

## Elsie Dairy Festival Pageant Candidates

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Dakota Winans



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Parents:  
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Grecu



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Parents:  
Jarrah & Josh Latz



*Ryan Fields*  
Parents:  
Rachel & Pete  
Remenar &  
Chad Fields



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Parents:  
Andrea &  
Nicholas Gardner



*Emeryld Tyler*  
Parents:  
Brandie &  
Timothy Tyler



*Lily Miller*  
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Parents:  
Samantha Salyer  
& Kyle Salyer

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Parents:  
Abigail Collins &  
Steven Orweller Jr.



*Ryah Priestley*  
Parents:  
Jaclyn & Cody  
Priestley



*Reagan Fields*  
Parents:  
Rachel & Pete  
Remenar &  
Chad Fields



*Laila Hoch*  
Parents:  
Samantha Lam-  
bert &  
Benjamin Hoch

## Elsie Dairy Festival Pageant

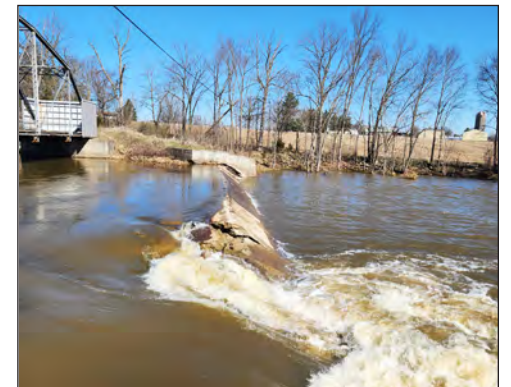
Join us on Sunday, June 7 at 4:00 PM as these 12 amazing young ladies compete for the titles of the new Elsie Dairy Festival Royalty! This special event will celebrate their hard work, confidence, and community spirit. Enjoy performances from Heather's Dance Company, along with a beautiful vocal performance by a talented local young lady. Tickets are just \$4 for adults, \$2 for students, and children ages 5 and under are free. Let's pack the auditorium and show our support for these outstanding girls as they shine on stage!

## Duplain Township to Hold On Site Elsie Dam Open House

by Dawn D Levey

DUPLAIN – The Duplain Township will hold an Elsie Dam on site open house Wednesday, June 10, 2026, 5p-6:30 p. The public is encouraged to attend the event to be updated on the status of the project and to ask questions. Spicer Group project manager Charles Smith will be available to answer questions, as will Duplain Township representatives. The dam is located at 8145 E Island Road.

In addition, a public hearing regarding the Elsie Dam and Fish Passage project will be held Thursday, June 25, 6p at the Duplain Township Hall, 145 W. Main Street, Elsie. More details will be available in the future.

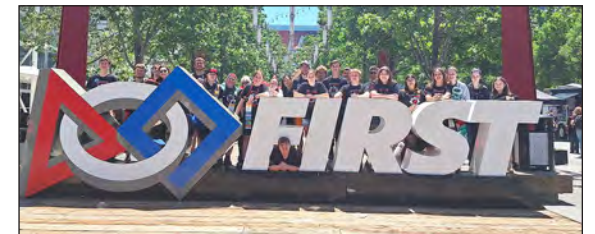


## Red Thunder Robotics Finishes Landmark Season, Looks Ahead to Summer STEM Initiatives

submitted by Leigh Seger

It's been a very big year for Laingsburg's Red Thunder Robotics Team, and they closed it out on a high note by competing on the world stage.

This is the third time in the team's short history of earning a spot to compete at the FIRST® Robotics World Championship in Houston, TX. After excelling early in the season, the team knew this year was going to be special.



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# Social

## Retired School Personnel to Meet

submitted by Peg Zink

The Clinton-Shiawassee MARSP Meeting will be held on Monday, June 8, 2026 at 12:30 p.m. at Clinton County RESA, 1013 Old US 27, St. Johns, MI. Luncheon (\$12) is payable at the door. Our program includes Annual Meeting & Elections. 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, June 5, 2026 by noon.

## Shiawassee County Fair Entries!

submitted by Dawn Reha

The Shiawassee County Fair, to be held August 9-15, is only weeks away! There are endless opportunities for Shiawassee County residents, any age, to showcase their talents at the Fair. Online entry period opens on June 1st and closed on June 15th at 5 p.m.

For those that aren't quite tech savvy, the fair office is taking appointments to help with online entries! Call the office at 989-743-3611 Monday-Friday between 9 and 5 to schedule an appointment. For online entering, you will find a link on our website at www.shiawasseeFair.com on the front page! After June 15th at 5 p.m. online entries will be closed.

Exhibitor's Guides are available at the Fair Office and the public libraries throughout Shiawassee County. Entry information is available at the website or call at 989-743-3611. Don't miss the best week of the year – enter the Shiawassee County Fair today!

## Jack & Tess Are Back

Jack & Tess are back from Texas. Every Wednesday night, they will be playing out front of Twilliger's in downtown Laingsburg at 6:30pm. Come join the fun.

The popular Barn Dance returns on Saturday, June 13th at 6:30pm at 10901 S. Hollister Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848. Barn dances run thru October on the second Saturday of each month (rain or shine). Jack & Tess are joined by Michigan Country Hall of Farmer, Bill Fuller on guitar.

Refreshments available by Ovid's own, Marie VanDeusen.



## Independent Painting at SAC

submitted by Linda Ruehle

The Shiawassee Arts Center is offering another session of Independent Painting with Philip Ruehle, MFA, Artist/Instructor. The six weeks series will be held on Wednesdays, June 3 - July 8, noon - 3pm.

Receive one-on-one instruction while exploring the painting genre of your choice (still life, landscape, portraiture, non-objective abstract, etc.). This is a great opportunity to experiment with something new or to improve upon something with which you currently find challenging. Students need to bring their own acrylic or oil paints and supplies. Mineral spirits will be provided. New session will follow. Pre Registration & payment required: Call 989-723-8354.

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## Stem... continued from front

While their playoff run was ultimately cut short, Red Thunder Robotics advanced further than ever before and represented their community with integrity and pride on the world stage.

"For the students, this is what the whole season builds toward," said Melissa Kramer, head coach of Red Thunder Robotics. "To see their effort pay off like this and to represent our community at that level is really special."

This summer, Red Thunder Robotics is turning its focus to giving back and growing interest in STEM across the community.

You'll also find Red Thunder Robotics out and about in the community, as they have teamed up with the Greater Laingsburg Recyclers to organize food drives for the Laingsburg Food Bank. Every fourth Saturday, the team will be onsite to help collect your donations to help those in the community.

After a season that took them all the way to the world stage, Red Thunder Robotics is looking ahead by continuing to build skills, connection, and opportunity both in and outside the competition arena.

For more information about Red Thunder Robotics Team, their summer events, or ways to support the team, please contact: wolfpackroboticsboosters@gmail.com

## Ovid Historical Society

by Karen Anderson

On Tuesday, June 2, 2026, the monthly membership meeting is scheduled for 7:00pm at the Mary Meyers Museum at 131 East Williams in Ovid. Committees are working toward many more renovations and repairs. Volunteers are working on the exterior grounds with hopes to open for full tours by Ovid Carriage Days. Others by appointment: Call or text 517-282-9222 or follow the Ovid Historical Facebook.

Thank you for the plants and flowers that many of you have been dropping off. The yard is coming along nicely with additional seeding, pulling weeds, and raking. Museum supporters have donated plants, flower seeds, and labor. Eventually, they plan to host groups in the beautiful big backyard for events and activities.

Megan Pettit was kind enough to give a shout out to the team of committees by stating she is "so looking forward for her and her husband to tour that museum. It is so special what you are doing for the community to preserve and enjoy the history of the house and Ovid." Megan has given volunteers rides to work at the house. She has also donated some Dalias's and many of the Hosta's around the gazebo. Thank you again to all the supporters who have donated time, money, and plants and much more.

All are welcome to the short monthly meeting to participate in the mission plans to preserving the museum and the history of Ovid. Light refreshments will be served. Guests are welcome to share their Ovid area memories and family stories, or events.

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## The Village of Elsie Remembers Memorial Day

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – Elsie American Legion Post 502 hosted the 2026 Memorial Day Remembrance in collaboration with the Village of Elsie, Ovid VFW Post 8964, Elsie Area Fire Department and the Ovid-Elsie High School Band.

Post Commander Brian Valentine led the ceremony with an inspirational message of remembrance, while post member Ben DeVries presented a thought-provoking poem honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the nation. Pastor Amy Morrison of Ovid United Church delivered both the invocation and benediction.

The Ovid-Elsie High School Band provided musical selections during the ceremony, and area veterans concluded the observance with a traditional military 21-gun salute.



Photos by Dawn Levey

## Memorial Day in Ovid Honors Local Veterans

On Monday, May 25th, community members gathered for a Memorial Day service in downtown Ovid. VFW Post 8964 members performed a beautiful service, honoring local veterans, Benny Sloat, Ricky Kiefer and Chad Rings as well as all who paid the ultimate price while serving our country. After the service the Ovid Lions Club together with the Ovid Carriage Days committee provided a luncheon for those who took part in the Elsie and Ovid services as well as community members in attendance.



Photos by Deb Price

## Elsie Masonic Lodge Celebrates

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – Elsie Masonic Lodge #238 continues to support the community and this month also celebrated a number of its for reaching impressive milestones in their Masonic affiliation. First, at an honorary dinner event family and friends celebrated with Bruce Levey who was recognized for fifty years of Masonic service and Harry Huntoon was awarded his life membership.



Harry Huntoon awarded his life membership by Grand Master Rod Ridgeway  
Photos by Dawn Levey

In addition, Elsie F & AM once again recognized thirteen students at EE Knight for being stellar readers. Each was given an opportunity to select a bike of their choice. The young readers recently picked up the bikes at the Elsie Masonic Community Center. The Elsie Masons continue to support the Elsie Baby Pantry with their monthly Pancake Breakfast; all donations go the pantry. The next breakfast is slated for May 30, 2026 and June 27, 2026, breakfast is served from 8 am to Noon.



Bruce Levey receiving recognition for 50 years of Masonic service from Grand Master Rod Ridgeway

## Ashley Middle School Act of Kindness to Community

submitted by Adrian Cervini

On Friday May 22nd, 2026 the Ashley Middle School student body did an act of kindness for our community that gives so much to our school.

Students planted mini succulents and distributed them throughout the town and to the residents of the Ashley Healthcare Center.

The students that went to the nursing home did a wonderful job of interacting with the nursing home residents. A couple of the students were even able to get a resident who never talks to anyone, to carry on a conversation with them. The residents were so happy to see us. They had great big smiles and were grateful for the company and flowers. We hope to carry on this tradition of giving back to our community for years to come.

While we didn't see everyone, we hope we brought a smile to your face and wanted to thank you for always supporting our small but mighty school.



### Notice of Public Hearing City of Laingsburg Planning Commission Monday, June 15, 2026, at 7:00 pm

Notice is hereby given that the City of Laingsburg Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 7:00 pm, at the Laingsburg City Hall, 144 N. Woodhull Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comment regarding the proposed Master Plan.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing to ask questions or to make comments. Written comments may be submitted to Kim Hamilton, City Clerk, 144 N. Woodhull Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848 or via email to clerk@laingsburg.us. Oral comments will be accepted at the hearing. A copy of the draft Master Plan is available for public review during regular office hours at the Laingsburg City Hall or online at laingsburg.us.

For further information on this matter, please contact Kim Hamilton, City Clerk, at (517) 651-5374.

Individuals needing assistance should contact the City prior to the meeting.

This notice is disseminated pursuant to PA 33 of 2008, being the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, as amended.

### OID-ELSIE AREA SCHOOLS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2026-2027 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 15, 2026 at 6:30 pm at 8989 Colony Road, Elsie, Michigan, High School Student Lounge, the Board of Education of Ovid-Elsie Area Schools will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2026-2027 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2026-2027 budget until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2026-2027 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Administration Office, 8989 Colony Road, Elsie, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be subject of this hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.  
Becky Williams, Secretary

# Obituaries

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## Walter Ellis "Walt" Miller

Walter Ellis "Walt" Miller, age 90 of Elsie, MI passed away Friday, May 22, 2026, at his home.

Walter was born on August 22, 1935, the son of Ralph McLean and Lila Pearl (VanDuesen) Miller. He graduated from Elsie High School, with the class of 1954. Walt married Marilyn Frances Valentine, on August 20, 1954, at Bannister United Methodist Church, Bannister, MI. They were blessed with sixty-three years of marriage, prior to her passing on November 17, 2017.

Walt was a farmer and loved to tell stories, and he had a gift of gab. His grandchildren were special to him and they called him, Big Papa, and he enjoyed giving his grandchildren rides on his golf cart. Walt enjoyed mowing his lawn and listening to polka music. He played the saxophone in a polka band for many years. He was a member of Bannister United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his children: Lori and Dr. Ronald Mead of Gaylord, MI; Brenda and Tim Quine of Bannister, MI; Carrie and Dave Fox of Bannister, MI; and Scott and Jane Miller of Elsie, MI; his grandchildren: Kristin (Mead) and Andrew Nugent, Cameron Mead, Trevor Mead, Lyndsey (Quine) and Kirt Lover, Chad and Melisa Hier, Justin and Amanda Hier, Randi (Miller) Holmes, and Damien and Kortney Miller; his sister Helen Reha of Elsie, MI. He is also survived by twelve great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Marilyn, his grandson Jason Mead, and one sister Erma Jean Shaffer.

Funeral Services were held Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, MI, on Tuesday, May 26, 2026. Burial has taken place at Ford Cemetery, Elba Twp., MI.

Memorials may be made to Compassus Hospice, 801 South Waverly Road #2100 Lansing, MI 48917. Online condolences may be made at [www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com). The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



## A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

It is 9:40 PM and I just finished mowing my yard for the first time this year. The sun is set and the moon is shining. Granted this is the fourth time that it has been cut this season, I can't decide if it is because of all the rain or lack of applicable mowers is the real reason. That being said I'm thrilled that I am the one who did the deed. To me it is a wondrous job, it fortifies me, a real accomplishment when I don't have to wait on others to get the job done. I am grateful that my neighbor Larry mowed it twice for me and that my son-in-law mowed it once. While Brent mowed, Diane and I gabbed... When I finished this evening I was covered in snowball blossoms and had twigs in my hair. I do believe that I will be decimating that row of bushes on my west lawn. Maybe I can get the twins to do it for me, I just have to figure out what food will please them and what a fair wage will be. Tomorrow morning I need to pick up a hog that was butchered for us and transport it back to MG's Perx and Pastries. Have I mentioned that we are now an LLP? Young Joe came in this morning for a breakfast burrito, he told me that he had been tell everyone who would listen, how danged good our burrito is!!!

Tomorrow I need to finish planting my garden though I will still have some transplanting to do after I have toughened up my seedlings. While at the greenhouses this spring I was surprised at how many folks bought leaf lettuce plants to transplant in their gardens and red beets and even corn and string bean plants... Those garden edibles I have always planted by seed, I can't fathom the necessary patience that it would take to transplant beets. When I'm done in the garden I will have an outrageous number of tomato plants, same goes for peppers and I hope that I have left enough space for winter squash, the Pontiac reds are up and Margie gave me a bunch of Idaho taters to plant... if they do well I will have to can some of them. Of course I'll be putting in some red beets, corn, string beans (some to dill) and cucumbers... And I need to revive my garlic bed.

It has been another good day, I have functioned even though my left leg was determined to give me hisseys. My dishes are done, the clothes are washed and partially folded and my yard is mowed though not yet trimmed. I am thankful that I can still do these things, I am very fortunate. May God bless you with a cheerful attitude and a good sense of humor.

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## World Environment Day

June 5th is World Environment Day! World Environment Day is led by the United Nations Environment Programme, and was established in 1972 by the UN General Assembly. It is one of the world's largest international days for the environment. It inspires worldwide action for a more sustainable planet.

The theme for World Environment Day 2026 is "Inspired by Nature. For Climate. For Our Future." It emphasizes nature's significance to the future of our planet. This topic is pertinent for this year because it highlights the climate issues that are occurring globally; rising seas, heat-waves, wildfires, and melting glaciers. Because of these threats to the planet, World Environment Day 2026 is directing a global call for climate action.

The UNEP global campaign for the initiative surrounds overshooting 1.5°C and positive tipping points. The key messages are climate impacts, the importance of nature in climate solutions, and making cities cooler, safer, and greener. The campaign promotes the idea of every action

being a signal and to read the signals around you and send ones back. You can get involved with the campaign by using the hashtags #WorldEnvironmentDay and #NowForClimate on social media. You can learn more on the World Environment Day website.



## Planet Perspectives

by Alison Kozlowski



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# Sports

# Editorial

## Wolfpack Baseball '9' Sweeps Past Non-League Montrose, 11-1 and 5-4

MONTROSE -- Laingsburg's varsity baseball team proved its post-season readiness, sweeping past MMAC champion Montrose here.

The Wolves' 11-1 and 5-4 victories sent the Rams on a three-game losing skid (including another non-league loss to Ess-essville-Garber) and lowered their record to 12-5. On the verge of the MHSAA postseason, Todd Randall's club moved to 20-9 overall.

In the opener, LHS started the scoring in the second after Cooper Morr was struck by a pitch, driving in a run.

They added one run in the third when Jake Rivet singled to center field, making the score 2-0.

Everett Rodriguez earned the win on the mound, allowing seven hits and one run over seven innings, striking out four and walking none.

Quinton Garcia, Harrison Dorman, and Rivet each collected two hits for Laingsburg. Rodriguez, Garcia, and Rivet each drove in two runs. Rodriguez stole two bases.

A thrilling 5-4 triumph followed in the second game for LHS. The game was tied at 4-4 in the top of the sixth when Morr singled, plating the winning run.

Quinton Garcia earned the win, surrendering five hits and four runs (zero earned) over six and two-thirds innings, striking out six and walking three. Morr led Laingsburg with two runs batted in from the number eight spot in the lineup, going 2-for-3 on the day. Rodriguez also sparked the Wolves with three hits in four at bats. Esch stole two bases.

### Division 2 Charlotte sweeps past baseball Wolfpack, 7-6 and 7-0

LAINGSBURG -- Division 2 Charlotte ran its record to 18-9-1 with a hard-fought sweep of Laingsburg's varsity baseball team ... as both teams prepared for MHSAA tournament play.

Todd Randall's Wolfpack fell to 20-9 with the twin losses.

LHS fell in the opener 7-6, despite out-hitting the Orioles. Liam Esch led Laingsburg with three hits. The Wolfpack fell behind by four runs in the second inning, but then fought back. The Wolves closed the gap by scoring on a fielder's choice and a single. LHS had tied the game in the bottom of the first thanks to a triple by Jake Rivet, and a single by Dez Herold.

Paxton Rodriguez took the loss, going one and one-third innings, giving up seven runs (five earned) on five hits, striking out one and walking three. Rivet and Esch each drove in two runs in support of Rodriguez.

In the second game, the Orioles scored four runs in the first inning, which led the way to a 7-0 triumph.

Rodriguez started on the bump, allowing two hits and four runs (two earned) over one inning, striking out one and walking three. Quinton Garcia led Laingsburg with one hit in two at bats, and stole two bases.

## Lady Wolfpack Twinbill Split

LAINGSBURG -- Jeff Cheadle's Wolfpack softball team has compiled another stellar season topping the 20-win mark. True to form, the LHS coach hasn't done it the easy way. The Lady Wolves can't be accused of playing a soft schedule.

LHS tuned up for the MHSAA state post-season by taking on the Division 1 Holt Rams, earning a split with a 4-3 loss and a dominant 13-0 victory.

The Pack dropped a tightly-played opener, despite out-hitting the Rams. Harper Strouse led Laingsburg with two hits.

Lauren Sonneveldt earned the win for Holt in relief of Abby Fields, holding the Wolfpack offense in check, yielding the two hits to Strouse and two runs (zero earned) over three innings, striking out none and walking two. Skylar Stiff took the loss for

## To all voters in Fairfield Twp

*Letter to the Editor:*

It is that time again. Time for a millage increase for our emergency services millage. For the last 15+ years, your township board has managed to hold our Emergency Services millage at 1.5 mils. This can no longer be sustained without losing fire, rescue, and ambulance services or bankrupting the township. Our incoming tax revenues are being outstripped by inflation and mandated unfunded obligations.

Roughly 8 years ago, we lost Elsie Area Ambulance Service due to rising costs and declining revenue. This was not the fault of EAAS. Decisions made at state and federal levels made it impossible to continue. A second ambulance service soon left our area as well. Elsie Area Fire Department took on Basic Life Support service but was unable financially to provide Advanced Life Support (EAFD Rescue could get to you quicker but couldn't transport due to regulations. That required a separate ambulance). Owosso City EMS was able to provide that service.

Sadly, Owosso City is now advising that they must raise their rates. This is not the only service in our area doing so, other local examples being Clinton Area and Corunna Area Ambulance Services.

There were issues arising in our local fire department over the last year. These problems eventually resulted in the loss of ALL funding from the village of Elsie (estimated at \$30000+ a year). EAFD relocated with the help of many unpaid volunteers. Our part-time and underpaid Fire Department operates on a minimal budget (about \$140,000 last year). With the money they receive from Fairfield, Duplain, and Chapin townships, no FD member gets a living wage. The trucks are outdated by state and federal standards. They are dependent on grants for any new equipment.

Costs for fire equipment have skyrocketed (Google "what does a fire truck cost?") Everything the Fire Department buys must be certified for public safety use and costs more, takes longer to acquire, and has an expiration date built in.

When this year's Emergency Services budget came up, Fairfield Township was able to cover it with reserved funds ONCE. This is NOT sustainable. This is why your township board proposed a 1 mil increase; a total of 2.5 mils for emergency services only. This millage increase is dedicated to fire, rescue, and ambulance services ONLY.

When you see this on the August election ballot, please vote YES. Your life and property may depend on it.

If you have questions, please contact me.

Respectfully,

Tim Riegle, Fairfield Twp.

Laingsburg, allowing three runs on five hits, striking out three and walking none.

Makenna Johnston plated a RBI for the Wolves. Bella Latuszek led Laingsburg with two walks.

In a convincing nightcap win, 13-0, Strouse collected three hits in three at bats. Strouse doubled in the fifth inning, singled in the first inning, and singled in the fourth inning.

The Wolfpack extended their early lead with five runs in the top of the second thanks to RBI doubles by Johnston, Addison Westfall and Latuszek. LHS then scored five runs on three hits in the top of the fourth inning when Strouse singled, Peyton Stahr singled, Ju Ju Latuszek doubled, scoring two runs, and Johnston hit a sacrifice fly for another RBI.

Stahr earned the win, surrendering four hits and zero runs over four innings, striking out three and walking one. Sonneveldt took the loss for Holt.

The Wolfpack amassed 12 hits in the game. Latuszek and Strouse were tough to handle back-to-back in the lineup, as each drove in three runs. The Wolves were sure-handed on defense behind Stahr and didn't commit a single error. Savvy Stirm made the most plays with five.



## The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster

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### Bison: Standing Strong

The Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History has a brand new exhibit featuring the American Bison. In 2016, Federal law made the American Bison the national mammal of the United States and also recognizes the sacred and spiritual symbol it serves within Native American Heritage. The Weekly Sportsman was able to view the exhibit recently and it took about thirty minutes to learn about the biological history of the American bison and of course the role it played among subsistence living practices of the North American Natives.

The Weekly Sportsman encourages all of those visiting D.C. in the near future to see this exhibit. There is a lot of information presented and it can be easily viewed and read even with a moderate number of people working their way through the exhibit. The story of why the American Bison almost became extinct is probably the greatest American myth perpetuated time and time again, however, the story is slowly evolving and changing to show that bison hunters were not solely to blame. The Weekly Sportsman was pleased to notice that the Smithsonian stated in their exhibit that the population high of the American bison was probably closer to 35-45 million and not double or triple that number as experts have predicted in the past. Yes, still a lot of bison roaming the country but a much lower number which could be impacted by a lot of different changes and pressures applied to the herd. Despite a more realistic and lower estimated herd size, the exhibit still stuck with the three traditional age-old excuses of hunters with more accurate rifles, railroads, and improvements in the tanning process. But that is for further discussion....

As mentioned earlier, if you have a chance to visit the exhibit please do so. In the age of high priced places in D.C. this museum and exhibit remain free.

-WS



### Have a Question for Andy?

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P.O. Box 11, Ovid, MI 48866

Dear Andy,

I read your advice on the letter written to you from "Retired but Lonely." It really hit home for me. I wanted to thank you so much for the advice of getting together with former colleagues. I set it up and some of us had a 3 hour lunch and looking forward to next month with the whole gang. A few of us are making other plans, as well. Thank you again so much for the ideas in the column from a couple of weeks ago. Feeling joyful with friends, again. Alice M.

Dear Alice,

Thanks for the feedback and response. READERS: Please send your questions or concerns to me. That plaque hanging on my office wall recognizes me as a certified mediator. I am happy to help out or make recommendations for any conflicts. If I do not know myself, I have lunch and many phone conversations with my professional colleagues quite often. Andy... Ask\_andy@aol.com or askandyforadvice@gmail.com.

# Laingsburg Springtime Festival Memories



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Twilliger's Tavern held a contest where customers placed a guess as to how many pounds of French fries would be sold at the bar during the Springtime Festival last weekend. Angela Fischer was the winner, she guessed 369 pounds, the exact number of pounds sold.



(l-r) Parade Marshals Troy and Shannon Graham. Queen and King Barb and Gary Kooner.



The Scott and Marcy Singers

## Cook Comes Away as Big Raffle Winner, But the Community is Bigger Winner With Springtime Festival

LAINGSBURG -- Overcoming a number of challenges -- particularly from Mother Nature -- the Laingsburg Lions Club pulled together to deliver another outstanding Springtime Festival for the community.

For the 43rd consecutive year, the Lions organized and hosted one of the biggest annual events on the Laingsburg calendar. And, while it didn't come off without a hitch or two, the event raised several thousand dollars -- all of which goes directly back into the community.

Lions officials named another successful parade, some outstanding live music, a jam-packed arts and crafts show, and eight impressive raffle ticket prizes given away, and a rock-solid 43-year partnership with Arnold Amusements as highlights of the 43rd annual festival.

Arnold Amusements has provided the carnival for every one of the festivals, and they are lauded as one of the cleanest, safest amusement companies in the country.

Richard Cook was the winner of the biggest raffle prize, a customized golf cart. Other raffle winners were Doug Chavell (\$1,000 weekend getaway), Dan Miller (\$600 mystery prize), Larry Sparkes (\$500 cash), Melissa Brandes (\$400 in local gift cards), Guy Unkle (\$300 cash), Cody Hopkins (\$200 cash) and A.J. Presley (\$100 cash).

Most-recent recipients of Lions Club grants have been Red Thunder Robotics, Bates-Scout Park, the Laingsburg Public Library, Lions Bear Lake Camp and the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation. In addition, the Lions host community events like free spaghetti dinners, free turkey dinner at Thanksgiving, and the annual Easter Egg Hunt.



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# Sports

## Yellowjackets Sweep Past Lady Marauders Softball Team, 13-3 and 15-2

ITHACA -- The host Yellowjackets ran their overall record to 17-5 with double-digit wins over Ovid-Elsie's softball team here.

Sadie Casaday's Marauders fell 13-3 and 15-2, seeing their record lowered to 9-13 overall following the non-league action.

In the opener, the 'Jackets scored nine runs in the third inning, to overcome O-E's early 1-0 lead.

Danica Levey took the loss for Ovid-Elsie, going three innings, giving up nine runs on 10 hits, striking out two and walking two. Haley McClung went 1-for-1 at the plate and led the Marauders with two runs batted in. Levey went 2-for-2 at the plate.

In the second game, Ovid-Elsie had trouble keeping up with Ithaca in a 15-2 loss. The Marauders got on the board in the top of the first inning after Mercedes Grieder grounded out, and Isabella Phillips singled down the left field line, for a quick 2-0 lead. Ithaca scored six runs on five hits in the bottom of the second inning to turn the tables enroute to the win.

Audrie VanDeusen took the loss in one and one-third innings, surrendering eight runs (seven earned) on seven hits, striking out none and walking two.

Phillips, McClung, and Danica Bancroft each collected O-E hits. Phillips and Grieder each drove in one run.

### Lady Marauders advance in MHSAA softball district, 6-3 over Montrose

MONTROSE — Brooklyn Thornton and Danica Levey delivered clutch two-base hits, busting open a tight game, leading Ovid-Elsie to a MHSAA District 94 victory to open the state softball postseason.

The 6-3 win completed a season sweep of the conference-rival Rams, and lifted Sadie Casaday's club to 9-13 overall heading into a District semifinal matchup vs. Durand.

Montrose opened the scoring in the first, but O-E tied things up on doubles by Thornton and Levey for a 4-1 cushion in the top of the fourth.

Audrie VanDeusen earned the win, giving up eight hits and three runs over seven innings, striking out six and walking seven.

Dakota Lott led O-E with two hits in three at bats. Haley McClung drew two walks.

Lott and McClung each swiped a base for the victors.

## Baseball Marauders Sweep Past Dragons to Run Record to 16-9

SAGINAW -- Ovid-Elsie's outstanding 2026 baseball season continued here with a sweep of the Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy (SASA) Dragons.

Mike Loynes' Marauders scored 17-2 and 19-6 victories, enroute to their 15th and 16th wins and an overall 16-9 record as they tuned up for the MHSAA postseason.

The Dragons fell to 3-17 with the brooming.

O-E's Max Fabus went the distance in the four-inning mercy-rule win in game one, tossing a three-hitter while striking out 7 and walking one. Dan Topping (3 RBI), Brody Howard (2) and Levi Stewart (2) were the big run-producers in the heart of the O-E order. Trey Palatka led the offense with 3 hits in 4 at-bats, while leadoff man Luke Wiktorowski went 2-for-4 with a RBI. Eyan Fabus, Howard, Fabus, Kanyon Keusch and Stewart also added hits; Howard supplied the big bash with a triple.

Chase Fabus and Eyan Fabus teamed up on a one-hitter in an error-filled game two, striking out 13 and walking 6. The Dragon and Marauder defenses combined for 11 errors -- but O-E was never threatened for the win, building a 12-0 lead before SASA rallied for six runs in the bottom of the 3rd.

Wiktorowski continued his blazing play at the plate, going 4-for-5 with three RBI. Howard, Max Fabus, Nick Topping, Chase Fabus, Jaxon Chrenka and Cade Fabus all supplied hits in a 12-hit attack the overwhelmed the Dragons.

### 4-0, 6-3 wins give O-E sweep of Montcalm, 18th win in 39 games

OVID-ELSIE — Daniel Topping swatted his first career home run — in his final home twinbill — and the host Marauders improved to 18-11 with a non-league sweep of Central Montcalm.

Mike Loynes' baseball '9' ... "pitched well, played good defense, and got timely hits tonight. Now we just have to carry that into tomorrow and districts on Saturday," he explained.

Luke Wiktorowski went the the distance to earn the game one shutout. The sterling two-hitter showcased 11 strikeouts and just two walks. O-E's six-hit attack was sparked by Wiktorowski, Brody Howard, Topping, Trey Palatka, Max Fabus and Logan Brown.

The nightcap was played closer to the vest, as Loynes' club took advantage of some Hornet miscues for a 6-3 victory. The Marauders rallied from an early 2-1 deficit with a 5-spot in the bottom of the fifth. Eyan Fabus, Howard, Kanyon Keusch and Chase Fabus supplied the big hits in support of winning hurler Palatka, who fired five shutdown innings in relief of starter Howard.

## Wolfpack Boys Stun Perry, Race to 2nd Place in CMAC Track

PERRY -- Laingsburg's varsity boys track team shocked the once-unbeaten Perry Ramblers, finishing second only to powerhouse Pewamo-Westphalia at the annual CMAC Track and Field Championships at Perry HS.

The LHS effort was highlighted by Keaton Dietz, the CMAC champion in the 300 m hurdles in :41.62 -- almost a full second quicker than the runnerup, Hudson Fedewa of Fowler.

Too, the 'Pack quartet of Logan Robinson, James Foltz, Carson Helmer and Dietz teamed up as league champs in the 4x400 relay (3:31.52).

P-W, not surprisingly, owned the League Meet with 159 points, followed by Brian Borgman's Wolfpack at 86, Perry 68, Fowler 65, Saranac and Bath tied at 62, Portland St. Patrick 53, Potterville 37, Dansville 36 and Lansing Christian 32.

P-W stymied the Wolfpack in one of their specialties -- the sprint events. Grey Sequin busted through for LHS for a 3rd place in the 100 m dash in :11.07, and 2nd in the 200 m in :23.20.

Logan Robinson and James Foltz clocked 4th and 5th in the 400 m in :52.80 and :53.52, respectively.

Dietz finished in :17.29 to grab 8th place in the 110 m hurdles.

LHS got top efforts in the field events from Shaun Mills (42'8.5") and Charles Dehnert (42'5") in the shot put; Dehnert 2nd in the discus (145'4"); Dolega-Caceres 3rd in the high jump (6'1"); and Crisp (11'0"): 4th in the pole vault.

In the relay events, LHS impressed in the 4x100 -- Kietz, Dolega-Caceres, Carson Helmer and Sequin the runners-up in :45.89.

The Wolves placed 3rd in the 4x200, Charleston Crisp, Carter Conklin, Foltz and Sequin zipping to 1:36.42.





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COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS. Commonly known as 511 S Church St, Saint Johns, MI 48879. The redemption period will be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after the statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241, the redemption period will be 1 month from the date of such sale. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes pursuant to MCL 600.3240(16), the redemption period is 1 year from the date of such sale. The redemption period may be extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Date of Notice: 05/10/2026. Codilis & Moody, P.C. 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (313) 536-2500. This law firm is a debt collector. C&M File 23-26-00224

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gan, thence East 396 feet, thence South 176 feet, thence West 396 feet, thence North 176 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 15095 WOOD RD, LANSING, MI 48906 If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. \*Modified by a loan modification dated February 13, 2024 and recorded February 23, 2024 as Document Number: 5342411, Clinton County Records. \*Modified by a loan modification dated April 10, 2025 and recorded May 6, 2025 as Document Number: 5353838, Clinton County Records. Dated: May 24, 2026 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Fifth Third Bank, National Association, FKA Fifth Third Bank as successor by merger to Fifth Third Mortgage Company 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 25MI00797-1

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**ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC, MAY BE DEEMED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450, Alpharetta, GA 30004 ph:470-321-7112** Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 A.M. on June 24, 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): DAVID CHAPKO. Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by DAVID CHAPKO to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS MORTGAGEE, AS NOMINEE FOR UNION HOME MORTGAGE CORP., for a mortgage dated June 18, 2020, and recorded on November 03, 2020, as Instrument Number 5300269 in the Clinton County Register of Deeds. Said mortgage was assigned by said Mortgagee to NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC, now operating as ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE,

LLC, as documented by an assignment dated January 29, 2024, and recorded on February 5, 2024, as Instrument Number 5341988 in the CLINTON County Register of Deeds, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$126,201.46. 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 June 24, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. Said premises are located in the city of ELSIE in CLINTON County, Michigan and are described as: LOT 7 AND THE WEST 1/2 OF LOT 8, KAY - MARIE SUBDIVISION, VILLAGE OF ELSIE, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 4 OF PLATS, PAGE 1, CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS. Property Address: 229 W ELM ST., ELSIE, MI 48831 Tax ID No. 061-140-000-007-00 The redemption period shall be Six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. 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. ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC Mortgagee/Assignee May 24, 2026 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Mortgagee/Assignee 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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Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judiciary 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 24, 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 Nathan Hoard and Shawn Hoard, husband and wife, to PNC Mortgage, a division of PNC Bank, National Association, Mortgagee, dated September 25, 2014 and recorded October 27, 2014 in Instrument Number 5220735 Clinton County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred Seven and 69/100 Dollars (\$113,807.69).

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 JUNE 24, 2026.

Said premises are located in the Township of Bath, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as: PART OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26, T5N, R1W, BATH TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 26; THENCE S86°30'24"E, 1321.75 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 2, PAGE 850 OF THE CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE S03°33'24"W, 1320.38 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26, AS

RECORDED IN LIBER 2, PAGE 851 OF THE CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE CONTINUING S03°33'24"W, 20.65 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26, RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NO. 5086591 OF THE CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE CONTINUING S03°33'24"W, 330.00 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING S03°33'24"W, 148.50 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE; THENCE N88°22'56"W, 1326.19 FEET PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 26 TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 26; THENCE N03°40'12"E, 148.51 FEET ALONG SAID WEST LINE; THENCE S88°22'56"E, 1325.90 FEET PARALLEL WITH SAID SOUTH LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. EASEMENT A: A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, BATH TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE SURVEYED BOUNDARY OF SAID EASEMENT DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 26; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 1797.20 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST 1025.31 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS EASEMENT DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 86 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST 300.00 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID EAST LINE 16.30 FEET; THENCE NORTH 96 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST 300.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 03 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE 16.30 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. EASEMENT B: A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, BATH TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE SURVEYED BOUNDARY OF SAID EASEMENT DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 26; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 1648.81 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES

26 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST 935.39 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS EASEMENT DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 86 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST 389.62 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID EAST LINE 33.34 FEET; THENCE NORTH 86 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 05 SECONDS WEST 389.62 FEET; THENCE NORTH 03 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE 33.34 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING 15340 Upton Rd, East Lansing, Michigan 48823

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of 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.

Dated: May 24, 2026

File No. 26-002606

Firm Name: Orlans Law Group PLLC

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

Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT NOTICE TO CREDITORS DECEDENT'S ESTATE/TRUST

### TO ALL CREDITORS:

The Settlor, JACK R. MCVICKER

Date of birth: August 11, 1935

Died: May 5, 2026.

There is no personal representative of the settlor's estate to whom letters of administration have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Jack R. McVicker Living Trust

dated June 9, 2011, and any amendments thereto, will be forever barred unless presented to Michael R. McVicker, Trustee, within four months after the date of publication.

Notice is further given that the Trust will thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT NOTICE TO CREDITORS DECEDENT'S ESTATE/TRUST

Trust of

WILLIAM R. POST, JR., Deceased,

Date of Birth: February 3, 1939

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent,

WILLIAM R. POST, JR.

Died on February 22, 2026.

Creditors of the decedent are notified

that all claims against the estate

will be forever barred unless presented

to the trustee of the William R. Post, Jr.

and Sun Ok Post Trust dated August

14, 2023 at 4623 Richmond NW,

Grand Rapids, Michigan 49534

within 4 months after the date of

publication of this notice.

Terry L. Post

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT NOTICE TO CREDITORS DECEDENT'S ESTATE/TRUST

The Grantor, ALAN C. STEWART,

whose date of birth was April 8, 1968,

who lived at 3531 Alward Road,

Laingsburg, Michigan 48848, died on

April 23, 2026.

Currently there is no Personal Representative for a probate estate of the

Grantor to whom Letters of Authority

have been issued. Creditors of the

grantor/decedent are notified that all

claims against

The Alan C. Stewart Revocable

Trust dated November 12, 2019 will be

forever barred unless presented to the

trustee, Matthew Stewart, or to the

Gallagher Law Firm, PLC, Attn: Craig

S. Gerard, at 6025 N. Hagadorn Road,

East Lansing, Michigan 48823, within 4

months after the date of publication of

this notice.

Matthew Stewart

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## Recycling and Food Waste

submitted by Ellen Link

Put us on your calendar before you forget: GLR's recycling facility will be open for business, as usual, the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (June 2 and 16), 4-6 p.m., and 2nd and 4th Saturdays (June 13 and 27), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Those who will be going to the St. Johns Lions' Club recycling site, which will close down on June 19 after more than 40 years of benefitting the community--are welcome to join us.

By now you're probably aware that we've added food scraps (leftovers, spoiled food, meat bones and grease, etc.), the single most common material landfilled and incinerated in the U.S., to our long list of "recyclables." If you aren't already in our program, consider giving it a try. Get all the information you need the next time you're at our facility. Because we pay to have the food scraps hauled away to be made into compost (which sequesters carbon, enriches the soil and decreases greenhouse gas emissions) and the program must be self-sustaining, we must now ask for a donation of \$1.00 for 2 BPI-certified compostable food scrap bags (though one can simply bring food scraps in a bucket or other container).

It is encouraging to see more organizations putting on "zero-waste" events, like the LBCA's annual Pancake Breakfast and a similar event being considered by Owosso's Rotary Club. But what does "zero-waste" really mean? Is there really no waste created at all? We wish it were so, but thus far the term usually applies only to the compostable leftover food and the plates, utensils and napkins. That's a lot of waste diverted, but there still remain the containers in which the various foods and condiments (e.g., syrup, pancake mix, margarine, etc.) came, which might be recyclable if first rinsed out. Often a variety of beverage containers are also left.

Also encouraging: We were recently contacted by Sue Dekorte of the Laingsburg Food Bank, who wondered if they might partner with us to keep their leftover produce/ food scraps out of the landfill. We are happy to announce that this plan will go forward, with the assistance of and to the satisfaction of all. That's community-building at work!

On another note: Per the requirements of legislation passed in 2022, each county is currently developing new recycling ("Materials Management") plans. Citizens need to let their local officials know what they want their county and local community to offer in these new plans. Attending public meetings or sending notes to your commissioners or other elected officials will help ensure that those plans better meet the needs of citizens and the generations to follow.

Next month we'll tell you more about Shiawassee County's Hazardous Household Waste Collection, to be held on July 18, and give a shout-out to the annual must-see Lansing ScrapFest. 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.

## CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY ADVERTISEMENT

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EAST, 331.50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST, 444.40 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 57 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, 98.15 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 46 SECONDS WEST, 266.88 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 57 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, 211.00 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF PRICE ROAD TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as 8515 Price Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848. The redemption period will be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after the statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241, the redemption period will be 1 month from the date of such sale. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes pursuant to MCL 600.3240(16), the redemption period is 1 year from the date of such sale. The redemption period may be extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Date of Notice: 05/10/2026. Codillis & Moody, P.C. 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (313) 536-2500. This law firm is a debt collector. C&M File 23-26-00262

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### Ovid Township Accepting Letters for Library Appointment Position

Ovid Township is accepting letters of interest for the Ovid Library Board position that is open. Please let us know your qualifications, and why you would be an asset to the Library Board. You must be a resident of Ovid Township. Submit letters to P.O. Box 136, Ovid, MI 48866, or drop in the drop box at the Township Offices, 1015 Baese Court, Ovid, MI, or you can send an email to ovidtownshipclerk@gmail.com. Letters are due by Monday, June 8, 2026. The decision will be made at the Township Board meeting on June 11, 2026. Thank you.

Claudia Barrett Pluger, Clerk  
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## Lady Marauders 6th at Krupp-Long MMAC Championships in Track & Field

DURAND -- The Ovid-Elsie girls track team ran 6th with 66.5 team points at the at Krupp-Long MMAC Championships at Roundhouse Stadium here.

The aptly-dubbed meet honored the Krupp family contributions from New Lothrop, and the Long family influence from Ovid-Elsie, most notably with the recent passing of longtime, legendary coach Doug Long near the onset of the 2026 campaign.

Chesaning amassed 180 team points to win the 2026 crown. New Lothrop scored 122, Birch Run 83, Montrose 76, O-E 66.5, Durand 57, Mount Morris 24, Byron 23.5 and Lakeville 2.

The Marauders' top finishers were Emmylou Blaha 3rd in the 200 m dash, Danica Levey 4th in the 100 dash, Kyla Washburn 4th in the 400 m, Clarissa Baese 3rd in the 800 and 4th in the 1600, Abigail Lehman 4th in the shot put and 8th in the discus, Callie Risinger 8th in the long jump and Kortlynn Loynes 10th in the long jump.

Blaha, Kenlee White, Victoria Kozlowski and Levey were MMAC champions in the 4x100 relay. The Marauders were runners-up in the 4x200 (White, Blaha, Kozlowski, Washburn). Audrey Bensinger, White, Baese and Washburn clocked 5th in the 4x400.

## Sports

### Ovid-Elsie Thinclads Push Chesaning, Finish as MMAC Runners-up for 2026

DURAND -- The Ovid-Elsie boys track team pushed the Chesaning Indians -- perhaps more than they've been pushed all season -- before finishing as the runnerup in the 2026 MMAC track and field season.

The event was the Krupp-Long MMAC Championships at Roundhouse Stadium here. The aptly-dubbed meet honored the Krupp family contributions from New Lothrop, and the Long family influence from Ovid-Elsie, most notably with the recent passing of longtime, legendary coach Doug Long near the onset of the 2026 campaign.

Chesaning scored 158.5 team points to 122.5 for O-E, when the dust settled. Birch Run pointed 96, Montrose 78, New Lothrop 64, Lakeville 55, Byron 39, the host Railroaders 38 and Mount Morris 4.

Ovid-Elsie's top finishers were Brock Spitzley conference champion in the discus, Wyatt Lover, 1st in the 200 m dash and 2nd in the 100 m dash, Marshall Leavitt and Travis Milner 1-2 in the 400 m run, Josh Miller 13th in the 800 m, Will Baese 4th in the 3200, and 8th in the pole vault, Jackson Custer 2nd in the 300 m hurdles and 3rd in the 110 hurdles, Braxton O'Bryant 2nd in the shot put, Jeremiah Stewart 3rd in the high jump, and Kane Pupava 10th in the long jump.

Lover, Custer, Owen Long and Milner were MMAC champs in the 4x100 relay. Lover, Long, Leavitt and Milner were conference kingpins in the 4x200 relay. Mitchell Blaha, Stewart, Baese and Miller were 5th in the 4x800 relay, and Leyton Belill, Robert Kebler, Colton Semptstrott and Toby Brown ran 7th in the 4x400 relay.

### Woodworth Hat Trick, Wolf 'D' Advances Soccer Team in Districts

LAINGSBURG — Payge Woodworth scored three goals — backing up Paige Erickson's excellent play in goal — and Laingsburg's girls varsity soccer team advanced in MHSAA postseason tournament play.

The Wolfpack's 6-2 victory over Livingston Christian moved coach John Hill's Wolves to 13-6 overall, and into another neighborhood showdown with tourney favorite Bath. The Bees swept LHS in the regular season enroute to a 10-0 CMAC championship season.

The Wolfpack rang out 28 shots on the Livingston goal, with Kierra Ruz scoring twice and Gwen Clark booting in the other goal.

The Wolfpack hosted the Bees in the District showdown on Thursday afternoon.

### Bath Soccer Girls Have Just Enough to Get Past Wolfpack for a 3rd Time

LAINGSBURG -- Throughout a stellar girls soccer season, there was one hurdle -- one bump in the road -- coach John Hill's Wolfpack couldn't get over.

The Bath Bees were that bump. The Bees completed a season sweep of LHS, ending the Wolves' season, with a 2-1 MHSAA District win at the Wolfpack Athletic Complex.

But it wasn't easy.

The Lady Wolves, trailing 2-0, mounted their comeback with 25:08 left to play. Payge Woodworth got the goal on a long blast from the left sideline, bending the ball over Bath goalkeeper Sophia Hamilton, to make it 2-1. Then, just a few minutes later, Hamilton came up big on a laser-shot from Wolfpack sophomore Raegan Cousineau that would have knotted the score.

After the hosts carried the play early, just missing on shots by Allie Brasseur and Kiki Ruz, the Bees took a 1-0 lead, Jaydin Barber slipping a loose rebound past Wolfpack goaltender Paige Erickson.

Bath made it 2-0 on a long shot from the right side that found the right corner of the net.

The Bees, champions of the CMAC at 10-0, advanced in the state tournament at 15-1 overall. The Wolfpack season ended at 12-6-3 -- three of those losses all close setbacks to Bath, 2-1, 3-1 and 2-1.

### Rowley Paces Wolfpack, Keck Tops Ovid-Elsie at Boys Golf Regional

YPSILANTI -- Waylon Rowley carded an 85 for Laingsburg, and Easton Keck led Ovid-Elsie with a 92 as the local highlights of the MHSAA Division 3 Boys Golf Regional.

The state-qualifying tournament was played at Washtenaw Golf Club in Ypsilanti, hosted by Ann Arbor Green Hills.

Green Hills won the Team Regional championship. Bath was the top local team, finishing third with 348 strokes. Corunna (350) was fourth. Laingsburg placed seventh with a score of 362 and Ovid-Elsie shot a 374 to take 11th.

The top finishers for coach Greg Beavers' Wolfpack were Rowley (85, 11th) and Dylan Koenig (90, 26th).

Josh Latz's Marauders were led by Keck (92, 38th) and Brady Latz (93, 45).

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