

Elsie Dairy Festival Parade Honorees

by Deb Price

The Elsie Dairy Festival committee came up with the idea of having a wedding as part of the festival activities. They asked for people who might be interested in taking part thru a facebook post and they got eight interested couples. Britney Jennings and Brandon Prater were chosen to get married during the festival on Saturday, June 20th at 4pm, during the "Vows with the Cow" festival event.

Britney and Brandon resident in Lennon and their love story began in high school. Over the years, they've built a warm, joyful life together and welcomed three children, Braelynn, age 6, Brantley, age 5 and Bentley, age 3. Though marriage has always been a part of their dream, the demands of raising a family meant they never had the time or extra resources to plan the wedding they've long imagined.

What made this couple perfect was the spirit they bring to everyday life. Their home is proudly cow themed, a reflection of her deep love for cows and the fun, down-to-earth personality they share as a couple. The committee chose to honor Britney & Brandon not just because of their enduring commitment, but the festival's values of family, authenticity and heartfelt celebration. Committee member and ordained minister, Ed White will perform the wedding service.

See pages 8 and 12 for a Elsie Dairy Festival schedule of events and festival information.



2026 Elsie Dairy Festival Royalty

Front row (l-r): Princess Court Emeryld Tyler, Princess Natalie Grecu, Princess Court Jamie Orweller.
Back row (l-r): Jr. Miss Court KyLynn Salyer, Jr. Miss Lily Miller, Queen Laila Hock, Queen Court Reagan Fields.

Photographer Taylor Schaar of T.C. Photo

Village of Elsie

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – The regular meeting of the Elsie Village Council was held Tuesday, June 9, 2026. The evening focused on open discussion of the proposed fire agreement with the Elsie Area Fire Authority.

Nicole Fickes, Clinton County Commissioner, reported that she had attended the Lansing Economic Forum. Her focus was high inflation and the increase in costs affecting all of us from households to government. She indicated that the forum reflected the perception that rural communities do not want growth and maybe the State needs to get more involved. Her thought is that we all need to work together and collaborate for growth. Communities need to consider how their land should be used and how growth should look. Collaborative land use strategy should be considered. There are a number of vacancies at the county level, the assistant county administrator, planning and zoning positions, and animal control.

Destinee Bryce, village manager, presented a Village of Elsie business update. It is her responsibility to keep officials updated on the financial health of the village so that wise fiduciary decisions can be made. The village is still under an emergency debt elimination plan and must answer monthly to State Treasury, a financial audit will be completed this summer that should reflect that the village is heading in the right direction. Current financial obligations have been met but has left the general fund with approximately \$10,638 dollars. The cash flow is improving and a year from now it is possible for the municipality have \$90,000 is anticipated in be in the general fund, according to Steve Adair financial controller.

The village has some major projects to consider in the near future beginning with the 9.2-million-dollar water infrastructure improvements, noting this is not the complete project but a start. This is a major concern, the potential for failure is great. There is less than \$100,000 in the water and sewer fund. Grant and state funding accessibility is very limited. Bryce outlined other concerns within the village – roads, sidewalks, tree removal and the list goes on.

The agenda set aside a portion of the meeting to discuss a village agreement with the Elsie Area Fire Authority. The Village received an initial agreement from the Elsie Area Fire Authority which requested a \$30,000 contribution from the Village of Elsie. It was noted that the \$30,000 was a starting point and was up for negotiation and discussion. Kory Witt, village trustee, commented that 40% of Duplain residents live within the Village of Elsie. The Village residents pay millage through Duplain Township toward the fire department, why should the Village pay an additional \$30,000 for fire protection. It was pointed out that village houses are closer and are at a greater risk of fire damage. Further discussion followed. Emotions ran very high Next, Elsie Fire Authority contract discussion. Kory Witt, village trustee, noted that 40% of the Village residents pay millage toward the fire department, why should the Village pay an additional \$30,000 for fire protection.

The general consensus of village officials was that residents within the village should not have to pay more than others in the service area.

Rick Zemla, Fairfield Township supervisor and member of the Elsie Area Fire Au-

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St. Johns Lions Club Garage Sale

submitted by Cheryl Hickey

Are you looking to score some good deals while helping people in the community? If so, stop by the St. Johns Lions Club Garage Sale! It will be held from 9 am to 6 pm on Friday, July 10 and from 9 am to 1 pm on Saturday, July 11 at 803 Randy Lane in St. Johns.

There will be a huge variety of items, including toys & games, housewares, books, albums and CDs, small appliances, craft supplies, home decor, sporting goods, new handmade jewelry and much more! It is a win-win for all, as proceeds benefit community projects!

Jack & Tess Clarkson

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 Van-Deusen.

Elsie Lions Club American Red Cross Blood Drive

submitted by Doug Sturgis

Donate blood with the American Red Cross and receive a ticket to a Cedar Fair theme park of your choice. Between June 29 - July 12, you may also receive a Red Cross Looney Tunes T-shirt!

The Elsie Lions Club is joining with American Red Cross, hosting a community blood drive on July 6, 2026 from 12:00 to 4:45 at the Elsie United Methodist Church in Elsie.

For more information on how to make an appointment to donate, sign up online at redcrossblood.org with sponsor code "Elsie" or call 517-256-4585

The Elsie Lions Club is committed to strengthening our community and helping meet hospital and patient needs through blood donations, said Lion Douglas Sturgis. "This blood drive is our way of giving staff, colleagues and neighbors an opportunity to help save lives."

Blood is a perishable product that can only come from volunteer blood donors. With someone in the U.S. needing blood every two seconds, blood products must be constantly replenished, according to the Red Cross.

"We urge community members to donate blood and help ensure that patients in local hospitals have a supply of blood ready and waiting before an emergency occurs. There's no better feeling than knowing that your blood donation may give someone a second chance at life."

The Elsie event continues to be a popular choice for donors in the area. Schedule today, don't miss this opportunity to make a difference. Throughout the (2026) year, several other events are already planned to provide you with the opportunity to donate regularly to the American Red Cross.

According to the Red Cross, donors with all blood types are needed, especially those with types O negative, A negative and B negative.

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Petitions and Affidavits of Identity must be filed with the City Clerk no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21, 2026.

All signatures submitted on a qualifying petition must have been collected within the preceding 180-day period. Signatures dated more than 180 days before the petition is filed are invalid.

Kim Hamilton City Clerk
clerk@laingsburg.us

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thority, reminded officials that the department will respond to fires in the Village. However, an agreement with the Village is recommended. He requests that the Village have their attorney review the proposed contract and make adjustments.

It was noted that the village does not have the funds at this time. In addition, there were other concerns regarding liability and water access from fire hydrants within the proposed contract that need to be addressed. However, the village may be willing to provide free water, free trash at the building and assist with grant applications and then re-assessing the contract in the future. The village will contact their attorney to review the agreement or draft and alternative agreement for the authority to consider.

Officials tabled a decision until the attorney has been consulted and will be added to a future agenda as an action step. Overall, a very productive discussion. Second, action item to consider is the building vacated by the Elsie Area Fire Department and could a future agreement be considered in the future.

Village residents Dan Fabus and Jason Wenzlick commented that they do not feel they should be penalized for living and town regarding fire protection and forced to pay more.

Discussion included the vacated emergency services building with a number of options and issues brought to the table. Rumors were also addressed.

The increased cost of emergency services is affecting many municipalities within the State of Michigan. Affordable EMS is a concern nationwide.

Kelsey Kelly, clerk/treasurer, reported that water billing issues are being addressed. And office hours will be extended June 24, 2026, until 6 pm to address water bills thus to avoid water service shut offs. Current utility bills are due June 26, 2026, April 1 to May 31, 2026. Eight shut off notices were sent out May 1, 2026 and are scheduled for shut-off June 24, 2026.

It was reported that large junk pickup day is slated for Saturday, June 27, tis is the last opportunity to residents to clean-up their properties. After that code violation letters will be issued. Animal issues and complaints have increased, village residents are reminded that allowable animals are to be kept on the owner's property. This is a safety issue.

Destinee Bryce, village manager reported that two grants in the amount of \$268,553 were awarded by Michigan Treasury. Monthly debt elimination plan reports have been submitted. Bryce noted that the medium household income within the village is \$59,000. Thus, the Village of Elsie does not qualify forgiveness in the state revolving fund. Thus, other grants will be researched for the water infrastructure projects. The Elsie Village Park pathway work will begin the end of June and will take two days to complete. Financial audit begins July 1. Next the policy and procedures are being reviewed for consideration at a later date. Zoning ordinances are being reviewed and prepared for council review. Tax bills will be sent by July 1, 2026.

Action items included three resolutions. First, resolution #26-0003, accepting the FDCVT grant in the amount of \$70,273 towards reimbursement of expenditures required to implement the project entitled mini excavator and trailer equipment purchase. Next, resolution #26-0004, accepting the FDCVT grant in the amount of \$198,280.00 towards reimbursement of expenditures for the fire hydrant project. This grant will be utilized to replace twenty-seven fire hydrants. Action was taken to approve the Village of Elsie L-4029/village operating 10.7 mills.

Officials took action to approve expenditures totaling \$35,088.95.

SCIOTA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MAY 11, 2026.

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Matthews, @ 7:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthews, Wing (until 7:40pm), Palmer, Reed, Vondrasek, Parker-Wing (arrived 7:40pm)

GUESTS PRESENT: 7

AGENDA APPROVAL: The agenda was approved with changes. Clerk Parker-Wing attended at 7:40 pm and requested an addition to New Business adding Janitorial services. Board members raised no objection to adding the new agenda item.

MEETING MINUTE APPROVAL: On a motion by Vondrasek, seconded by Reed—Motion approved by all. The Board approved the April 13 meeting minutes additional information for Agenda item - Business Transaction Rates, change to the following: "Library contributions from \$7,500 to \$9,000 and MAGNET contribution and all salaries stay the same".

TREASURER REPORT APPROVAL: On a motion by Reed, seconded by Palmer—Motion approved by all. The Board approved the Treasurer report and placed it on file. General Fund Balance \$226,036.99; Tax Fund Balance \$11,435.03; CD Fund Balance \$34,760.31.

PUBLIC COMMENT—1st: Kay Nickols asked what the last withdrawal was for that was dispersed from the tax fund.

COUNTY & PUBLIC OFFICIAL REPORTS:

o LSW Emergency Services Report: Diane Baclawski spoke about the LSW fire department purchase of a new fire truck with a light pole and low mileage. The truck is in process of getting LSW decals installed.

o County Commissioner: Cindy Garber handed out E-911 summary handouts which highlight \$.35/per phone line per month surcharge proposal. The new fees would net approximately \$256,000 additional revenue per year. Cindy handed out a sample blight enforcement ordinance for township discussion. If a township wants to enforce a blight ordinance within their district, the township cost for the County enforcement is \$65/hr. Conversation ensued.

o Laingsburg Public Library: Sara Danford spoke about May library activities and services.

TAX ASSESSOR: None

BOARD REPORTS:

Supervisor Matthews says well-brine will be distributed on gravel roads Friday. Treasurer Palmer says she's still waiting for the delinquent payoff from the County Treasurer's office. Trustees Reed and Vondrasek had no new news to share. Clerk Parker-Wing shared that she has purchased a new computer and monitor, which both included a 4-year warranty as part of the new office equipment. She reported that manufacturers have updated their printer software to block the use of non-OEM ink. The ink well in one printer had clumped ink from disuse, and a part of the ink well broke off. She is not certain it can be fixed. Parker-Wing reported that the MTPP grant was awarded to Sciota Township for \$2,250 and the Township needs to submit for reimbursement within 6 months from June 1st. Parker-Wing received follow-up information from Lori Bourbonis, State of Michigan Bureau of Elections, concerning authorized entry to election room equipment and materials. Bourbonis' email stated that, "Only the clerk and individuals deputized by the clerk should have access to election materials". This message was in direct response to the Clerk's enquiry concerning a Clerk's jurisdiction over election room authority in response to the Supervisor's authority to access all rooms at the township hall.

OLD BUSINESS:

o Laingsburg Public Library Funding— On a motion by Palmer, seconded by Vondrasek—Motion approved by Palmer, Vondrasek, Reed and Matthews (Parker-Wing absent). The Sciota Township Board formally declared their intent to join the Laingsburg District Library. Discussion: Sara Mattson spoke about the Laingsburg Public Library's move to become a district library with 4 entities entering into an agreement: the City of Laingsburg, Woodhull Township, Victor Township and Sciota Township with equal representation on the District Library's Board. The Library will submit an all-or-nothing millage proposal to voters in November; if it fails, the district library will revert to a public library.

o MTPP Risk Reduction Grant for spring 2026, Cycle 30: A grant submission was offered to the Michigan Townships Par Plan in March for video/surveillance equipment. Parker-Wing reported that Cycle 30 MTPP

grant has been awarded to Sciota Township for \$2,250 this spring, and the Township will need to submit receipts for reimbursement within 6 months from June 1st.

o Camera System Equipment: The Board agreed to get quotes for a hall camera system. Discussion from Rose and Supervisor Matthews concerning video systems.

o Cemetery Reassignment: As of December 8, 2025, Clerk Parker-Wing returned non-statutory cemetery management duties to the Board for re-assignment. Carolyn Johnston, of Garrison Road, offered to oversee a historical project regarding Putnam Cemetery to compile printed information into electronic records. The Clerk will work with Carolyn.

o Electrical – Item skipped until essential.

NEW BUSINESS:

o Recycling: Janet Kiley gave an overview of the Laingsburg Recycling facility and their new scrap program. She thanked Sciota Township for their past contribution and asked them to keep Recycling in mind for future contributions should they become available. Recycling is the 1st/3rd Tuesdays and 2nd/4th Thursdays of the month.

o Election Training: Clerk Parker-Wing informed the Board that a three-hour County Clerk election certification training was held last month in Corunna, Michigan, and noted that the agenda item had been skipped over for discussion at the April meeting. Parker-Wing enquired if Board members had issue with payment for election training attendance and that checks would be present at the June meeting. Board members did not respond to the inquiry and moved on to the next agenda item.

o Lawyer Fees: Clerk Parker-Wing felt taxpayer funds should not be used to cover liability-related expenses and asked Board members why are we not contacting the liability insurer regarding pending litigation expenses. Other Board members responded they should be allowed to use funds as they deem necessary and have the right to choose the attorney of their choosing. Discussion followed.

o Deputy Clerk Salary: The Clerk expressed concern that paying Deputy Clerk wages of \$165 per month for more than 25 hours of work is unreasonably low. She said she cannot find a qualified applicant willing to work at that rate of pay. Board members did not address the subject and moved to the next agenda item.

o Pest Control: The Board placed a hold on the \$3,300 pest control payment for the initial tuck-point foundation treatment and monthly follow-up services for one year, as approved at the April 2026 Board meeting. Discussion: Clerk Parker-Wing stated that the contract was unclear and should be reviewed. She noted that the Board had approved up to \$3,300, but the contract listed a payment amount exceeding \$3,500, and the contract language did not match her understanding of the agreement as presented by the Supervisor at the April Meeting. Discussion followed

o On a motion by Palmer, seconded by Vondrasek—Motion approved by all. The Board approved a 4-year contract with Ashley Lyons of Infinite Chaos Cleaning Services, LLC, for janitorial services at the Sciota Township Hall. The rate is \$155 per bi-monthly cleaning (every other month), with an annual increase of \$10 per cleaning over each year of the 4-year term, from June 1, 2026, through May 31, 2030. Roll call vote: Yea: Vaughn Palmer, Parker-Wing, Reed, Matthews. Nay: None. Absent: None.

o Electrical – Skipped until necessary.

PUBLIC COMMENT—2nd:

BILL PAYMENT APPROVAL: On a motion by Palmer, seconded by Matthews—Motion approved by all. Critter Control will not be written until a better understanding what expenses may be incurred. May invoices were approved as written. Payroll Checks used: #11646 - #11658, \$6,434.23 and Accounts Payable Checks used: #11659 - #11667, \$5,423.70.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Vondrasek, seconded by Reed—Motion approved by all. The Board approved the meeting be adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

*Submitted by: Jamie Parker-Wing
Sciota Township Clerk*

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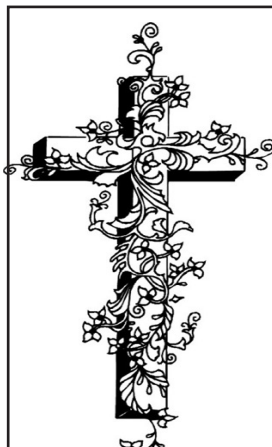
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Storm Spellman

Storm Spellman, a longtime resident of rural St. Johns, Michigan, passed peacefully on June 6, 2026, at Schnepf Senior Care in St. Louis, Michigan. She was 83 years old.

Storm was born on July 6, 1942, in Lansing, Michigan, and grew up in the Eureka community. She graduated from Rodney B. Wilson High School with the Class of 1961.

While working as a waitress at Walker's Restaurant in St. Johns, Storm met the love of her life, Fredrick "Bill" Spellman, who was a postal carrier in St. Johns. The couple married on July 24, 1965, at the Eureka Church and began their life together on East Walker Road, where they built a home filled with love, family, and friendship.

She was a homemaker and devoted mother. She took great pride in caring for her home and family and was known for her many talents. She loved sewing, baking, gardening, and preserving the fruits of her labor by canning and freezing vegetables from her garden. After her children were grown she enjoyed working in the cafeteria at Rodney B. Wilson Middle School for many years.

A dedicated supporter of youth, Storm served as a Clinton County 4-H leader and was a member of the Clinton County 4-H Advisory Board. Through the years, she encouraged not only her children but also her grandchildren to participate in 4-H, creating lasting family traditions and memories.

Storm possessed a rare gift for making others feel welcome and valued. She was known for her warm smile, gentle spirit, and calm presence. Everyone who knew her loved her, including the caregivers who cared for her in recent years. Her kindness, compassion, and steady nature touched countless lives and left a lasting impression.

Storm and Bill shared a wonderful life together. They enjoyed camping, traveling, spending time at yard sales and flea markets, browsing stores together, and making memories wherever they went. For twenty-three years, they wintered in Florida, enjoying new adventures and friendships along the way. Storm especially cherished time spent with her grandchildren, whom she loved to spoil and support in all their activities. Whether attending their events, sharing family traditions, or simply enjoying their company, her grandchildren brought her tremendous joy. She also enjoyed playing cards with family and friends, creating countless hours of laughter, friendly competition, and treasured memories.

Storm was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Fredrick "Bill" Spellman, in 2015; grandchildren, Jacob Nelson and McKenzie Nelson; mother, Dorothy Beebe; brother, Sheldon (Janet) Beebe; and brother-in-law, Gary Spellman.

She is survived by her children, Troy Spellman and Tracie (Steve) Nelson; grandchildren, Courtney (Chris) Wood, Keith Spellman, Zach (Shauna) Nelson, Shara (Dylan) Kime, and Zachary Blackburn; sister, Janese "Auntie" (the late Reginald) Stevens; sisters-in-law, Joanne (the late Alvin) Mulligan and Kay (the late Lonnie) Devereaux; brother-in-law, Mike (the late Sue) Kobylarz; and nephews, Jeff (Shannon), Jimmy, and Scotty, along with many extended family members and friends.

A Funeral Service was held at McGeehan Funeral Home, Keck-Coleman Chapel, 1500 Waterford Parkway, St. Johns, on Friday, June 12, 2026. Burial followed at Eureka Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are encouraged in Storm's memory to Clinton County 4-H. The family was served by the McGeehan Funeral Home, Keck-Coleman Chapel.



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Obituaries

Stanley Jablowski

Stanley Jablowski, of Ovid, Michigan, passed peacefully on June 7, 2026, at the age of 86, following a brief battle with cancer after being diagnosed just two weeks earlier.

Born on August 31, 1939, in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, Stanley was the son of the late Stanley and Frances Jablowski. The son of a hardworking Polish coal miner from northeastern Pennsylvania, Stanley carried throughout his life the values of faith, patriotism, dedication, and perseverance that were instilled in him from an early age. A devoted Catholic, Stanley was a member of Divine Mercy Parish and remained steadfast in his traditional Catholic faith throughout his life.

Stanley graduated from Grand Army of the Republic School with the Class of 1958. He proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1962 until 1968, including an eighteen-month deployment. His military service was a source of great pride and reflected his deep love of country.

On January 15, 1965, Stanley married the love of his life, Doris Minnich, in Bear Creek, Pennsylvania. Together they shared 58 wonderful years of marriage until Doris's passing in 2023. Their marriage was marked by unwavering devotion, companionship, and countless cherished memories.

Following his military service, Stanley built a successful career with ITT Automotive Body and Electrical Systems and later Lear Corporation in Elsie, Michigan. For thirty-two years, he served as a Plant Supervisor, earning the respect of colleagues through his strong work ethic and leadership. He retired in 2001.

Stanley and Doris shared a passion for collecting toy trains and spent many happy years traveling throughout the United States attending train shows in search of "just one more engine" to add to their collection. Their adventures together brought them great joy and introduced them to many lifelong friends.

Stanley also held a special love for the University of Notre Dame. He firmly believed it was one of the last places where traditional values endured. His personal motto reflected the principles he lived by: "God, Country, and Notre Dame."

Stanley is survived by his daughter, Melissa Jablowski; brothers-in-law, William Haring of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, and Richard Haring and his wife Joyce of The Villages, Florida; his dear friend Bill Harmon and family; and nephews John Jablowski Jr., Scott Jablowski, John Haring, and Jeffrey Haring.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Doris Minnich Jablowski, in 2023; his parents, Stanley and Frances Jablowski; his brother, John Jablowski, and sister-in-law, Flossie Jablowski; his in-laws, Paul, Helen, and Pearl Minnich, and John and Fredia Haring; and his sister-in-law, Betty Haring.

A Funeral Service was held at the funeral home on Saturday, June 13, at 10am. Friends may visit from 9am until the time of the service. Burial Mt. Rest Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made in Stanley's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or Shriners Children's Hospital.

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



Devin Lawrence Richards

Devin Lawrence Richards, age 38, of Lennon, MI, passed away Monday, June 8, 2026, at his home.

Devin was born in Owosso, MI on May 15, 1988. He was the son of Robert Lawrence and Amber Lee (Parks) Richards. He graduated from Ovid-Elsie High School with the Class of 2007, then went on to earn a degree in Diesel Mechanics from the University of Northwestern Ohio.

Devin loved to farm and tinker with machinery. In his younger years, he spent a lot of time outside playing soccer and participating in shooting sports. Most of all, he enjoyed spending time with his family and pets.

He is survived by his parents Bob and Amber; his sister Nicole (Jon) Brown; and his partner Courtney Kingsbury. He is also survived by his aunt and uncle Janet and Brian Parmenter; many cousins; and his beloved pets Oreo, Miss, Axel, and Oakley. Devin was preceded in death by his grandparents Joan and Glen Parks, and Bob and Mary Richards.

Visitation was held at Smith Family Funeral Homes-Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI, on Friday, June 12, 2026.

Memorials may be made to the Shiawassee Humane Society, or the 4-H Shooting Sports of Clinton County.

Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamily-funeralhomes.com.

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



Jan Eve Anderson

Jan Eve Anderson, a talented artist and loving mother, grandmother, sister and friend, passed away after a long illness on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, just shy of her 70th birthday. Jan was born June 14, 1956, in St. Johns, MI, the daughter of Samuel C. and Dorris Jean (Morehouse) Anderson. She graduated from Ovid-Elsie High School in



1974 before going to work at the local flower shop. Jan loved collecting and watching movies with her son, Shaun. In fact, in her later years when she found herself in need of healing and calm, she would find solace in watching movies from her collection and surrounding herself with family. She also enjoyed drawing, scrapbooking, ceramics, and any other form of artistic expression available to her. Her family and friends will always remember her as an artist. Jan will also be remembered as a self-titled "Organized Maximalist." She was known to collect miniatures of basically anything under the sun. Her collections never stopped growing and now represent many facets of Jan's life.

Jan retired from General Motors after 30 years in Parts, where she was known for her generosity and innovative spirit. Above all, Jan loved her family and caring for her son, Shaun.

Jan is survived by her son, Shaun Swisher; daughter, Courtney (Anthony) Mead; grandchildren, Dylan Boots, Alexander Mead, Hunter Boots, and Isabelle Mead; siblings, Karen Anderson (Doug Foster), John Anderson, Phyllis (Gordy) Squier, and Eric (Sue) Anderson; her special niece and honorary little sister, Riley Agudelo; and several extended family members and friends. She was predeceased by her parents; brothers, Timothy and Dennis Anderson; and sister-in-law, Paulette Anderson.

Friends are encouraged to support Jan's family by attending services or sharing memories on her Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com. Funeral service will take place at 2:00 p.m. on Jan's 70th birthday, Sunday, June 14, 2026, at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte with Pastor John Bailey officiating. Visitation will be two hours prior to the service, from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

The funeral will be webcast so you may watch it from any computer, smartphone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to www.prayfuneral.com, click on Jan's tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smartphone). If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to family in care of her daughter, Courtney Mead.

The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

DUPLAIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

On June 25, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Duplain Township Hall, 145 W. Main Street, Elsie, Michigan

The Duplain Township Board will hold a public hearing to provide information and receive public comment regarding the Elsie Dam/Fish Passage Project.

Representatives from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Spicer Group are anticipated to be present. An update on the current status of the project will be provided, followed by an opportunity for public questions and comments.

All interested residents and stakeholders are encouraged to attend.



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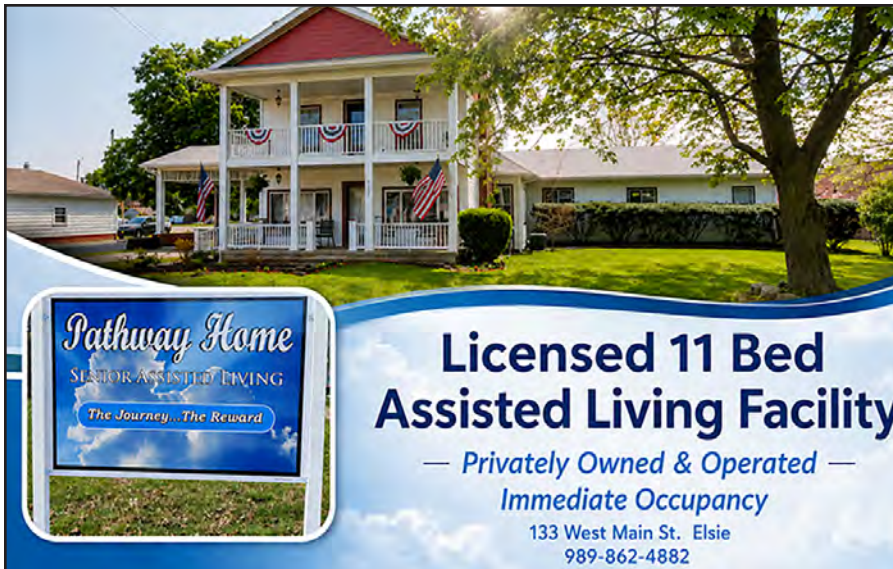
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A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

The beginning of this week was very definitely low key, I was encased in a caftan and didn't leave the house except to enjoy weather on the deck. Sunday was my coulda, woulda, shoulda day... I was totally relaxed and didn't lift my finger to do anything in a positive or negative manner. It is one of those non functional days that I enjoy once in awhile. That being said, my Monday was extremely busy, granted I did sleep in until six but was out of front door before seven after feeding my critters. I hustled over to St Johns to pick up supplies for the shop, restocked the shop and was home before nine. Next on the agenda was watering the flower bed at the Bannister Park so I gathered four gallons of well water to water the Sunshine Club flowers. Back home in time to remove the empty containers and zip over to pick up Karen and Spencer to ride up to Clare with me. Picked up the noodles that Ada had wanted, ordered my peaches and blueberries and some citrus fruit. It was very novel, the three of us, actually got to the Collinsville stores before busy times. Everything was amazingly easy to do, then we had a picnic lunch and had to stop at Cops & Donuts on the way back home. I think that I got home by three and then applied myself to some dirty dishes and a couple of loads of laundry.

I mowed the lawn on Tuesday after connecting with Diane and Brent at MG's Perx and Pastries. We laid out what we needed to do for the St Johns' Farmer's Market that starts on June 13th this year. Diane updated our labels and focused on what our expectations were... The needed canopy is loaded, as are the two tables, the card machine charged, the business bag is updated and ready to rock. Except for the necessary tablecloths. On Wednesday evening Noah came over to help me in the garden. We finished the plants and seeded the Persian cucumbers, green beans, yellow beans, and red beets... then I headed to the house for some squash seeds. Noah was headed for her car and I made it to the deck before the storm tried to pelt us with major raindrops and assertive wind. I was in the house before getting soaked. While working in the garden I over-extended myself, must be I can't lift five gallons buckets filled with top soil, shovels make things simpler. However, my shoulders and neck were viciously whining... Lucky for me Rolayne had left me some horse liniment to eliminate the stiffness. I still have room

to plant more garden but I also have a determined ground hog that needs to be removed, the varmint has damaged the north wall of my tool shed. Basically my life is very good and even interesting at times. I am blessed and enjoy my friends, family and these blue skies and I'm still functional. May God bless you, smile and laugh often. I still need to plant the squash.

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Sports



Brock Spitzley grabbed first place at the Lansing Honor Roll Meet. Photo by Burg Sports

O-E's Spitzley Rules the Day at Lansing Honor Roll Meet

LANSING WAVERLY — The Greater Lansing Honor Roll Meet of Champions celebrated its Golden Anniversary in May, 2026, and an Ovid-Elsie track & field athlete was front and center.

Ovid-Elsie's Brock Spitzley threw the discus 168' 10" to grab first place over Perry's Alex McEwan (168' 3") and Eli Worthington of Owosso (158' 10").

Oliver Long of the Morrice Orioles was the shot put champion with a heave of 61' 3" -- the longest heave in the event in Michigan for the 2026 season.



(l-r): Karlee Armstrong, Katelynn Goodrich, Erin Arnett, Emma Arnett. Missing Paige Brown.

The Ovid-Elsie Middle School Girls Bowling Team finished in first place in the Metro Bowling Conference. The team also finished 6th during the Baker Tournament at the end of the season with 24 other teams.

The girls are coached by Darin and Liz Underhill.

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Eyan Fabus sliding into base during the Regional Game. Photo by Michelle Ladiski

Battle to the End, Marauder Baseball Dream Ends at Regional

MILLINGTON -- An Ovid-Elsie dream 15 years in the making came to an end here June 6 at Millington HS.

With a 4-2 loss to Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest in the MHSAA Regional, the Marauders' inspiring 2026 came to an end -- one game short of the school's deepest run in the state baseball tournament, a 2011 Quarterfinals appearance in 2011.

O-E alum Mike Loynes coached both those teams. While some thought the 2026 edition of Marauder baseball wasn't all that ... this Ovid-Elsie club proved them wrong. The Marauders won 21 games and lost 14, tying them for the second-most baseball wins in school history. For just the 4th time in O-E history, this Marauder team reached the 20-win mark.

Explained the coaching staff, "We're proud of the way we battled until the end. We would like to thank our three seniors for all their hard work -- Lance Wiktorowski, Daniel Topping and David Johnson. Hopefully the underclassmen got a taste of how fun postseason success is and will keep putting in the extra work it takes to get back here next year."

The Marauders battled until the bitter end, after falling behind 4-0 to the Crusaders (30-7). Trey Palatka and Logan Brown kept the blue-and-gold on the comeback trail, each with RBI hits to make it 4-2. O-E got Max Fabus to third base and pinch-runner Jaxon Chrenka to second to cause a 7th inning jam for winning pitcher Jacob Kouba -- but he wiggled out of it with a pair of strikeouts in the inning to earn a complete-game triumph.

Kouba tossed a four-hitter with 9 strikeouts and 3 walks, outdueling Lance Wiktorowski, who threw five innings and allowed four runs, none of which were earned. Wiktorowski, O-E's ace, struck out seven.

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The Weekly Sportsman
by Dan McMaster
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The NRC has Lost Their Minds

The Natural Resources Commission met May 13th and decided on numerous items that will radically change the future of deer hunting, and deer management, in the state of Michigan. For starters they eliminated any rules on what kind of centerfire rifle can be used during the regular firearms season. The Weekly Sportsman thinks this is outright foolish because there are straight walled cartridges like the 400 Legend and 450 Buckmaster that can easily reach out and ethically kill a deer at a distance exceeding 250-300 yards. Of course the average killing distance in Michigan a few years ago was 35 yards and it has now been refigured to about 50 yards. Their rationale apparently was to provide farmers the ability to help reduce does at a very long distance. The Weekly Sportsman is thinking very hard about where a tower should be built on the family farm to reach every square foot of dirt safely with one of many "pet" centerfire rifles.

Some of their deer management decisions include allowing only one buck per hunter to increase the number of better bucks despite the fact that only 7% of successful buck hunters take two bucks. Additionally, the decision was made to reduce doe tags and shorten some extended doe seasons as an effective way to reduce the deer herd. What??? Maybe even a pilot program to earn a second buck tag if you shoot a doe(s) in selected areas??? The NRC needs to stop playing Mother Nature and understand sometimes managing the deer herd is not about how many big bucks can be offered to one deer/one day hunters on November 15th.

The Weekly Sportsman thinks that Michigan is nearing the point where the American Model of Conservation is broken. Baiting needs to be reinstated, seasons extended, and maybe a serious examination of monetizing harvested doe meat for retail sale.

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FAMILY FUN TIME AMUSEMENTS: Thursday, June 18th, Friday, June 19th, Saturday, June 20th Noon to 10:00pm

THE ELSIE LIONS CLUB is 83 years old and their main fundraiser is the Food Booth during the Dairy Festival. Money raised from the booth goes to local charities such as: Elsie Food Bank, Youth Recreation League, DARE, Meals on Wheels, and of course they buy glasses for the needy. The tent is open Thursday and Friday 10am-10pm. Make plans now to attend the **Pancake Breakfast** on Saturday from 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

They hope to see you at the festival on June 18, 19 & 20th.

ARTS & CRAFTS IN VENDOR VILLAGE: A ton of new vendors - so much so, we've had to expand our Vendor Village area!

Arts and crafts vendors are still being accepted for the Elsie Dairy Festival. The event times during the festival are Thursday, June 18th, Friday, June 19th and Saturday, June 20th from Noon - 7p.m. each day.

If you would like to sign up please call Quinn Passmore 989-388-7649.

FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT: Thursday, June 18th. 7:00pm at the Main Stage.

FAMILY KARAOKE: Friday, June 19th. 6:00-10:00pm at the Tippy Cow Tent.

ICE CREAM EATING CONTEST: Friday, June 19th at 6:00pm at the Main Stage.

KID'S DAY: Friday June 19th will be Kid's Day from 8am-Noon.

We are hosting a ton of child appreciated activities, a Scavenger Hunt, bounce houses, face painting, petting zoo, model cow milking, duck pond, corn sensory pool, ice cream.

NEWLYWED GAME: Friday, June 19th at 7:00pm at the Main Stage.

CAR SHOW: Sat. June 20th. Registration will begin at 8am, \$20 per car. Dash plates for the first 100 cars, goodie bags for the first 50 cars. Door prizes and 50/50 drawings, awards at 1:30pm. This event sponsored by Sherrbert Foundation, a high school scholarship for seniors going into the automotive or medical fields.

Spectator voting, awards in the following categories: Top 10, Best of Show, Queen and Princess Awards and People's Choice.

GARAGE SALES: The annual village-wide garage sales will open on Thursday June 18th at 9 a.m. Many garage sales will run all weekend long and there are sure to be bargains for everyone.

THE 2026 ELSIE DAIRY FESTIVAL SUPER PARADE will step off at 11am sharp on Saturday, June 20th. If you have not yet entered there is still time. To enter call Quinn Passmore: (989) 388-7649.

COOL OFF AT THE ICE CREAM TENT during the Dairy Festival. The tent will be open all three days. Thursday, June 18th from noon to 7pm, Friday, June 19th Noon-7pm and Saturday, June 20th from noon-7pm.

JAIL AND BAIL: You can tell the "police" to lock up anyone and you pay \$x.xx for 10 minutes. The person being arrested can either pay a bail, or sit in lock up for the arrested time. Thur. June 18th 5pm-10pm; Fri. June 19th 11am-10pm; Sat. June 20th 1pm-10pm.

3 on 3: 9am on Saturday, June 20th on East Main St., Near Tippy Cow.

KIDDIE TRACTOR PULL: 9am on Saturday, June 20th at the Main Stage. Registration at 8:30am.

DAIRY DASH will be Saturday, June 20th at 7:30 a.m. Registration is Friday, June 19th from 5pm-7pm and Saturday, June 20th at 6:00 a.m. It will be at the corner of Church and Main.

LIVE AUCTION: Saturday, June 20th. Registration 12:30-1:00pm at Information Barn.

Live Auction 1:00-3:00pm at Main Stage.

CARRIAGE RIDES: Saturday, June 20th. 2:00-6:00pm at the Old Fire Station.

BINGO: The Elsie American Legion Post 502 is hosting BINGO on Saturday June 20th during the Dairy Festival from 1pm to 5 pm in the Air-Conditioned Hall. All are welcome to attend.

ELsie FIRE DEPARTMENT LIGHT PARADE will be held on Saturday, June 20th at dusk.

ONCE REMOVED: Homegrown musician Jim Pontack, AKA Once Removed, will perform on the Main Stage during the Elsie Dairy Festival on Saturday evening, June 19th from 7:00pm - 9:00 p.m.

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Performing with Jeff on the 17th will be a trio of local performers. Todd Young will be on the bass, MarK Geovian on guitars and vocals, with Dave Ludington on drums. These musicians are all actively performing with various groups around the Lansing area.

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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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GAGE, 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 Mortgage/Assignee May 24, 2026 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Mortgage/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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CommUNITY: Pride in the Park

submitted by Tim Hulliberger

The St. Johns City Park is the location for hours of fun and excitement when 'CommUNITY: Pride in the Park' is launched Sunday, June 21 from 12-4 pm.

Everyone is welcome for an afternoon of connection, celebration, creativity, music and belonging. Events include community resource tables, local vendors, food trucks, open mic and performers, activities and crafts, and a family-friendly atmosphere.

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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 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 SEC-

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ELSIE DAIRY FESTIVAL

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2026

9am

Village-Wide Yard Sales
10am - 10pm

Elsie Lions Food Tent
NE Corner Main & N. Ovid
Noon - 7pm

Ice Cream Booth
Next to the Big Cow
Noon - 7pm

Vendor Village
Main St. West of Stage
Noon - 10pm

Family Fun Tyme Amusements
Midway
5pm - 10pm

Jail & Bail
in front of Village Office

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2026

6am

Dairy Dash Registration
7:30am

Elsie Dairy Dash
7:30am - 10:30am

Lions Pancake Breakfast
NE Corner Main & N. Ovid
9am

3on3 Basketball
East Main St. Near Tipsy Cow
9am - 2pm

Car Show
N. Ovid St. between Pine & Oak
10am - 10pm

Elsie Lions Food Tent
NE Corner Main & N. Ovid
11am

Super Parade
Noon - 10pm

Family Fun Time Amusements
12:30pm - 1pm

Auction Registration
Info Barn
Noon - 7pm

Ice Cream Booth
Next to Big Cow
Noon - 7pm

Vendor Village
Main St. West of Stage
1pm - 10pm

Jail & Bail
Main St. Near Stage
1pm - 3pm

Live Auction
Main Stage
1pm - 5pm

Bingo
American Legion Hall
2pm - 6pm

Carriage Rides
Old Fire Station
4pm

Wedding
In front of Cow
6pm

Wedding Festivities
Main Stage
7pm - 9pm

Jim Pontack
Main Stage
9pm

Bachelor's Since Breakfast
Tipsy Cow Tent
Dusk

Elsie Fire Dept. Light Parade

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2026

8am - Noon

Kid's Day Events
Surrounding Hero Park
8:30am

Registration for Kiddie Pull
Near Main Stage
9am

Kiddie Tractor Pull
Main Stage - Free
10am - 10pm

Elsie Lion's Food Tent
NE Corner Main & N. Ovid
10am - 3pm

Lions Kid Sight
NE Corner Main/Ovid St.
11am - 10am

Jail and Bail
In front of Village Offices
Noon - 7pm

Ice Cream Tent
Next to Big Cow
Noon - 7pm

Vendor Village
Main St. West of Stage
Noon - 10pm

Family Fun Tyme Amusements
Main Street
5pm - 7pm

Dairy Dash Registration
SW Corner of Church/Main
6pm - 10pm

Family Karaoke
Tipsy Cow Tent
6pm

Ice Cream Eating Contest
Main Stage
8pm

Newlywed Game Show
Main Stage

Elsie Library Historical Society Parade Representative

submitted by Sarah Maynard

The Elsie Library Historical Society is pleased to announce that Mary Lou Tillotson Porubsky will represent us in the 2026 Dairy Festival parade. Mary is a direct descendant of Elsie Tillotson, for whom our village was named (the first baby born).



Mary Lou
Tillotson Porubsky

Mary is a 1959 graduate of Elsie High School who then graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in teaching. She married Al Porubsky June of 1963. They have two sons, 6 grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren. Since retiring from teaching at Ovid-Elsie Area Schools, she has continued her dedication to the community by volunteering many hours in various capacities. She is truly a model of what and who our community is.

Our historical room (located adjacent to the library) will be open during the Dairy Festival both Friday and Saturday from 12-3 pm. We hope you will come enjoy our displays and learn a little bit about our village, its people and businesses, both past and present!

Elsie Lions Host Kidsight During Dairy Festival

The Elsie Lions Club will be again hosting the Lions Kidsight, USA at the Elsie Dairy Festival on Friday, June 19th from 11:30am - 3:30pm. The testing trailer will be located by the Lions food trailer. Each child who completes the testing will receive a free hot dog from the Lions Club. Make plans now to get your child's (age 1-9) eyesight tested and even Santa will be there!!



Christmas in July at the Elsie Dairy Festival

Kidsight, USA is a national organization with a coordinated coalition of active and experienced Lions vision screeners. This service is needed as vision problems that go undetected by the age of 7 become permanent. The concern is that many millions of kids now have worsening eyesight from prolonged "screen time" in today's world. And this service is FREE, the screenings are conducted by Lions Volunteers who have been trained in the proper use of Touchless Screening Devices.

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June is Dairy Month!