospital at UM Health-Sparrow is also home to the area's only regional neonatal intensive care unit.

Newsweek noted that more than 35% of U.S. counties are now classified as "maternity care deserts," leaving over 5.5 million women with limited or no local obstetric services. The ranking considered hospital quality metrics from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Leapfrog Hospital Survey and The Joint Commission, along with patient experience data and a nationwide survey of medical professionals.

"Choosing where to give birth is one of the most important health care decisions a family can make," Andrews-Johnson said. "Being recognized among the best in the nation shows that families in Mid-Michigan can access exceptional maternity care close to home."

To learn more, visit UofMHealthSparrow.org/departments-conditions/all-departments/labor-delivery.



One-Year and Not Out

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As you travel through this unknown territory, it's important to journal your progress because, there will be times which feel as if everything is beginning all over again, but is it? Or is it simply another stage from the start to the finish? When life altering things occur, no one can tell you exactly what or how you will feel nor when you will feel it. Yes, there are stages that you will go through at different times and sometimes those stages will repeat or a trigger will shift you into another space, but ultimately, we are all individuals who endure and process things differently. Your healing process will be completely unique to you.

Just understand that at some point during the healing process you will go through multiple feelings and moods, which are the different stages of your body processing the trauma or grief or loss. There's no set timing or schedule to any of it, and understand that they are all typical stages that people experience as the healing process sweeps through your body and are completely normal to go through.

The best thing to do is to allow these feelings and urges to work through your body when they arrive, because they will arrive at some point. Avoiding them or trying to control or bury them, will only make matters worse for yourself. They come in waves and chaos, only to help you heal not to make you go insane. Although there could be times where you may feel like you're going insane, you're not. It's the process of healing from the trauma, grief, or loss, you've experienced.

Now journaling is important right from the beginning because it'll be your very own reference to look back upon as you navigate your own healing and stages of healing. The cycle or stages will seem to repeat itself at random times and without any pattern to follow. That's when looking back at the journal will become helpful. When you can see evidence of already getting through the horrific emotions once, it'll help mentally with knowing you can make it through again.

Having a support system looks different as well, but is always helpful in moments like these. You can also try holistic things which can help get you through the healing process such as massage to lower the tension in your body, Reiki to balance and ground yourself, meditation for calming your overly active mind, Spinal Flow to release the blockages of stress within your nervous system and help with the emotional blockages which have occurred, along with other modalities available. Getting plenty of rest and eating healthy are essential too.

If you neglect yourself or the situation, the results can be devastating. Physical and mental illness can set in causing a downward spiral into a darkened hole or a deeper depression, anxiety, and possibly even suicidal thoughts. So, taking adequate care of yourself is very important during this type of healing process.

Even though we each will experience trauma, grief, and loss, differently, we still experience it. Meaning those of us who have already experienced a similar loss, grief, or trauma, will completely understand what you're going through because although they were a different situation, both still went through the healing process. So... Remember above all, although you feel very alone in this (which at some point you will), You're Not Alone! (((Hugs)))

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A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

It is time to become more functional... Today was a very busy day at MG's Perx and Pastries, two orders came in at twenty after eleven and amounted to five large breakfast burritos, two sausage biscuit sandwiches, two half orders of biscuits and gravy with scrambled eggs on top, two eggs over easy with lightly toasted white toast and two cinnamon rolls. Plus a lady came in for a baker's dozen of assorted cookies. I finished up the orders ten minutes after the shop closed. I also had to take the five loaves of onion bread out of the oven while taking care of the these orders. It did get a bit hectic... Too bad that I sent Peppy home at ten when we were very slow. I left the shop at two and went to the gas station to fill up my car, it had a quarter of a tank when I started filling the tank. It took me an additional forty-four dollars to fill it. It was a traumatizing event. My wallet was emptied...I think that it cried with outrage!

I'm ready to get my potatoes planted. I have the raised beds prepared and just need to cut the seed potatoes and I found the radish seeds that I was looking for.... If I can also get the rest of the carrots planted, I will be happy. Drat it, I forgot to look for my kohlrabi seeds... My grow boxes are ready to be planted and hopefully I can get my tomatoes and peppers planted. I'm rather impressed (with me) because I still have the covers for the grow boxes. The reason that I'm impressed is because I have been using the grow boxes and covers for nine years and I still have all the pieces. And they, like me are still functional...

My Hawthorn tree is in full blossom, the lilacs are opening up and the rounds of white snowy flowers are materializing on the snowball bushes. My English violets are making a good showing and even the dandelions are bright and appealing. It is very colorful here. Karen told me that she is already picking asparagus. Don't even have mine raked off yet this spring. My lawn is overgrown and I can't do much about it until I get my mower deck back. Maybe I should search my shed to see if I still have my push mower, it must be a "shoulda, coulda, woulda" moment. I best be getting the straw bales off from my yard and stacked for removal. I do hope that they don't pull apart as I move them. Anyone out there have any extra energy that they would share with me??? I know, wishful thinking on my part.

Dang it, I have my grass killer all mixed and had to wait for the weather to be less moist. I didn't get out this afternoon to spray my garden area. It would have made the tilling much easier. My rhubarb is thriving and ready to pick. I shared some of my bunching onion seeds with Alex today and hopefully they will work well for him. I believe that they will do well in my clay soil. Of course my thumb isn't always a green one.

Tomorrow I will be having lunch with Robin at the Country Chef in Ithaca and we will probably check out the thrift store on the main drag in Ithaca. When we split after our visit, I will head up to Mt Pleasant to GFS to pick up product for the shop. After which I will visit my great grand daughter to deliver her birthday gift and to visit with her family. After Elwell, I will deliver product to the shop and finally head for home. There is a possibility that my grand daughter, Noah will be helping me to pickup a daybed at ten in the morning if all parties are agreeable to that schedule. Oops, I still need to get the birthday gift wrapped, I better check my cache of wrapping paper and ribbons.

I will be getting some more four o'clock seeds to mix with mine. And today I was told how to diminish the wrath of the tomato worms by planting marigolds in my garden. So of course I will try doing so, because I really don't enjoy crushing the worms. I would rather view them in the evening when they become moths. May you be prepared for whatever moves into your orbit. Be happy and may God bless you. Can you believe it that Friday is already the first of May, one third of the year has passed swiftly.

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Sports

Dansville Nips Wolfpack Baseballers, But Laingsburg Bounces Back for Split

LAINGSBURG -- The Wolfpack varsity baseball collected eight hits to Dansville's seven, but still fell 5-4 to the Aggies.

Liam Esch led LHS with two hits, even as they fell behind by four runs in the fifth inning.

Titan Sindel took the loss, firing two and two-thirds innings, giving up four runs on four hits, striking out four and walking one.

Harrison Dorman and Esch were a one-two punch in the lineup, as each drove in two runs.

Coach Todd Randall's club moved to 7-1 overall, 3-1 in CMAC play, by bouncing back to beat the Aggies, 12-2. The Wolfpack first got on the board when Liam Esch grounded out, scoring one run. A fielder's choice by Quinton Garcia extended the lead to 3-1 in the top of the second inning.

The Pack scored six runs on two hits in the top of the sixth inning. An error scored one run, Esch doubled, scoring two runs, Harrison Dorman grounded out, scoring one run, Colton Heaton singled, scoring one run, and Jake Rivet grounded out, scoring one run.

Paxton Rodriguez led things off on the mound, giving up one hit and one run (zero earned) over four innings, striking out seven and walking four. The Wolves tallied 10 hits. Garcia and Esch each collected two hits, while Rodriguez and Esch each drove in two runs. Rodriguez stole two bases.

Smith helps lead load Laingsburg offense as Wolfpack brooms Vikings

POTTERVILLE -- Ethan Smith ripped three hits in four at-bats, helping trigger the Wolfpack offense to a dominant 20-1 victory here -- and a CMAC doubleheader sweep of the Vikings.

Smith doubled in the third inning, singled in the fifth inning, and singled in the fourth inning. The Wolves jumped on the Vikes quick, dashing to a 3-0 lead, the big blow coming on Harrison Dorman's two-RBI single that got the party started.

Laingsburg added to their early lead in the top of the third inning when Colton Heaton singled, scoring one run, Smith doubled, scoring two runs, and Evan Lafevre hit a sacrifice fly, scoring one run.

Everett Rodriguez earned the mound win, yielding three hits and zero runs over three innings, striking out two and walking one. Logan Potter threw one inning of zero-run ball in relief, striking out none and walking none.

LHS loaded up with 18 hits in the game. Garcia and Smith each collected three hits. Dorman, Heaton, and Dez Herold all had multiple hits for Laingsburg Varsity Wolfpack.

The Wolf defense was sure-handed in the field and didn't commit a single error. Quinton Garcia had the most chances in the field with five.

Todd Randall's Wolfpack completed the sweep with an 11-1 thumping of the Vikings. The red-and-white snapped an early 1-1 tie with a nine-run uprising in the bottom of the third inning.

Quintin Garcia, Peyton Rodriguez, Esch, Dorman, Jake Rivet and Cooper Morr all drove in RBI with base hits, and Ethan Morr added the final safety in Laingsburg's 15-hit attack.

All that offense was in support of starting pitcher Colton Heaton and reliever Q Garcia, who combined on a six-hitter, striking out 7.

The twin wins moved the Wolfpack to 5-2 in league play, 10-2 overall, while the Vikings stumbled to 0-5 in the CMAC, 5-9 overall.



SPRING SPORTS

Five-inning Mercy Rule in Effect: O-E sweeps Byron

OVID-ELSIE -- Mike Loynes' Marauder varsity baseball team opened Byron's league season on a sour note here April 23.

Suffice to say, the five-inning mercy rule was in effect.

O-E swept to 12-2 and 14-1 romps, both of them 5-inning mercies. The sweep brought the Marauders' MMAC-leading record to 6-3 overall and 6-0 in league play.

The Eagles fell to 2-4 overall, 0-2 in the Mid-Michigan Activities Conference (MMAC).

"It was all around a good performance tonight. We're proud of our two starting pitchers, Trey Palatka and Max Fabus, both picking up their first varsity wins," explained the O-E coaching staff.

"It was another game where we got contributions up and down the lineup, but a special shout out to Brody Howard who hit his first career home run in game 1."

O-E rolled to a 8-1 lead by the third inning of the opener. Lance Wiktorowski (2-for-4), Eyan Fabus (2-for-3), Howard (3-for-4), Lance Brown, Matt Fabus, Dan Topping, Palatka and John Kelley all feasted on Eagle pitching, with big hits for the hosts. Howard drove in four RBI to lead the offense.

Chase Fabus drove in two runs to spark the 14-1 nightcap, with Wiktorowski, Eyan Fabus, Howard, Matt Fabus, Topping, Palatka and Andrew Brown also recording hits for Ovid-Elsie.

Marauders suffer opening losses of 2026 MMAC baseball season

OVID-ELSIE -- Brody Howard, Lance Wiktorowski and Eyan Fabus all came through with strong games at the plate, but it wasn't enough to stop the host Marauders from dropping both ends of a tough MMAC doubleheader to the Montrose Rams.

Mike Loynes' Marauders fell in the first game, 8-2, then watched as the Rams hung on to a 7-6 nipping in the nightcap.

The double-defeats were the first of the league season for the Marauders, falling to 6-2 in league play, 6-5 overall. The Rams leapfrogged O-E in the conference standings, improving to 6-2 overall, 3-1 in the MMAC.

Howard had two hits for the Marauders in the opener, in support of starting pitcher Wiktorowski, who took the pitching loss. Lance allowed five earned runs on nine hits in four innings. At the plate, Wiktorowski had a hit and an RBI, despite the loss.

In the nightcap, Wiktorowski and Fabus tallied two hits apiece, with Fabus driving in two runs. Howard suffered the loss with six earned runs allowed on eight hits in 3 and 2/3 innings. Howard drove in two RBI in game two.

Wolfpack Boys Nip Saranac to Capture CMAC Double-Dual

SARANAC -- The Laingsburg boys track team nipped the host RedHawks, 69-67, in CMAC track and field action here, capturing double-dual meet honors.

Brian Borgman's Wolfpack also ran past Portland St. Patrick, 80-54, to go 2-0 on a bright, sunny afternoon in Saranac.

The RedHawk girls downed Laingsburg, 100-37, while St. Pats also scored a victory over the Lady Wolves, 76-46.

The Wolfpack speedsters were again in fine form, sprinting to 7 of the first 9 places in the 100 m dash. Grey Sequin won the event in :11.59, with Leandro Dolega-Caceres, Carson Helmer, Liam Esch, James Foltz, Charleston Crisp and Carter Conklin also finishing in the top ten.

The red-and-white also amassed a ton of crucial points in the discus competition, with Charles Dehnert, Shaun Mills, Ryan Park, Joe Deshone, Helmer and Levin Ijames all claiming top ten scores. Dehnert won the event with a heave of 145'8."

Helmer, Conklin and Evan Porubsky were standout, top ten finishers in the 200 m dash, Helmer winning the run in :23.90. Foltz and Logan Robinson clocked 1-2 in the 400 m dash, in :52.52 and :53.57, respectively.

Other top finishes for LHS: -- 4 x 100 relay: Esch, Caceres, Helmer, Sequin, 1st, :44.83. -- 4 x 400 relay: Robinson, Foltz, Caceres, Sequin, 1st, 3:36.12. -- High jump: Dolega-Caceres, 1st, 5'11." -- Pole vault: Crisp, 1st, 12'3."

The Lady Wolves were led by Madison Phillips (9'6") and Claire Seger (8'0"), 1-2 in the pole vault; Edie Zacharda, 1st in the 110 low hurdles (:17.46) and 2nd in the 300 m hurdles (:54.83); Chloe Tickner 2nd in the high jump (4'6"); Sophia Hughes, 3rd in the discus (104'2"); and Samantha Magyar, 3rd in the 400 m run (1:15.83).

Bottom of Lineup Carries Lady Wolves to Sweep of Hawks

LAINGSBURG -- The bottom of the lineup came through to help the host Wolfpack capture a 17-1 CMAC softball victory over Saranac.

Jeff Cheadle's Wolves (9-1 overall, 4-0 in the CMAC) followed that up with a 12-0 victory over the RedHawks to complete the twinbill sweep.

Addison Westfall, Alayna Merrell, and Makenna Johnston combined for eight of the Wolves' 16 hits in the opening victory. They scored eight runs and drove in two.

The hosts scored seven in each of the first two innings of the opener to pull away early. Kali Spade hit a three-run homer and Savvy Stirm went 2-for-3, including a triple, with three RBIs.

Skylar Stiff pitched four innings and allowed one run on four hits with five strikeouts.

In the second game, the Wolfpack led 5-0 after three innings before exploding for seven runs in the top of the seventh. Harper Strouse went 3-for-5 with a double and five runs driven in.

Peyton Stahr threw six shutout innings with eight strikeouts for the Wolfpack.

Aggies hand Wolfpack softball girls first CMAC loss, before LHS bounces back

DANSVILLE -- Dansville ran to a 6-0 lead in the opening game of CMAC softball doubleheader here, then outlasted Laingsburg to hand the Lady Wolves their first league loss os 2026.

The Aggies eventually outlasted Jeff Cheadle's Wolves, 13-9, before LHS bounced back to shout the hosts, 10-0 in the second game. The action left the Wolfpack 5-1 in the league and 10-2 overall.

In the opener, Harper Strouse drilled a two-run home run, Savvy Stirm went 3-for-5 with three doubles and an RBI and Ju Ju Latuzek went 2-for-3 with a triple and two RBIs as the Wolves rallied to take a 7-6 lead. The Aggies then took control of the contest with 7 runs in their half of the 4th inning.

Skylar Stiff took the loss in the circle, allowing 10 earned runs on 10 hits in 3 and 2/3 innings.

Laingsburg shot to a 7-0 lead through two innings in Game 2 and never looked back. Stirm tallied three more hits with two RBIs and Bella Latuszek went 2-for-3 with four RBIs.

Peyton Stahr tossed five shutout innings for the win.

Ramblers Nip Wolfpack Golfers by a Single Stroke in CMAC Action

LAINGSBURG -- The Wolfpack boys golf team stood 1-2 in Central Michigan Athletic Conference (CMAC) play following a tough one-stroke loss to Perry on April 23.

The Ramblers walked away with a 172-173 victory, despite solid rounds from LHS linksters Jack Buckland (40), Dylan Koenig (44), Julian Smith (44), Kade McLean (45), Waylon Rowley (45) and Kannon Jennings (147). Perry's Cole Kline was the day's medalist with an outstanding round of 39.

Coach Greg Beavers' Wolves logged a 184-203 CMAC victory over Potterville on April 21. Winning scores for LHS were Buckland 45, Koenig 46, Jennings 46, Smith 47, Callum Knull 57 and Josiah Hawes 57.

Lansing Christian was led by medalist Maddox Mosley (42) in a 179-193 triumph over Laingsburg on April 14. Scores for LHS were Buckland 46, Rowley 47, Koenig 50, Smith 50, Jennings 51 and McLean 55.

Laingsburg boys score 3rd place finish at Wolfpack Open

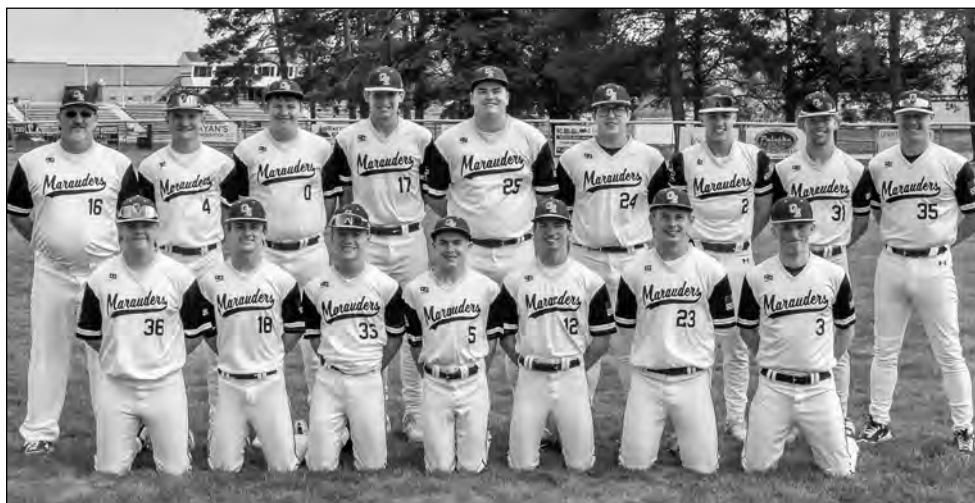
LAINGSBURG -- Dylan Koenig tied for seventh overall, shooting a 24, and Kade McLean and Landon Freeman (22 each) tied for 10th as the Wolfpack varsity boys golf team logged a 3rd place team finish at the annual Wolfpack Open.

The tournament was played in Stableford format, which is points-based, designed to reward aggressive play and improve pace by awarding points based on scores relative to par. Players earn points rather than counting total strokes.

Julian Smith recorded a 17, good for 20th, for the Wolfpack.

Greg Beavers' Wolfpack finished with 98 points for third place behind Plymouth Christian, which accumulated 120 for titleist honors. Ten teams competed in the event.

Meet the Teams - Ovid-Elsie Marauders



Ovid-Elsie Varsity Baseball

First row (l-r): Andrew Brown, Cade Fabus, Eyan Fabus, Kanyon Keusch, John Kelly, Chase Fabus, Blake Fabus. Back row (l-r): - Coach Mike Loynes, Trey Palatka, David Johnson, Maxon Fabus, Daniel Topping, Logan Brown, Brody Howard, Lance Wiktorowski, Asst. Coach Ben Skoczylas. Photo by Ortman Production, Inc.



Ovid-Elsie Varsity Softball

Front row (l-r): Brooke Pugsley, Allie Barnhill, Reagan Fields, Dakota Lott, Danica Levey, Brooklyn Thornton. Back row (l-r): Assistant Coach Keigan Ormes, Ava Juhas, Danica Bancroft, Mercedes Grieder, Laiken Watkins, Isabella Phillips, Audrie VanDeusen, Haley McClung, Head Coach Sadie Casaday. Photo by Ortman Production, Inc.

Ovid-Elsie Sackers will Ride Team Speed, Baseball IQ

OVID-ELSIE -- What they lack in experienced pitching arms, the 2026 baseball Marauders will make up for in team speed, baseball IQ ... and pitching depth, says coach Mike Loynes.

Translation? While O-E will throw alot of arms at you, they may just wear you down with an offense that can score. A lot.

Lance Wiktorowski, Brody Howard, Daniel Topping, John Kelly, Kanyon Keusch, Blake Fabus and Logan Brown all return from a Marauder that stunned both heavily-favored Chesaning and New Lothrop to a MHSAA District championship last June.

"We finally put together 14 good innings," said veteran coach Mike Loynes at the time. "I'm so proud of those guys."

Can the Marauders find more of the same magic? "The conference should be wide open due to the number of (outstanding) seniors that graduated," explains Loynes. "I would expect us to finish in the top half."

The strong core of talent will be joined by newcomers David Johnson, Chase Fabus, Andrew Brown, Max Fabus, Evan Fabus, Cade Fabus and Trey Palatka -- and they will be relied on to contribute.

Coach Loynes will be looking to improve on last year's 8-17 overall finish assisted by coaches Luke Martin, Ben Skoczylas, Jake Loynes and Treagan O'Rourke.

Seven Seniorss Lead Ovid-Elsie Softball '9' Back to Diamond in 2026

OVID-ELSIE - Strong leadership -- with seven seniors -- and valuable experience in the pitching circle will be the hallmark of Lady Marauder softball in 2026, says coach Sadie Casaday.

Returning senior pitchers Audrie VanDeusen and Mercedes Grieder, along with junior pitchers Brooklyn Thornton and Allie Barnhill, provide depth and consistency. Sophomore pitcher and utility player Danica Levey also adds versatility to the roster.

Adding to O-E's proven leadership are Danica Bancroft, Haley McClung, Isabella Phillips and Laiken Watkins.

Newcomers are juniors Reagan Field, Allie Barnhill and Brooke Pugsley, and sophomores Levey and Dakota Lott.

"The team shares a common goal and has shown a strong commitment to working hard together," says coach Casaday. "As with many teams early in the season, some players have not had extensive experience playing together. Additionally, we will continue to focus on improving our offensive production at the plate."

O-E looks to be in the thick of the always-touch MMAC softball race. "With the dedication and work ethic this group has already shown, we are optimistic about our outlook and expect to be competitive toward the middle to upper portion of the conference," explains the 2nd-year coach.

"We are looking forward to a great season filled with hard work, determination, and growth both individually and as a team. It should be an exciting year for our players, families, and supporters."

Coach Casaday will be assisted coach Keigan Ormes for the 2026 campaign.

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May 4: Mt. Morris DH	A 4&6pm	May 4: Mt.Morris DH	A 4&6pm
May 7: Alma DH	H 4&6pm	May 7: Alma DH	H 4&6pm
May 11: New Lothrop DH	H 4&6pm	May 11: New Lothrop DH	H 4&6pm
May 14: Chesaning DH	A 4&6pm	May 14: Chesaning DH	A 4&6pm
May 18: Fowler DH	A 4&6pm	May 18: Fowler DH	A 4&6pm
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5 topics to review with your recent grad

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Sure, check-writing is becoming rarer as people handle more financial tasks online. But if teens have never learned how to write a check, what bigger, more important financial concepts could their young minds also be missing?

Arming your teens with a foundation of basic money-management skills is important.

Parents: If you're getting ready to send your recent grad off to college, or level "the real world," now is the time to review some fundamentals. The next page lists just a few of the topics you might want to discuss.

Even if you've had these conversations in the past, it doesn't hurt to brush up. And if your teen responds with the ever-present eye roll, dare him or her to write a check and prove you wrong.

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Strong Core Comes Out of the Gate Leading Marauder Boys Golf Team

OVID-ELSIE -- Coach Josh Latz's golfing Marauders have gotten strong play from a strong core of golfers charging out of the gate to open the 2026 season.

Briar Ridge GC hosted the Montrose / New Lothrop MMAC Jamboree on April 9, where O-E finished behind 1st place Chesaning, Birch Run, Byron, New Lothrop and Durand. Montrose, Lakeville and Mount Morris rounded out the bottom of the team finishes. Keck led the Marauders with 40, Bancroft 50, Ryker Parsons 51, Tayton Kline 54, Walker Lover 65 and Jacob Fabus 78 in the early conference outing.

Twin Brooks GC in Chesaning was home to the Chesaning Jamboree on April 20. The host Indians again won the day, followed by Birch Run, New Lothrop, Durand, Montrose, Byron and O-E. Keck fired another fine round of 43, followed by Kline 48, Parsons 50, Lover 51, Bancroft 52 and Brady Latz 54.

Wolfpack Girls Win for 8th Time in 11 Tries; Shutout Potterville

LAINGSBURG -- The Wolfpack girls soccer team moved its record to 8-3-1 with an 8-0 whitewashing of Potterville here April 28.

It was the third-straight home win for the Lady Wolves, showcasing another outstanding defensive effort. The lost dropped the visiting Vikings to 4-4-1.

Kierra Rusz blasted in four goals on four shots to lead the Wolfpack offense. Senior Madi Phillips was a perfect 2-for-2 on shot attempts, as was Hailey Jury.

The league win over Potterville came on the heels of a tough, 2-1 triumph over Olivet. Phillips scored both goals in support of goalkeeper Paige Erickson. Raegan Cousineau, Lila Esch, Jury, Gwen Clark, Phillips, Sarah Kibzey, Allie Brasseur, Payge Woodworth and Rusz all peppered the Eagle netminder with shots in the non-league win.



Sports

Marauders Keep Up With MMAC Frontrunners by Sweeping Otisville-Lakeville Sackers

OTISVILLE -- Ovid-Elsie's varsity baseball team kept pace with the top teams in MMAC league play, sweeping past Otisville-Lakeville here April 30.

It wasn't easy -- and then it was. Mike Loynes' Marauders needed 8 innings to win the opener, 9-8, before clobbering the Falcons 16-1 in just four innings in the nightcap.

The action brings O-E's record to 8-2 in conference action, 8-5 overall. Lakeville had entered the twinbill at 3-1 in the MMAC, but the Marauders lowered them to 3-3 in the MMAC, 4-6 overall.

"We're really proud of this team for bouncing back after a tough couple of losses vs. Montrose," explained the O-E coaching staff. "We still have some things to clean up on the defensive side but we were able to overcome that with the bats tonight."

The top of the order blistered Falcon pitching, with Lance Wiktorowski, Eyan Fabus, Brody Howard, Trey Palatka and Matt Fabus going a combined 9-for-19 and each hitter driving in RBI. John Kelly added a pair of hits in support of starting pitcher Palatka; Kelly ended up getting the win in relief.

In the 16-1 second game rout, Wiktorowski, E. Fabus, Howard, Palatka, Andrew Brown, Daniel Topping and David Johnson all hit safely, while Chase Fabus scored three runs. Matt Fabus went the distance to get the pitching win, tossing a two-hitter, striking out three.



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Sports

Wolfpack Sackers Hold Off Furious Hornet rally for Non-League Baseball Brooming

NEW LOTHROP -- The visiting Wolfpack frantically held off a 6-run New Lothrop rally, earning a doubleheader sweep of the Hornets here.

The hosts fell to 4-6 overall with 8-7 and 6-3 non-league losses to Todd Randall's Wolves (6-2 overall).

Laingsburg built a 6-run lead in the sixth inning and then held off New Lothrop in the 8-7 win. Everett Rodriguez collected three hits in three at bats for LHS.

The Wolfpack flipped the game on its head in the top of the fifth, scoring seven runs on eight hits to take the lead, 7-2. The biggest blow in the inning was a single by Liam Esch that drove in two.

Quinton Garcia pitched three and two-thirds innings in relief for the winners, surrendering one hit and zero runs while striking out two and walking two. Paxton Rodriguez was the starter for LHS. He gave up two hits and two runs (one earned) over two and one-third innings, striking out four and walking none.

Laingsburg amassed 12 hits in the game, with Colton Heaton, Rodriguez, Jake Rivet, Rodriguez, and Esch each driving in one run. Garcia collected two hits in four at-bats. Rodriguez stole two bases.

Randall's club earned the sweep with a not-as-harrowing 6-3 triumph. In the top of the second inning, the red-and-white went back into the lead after Rivet singled, a run scored on a passed ball, and Quinton Garcia doubled down the left field line. Laingsburg added one run in the third after Dez Herold grounded out.

Titan Sindel earned the pitching win for the 'Pack, giving up three hits and one run over three innings, striking out three and walking one. Herold pitched in relief, yielding one hit and two runs (one earned) over two innings, striking out two and walking three.

Harrison Dorman and Rivet each collected two hits. Garcia, Paxton Rodriguez, Rivet, and Herold each drove in a run. Everett Rodriguez, again, swiped a pair of bags.

Laingsburg Softball Girls Blast Past Fulton-Middleton Pirates in Sweep

FULTON -- Laingsburg's varsity softball team showed prowess with the glove -- and also with the bat -- when the demanded it, in a non-league doubleheader sweep here.

Peyton Stahr earned the win in a 6-3 victory for Jeff Cheadle's Wolves. The righty allowed five hits and three runs (two earned) over six innings, striking out five and walking none.

Skylar Stiff went 1-for-3 at the plate and led the team with two runs batted in. Addison Westfall, Alaina Asher, Stiff, and Harper Strouse each collected one hit. Harper Strouse stole two bases as Laingsburg swiped four bags in the game.

Makenna Johnston led the Wolfpack's 10-4 victory at Fulton, scorching three hits in three at bats. Addison Westfall, Alayna Merrell, and Johnston at the bottom of the lineup combined for eight of the team's 15 hits in the victory. They scored two runs and drove in six.

Peyton Stahr again earned the win in the circle, allowing three hits and zero runs over four innings, striking out five and walking one.

Laingsburg accumulated 15 hits in the game with Merrell, the number eight hitter, leading with four hits in four at bats. Latuszek, Stiff and Harper Strouse each collected multiple safeties, and Stirm stole three bases.

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Meet the Teams - Ovid-Elsie Marauders



Ovid-Elsie Varsity Golf

First row (l-r): Wyatt Watts, Brady Latz, Ryker Parsons, Logan Strachota, Easton Keck, Clayton Salyer. Back row (l-r): Assistant Coach Dominic Kline, Josh Brown, Jacob Fabus, Tayt Kline, Michael Bancroft, Micah Ladiski, Nolan Rasch, Easton Clark, Chaysen Thornton, Walker Lover. Photo by Ortman Production, Inc.



Ovid-Elsie Girls Varsity Tennis

Front row (l-r): Brooke Nemcik, Addilynn Vincent, Alexis Chadwick, Savannah Stornant, Dylan Masarik, Jasmyn Brantley, Alivia Peters. Back row (l-r): Coach Swender, Ali Kozlowski, Meadow Evans, Chloe Preston, Jolene Hebel, Kailee Parker, Evaley Swender, Lauren Phillips, Addi Roberts, Head Coach Phillips. Photo by Ortman Production, Inc.

Marauder Golf Team will be Led by All-MMAC Returning Standouts

OID-ELSIE -- A trio of all-league performers return in 2026 to advance the Marauder boys varsity golf team.

Veteran coach Josh Latz is looking toward a top three finish -- or better -- in a Mid-Michigan Activities Conference (MMAC) that is loaded.

"Chesaning is one of the best three teams in the state this season," says Latz. "Byron, Birch and Durand have solid golfers returning. We are looking for a top 3 finish in the MMAC."

That optimism stems from Ovid-Elsie own top 3: senior Mike Bancroft, twice an All-MMAC linkster; senior Tayt Kline, Honorable Mention All-MMAC; and sophomore Easton Keck, an All-MMAC 2nd-Teamer. Junior Ryker Parsons also returns as O-E goes deep in its roster.

New to the Marauders are sophomores Walker Lover and Jacob Fabus, freshman Brady Latz and senior Chaycen Thornton.

"Our inexperience in a few guys will be a challenge early in the season," says coach Latz. "(But) our players have consistently improved this off-season. We have some depth so this should continue to push our guys to improve and play well -- to be competitive in practice and matches."

Coach Latz will be assisted in 2026 by coaches Dominic Kline and Tyler Bancroft.

Marauder Tennis Team will Battle it Out with Durand-Again- for MMAC Title

OID-ELSIE -- The propensity for "not giving up."

That's a key trait of the Marauders' 2026 girls tennis team, explains new coach TJ Phillips. "We've got a willingness to learn ... and wanting to improve," he praises, as he welcomes back six returning letterwinners.

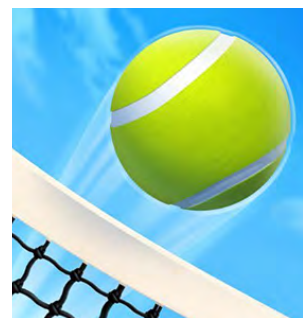
Lauren Phillips, Jo Hebel, Meadow Evans, Ali Kozlowski, Ev Swender and Alexis Chadwick all return from the Marauder 2025 edition that slugged it out with Durand for the Mid-Michigan Activities Conference (MMAC) title. Coach Phillips says to look for more of the same this campaign; the Railroaders and Marauders are the cream of the MMAC crop.

Says the coach, "We've got lots of new roster spots to fill," as he welcomes in newcomers Addi Roberts, Dylan Masarik, Savannah Stornant, Chloe Preston, Alivia Peters, Brooke Nemcik, Jasmine Paul, Kailee Parker and Addilyn Vincent.

Says Phillips, "It's going to be a fun and exciting year, with a lot of growth expected." Head mentor Phillips will be assisted by coach Gabe Swender.

Ovid-Elsie Boys Golf (Revised)		Ovid-Elsie Girls Tennis (Revised)	
May 5: Marauder Cup	H* 9:00am	May 4: Heritage HS	A 4:00pm
May 6: MMAC Jamboree	H* 12:00pm	May 6: Owosso	A 4:00pm
May 12: MMAC Mt Morris	A 12:00pm	May 7: Lansing Christian	A 4:00pm
May 14: Lansing Christian	A 9:00am	May 8: Swartz Creek	H 4:00pm
May 15: MMAC Briar Ridge	A 10:00am	May 11: Durand	A 9:00am
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Meet the Teams - Ovid-Elsie Marauders



Ovid-Elsie Varsity Boys Track

Team includes: Michael Anderson, Will Baese, Leyton Belill, Mitchell Blaha, Toby Brown, Christian Chapko, Jackson Custer, Aidan Doyle, Mitchell Gonzalez, Peyton Harris, Chandler Hart-Butcher, Dylan Henning, Dalton Jordan, Robert Kebler, Destin Kinney, Joseph Kozlowski, Bryce Krueger, Marshall Leavitt, Gabe Lohr, Owen Long, Wyatt Lover, Logan Mason, Jacob Müller, JD Miller, Travis Milner, Braxton O'Bryant, Kane Pupava, Colton Sempsrott, Mason Somers, Brent Spitzley, Brock Spitzley, Jeremiah Stewart, Payton Stewart, Levy White, Coach Michael Reiber.

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Ovid-Elsie Varsity Girls Track

Team includes: Clarissa Baese, Faith Bannister, Audrey Bensingier, Emmylou Blaha, Shaelyn Kinney, Victoria Kozlowski, Abigail Lehman, Kortlynn Loynes, Metta Newell, Callie Risinger, Brena Vincent, Kyla Washburn, Kenlee White. Coach Michael Reiber.

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Ovid-Elsie JV Baseball

Front row (l-r): Henry Remenar, Sam Cooper, Bryce Fabus, Jaxon Chrenka, Kellen Garcia, Blake Palus, Brady Fabus. Back row (l-r): Coach Treagan Orourke, Thayden Raish, Conor McClung, Neil Criner, Eli Willbanks, Levi Stewart, Teagan Ignash, Royce Orta, Nick Topping, Coach Jake Loynes.

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Ovid-Elsie JV Softball

Front row (l-r): Head Coach Aaron "Diva" McClung, Braelyn Lydens, Kyra Witt, Cassidy Fleischer, Kayla Gruber, Marlee O'Bryan. Assistant Coach Stephanie Levey. Back row (l-r): Dana Juhas, Aliana Rodriguez, Averie Powell, Adalyn Polash, Mackenzie Kelly.

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Meet the Teams - Ovid-Elsie Marauders



Ovid-Elsie/St. Johns Girls Lacrosse

Team includes: Kira Schmidtfranz, Lauren McCafferty, Josephine Benson, Ava Casler, Kendall Fox, Peyton Milz, Cameron Brush, Alyssa Singleterry, Annabelle Glothburg, Katelyn Albring, Sydney Johnson, Ruby Williams, Izzy McKee, Marie DeYarmond, Lily Billips, Eden Peele, Aubrey Parkhouse. Head coach: Jeff Draher, Asst. coach: Greg McCafferty.

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Ovid-Elsie/St. Johns Boys Lacrosse

Team includes: Owen Denovich, Reid LaCross, Brayden Bunker, Alexzander Shepard, Caleb LaBean, Camerron Lange, Bryce Foster, Brock Helms, Landen Stevens, Vincent Manas, Ayden Emmons, Hunter Swisher, Calvin Brush, Gabriel McIlrath, Ethan Vogl, Xavier Benjamin, William Wharton, Corwin Scheidler, Dru Robertson, Simon Cook, Jace Faulkner, Hudson Smith, Grayson Maki, Ryan Drown, Elliott Cook. Head coach: Peter Nicholas, Asst. coach: Ryan Nichols.

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St. Johns/OE Boys Lacrosse (Revised)

May 4: Brandon A 7:00pm
May 6: Pennfield A 6:00pm

St. Johns/OE Girls Lacrosse (Revised)

May 1: Jenison A 6:30pm
May 6: St. Johns HS A 6:00pm
May 8: Holly A 6:00pm
May 11: St. Johns HS A 6:00pm

The Ovid-Elsie Soccer team photo and preview will be in the May 10th edition of the Meridian Weekly. The Photo wasn't available at the time of this publication.

Coaches please remember to send in your weekly sports results! tomturek20032003 @ yahoo.com or news@meridianweekly.com

Sports

Eagles, Lady Marauders Split MMAC Softball Doubleheader

OVID-ELSIE — Ovid-Elsie's varsity softball team moved to 4-2 in league play, 6-6 overall with a MMAC doubleheader split with the Byron Eagles.

Sadie Casaday's Marauders nipped the Birds in the opening game, 9-8, before dropping the nightcap, 16-5. Byron stood 3-3 in the conference, 3-5 overall following the split.

Byron got out to a 7-0 lead in Game 1 but couldn't hold it as the Marauders outscored the Eagles 9-1 after the third inning. Audrie VanDeusen and Dakota Lott each went 3-for-4 for O-E; VanDeusen picked up the complete game victory in the circle.

In the second game, Danica Levey went 2-for-3 with two RBIs to lead the Lady Marauders.

Lady Marauders move to 4-0 in MMAC with softball sweep of Montrose Rams

OVID-ELSIE -- Haley McClung collected three hits in four at bats in a 12-2 victory over Montrose, helping propel the Marauder varsity softball team to a MMAC twinbill sweep.

O-E added to its early lead in the bottom of the third inning after Ava Juhas singled down the right field line, and Mercades Grieder walked, each scoring one run.

Audrie VanDeusen earned the win in the circle, going five and two-thirds innings, surrendering 12 runs (five earned) on seven hits, striking out two and walking five. Mercades Grieder appeared in relief.

Dakota Lott, VanDeusen, and Danica Levey each drove in two runs. McClung, Brooke Pugsley, and Danica Bancroft each stole multiple bases as the hosts ran wild on the base paths, collecting nine stolen bases.

Coach Sadie Casaday's Marauders completed the sweep with a convincing 10-1 victory. Isabella Phillips, Allie Barnhill and Brooklyn Thornton combined for five of the team's seven hits in the victory. They scored two runs and drove in two.

O-E's big inning came in the second frame, plating six runs. Mercades Grieder doubled, scoring three runs, an error scored one run, an error scored another run, and Phillips singled, scoring one run.

Grieder earned the pitching win. She gave up one hit and zero runs over three innings, striking out one and walking two. VanDeusen pitched four innings in relief.

The twin wins kept Ovid-Elsie atop the league standings at 4-0, 5-2 overall. The visiting Rams fell to 1-5.

Ovid-Elsie Teams Excel in Varsity White Division at C. Montcalm Invitational

STANTON -- Ovid-Elsie's varsity boys track and field team ran to 99 total points here April 24, grabbing 4th place in the Men's Varsity White division.

Olivet scored 120 tallies to take top honors, followed by Chippewa Hills 110.5, the host Hornets 103, O-E 99, Morley-Stanwood 39.5 and Bath 39. Twelve other teams competed in two other varsity divisions, with Ithaca ending with the highest team score of the day at 190 points.

O-E's top point scorers were Brock Spitley, 2nd in the discus (167'10"); Travis Milner, 3rd in the 200 m dash; Marshall Leavitt 3rd in the 400 run (:52.16); Wyatt Lover, 4th in the 100 dash (:11.96) and 6th in the 200 dash (:23.49); Joey Kozlowski, 5th in the 800 run (2:08.61); Jackson Custer, 7th in the 110 hurdles (:16.88) and 10th in the 330 hurdles (:44.46); Jeremiah Stewart 7th in the high jump (5'6"); and Will Baese 12th in the pole vault (9'6").

In the relay events, O-E ran 3rd in the 4 x 100 (Lover, Custer, Owen Long, Milner, :44.89); and 10th in the 4 x 800 (Josh Miller, Mitchell Blaha, Baese, Kozlowski, 9:23.79).

In the girls Varsity White division, the Lady Marauders scored 19 points to finish behind Chippewa Hills 161, Olivet 58, Bath 71, Central Montcalm 68 and Morley-Stanwood 38. Coopersville amassed 221 points to win the day for the females.

Top point-totalers for the O-E girls: Danica Levey, 11th in the 100 dash (:13.93) and 12th in the 200 dash (:29.51); Clarissa Baese 13th in the 800 run (2:46.94); Kortlynn Loynes 17th in the discus (77'5"); Callie Risinger 12th in the high jump (4'4"); and Victoria Kozlowski 14th in the long jump (13'2.5").

In the girls relay events, the 4 x 100 team finished 5th (Kenlee White, Levey, Kozlowski, Kyla Washburn, :54.28); 4 x 200 quartet, 11th (White, Audrey Bensinger, Washburn, Levey, 2:00.39); and 4 x 400 team 12th (Baese, Bensinger, White, Washburn, 4:48.25).

CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

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

Case No: 26-00338-GC

Plaintiff's Name:

Aspen Flatz

c/o Plaintiff's attorney

Plaintiff's Attorney:

The Law Office of Aaron D. Cox,
PLLC

Aaron D. Cox (P69346)

23820 Eureka Rd.

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Defendants Name:

Rachel Cooper

609 N. Morton St. Lot 17

St. Johns, MI 48879

THE COURT FINDS:

1. Service of process upon the defendant, Rachel Cooper, 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).

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

CASE NO: 26-32841-DE

Estate of

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NOTICE TO ALL CREDITORS:

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CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

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Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$236,325.00

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Dewitt, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 139, Saffron Hills No. 5, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 10 of Plats, Page(s) 25, Clinton County Records. Common street address (if any): 14705 Hardtke Dr, Lansing, MI 48906-9207 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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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.

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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, where-in 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 Orlans Law Group PLLC /s/Sogol I. Plagany Attorneys for Plaintiff Firm Name: Orlans Law Group PLLC Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084 Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400 File No. 25-009646

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$322,280.55

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Olive, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at a point on the centerline of Chandler Road, 2013 feet North of the Southeast corner of Section 36, T6N, R2W., Olive Township, Clinton County, Michigan; thence along the centerline of Chandler Road to a point 1130.6 feet North 55 degrees 29 minutes West from said point of commencement; thence North 30 degrees 0 minutes East 405 feet to a new point of beginning; thence North 33 degrees 0 minutes East 135 feet; thence South 55 degrees 29 minutes East 437 feet; thence South 33 degrees 40 minutes West 135 feet; thence North 55 degrees 29 minutes West 430 feet more or less to the new point of beginning. More accurately described as: Beginning in the center of Chandler Road at a point North 2013 feet and North 55 degrees 29 minutes West, 700.6 feet from the Southeast corner of Section 36, T6N, R2W, Olive Township, thence North 33 degrees 40 minutes East, 405 feet for a new point of beginning; thence North 55 degrees 29 minutes West 430 feet to the center of Round Lake Road; thence North 33 degrees 40 minutes East 135 feet; thence South 55 degrees 29 minutes East 430 feet; thence South 33 degrees 40 minutes West 135 feet to the point of beginning.

Common street address (if any): 3684 E Round Lake Rd, Dewitt, MI 48820-9714 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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Trott Law, P.C.
31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
(248) 642-2515

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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 27, 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): Kelly Smith a/k/a Kelly L. Smith, a married woman and Amie O. Smith, a married woman Original Mortgagee: LAFCU Foreclosing Assignee (if any): None Date of Mortgage: August 7, 2025 Date of Mortgage Recording: August 12, 2025

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$140,072.72

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Olive, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at a point on the centerline of Chandler Road, 2013 feet North of the Southeast corner of Section 36, T6N, R2W., Olive Township, Clinton County, Michigan; thence along the centerline of Chandler Road to a point 1130.6 feet North 55 degrees 29 minutes West from said point of commencement; thence North 30 degrees 0 minutes East 405 feet to a new point of beginning; thence North 33 degrees 0 minutes East 135 feet; thence South 55 degrees 29 minutes East 437 feet; thence South 33 degrees 40 minutes West 135 feet; thence North 55 degrees 29 minutes West 430 feet more or less to the new point of beginning. More accurately described as: Beginning in the center of Chandler Road at a point North 2013 feet and North 55 degrees 29 minutes West, 700.6 feet from the Southeast corner of Section 36, T6N, R2W, Olive Township, thence North 33 degrees 40 minutes East, 405 feet for a new point of beginning; thence North 55 degrees 29 minutes West 430 feet to the center of Round Lake Road; thence North 33 degrees 40 minutes East 135 feet; thence South 55 degrees 29 minutes East 430 feet; thence South 33 degrees 40 minutes West 135 feet to the point of beginning.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on June 3, 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. Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Mark Linkeman and Leigh M. Linkeman to Gold Star Mortgage Financial Group dated July 14, 2022 and recorded July 20, 2022 as Instrument No. 5327318, Clinton County, Michigan. Said Mortgage is now held by Freedom Mortgage Corporation by assignment and/or merger. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$108,850.19. Said premises are located in Clinton County, Michigan and are described as: Situated in the Township of DeWitt Charter, County of Clinton and State of Michigan: Land in the Township of DeWitt Charter, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, described as: The West 55 feet of Lot 45, Supervisor's Plat of Valley Farms No. 1, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 41, Clinton County Records. Said property is commonly known as 1088 W WIELAND RD, Lansing, MI 48906. 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. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Please be advised that any third party purchaser is responsible for preparing and recording the Sheriff's Deed. If this is a residential Mortgage, the following shall apply: 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 COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE A DEBTOR IN AN ACTIVE BANKRUPTCY CASE; ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF A BANKRUPTCY STAY; OR, HAVE RECEIVED A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY AND YOU HAVE NOT REAFFIRMED THE DEBT, THIS NOTICE IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT FROM YOU PERSONALLY. Dated: April 17, 2026

Amount due on the day of sale: \$108,850.19

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of DeWitt Charter, County of Clinton and State of Michigan: Land in the Township of DeWitt Charter, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, described as: The West 55 feet of Lot 45, Supervisor's Plat of Valley Farms No. 1, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 41, Clinton County Records. Said property is commonly known as 1088 W WIELAND RD, Lansing, MI 48906. 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. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Please be advised that any third party purchaser is responsible for preparing and recording the Sheriff's Deed. If this is a residential Mortgage, the following shall apply: 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 COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE A DEBTOR IN AN ACTIVE BANKRUPTCY CASE; ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF A BANKRUPTCY STAY; OR, HAVE RECEIVED A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY AND YOU HAVE NOT REAFFIRMED THE DEBT, THIS NOTICE IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT FROM YOU PERSONALLY. Dated: May 3, 2026

For more information, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the Mortgage: Thomas E. McDonald (P39312) Brock & Scott, PLLC 5431 Oleander Drive Wilmington, NC 28403 PHONE: (844) 856-6646 File No. 26-09774

Amount due on the day of sale: \$108,850.19

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Amount due on the day of sale: \$216,454.57

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For more information, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the Mortgage: Robert A. Blumberg (P87490) Johnson, Blumberg & Associates LLC 30 North LaSalle St., Suite 3650 Chicago, Illinois, 60602 312.541.9710 - Phone 312.541.9711 - Fax File No.: MI 26 7191

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NOTICE OF PESTICIDE APPLICATION

This is to notify residents that Chop will be applying herbicides for woody species control on various power line right-of-ways in Clinton County. The applications are scheduled to begin May 1, 2026 and run through September 30, 2026, pending weather. The applications will use a low volume spray of Garlon 3A (triclopyr) made by Corteva Agriscience and Garlon 4Ultra (triclopyr) made by Corteva Agriscience. Method of spray is: backpack spray unit (though ORV and/or truck-mounted spray units may be used to transport and re-fill herbicide). Re-entry allowed after dry. The specific herbicide used will be determined by the site conditions.

Anyone wishing more information can contact Shaun Howard at the offices of Chop, located at 1505 Steele Ave SW Grand Rapids, MI 49507 or call (616) 583-9821 (office) or (616) 729-2458 (Shaun's cell).

**OID TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS -
NEW DATES & TIME**

2026- 2027

SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH - 7 p.m.

Held at Ovid Township Hall, 1015 Baese Court, Ovid, MI 48866

(Fiscal Year April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2027)

May 14, 2026	November 12, 2026
June 11, 2026	December 10, 2026
July 9, 2026	January 14, 2027
August 13, 2026	February 11, 2027
September 10, 2026	March 11, 2027
October 8, 2026	



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

Estate of
MARSHA LOUISE STEVENS
Date of birth: September 22, 1954
TO ALL CREDITORS:
Capital One, Journey Credit Union
NOTICE TO ALL CREDITORS:
The Decedent
MARSHA LOUISE STEVENS
Died: April 1, 2026
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Steven R. Eckert II or Kimberly K. Eckert, personal representatives, or to both the probate court at 100 East State Street, Suite 4300, St. Johns, MI 48879 within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Steven R. Eckert II
312 S. Scott Rd.
St. Johns, MI 48879
(952) 463-7875

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CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

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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 NORTHEASTLY 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 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

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Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Anthony J. Schafer and Jennifer L. Thomas, husband and wife, joint tenants, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for American Portfolio Mortgage Corporation, its successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 7, 2019 and recorded June 11, 2019 in Instrument Number 5280039 Clinton County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Caliber Home Loans, Inc., by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Twelve and 18/100 Dollars (\$182,712.18).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Clinton County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on MAY 13, 2026.

Said premises are located in the City of St. Johns, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as: The South 42 feet in width of Lot 3, all of Lot 4, and the North 9 feet in width of Lot 5, in Block 64, City of St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof in the Clinton County Register of Deeds office.

405 S Oakland St, Saint Johns, Michigan 48879
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. FinCEN reporting will be required of all successful purchasers, absent a lawful exemption.

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Join Hands Day

submitted by Joanne Fornusek
 Forty six wonderful volunteers came together at the BetterLife Bannister ZCBJ Hall on Saturday April 25th to sew items for hospice patients. The final tally is not complete but over 250 clothing protectors, more than 450 carrot hand pillows, 70 neck pillows and many catheter bag covers were made by this great group. Many thanks to all who came together to contribute to the comfort and dignity of local patients.

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Owosso Farmers Market

submitted by Stephen Schlaack
 The Owosso Farmers Market runs every Saturday through October 31 and is entering its 53rd season. Opening Day is already shaping up to be a strong start, with 35+ vendors expected and 70+ approved vendors for the season. This year's market will feature fresh produce, artisan goods, prepared foods, plants, and more from local and regional vendors. I've attached our 2026 season info sheet with additional details, programs, and highlights.

The market is located on Exchange Street in front of the Owosso Armory, Downtown Owosso

The Owosso Farmers Market is one of the city's most visible weekly community events, but it is also much more than that. It is a critical food access point for many of the most vulnerable residents in our community and the only place within the Owosso city limits where fresh produce is sold. SNAP/EBT and Bridge Cards can be used at the Market Info Booth, Double Up Food Bucks is available, and WIC and Senior Project Fresh are accepted through participating authorized produce vendors.

If your organization maintains a community calendar, newsletter, bulletin, website events page, or other public announcement channel, we would be very grateful if you would please include the Owosso Farmers Market and help share our Opening Day and weekly season information with the public.

Members of the press and local organizations are always welcome to visit the market, take photos, and help share what local vendors are building here in Owosso.

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