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Fowlerville 4th of July Committee puts on 21st annual Chili Cook Off

The Fowlerville 4th of July Committee held its annual Chili Cook-off at the local VFW Hall on Saturday, March 21, with the proceeds earmarked for this summer's Independence Day celebration.

There were 15 entries for chili and desserts. Ribbons were given to the winners for three different categories: Judges' Choice, People's Choice and Best Presentation (table decorations).

Those in attendance helped judge the contestants for the People's Choice and then were able to enjoy a meal that included a bowl of chili, dessert, and a beverage. A panel of three judges handled the Judges' Choice

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Judges' Choice winner for Chili was Jeremy Adams of Bob Maxey Ford. Presenting him with his ribbon was Jim Mayhew of the Fowlerville 4th of July Committee.



Local OES Chapter makes \$1,000 donation to Family Impact Centers

The Howell Chapter #372 of the Order of Eastern Stars presented a check for \$1,000 to the Family Impact Centers of Fowlerville on March 19th. The donation occurred at a time that the food pantry is looking to increase accessibility to all members of the community that may need services. The funds provided by this organization were made possible by the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation, which seeks to build, enrich and strengthen local communities throughout Michigan.

The Director of the Family Impact Centers Michael Shafer stated: "This generous

\$1,000 gift will make an immediate and meaningful impact in our community. Right now, Family Impact Centers is feeding more people than ever before, with over 150 families each week relying on our pantry for food and essential items, along with an additional 140 families being served beyond our walls through our Promise of Impact program.

"This donation will help put meals on tables, provide fresh and nutritious food, and ensure families facing difficult circumstances are met with dignity, compassion, and support," he continued. "Just as importantly, gifts like this allow us to increase awareness of the resources available and expand our reach—connecting with families who may otherwise fall through the cracks and ensuring they know



Taking part in the financial donation were, from left, Carol Blomquist, Jimmie King, Michael Schafer (of the Family Impact Centers), and Dale Dapprich.

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Presenting the check to the Director were Dale Dapprich, Worthy Matron and Jimmie King Worthy Patron of Howell Chapter #372.

If you would like more information

about joining or working with the Order of the Eastern Star, Howell Chapter #372 please reach out to Dale Dapprich at daledapprich@gmail.com. Howell Chapter #372 meets regularly at Fowlerville Masonic Lodge. For more information about the Family Impact Centers for help or to donate please call 517 223 4428 or email Pantry@familyimpactcenters.com. We look forward to continuing to support our community.

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Student of the Week—Mariah Kirby

Mariah Kirby, a Fowlerville High School senior, has distinguished herself as a three-sport varsity athlete in golf, girls basketball, and track while also contributing her talents to the Gladiator TV staff. Balancing a demanding college prep schedule, Mariah is known for being insightful and conscientious, consistently demonstrating a strong work ethic and thoughtful approach in everything she does. She has a unique ability to bring out the best in others, serving as a positive influence and role model for her peers both in the classroom and in competition. Mariah’s dedication, character, and leadership truly exemplify what it means to be a true Gladiator.

Local student named to SVSU

President’s List for fall 2025 semester

Maggie Maisano of Fowlerville is one of nearly 700 students from Saginaw Valley State University whose determination and commitment to academic excellence earned them a spot on the fall 2025 semester President’s List.

To be eligible for the President’s List, a student must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 4.0 grade point average.

Saginaw Valley State University is a comprehensive university with more than 90 programs of study for 7,000 students. Located on a suburban campus in Michigan’s Great Lakes Bay Region, SVSU is committed to a supportive and empowering environment for students.

‘Livingston County 2025: Sustainable Agriculture, Food Systems and Rural Preservation Plan’ wins national award

Livingston County’s Planning Department is proud to announce that its ‘Livingston County, Michigan: 2025 Sustainable Agriculture, Food Systems, & Rural Environments Plan’ has received the 2026 James A. Segedy Merit Award from the American Planning Association. This award is presented to an outstanding project by an undergraduate student that addresses a planning issue facing small towns or rural areas.

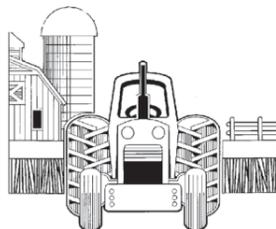
Livingston County’s Plan was written by Abby Carrigan, a talented student Planning Assistant, with guidance from the Planning Department and Geographic Systems Department staff. Within the pages of the impressive document, Carrigan provides a wealth of information for the community along with valuable tools to preserve farmland and agricultural practices.

The STAR Awards Committee is responsible for evaluating award nominees. The Committee may grant more than one award in each category. The Awards Committee used the following criteria in its consideration of award nominees:

- Innovation & Quality
- Implementation Strategy / Measurable Results and Expectations
- Role of Elected Officials
- Transferability / Replicability / Model Project for STaR Communities
- Creative Public Engagement / Collaboration / Public Involvement
- Long-Term Sustainability and/or use of Smart Growth Principles
- Promotes Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

The Planning Department congratulates Carrigan for creating such a remarkable guide for Livingston County. The Plan’s Visionary Statement provides readers with a concise and impassioned view of why a plan like this is so needed: “Livingston County envisions a future where agriculture remains a thriving, dynamic cornerstone of our economy and character. Rooted in our rich history and supported by sustainable practices, our community will continue to cultivate a resilient agricultural sector that adapts to modern challenges while preserving the vitality of our farmland for generations to come.”

The American Planning Association’s STAR Awards Ceremony will take place on Monday, April 27th at the Detroit Renaissance Center.



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Palm Sunday's humble entry

By Susan Kretchman

Attend any wedding celebration and anticipation is consistent. Guests and family members are seated; the presiding minister and groom are in position in front of an altar or backdrop of an arch decorated with flowers and flowing bands of fine fabric. The music shifts from soft background melodies to something worthy of announcing the most important person at the wedding—the bride!

Guests rise to their feet as if on command. All heads turn to face the rear of pews or chairs to get a “first glimpse” of the bride as she makes her appearance at the top of the aisle, face veiled, arm intertwined with her escort, usually her father. All preparations leading up to this day now pale in comparison to her arrival, for this is “her” day; she is the focus of attention in every aspect wedding celebrations offer.

This weekend Christians around the world celebrate Palm Sunday, the day marked as “Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem.” The prophet Zechariah recorded hundreds of years earlier this very moment when he wrote: “Rejoice with all your heart, daughter of Zion! Shout out loud, daughter of Jerusalem! Look! Your king is coming to you. He is righteous, and he is victorious. Yet he is humble—he’s riding on a donkey, yes, on a lowly colt.” The four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John all confirm Jesus’ entry into the holy city. Along with their witness material, they wrote about the people lining the road waving palm branches, paving the roadway with palms, hailing Jesus with shouts of joy and exaltation as their “king.” All eyes were on Jesus in those moments.

As the lenten season comes to an end for yet another year since Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem to face trial, public execution, in another week Christians will celebrate history’s most powerful event—resurrection of a sacrificed savior which changed and challenged every Jewish tradition, grafted in gentiles as part of God’s kingdom, established that kingdom on earth through his life and ministry.

In New Testament writings there are many references to the “church” being referred to as the “bride of Christ”, making Christ the groom. In Revelation 19: 7 we read: “Let us rejoice and be glad! Let us give him the glory! For the time has come for the wedding of the Lamb, and his Bride has prepared herself—fine linen, bright and clean has been given

her to wear.” When John wrote Revelation he described many future events that will happen, fulfilling yet more and more prophecies. Among those is the second coming of Christ, yet “another” triumphal entry. Revelation 19: 11 “Next I saw heaven opened, and there before me was a white horse. Sitting on it was the one called Faithful and True, and it is in righteousness that he passes judgement and goes to battle.” It’s in this very moment of Jesus’ powerful return that “every eye will see and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord!” (Revelation 1: 7)

I’ve stood in that area in Israel that is named Megiddo. It is believed this expanse of ancient ground and ruins is where scholars project the final conflict between “good and evil” will take place, commonly called Armageddon. I’m not schooled enough to say whether this area will be where Jesus touches down, still astride His horse, but I am confident in scriptures’ descriptions to believe He IS returning, and words will escape trying to describe those events!

Weddings are privy to only those who are invited. Likewise, relationships with Christ are similar by responding to a divine invitation sent from God. Although John wrote that “every eye will see and every tongue will confess”, it doesn’t mean everyone is automatically united with Christ to be included in Paul’s description as the church being His Bride. As simple as sending a RSVP to a wedding invitation, we all bear responsibility to respond one way or another to God’s invitation for salvation of our sins which is ONLY by accepting Christ’s sacrificial gift of going to a Roman cross, events we humbly honor on Good Friday.

On that triumphal day some 2,000 years ago the crowds lauded Jesus under the guise He would rise and overtake the Roman government, establishing Himself as a King. Their joyous cheers and accolades soon changed to jeers and shouts to arrest and kill Him because He didn’t fulfill their humanistic desires. I often think to myself “if only they knew...” but then it’s part of God’s plan for the redemption of mankind.

So, a wedding is being planned. The Bride—the church—is getting herself ready. Millions of invitations to attend are being sent. The Groom—Jesus Christ—awaits for the moment He will take His position to welcome His Bride. Are you ready? Have you responded to God’s invitation to the wedding of all weddings? Many men and women have tried to determine the date of Christ’s return. Matthew gives us pretty strong insight regarding that quandary... “But when that day and hour will come, no one knows—not the angels in heaven, not the Son, only the Father.” (Matthew 24: 36)

Palm Sunday is the beginning of ushering in the events of Holy Week. This day will be celebrated in many ways in our churches, but one thing remains its focal point. All eyes and shouts of praise will be directed on one person, a divine king seated on a mere donkey, making His way towards events that will change the world for all of eternity.

Oak Grove Methodist United Women in Faith taking orders for beef pasties

Pasty Time again! The Oak Grove United Women in Faith are taking orders for their delicious beef pasties. Place your order beginning Wednesday, April 1 by calling 810-599-4632. Please leave your name, phone # & quantity you would like. Cost: \$8 each. Proceeds go to support the mission work of the United Women in Faith.

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Please call your reservations to Dawn Horton at the Fowlerville News & Views at 223-8760 no later than Wednesday, April 1, 2026. We are looking forward to seeing you there.




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Pre-Arranging Your Funeral Without Paying: What You Need to Know

By Aaron Franks, "Aaron the Funeral Guy"

I recently received a question from a follower that I hear more often than you might think: "Does it cost anything just to have my funeral plans written down?"

The answer is simple. No, it does not.

Anyone can contact a funeral home and sit down to go through the pre-arrangement process without paying a single dollar. We'll walk through everything together, just like we would if you were planning and funding your services. The only difference is that you're choosing not to fund it at that time.

That means you can still make your wishes known. You can decide whether you want burial or cremation, what kind of service you prefer, music selections, and all the personal touches that matter to you. All of that can be documented and kept on file so your family isn't left guessing when the time comes.

There's a lot of value in simply having a plan. One of the hardest things for families is not knowing what their loved one would have wanted. When those decisions are already written down, it removes a tremendous amount of stress and uncertainty during an already emotional time.

Now, while pre-arranging without paying is completely free, there is a key difference when it comes to funding those arrangements. When you choose to fund your funeral in advance, you have the ability to lock in today's prices. And as we all know, prices tend to rise year after year. Locking in those costs can be a significant benefit for your family down the road.

Without funding, the plan is still there—but it will be carried out at the cost of services at the time of need, not today's prices. That doesn't make it a bad option at all. In fact, for many people, starting with just putting their wishes in writing is the perfect first step.

I always tell families that pre-arranging is about making things easier for the people you love. Whether you choose to fund it now or simply document your wishes, you're taking an important step in lifting a burden off your family's shoulders.

If you've ever thought about getting your plans in place but weren't sure where to start, this is your sign that it can be simple, straightforward, and completely free to begin. If a funeral home isn't willing to sit down with you and do this for free, they aren't the funeral home for you.

If you have questions about pre-arranging or want to sit down and put your wishes in writing, I'm always here to help guide you through it.

Aaron Franks is a Funeral Director at Watkins Brothers Funeral Homes.

Small business owners say employee costs keep increasing while skilled labor pool shrinks

Michigan small business owners are raising red flags on impediments to growth: they're battling rising costs, while at the same time navigating a shrinking pool of qualified labor, according to the Small Business Association of Michigan's (SBAM) winter survey.

"Small businesses of all sizes across Michigan are navigating the complex challenges of higher costs across the board, while competing to hire and retain employees from a constrained pool of dependable talent," said Brian Calley, President and CEO of SBAM. "These hurdles have a significant impact on Michigan's long-term ability to grow: particularly where it restrains small and mid-sized business expansion."

Finding and keeping talent stood out as a primary barrier to small business growth, with 66 percent of small business owners reporting difficulties remaining fully staffed. To counter this, 68 percent of small businesses raised wages, expanded benefits or increased time off. Of these changes, wage increases were the most common tactic used to attract and keep talent.

At the same time, 87 percent of small businesses are seeing

Hosanna!!

Now you must die!!

By Jace Arledge

Well today as you read this, between the years 30 A.D. and 33 A.D. Jesus rode into the town of Jerusalem on the back of a donkey, while those who praised him shouted "HOSANNA" and waved palm branches to signify their love... yeah, we know what happens in five days right?

This Sunday begins the final week of Jesus's life, known as Holy Week. You know many of us have had our own "Palm Sunday" moments, you know the ones where people are yelling for you and clapping and singing your praises, and the minute you don't align with their beliefs, ideas or whatever, you are chastised, laid to the wayside and in terms, "crucified" by those who once believed/loved/supported you. That's a hell of a thing to go through, isn't it?

I'm not just talking about friends; I'm talking family too. Sometimes I wonder what hurts the most, family or friends? Even some of the apostles left Jesus. Peter denied him THREE times, Judas turned him in, I mean the only one that scripture even says witnessed these events was John, the beloved. You know the one that Jesus said, 'Dear woman, here is your son,' and to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' From that time on, this disciple took her into his home." (John 19:25-27).

Who has experienced this in their life, you know where you thought the world was yours and then everyone left you? I know I have, and it's not a good feeling. We may not see it in everyday people, you know the common person, but we do see it in entertainers, sports and music figures. One day they are riding the wave of success and the next thing they are being scrutinized and beaten up, figuratively speaking.

It is when we stand up and out that we can break the cycle of hate. Surround yourself with those that build you up and not break you down. It's hard to be a light in the dark these days, but we must find a way. We must look inside and keep that spark alive.

So for this last week of Lent, I hope that you all reflect on life. Look at how you treat others and ask 'would you want to be treated that way?' I know this is going to make some laugh and if the paper had emojis they could print the next week, many of you would be placing those all over this article. But you know what? I DON'T CARE. I sincerely feel bad and sorry for you. I have taught my children that anyone who laughs at them or anyone else for standing up for what they believe must have a sad existence. They must feel so bad in their personal life that they feel the need to break others down and instead of saying "hey, how do I get that kind of joy?" they find it easier to belittle, bully and make fun of. Just think how much less hate our kids will experience in school if parents would just stop and examine what they do, the words they say, because words matter, actions matter. Remember, children learn by example, so why not be a positive one.

Here's a perfect song to end this week's article:

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine*

*Each and every day, I'm gonna let it shine
Each and every day, I'm gonna let it shine
Each and every day, I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine*

Happy Palm Sunday, and be a blessing to everyone you encounter!!

Til then...
Stay kind and LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY

higher cost increases over previous years, including a sharp rise in the cost of providing benefits. Eighty-four percent of small business owners experienced health insurance premium increases of up to \$2,000 per employee in the last year.

The survey also showed that:

- 60 percent of small businesses are making a conscious operational effort to prepare for a potential recession.
- 93 percent of small business owners are maintaining or increasing an investment in training and upskilling.
- 62 percent of businesses noted the adoption or exploration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in some aspect of their business.
- 59 percent of small businesses reported Earned Sick Time Act requirements have had a negative impact on their business.
- Despite challenges, 63 percent of small businesses said they are feeling optimistic about the long-term survival of their business.

The survey was conducted in February 2026, with 83 percent of respondents having 50 employees or fewer.

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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 certain mortgage made by David Zmich and Taryn Zmich, Taryn R. Zmich, husband and wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Summit Funding, Inc., its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 25, 2010, and recorded on August 30, 2010, as Document Number: 2010R-023655, Livingston County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC by an Assignment of Mortgage dated August 26, 2024 and recorded September 6, 2024 by Document Number: 2024R-015871, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Two and 17/100 (\$109,802.17) including interest at the rate of 4.75000% per annum.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Hartland, Livingston County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel: 1 A part of the Northeast quarter of Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 6 East, described as commencing at the East quarter corner of said Section 11, thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 13 seconds East, 1331.92 feet to the point of beginning, thence South 89 degrees 46 minutes 49 seconds West 286.01 feet, thence North 00 degrees 18 minutes 23 seconds East, 455.94 feet, thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 49 seconds East, 285.59 feet, thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 13 seconds West, 455.94 feet to the point of beginning together with the rights over a 24 foot wide ingress and egress and public utility easement described below. Subject to easements, restrictions and right of ways of record. The grantor and or assigns hereby reserve the right to further grant to future adjacent property owners, assigns and or heirs the right to utilize and or convey a non-exclusive easement; as described as: Non-exclusive Ingress, Egress, Public Utility Easement: A 24 foot wide ingress, egress and public utility easement described as commencing at the East quarter corner of said Section 11, thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 13 seconds East, 1343.92 feet to the centerline of said easement and point of beginning, thence along said centerline south 89 degrees 46 minutes 49 seconds West, 477.51 feet to the point of ending of said easement description. Non-Exclusive Private Road and Public Utilities Easement: A 27 foot wide private road and public utility easement described as commencing at the East quarter corner of said Section 11, thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 13 seconds East, 1331.92 feet, thence South 89 degrees 46 minutes 49 seconds West, 33.00 feet, thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 13 seconds East, 24.00 feet to the point of beginning of said easement, thence South 89 degrees 46 minutes 49 seconds West, 52.00 feet, thence North 44 degrees 46 minutes 49 seconds east, 35.36 feet, thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 13 seconds East, 145.00 feet, thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 49 seconds East, 60.00 feet to the centerline of Fenton Road, thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 13 seconds West, 27.00 feet, thence South 89 degrees 46 minutes 49 seconds West, 33.00 feet thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 13 seconds West, 143.00 feet to the point of beginning of said easement description. Commonly known as: 4795 FENTON ROAD, HARTLAND, MI 48353

If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can

rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: March 22, 2026

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.

Attorneys for Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC

43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180,

Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302,

(248) 335-9200

Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Case No. 18MI00657-4

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE NOTICE OF SALE TO ALL PURCHASERS -

A lien has been recorded on behalf of Lakeshore Pointe Homeowners Association. The lien was executed on November 12, 2025 and recorded on November 13, 2025, as Instrument No. 2025R-023009, Livingston County Register of Deeds. The lien secures assessments and other sums as of the date hereof in the amount of Three Thousand Four Hundred and Forty Nine Dollars and Seven Cents (\$3,449.07).

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement. Under the power of sale contained in the recorded Condominium Documents and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212 that the lien will be foreclosed by a sale of the property described below, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, main entrance of the Judicial Center located in Howell, Michigan, on Wednesday, May 6, 2026, at 10:00 am, Eastern Standard Time. The amount due on the lien may increase between the date of this notice and 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.

The name of the record property owner is William George Hopper III and Mary Ann Hopper, and is situated in the Township of Oceola, County of Livingston, State of Michigan, and is legally described as follows: Unit 35, of Lakeshore Pointe Condominium, a Condominium according to the Amended and Restated Master Deed recorded in Liber Instrument No. 2010R-002745, Livingston County Records, as amended, and designated as Livingston County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 75. Sidwell No. 4707-31-402-035

Commonly known as: 47 Lakeshore Pointe Dr, Howell, Michigan 48843

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which event the redemption date shall be thirty (30) days after the foreclosure sale or fifteen (15) days after the Association's compliance with the notice requirements of MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, under MCL 600.3278 the co-owner(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the Association 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 lien at the telephone number stated in this notice. This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing lienholder. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: March 20, 2026

Lakeshore Pointe Homeowners Association

c/o Makower Abbate Guerra Wegner Vollmer PLLC

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Farmington Hills, MI 48334

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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in LIVINGSTON County, starting promptly at 10:00 A.M. on April 29, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): JORDAN P CAMPS AND PAULA CAMPS.

Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by JORDAN P CAMPS AND PAULA CAMPS to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS MORTGAGEE, AS NOMINEE FOR HIGHLANDS RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, for a mortgage dated November 19, 2021, and recorded on November 22, 2021, as Instrument Number 2021R-047033 in Livingston County Register of Deeds. Said mortgage was assigned by said Mortgagee to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, as documented by an assignment dated January 7, 2026, and recorded on January 8, 2026, in the LIVINGSTON County Register of Deeds, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$337,384.00.

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 LIVINGSTON County, Michigan on April 29, 2026 at 10:00 A.M.

Said premises are located in the city of BRIGHTON in LIVINGSTON County, Michigan and are described as: LAND IS LOCATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GREEN OAK, COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF MICHIGAN, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT(S) 2, HIGH POINTE FARMS, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 33 OF PLAT(S), PAGE 12, LIVINGSTON COUNTY RECORDS. Property Address: 8918 BUCHANAN RD., BRIGHTON, MI 48116

Tax ID No. 4716-06-405-002

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.

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC

Mortgagee/Assignee

March 29th, 2026

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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 LIVINGSTON County, starting promptly at 10:00 am on April 22, 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): KATHLEEN A BOWMAN AND CHARLES E BOWMAN.

Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by KATHLEEN A BOWMAN AND CHARLES E BOWMAN to BANKUNITED, FSB, original Mortgagee, for a mortgage dated May 11, 2006, and recorded on August 02, 2006, as Document Number 2006R-014247 in the Livingston County Register of Deeds.

Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF CSMC 2019-RPL6 TRUST as documented by an assignment dated July 2, 2025, and recorded in the LIVINGSTON County Register of Deeds, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$174,880.35.

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 LIVINGSTON County, Michigan on April 22, 2026 at 10:00 am. Said premises are located in the city of HOWELL in LIVINGSTON County, Michigan and are described as: THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMITMENT IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY IS SITUATED IN CITY OF HOWELL, COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF MICHIGAN: PARCEL "2", A PART OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4, SECTION 17, T3N-R5E, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST, 1028.05 FEET ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF LATSON ROAD TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE PARCEL TO BE DESCRIBED' THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 0 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST, 314.25 FEET ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF LATSON ROAD THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 40 FEET EAST 12.00 FEET ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF SAID ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 32 SECONDS WEST, 1333.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH - DEGREES 22 MINUTES 34 SECONDS FEET; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST; 330.50 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 33 SECONDS EAST, 1330.40 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 10.04 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AND SUBJECT TO ROAD EASEMENT FOR LATSON ROAD. Property Address: 3899 NORTH LATSON ROAD. HOWELL MI, 48855

Tax ID No. 4707-17-200-011

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 Judiciary 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.

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF CSMC 2019-RPL6 TRUST, Mortgagee/Assignee March 22, 2026

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SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE - LIVINGSTON COUNTY

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 Livingston County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on April 15, 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.

MORTGAGE: Mortgagor(s): Christina Kelsey, a single woman Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns

Date of mortgage: July 10, 2014 Recorded on July 14, 2014, in Document No. 2014R-019410,

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc.

Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: One Hundred Forty-Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Eight and 10/100 Dollars (\$146,168.10)

Mortgaged premises: Situated in Livingston County, and described as: Parcel 1: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 36, Town 2 North, Range 5 East Genoa Township, Livingston County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 36; thence South 89 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds West along the North line of said Section 262.33 feet to the point of beginning of the parcel to be described; thence South 00 degrees 23 minutes 28 seconds East 189.34 feet; thence South 89 degrees 10 minutes 11 seconds West 340.17 feet; thence North 00 degrees 25 minutes 42 seconds West 192.93 feet to the North line of said Section; thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds East along said North line 340.28 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to and including the use of a 66 foot wide private road easement and 75 foot radius cul-de-sac for ingress and egress and public utilities, the centerline of which is described as: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 36, Town 2 North, Range 5 East, Genoa Township, Livingston County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 36; thence South 89 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds West along the North line of said Section 295.33 feet to the point of beginning of said easement; thence South 00 degrees 23 minutes 28 seconds East 504.19 feet; thence South 89 degrees 10 minutes 11 seconds West 42.00 feet to the point of ending of said easement, said point also being the center of a 75 foot radius cul-de-sac.

Commonly known as 5022 Sage Dr, Brighton, MI 48116

The redemption period will be 6 month from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless 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.

Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. Mortgagee/Assignee
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY ADVERTISEMENT.

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MORTGAGE INFORMATION: Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by David J. Deaton, married man, whose address is 5560 Crooked Lake Road, Howell, Michigan 48843, as original Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Gold Star Mortgage Financial Group, Corporation, being a mortgage dated July 3, 2013, and recorded on July 16, 2013 with Document Number 2013R-028440.

Said mortgage was modified by two loan modification agreements. The first, dated November 29, 2016, recorded May 17, 2017, with document number 2017R-014764. The second, dated May 29, 2020, recorded June 23, 2020, with document number 2020R-019927, Livingston County Records, State of Michigan and assigned by said mortgagee through mesne assignments to NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated December 21, 2022 and recorded on December 22, 2022 and given document number 2022R-031963 in Livingston County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINE AND 91/100 DOLLARS (\$109,509.91).

Said premises are situated in the Township of Genoa, County of Livingston, State of Michigan, and are described as: PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 22, TOWN 2 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST, GENOA TOWNSHIP, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF CROOKED LAKE ROAD AND THE SECTION LINE, EAST 415.00 FEET FROM THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION 22; RUNNING THENCE EAST 213.00 FEET ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF CROOKED LAKE ROAD AND THE SECTION LINE; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 21 MINUTES 45 SECONDS EAST, 444.93 FEET; THENCE WEST 213.00 FEET, THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST, 444.93 FEET ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF 66 FOOT WIDE PRIVATE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS AND TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Street Address: 5560 Crooked Lake Road, Howell, Michigan 48843

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA § 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judiciary Act of 1961, pursuant to MCLA § 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. THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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. Dated: March 29, 2026

For more information, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing: Robert A. Blumberg (P87490)
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Michigan House Report

By Jason Woolford,
50th District

Protecting Michigan Families from Kratom

Last week, the House took action to address a dangerous and largely unregulated substance that has quietly made its way into communities across our state. We passed House Bill 5537 to ban the production, distribution, and sale of kratom in Michigan. (This is a herbal substance that acts as a stimulant.)

This issue is already affecting families right here at home. Products containing kratom are being sold in everyday places like convenience stores, often within easy reach of teenagers and young adults. Many parents do not even know what it is, let alone that it is being marketed to their kids.

What we are seeing is concerning. Reports of serious health issues, including deaths, continue to surface. At the same time, these products are still being sold openly, often packaged in ways that make them look harmless.

As lawmakers, we have a responsibility to step in when something poses a real risk, especially when it comes to protecting kids. Allowing a substance like this to be sold without proper oversight is not acceptable.

Keeping our communities safe should always be our priority. We cannot let these dangerous, unregulated products slip through the cracks.

We have a responsibility to act now before the problem gets worse. I am proud to support this effort and will always put the safety of Michigan families first.

As always, please reach out to me if you have any questions or input you would like to share. You can call my office at (517) 373-3906 or email me at JasonWoolford@House.MI.Gov.



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Hailee Johnston

Bordercross

Coach Pearsall wanted to give a big shout out to Fowlerville Senior Hailee Johnston as she has just completed her 4th year on Howell's Varsity Boardercross Team. She finished her career with a 3rd place Girls Team finish and finished individually in the top 10. Hailee has had a very successful 4 years on Varsity and has been a leader since day 1.

As focused as she is on winning and being the best, she is just as equally focused on making sure to share her craft with the younger riders to make sure they all succeed. Her unselfishness is what led her to becoming one of the 4 Captains on the team. He can only say what a pleasure it has been to have Hailee on this team and she will truly be missed.

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U.S. Senate Report

By Elissa Slotkin,
Michigan 119th

Legislation puts common-sense guardrails on DOD AI use around lethal force, spying on Americans & nuclear weapons

Senator Elissa Slotkin (D-MI) has introduced the *AI Guardrails Act* to establish left and right limits on how the Department of Defense can use AI. The bill establishes clear guardrails in three areas. It would ban the DOD from firing autonomous weapons to kill without human authorization, from using AI to spy on Americans and from using AI to launch nuclear weapons.

In a recent Senate Armed Services hearing, Slotkin pressed Trump Administration nominees on the use of AI.

"Congress is behind in putting left and right limits on the use of AI, and the first place to start should be at the Pentagon," said Senator Slotkin. "My bill ensures a human is involved when deadly autonomous weapons are fired, AI cannot be used to spy on the American people, and that a human is on the switch to launch nuclear weapons. AI is going to shape the future of America's national security, and we must win the AI race against China. But to do that, we need action that puts limits on AI in the Department of Defense. This is just common sense."

The *AI Guardrails Act* codifies common-sense rules in the following areas:

- **The launch of lethal strikes using autonomous weapon systems.** Human responsibility is at the core of military command and control. This legislation ensures humans are the ones authorizing when and how autonomous lethal weapon systems are fired.
- **Spying on Americans.** The U.S. Constitution and our domestic laws provide protection against the U.S. Government's potential abuse of authorities, including domestic mass surveillance. This legislation further prevents government invasion of individuals' privacy and constitutional rights by clearly and explicitly prohibiting DoD's use of AI for domestic mass surveillance.
- **The launch or detonation of nuclear weapons.** Nuclear weapons are strategic capabilities that have the potential for mass destruction. As such, this legislation ensures the decision to launch nuclear weapons rests solely with the Commander-in-Chief, not machines.

These safeguards would apply across the full AI lifecycle, from development and testing to deployment and post-deployment continuous monitoring.

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Fowlerville High School News

OFFICE HOURS

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IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES TO NOTE:

March 27 – April 5 Spring Break

Kindergarten Round Up

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Fowlerville High School Spring Testing Schedule 2026!

As we welcome spring to Michigan it is also time to look at our high school testing schedule. State law requires students to participate in The Michigan Merit Exam (MME) summative assessments. Summative assessments measure what students are expected to know and be able to do at specific grade levels and in specific content areas. It provides 9-10 grade students the chance to practice their skills for their 11th grade SAT and gives all students the chance to take these assessments free of charge in a familiar location. Attendance is very important on these days. Please get a good night's rest and start your day with something to eat.

All testing will be completed digitally- students will test on their school-provided chromebooks. Students should bring:

- Their FULLY CHARGED chromebook.
 - Pen/pencil for "scratch work".
 - Each test features a built-in calculator, but students may bring their own calculator with no internet capability if they choose.
 - Please DO NOT bring ANYTHING ELSE.
- Please see below for a detailed schedule for your student/test.

All testing will take place in the Competition Gym

unless your student receives testing accommodation. Accommodated locations will be shared with those students individually.

Seniors: No FHS on Wednesday, April 8th. Attend WTC or Liv/CTE as normal. In order for seniors to receive this day off, they must complete the FHS Exit Survey that will be shared with them that morning through the Class of 2026 Google Classroom. Seniors will return to normal schedule all other days.

Juniors: Excused from WTC or Liv/CTE during all testing days.

-Wednesday, April 8th:
SAT -(7:30-12:30- NO LUNCH- Light snack during mid-morning break. 11th grade students are dismissed from school after testing). Digital Test- bring fully charged Chromebook.

-Thursday, April 9th:
WIN Test- (7:30-11:30-"C" Lunch. Return to 5-6 hours as normal). Digital Test- bring fully charged Chromebook.

-Friday, April 10th:
M-Step- (7:30-9:30-Extra time for those that need it. Return to normal school day). Digital Test- bring fully charged Chromebook.

Sophomores:
-Thursday, April 16th-
PSAT/10- (7:30-10:30. Return to 4th-6th hours as normal). Digital Test- bring fully charged Chromebook.

-Normal schedule for all other days.
Freshman:
-Tuesday, April 14th-
PSAT/9- (7:30-10:30. Return to 4th-6th hours as normal). Digital Test- bring fully charged Chromebook.
-Normal schedule for all other days.

All students are reminded to visit their Graduating Class Google Classroom for up-to-date information on programs, scheduling, scholarships, field trips, help topics and other opportunities.

Senior Parents – Graduation is around the corner cap and gown ordering has begun. Order online Jostens.com pick the graduation tab, order now, enter school and state, then start your order. The basic cap and gown unit is under Cap & Gown section shop all.



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Livingston County Coin Club holding Spring Show on April 11th

The Livingston County Coin Club is holding its Spring Show on Saturday, April 11th at the Heart of the Shepherd Church, located at 228 N. Burkhart Road (between the I-96 exit and Mason Road). The event takes place from 9:30am to 3pm.

Buy-Sell-Trade gold & silver coins, paper money, tokens, medals and collecting supplies. Free admission and free parking. Very nice gift bag will be given for YNs 16 and under.



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Notice of Public Hearing Conway Township Board of Trustees 2026-2027 Proposed General Fund and Road Fund Budget And Amend the 2025-2026 General Fund and Road Fund Budget March 30th, 2026 at 7pm

The Conway Township Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the proposed General Fund and Road Fund Budget for the April 1st, 2026 – March 31st, 2027 fiscal year on Monday March 30th, 2026 at 7pm. at the Conway Township Hall. The Conway Township Hall is located at 8015 N. Fowlerville Rd, Fowlerville, MI. 48836.

Copies of the proposed budget can be viewed at the Conway Township Office during regular business hours of Tuesday and Wednesday 9am-3pm after March 23rd, 2026

Written comments must be received by Tara Foote, Clerk at the Conway Township Office on or before March 30th, 2026 at 3pm.

Tara Foote
Conway Township Clerk
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—Area Deaths—



Mary Margaret Watson
Harrison, Michigan

Her Legacy... Mary Margaret Watson, 86, passed away on March 19, 2026. Born on July 23, 1939, in Detroit, Michigan, to Norman and Hazel (Audas) Mather, she married the love of her life, Fred Watson, on September 24, 1960, in Livonia, Michigan. Throughout her life, Mary lived with a servant's heart and a deep compassion for her family and friends. She found joy in the simple pleasures of life, including reading, cooking, and watching cooking shows. Additionally, she was an active member of a cooking club alongside several of her cousins, where they shared meals and recipes.

Above all, Mary cherished her family. In her everyday life, she made it a priority to stay connected, often calling her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren just to hear about their day. These conversations, no matter how ordinary, brought her great joy.

Her faith in Jesus was a cornerstone of her life. She was a devoted member of St. John Lutheran Church in Fowlerville for many years. Wherever Mary and Fred called home, they remained connected to a church, faithfully nurturing both their community and their shared faith.

Mary was deeply loved by all who knew her, and her kindness, warmth, and unwavering love for her family will be dearly missed.

Her Family... Mary will be missed by her children, Bill (Donna) Watson, Kimberly (Gerald) Hiveley, Fred (Dawn) Watson Jr; grandchildren, Rachel (Steven) Foster, Laura (Rocky) Hitchcock, Randi Watson, Dayna (Dan) Harland, and Lauren (Cody) Schmalz; and great grandchildren, Paige Foster, Rhett Foster, Macey Hitchcock, Brinley Hitchcock, Brett Harland, Dawson Harland, and Jase Schmalz. She is preceded in death by her parents, Norman and Hazel Mather, and her in-laws, Fred and Geraldine Watson.

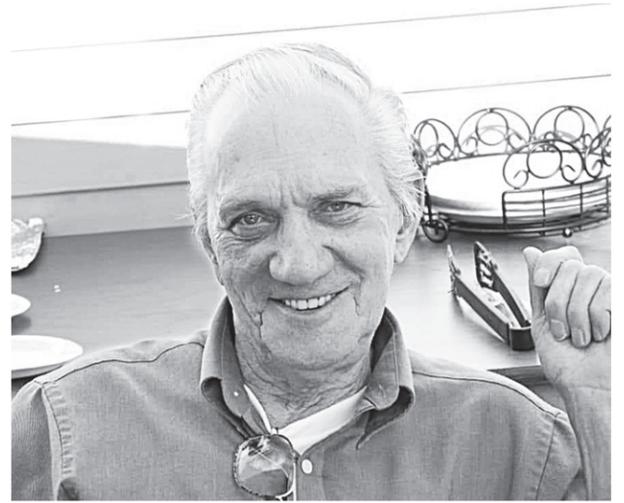
Her Farewell... Mary's family and friends will be gathering privately at a later date. Please leave a message of comfort for Mary's family at 1-877-231-7900, or sign her guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.



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Bernard Goodnough
Fowlerville, Michigan

His Legacy... Bernard "Sonny" James Goodnough, 89, passed away March 18, 2026. He was born on March 25, 1936, in Detroit, Michigan to Bernard William Goodnough and Adeline (Michels) Goodnough. Sonny married the love of his life, Linda Williams, on July 30, 1960, in Redford, Michigan. Sonny loved deeply, and this was exemplified by the way he showed his love for his wife and family. When Linda fell ill, Sonny spent her final ten years by her side, taking care of her until her passing. He was never stingy with his love, he was all in. He will be remembered as a friend to all and someone you could always rely on for anything that was needed. He didn't judge, instead approaching with understanding, kindness, and compassion first.

Sonny was a homebody, spending his time working in the barn, making repairs, or adding to his tool collection. He could often be found at his neighbors spending time with them, driving the tractor, pulling up stumps, and helping them work outside. It wasn't until he turned 89 that his role became "Supervisor," and he'd spend his time observing the work instead of digging in himself. Sonny's generosity was immeasurable, anyone who knew him understood that he was not afraid to get his hands dirty and that nothing could keep him from helping.

His Family... Sonny will be missed by his children: Chris (Shelly), Tony (Debbie), Kim (Mark); daughter-in-law, Cris; siblings, Toni, Jack, Jan; grandchildren, Mindy (Matt), Dustin, Jordan, Amy (Sean), Jerry, Venus, Laura (Adam); great grandchildren, Olivia, Sophia, Isaac, Madelynn, Alex, Zoe, Lily; and many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his wife, Linda; parents, Bernard and Adeline; son, Todd; siblings, Donna, Shirley, MaryAnn.

His Farewell... Sonny's family and friends gathered Wednesday, March 25, 2026, from 3:00PM to 7:00PM at Borek Jennings Funeral Home in Fowlerville, Michigan. Sharing of memories and a prayer service was conducted at 7:00PM. Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Society, or a charity of your choice. Please leave a message of comfort for Sonny's family at 1-877-231-7900, or sign his guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.

First United Methodist Church of Howell holding Spring Rummage Sale

The First United Methodist Church of Howell will have its Spring Rummage Sale at the church on Friday, April 24th from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. and Saturday, April 25 from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Household, tools, vintage, jewelry, sporting goods, toys, etc. Clothing sold by the bag. All priced items half off on Saturday. The church is located at 1230 Bower Street in Howell, across from Northwest Elementary School.

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Senator Theis presents Fowlerville Senior Center with Special Tribute

Senator Lana Theis came to the Fowlerville Senior Center on Monday, March 23, and presented members with a State of Michigan Special Tribute.

Senator Theis presented the Special Tribute to the Center in recognition of their “outstanding contributions to the senior community and the broader Fowlerville area.”

The Tribute stated:

“The Fowlerville Senior Center, established as a 501(c) (3) non-profit entity, provides vital support and engagement resources for seniors in the Fowlerville and nearby areas. Its mission is to enhance the quality of life for older adults by offering comprehensive programs, services and opportunities for social interaction. The Center serves both senior citizens and the wider community, maintaining a strong commitment to inclusivity, accessibility, and the overall well-being of all residents.”

“The Fowlerville Senior Center serves the community by offering a range of social, nutritional, educational, and recreational programs tailored to seniors. It fosters inclusion, lifelong learning, and health through diverse activities and open events for all residents...”

“In acknowledgement of their outstanding service, leadership and dedicated commitment to seniors with our community, I formally express my sincere appreciation for the Center’s sustained contributions, which consistently enrich lives and foster greater community engagement.”

At the end of the presentation, Senator Theis expressed the sentiment that “We just want to say thank you.”



Senator Lana Theis, right, presented the Fowlerville Senior Center with a State of Michigan Special Tribute in recognition of the Center’s outstanding contributions to the senior community and the broader Fowlerville area.



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Best Presentation for Chili was the Fowlerville Fire Department represented by Assistant Fire Chief Mike LeMieux.



People's Choice winner for Chili was Butch Ogden representing VFW Post 6464.

Fowlerville 4th of July Committee Chili Cook Off, continued

and Best Presentation. They were Val from the Bloated Goat Saloon, Landon from Little Glads, and Aaron from WHMI Radio.

As in the past, tickets were sold for cash drawings that took place during the evening and a silent auction was held.



Bob Maxey Ford of Fowlerville, represented by sales associate Jeremy Adams, was thanked for its donation of \$2,500.



Winning both the Judges' Choice and People's Choice for Dessert was Melissa Beduhn.



Best Presentation for Dessert was given to Chris Hatfield, assisted by Alan Hatfield.



Selling raffle tickets were Jim Mayhew and Nora Salgado.



Mugg & Bopps was thanked for its donation of \$2,500. From left, were Michelle Pichler and Renae Bondie.



Judges of both the chili and dessert entries were, left to right, Val from the Bloated Goat, Landon from Little Glads, and Aaron from WHMI Radio.

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Working at the Fowlerville Fire Department table were, from left, Tammy LeMieux, Josh Piontek, and Wayne Martin.



Butch Ogden of VFW Post 6464 was back as a contestant.



Chad Lab also had an entry for VFW Post 6464.



Longtime contestants Steve & Chris Whitney brought a new chili recipe to the contest.



Marina & Dennis Masterman had an entry sponsored by the Fowlerville Police Department.



Katie & Josh Timer of Timer Farms were back for the Cook-off, offering both a hot and mild choice for the event.



From left were Jaelyn, Allison, Melissa & Tim Beduhn of Jarr Farms who had both a chili offering and a dessert.



Chris & Alan Hatfield entered a dessert for judging.



Christopher Candela, a candidate for the Livingston County Circuit Court Judge seat that will be on the ballot in the August Primary and then the November General Election, was at the event.



Margie Harvey was serving her chili at the event.



From left were Nora Salgado, Melissa Salgado, and Tony Coln. Melissa and Tony are members of the Fowlerville 4th of July Committee.



Mark Gatesman, a candidate for the Livingston County Circuit Court Judge seat that will be on the ballot in the August Primary and then the November General Election, was at the event.

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Fowlerville Fire Department Report

March 19

11:39 a.m.--Medical response on S Grand Ave in the Village.

3:16 p.m.--Odor investigation on N Ann St in the Village.

March 20

9:10 p.m.--Odor investigation on N Cedar Rd in Handy Township.

March 21

8:38 a.m.--Medical response on Nicholson Rd in Handy Township.

4:19 p.m.--Medical response on E Grand River in the Village.

7:59 p.m.--Outdoor fire investigation on Dutton Rd in

Iosco Township.

10:51 p.m.--Medical response on Garden Ln in the Village.

10:53 p.m.--Medical response on Gehringer Dr in Handy Township.

March 22

NO CALLS

March 23

11:14 a.m.--Medical response on Fork River Dr in Handy Township.

2:05 p.m.--Odor investigation on Hidden Circle Dr in Conway Township.

March 24

10:18 a.m.--Medical response on North St in the Village.

March 25

2:21 p.m.--Medical response on Cedar River Dr in the Village.

6:05 p.m.--Grass fire on Dutton Rd in Iosco Township.

7:47 p.m.--Odor investigation on Mason Rd in Iosco Township.

Livingston Fine Art Association meeting at Cleary University on March 31st

The Livingston Fine Art Association will be meeting on Tuesday, March 31st at the Commons Building at Cleary University, Room 3. Park in Lot C. Doors open at 6:30pm,

meeting begins at 7:00pm.

The speaker will be Watermedia Artist, Lora Garcelon. Lora Garcelon was born in Columbus, Ohio where she took her first painting class in high school. She attended the Ohio State University, graduating in 1991 with a degree in pharmacy. In 2005, after several years working as a pharmacist and raising a family, she picked up her brushes and started taking private painting lessons, focusing on learning design and composition. She paints primarily in water based media—watercolor, gouache and acrylic, sometimes adding elements of collage to her work. She has recently started experimenting with acrylic marbling and incorporating this into her paintings. She paints what she sees and experiences in daily life- her family and friends, pets, and scenes from family vacations.

Lora is a signature member of Michigan Watercolor Society, where she has won several awards for her paintings. Other memberships include Livingston Fine Art Association, Brighton Art Guild, National Watercolor Society and International Society of Experimental Artists.

“My goal is to create a work that exceeds my expectations and that surprises the viewer,” Garcelon said. “I love the unpredictability of watercolor. Paintings truly take on a life of their own.”

A short business meeting and a discussion of members art work will follow. All artists and those interested in the arts are invited. See the website at: <https://livfineart.com/>.

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How to Make a Sock Bunny

What you need:

- Scissors
- Socks
- Uncooked rice
- Rubber bands
- Black Marker
- Glue
- Ribbons (optional)
- Pom poms (optional)

What you do:

1. Start by filling the sock. While you don't need any aids for this, using a glass and placing the sock inside and over the edges of the glass will make filling the socks a whole lot easier. Fill the sock with rice.
2. Wrap a rubber band around the top of the sock.
3. To form the body and head, gently squish the bunny's midsection. Place a rubber band or two around the area between the body and the head.
4. You can glue a large pom pom on the bunny to make the tail or you can squish a part of the body and secure it with a rubber band.
5. Let's make the ears. You can trim the sock if it is too long. Cut the top part in half to make two ears. Do not cut all the way to the rubber. Shape the ears with scissors.
6. Use a black marker to draw the nose (draw a small x) and eyes (two simple dots).
7. Now you can leave it as it is or go the fancy route by using ribbons to cover the rubber bands. Wrap the ribbon around the base of both ears, too (secure with glue).



Shaving Cream Marbled Easter Eggs

Equipment / Tools

- Small saucepan
- Large bowl
- Shallow pan or glass baking dish
- Bamboo skewers
- Rubber gloves
- Paper towels

Materials

- Eggs
- White vinegar
- Shaving cream or whipped cream
- Food coloring
- Bowl of water
- Vegetable oil (optional)

Instructions

Prepare Eggs - Begin your fun Easter craft by boiling a batch of eggs inside of your saucepan. Once the eggs are cooled, submerge them in vinegar for 20 minutes. This process helps the dye stick better to the shells. Inside of a shallow glass baking dish, spread about an inch of drugstore shaving cream. Make sure you cover the bottom of the pan evenly with shaving cream. For edible dyed eggs, you should replace shaving cream with regular or non-dairy whipped topping, spreading it the same way. Follow the remaining instructions as if you were using shaving cream.

Add Color to Shaving Cream - Add drops of food coloring generously on top of the shaving cream. We recommend trying two different colors for each set of eggs for best results. Feel free to experiment! Use one color throughout the whole process, or section the shaving cream into halves or quarters for a more diverse palette. Once you've covered most of the surface with food coloring, you should use a bamboo skewer to swirl and marble the colors gently.

Roll Eggs - Once your colored shaving cream is ready to use, make sure to wear gloves to keep your hands stain-free. Place a hard-boiled egg gently on the cream's surface. Then roll it slowly to ensure full coverage by the colored shaving cream. Set the egg on a paper towel and let it dry for 20 minutes. Avoid wiping off the shaving cream until the egg is completely dry. Repeat this step for all of the eggs you wish to decorate, using the same shaving cream mixture. For this egg decorating project, foam shaving cream works best; skip the gel.

Clean and Display - Next, you should dip each egg gently into a bowl of water in order to remove any leftover shaving cream while keeping the beautiful color intact. Then pat the eggs dry with a paper towel, taking care not to rub the surface as this might smudge the design. Once dry and cleaned, arrange your eggs into a vibrant display. For added gloss, you can apply a small amount of vegetable oil to your eggs.



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Michigan Governor's Report

By Gretchen Whitmer

Doubling Down on 'Build, Baby, Build'

Whether it's renting an apartment downtown, buying your first house, or paying off the home where you'll retire, everyone should be able to afford a home that meets their needs and stay in it long-term.

However, right now, it's hard out there. In the 90s, the typical first-time homebuyer was around 28–31; today it's 40. There's a multi-million-home shortage nationwide and many homes that are for sale are unaffordable.

That's why I'm doubling down on my plan to Build, Baby, Build more affordable housing. Since taking office, we have built **84,000** new units of housing and made historic investments to help Michiganders afford their first home.

This year, I proposed two commonsense, bipartisan actions we must take on housing.

1. A new, state-level affordable housing tax credit to make housing more available and affordable.
2. It shouldn't be so hard to build the homes people need in the places where they want to live.

Let's get it done.

New Commonsense Actions to Lower Cost of Housing

In the 90s, I bought my first house as a 28-year-old. If you're a 28-year-old now and you think that sounds crazy—you're right. Today, the median age of a first-time homebuyer is 40, a record high. Just 1 in 5 homes are sold to first-time homebuyers—an all-time low.

Adding to the problem, chaotic national tariffs are driving up the costs of materials like Canadian lumber and Mexican drywall that we rely on to build homes. Tariffs have raised the cost of a house by upwards of 17 grand, further exacerbating our housing shortage. We can't change national tariffs—believe me, I've tried—but we can build more quality, affordable housing in Michigan.

With Build, Baby, Build, so far, we have:

- Invested more to build housing than any administration in state history.

- Set and smashed our goal of adding 75,000 homes a year ahead of schedule. We're at 84,000 now, on track to hit our new target of 115,000.
- Closed housing gap by 44% and our homeownership rate remains higher than the national average, at almost 75%.
- Helped more than 6,000 Michiganders buy their first homes last year with record-setting mortgage and down payment assistance loans.
- Connected more young men and women to our homeownership programs.

In my State of the State last month, I announced two commonsense, bipartisan actions we must take on housing.

1. A state-level affordable housing tax credit, which incentivizes construction of housing for working class families. This new credit would match the existing federal affordable housing tax credit and help Michigan build thousands more homes each year. It would make housing more available and more affordable.
2. Demolishing nonsensical construction requirements and streamlining zoning. This includes making it easier to build in-law suites and modernizing requirements for lot sizes, setbacks, and parking. By doing this, we can build more homes quicker, at a lower cost.

Build, Baby, Build is also creating good-paying jobs.

Earlier this month, I visited the Carpenter and Millwrights Skilled Training Center in Detroit to meet some young people who are thinking about a future in the skilled trades. From pipefitters to carpenters and bricklayers to roofers, together we are laying the groundwork to build up our communities and drive down rents and mortgages, while creating tens of thousands of good-paying jobs along the way.

Lowering Costs for Homebuyers

The State of Michigan offers several programs to help reduce taxes, mortgage costs, and utility bills, as well as assist homebuyers with their down payment.

Down Payment Assistance

We are helping thousands of families buy homes through Down Payment Assistance and the MI Home Loan Mortgage Program. The MI Home Loan Mortgage program offers up to \$10,000 in down payment assistance and is available to first-time homebuyers statewide and repeat homebuyers in targeted areas. All homebuyers work directly with a participating lender. To determine eligibility, please contact an experienced participating lender.

Unlocking Tax Savings for Homebuyers

We are supporting first-time homebuyers statewide and repeat homebuyers in targeted areas through the Mortgage Credit

Certificate (MCC) Program. The MCC Program provides housing assistance by issuing a federal tax credit of up to 20% of mortgage interest paid annually, capped at \$2,000 per year. All homebuyers work directly with a participating lender. To find out if you are eligible, contact an approved MCC Lender.

Do you want to learn more about buying a home or do you have questions about achieving your housing goals? Check out MSHDA's Housing Education Program, which proudly supports a trusted network of HUD-approved housing counseling agencies, dedicated to helping you make confident, informed housing decisions. Each year, our HUD-certified counselors empower over six thousand Michigan households to achieve their goals, whether buying a home, seeking rental support, overcoming foreclosure, or building financial independence.

VFW Post 6464 Coffee Hour

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION AMENDMENT to the LEROY TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE

An amendment to the Zoning Ordinance regulating lot splits as permitted by the Land Division Act updates (PA 58 of 2025) was adopted by the Leroy Township Board on Wednesday, March 18th, 2026. The new Zoning Ordinance amendment shall take effect 7 days after the date of this publication.

The amendment for Section 305 of the Leroy Township Zoning Ordinance opts out of the increased number of lot splits permitted by the new Section 108(6) of the Land Division Act within the Township.

The Leroy Township Zoning Ordinance and all related documentation may be reviewed at Leroy Township Hall between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

Gina L. Whitehead, Township Clerk
 LEROY TOWNSHIP
 (3-29-26 FNV)

PUBLIC NOTICE HANDY TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS IN INGHAM INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT ONLY ABSENTEE BALLOTS For a SPECIAL ELECTION MAY 5, 2026

The Handy Township Clerk will be available for issuing absentee ballots for the May 5, 2026 Webberville Schools Special Election. Ballots will be issued at the HANDY TOWNSHIP VOTING CENTER, 6520 Grand River (corner of Hogback Rd. and Grand River) on the following dates and times:

- Saturday, May 2, 2026 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Absentee Ballots will also be available for issuance during the month of April on Thursdays (by appointment), at the Handy Township Offices, 135 N. Grand Avenue, Fowlerville, MI.

Emergency Ballots will be available on Monday, May 4, 2026, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Handy Township Offices, located at 135 N. Grand Avenue.

Voters must present a photo ID in order to receive a ballot.

Laura A. Eisele
 Handy Township Clerk
 (3-29, 4-12, & 4-26-26 FNV)



Webberville Senior Matthew Howery after placing 7th in the state and receiving All-State recognition.

Webberville High senior spends off-season competing in Indoor Track, wins All-State recognition

Written in collaboration with Kylie Schriener

Webberville High School senior Matthew Howery has spent the off-season competing in Indoor Track to prepare for the upcoming spring season. Specializing in the long jump, Howery is eager to see how his growth over the years will show on the field.

He began participating in Track and Field in middle school, and it has remained a part of his life throughout high school. It wasn't until his sophomore year that he discovered a passion for the long jump. Since then, track has become more than just a sport; it's one of his favorite parts of high school.

For Howery, track stands out because it allows athletes to showcase their abilities at meets across the state. "It's an amazing experience, and I would recommend track to anyone who is interested," he said.

This year marks Howery's first time competing in Indoor Track, and he has embraced the new challenges it brings. He began the indoor season with a jump of 20'9" and ended with a personal record of 21'11", earning seventh place in the state. The different environment has helped him grow as an athlete and prepare for his final high school season.

Howery is thrilled with how this season turned out and looks forward to seeing where Track and Field will take him in the future. He will attend Adrian College in the fall on an academic scholarship and has been accepted on their Track and Field team.

NIESA Fire Report (Northeast Ingham Emergency Service Authority)

On Wednesday March 18, 2026 NIESA responded to seven calls. Three calls were in the City of Williamston with all of them being medical responses. One call was in Williamstown Township for a medical response. One call was in the Village of Webberville for a medical response. Two calls were mutual aids with one a fire response in Okemos and one a dispatch error for Holt.

On Thursday March 19, 2026 NIESA responded to two calls with both being medical responses in the City of Williamston.

On Friday March 20, 2026 NIESA responded to two calls. One was a medical response in Locke Township and one was a medical response in Williamstown Township.

On Saturday March 21, 2026 NIESA responded to four calls. One call was in Locke Township for a medical response. Two calls were in Wheatfield Township with one a utility response and one a medical response. One call was a medical response in the Village of Webberville.

On Sunday March 22, 2026 NIESA responded to four calls. One call was in the City of Williamston for a Co2 response. One call was in Leroy Township for a medical response. One call was in Locke Township for a fire response. One call was in the Village of Webberville for a medical response.



Senior Spotlight – Daniel Russell (also known as DAN X)

No matter how low life feels or how long loneliness lasts, Daniel Russell believes in one simple truth: **Friends are family.**

Daniel is the son of Rachel Russell, who currently works at Webberville Elementary School, and the younger brother of Kenny Russell ('25). Daniel is also a proud cat owner to Frog—one of the cutest cats you'll ever meet.

Gym is Daniel's favorite class, and he values every teacher at the school, viewing them not just as educators but as friends. As graduation approaches, it's bittersweet for him knowing he won't see many of those friends every day anymore. Still, the relationships he's built means everything to him.

Daniel has been involved in many activities at Webberville, but one of the most memorable is choir. While he may not consider himself a singer, he brings his own flair to performances by improvising dance routines on the spot. His spontaneous dances have become a highlight for audiences, and Daniel plans to keep doing whatever he can to make people smile.

Many students also know Daniel as a dedicated Pokémon GO player—proudly calling himself a Pokémon Master. He has countless fun memories playing the game at school, memories he'll always cherish.

Currently, Daniel serves as a LINK during the first hour of the day, where he recently helped make pancakes—an experience he found both fun and rewarding. He's excited to continue being a LINK throughout the year. As for the future, Daniel is taking things one step at a time. He hasn't chosen a specific career yet, but plans to attend a college designed to help students explore their options.

Those who know Daniel best often speak about the impact he has on others. His close friend Ethan West shared that "Daniel has been the greatest friend I could ever ask for... one of the most positive people I know," adding that Daniel inspires people to be the best version of themselves.

Teachers feel the same admiration. Mrs. Brownell, who has known Daniel since eighth grade, describes him as "one of the kindest people I know" and looks forward to seeing where life takes him.

As Daniel Russell—also known as DAN X—moves forward, he leaves behind a legacy of kindness, positivity, and friendship. His advice to future graduates is simple but powerful: never give up and never give in to despair. No matter how hard life gets, you can make it through as long as you have friends and family by your side—because to Daniel, **friends are family.** ♥

On Monday March 23, 2026 NIESA responded to four calls. One call was in Wheatfield Township for a medical response. Two calls were in Williamstown Township both being medical responses. One call was a mutual aid call in Holt for a medical response.

On Tuesday March 24, 2026 NIESA responded to three calls. One call was in Leroy Township for a fire response. One call was in the Village of Webberville for a utility response. One call was a mutual aid to White Oak Township for a medical response.



Caleb Arbour is playing golf with the support of his mom while Owen Derian is cheering him on.

Webberville Spring Carnival draws crowd, supports students

Webberville Schools welcomed students, families, and community members for its annual district-wide Spring Carnival on March 20th, a long-standing tradition sponsored by the Webberville Boosters. The event once again proved to be a highlight of the school year, drawing a strong turnout and filling the building with smiles and excitement.

Young students and their families packed the event, while staff members and older student volunteers played an important role by running games and activities. Attendees of all ages enjoyed a wide variety of attractions, including an obstacle course, sports-themed games, plinko, and fan favorites like the cake walk and toilet paper toss.

In addition to the games, Boosters' volunteers and staff provided a range of refreshments, including snack stations and popular "dirty sodas," adding to the fun.

The evening also featured a silent online auction, which concluded at the end of the event, along with a raffle showcasing classroom-created baskets. Both components generated excitement throughout the night as participants bid and entered for chances to win a variety of themed items and experiences.

As the largest fundraiser organized by the Webberville

Boosters, the Spring Carnival plays a vital role in supporting the school community. All proceeds from the event will be reinvested directly into the school to benefit students and enhance classroom learning.

Boosters organizers would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all volunteers, staff, students, families, and area businesses who contributed—whether in big or small ways—to making the event such a success. Special thanks goes out to generous donors including Ocimeae Lavender Farm, Redwood Golf Course, the Webberville Spa, High Caliber Karting, Michigan State Athletics, Lansing Lugnuts, Impression 5 Science Center, Trader Joe's, Sun Theatre, Zynda's Food and Drink, Jeff Wood – Merrill Wealth Management, Hunter's Ridge Golf Course, Potter Park Zoo, Cafe Sports, Kelly de Haan, Marlena Acker, Lisa Tomczyk, Cherie Beaudrie, Jamie Dolan, and Mara Chapman. Their support helped make this year's Spring Carnival both memorable and impactful for Webberville students.



This student pushes the button on the "human slot machine," Mrs. Elliot, Mrs. Spencer and Ms. Peterson will try to all pick the same fruit so this person can win a really wonderful prize.



Andrew is throwing the football really hard to the receiver to win.



Having an amazing time at the spring carnival, this young person is aiming for the bowl.



Middle School student Conner Tomczyk getting a prize from Mrs. Berger for winning the cake walk.



Trying to win a soda, this girl tosses the ring for a win.



Middle School students Hazel Spencer and Madison Culver are volunteering to help everyone have the best time at the carnival.

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Webberville Cribbage Report

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All are invited to join the fun!

We meet **Mondays, 6:30-9pm** at the Webberville United Methodist Church, located at South M-52 & Holt Road.

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION DATA CENTERS MORATORIUM

A moratorium on the issuance of any and all permits, licenses, or approvals by the Township for the establishment of data centers was adopted by the Leroy Township Board on Wednesday, March 18th, 2026. The moratorium shall take effect immediately upon the date of this publication.

The moratorium will remain in place for twelve (12) months, or until Data Center regulatory amendments to the Township's Zoning Ordinance become effective, whichever occurs first. The Township may also opt to extend the moratorium an additional six (6) months prior to its expiration to allow sufficient time to complete amendments to its Zoning Ordinance.

The Leroy Township Zoning Ordinance and all related documentation may be reviewed at Leroy Township Hall between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

Gina L. Whitehead, Township Clerk
LEROY TOWNSHIP
(3-29-26 FNV)

Recognition, Volunteers & Grants at the Fowlerville Senior Center

By Mark Thompson

On Monday, March 23 Senator Lana Theis came to the Fowlerville Senior Center and presented members with a State of Michigan Special Tribute.

Senator Theis presented the Special Tribute to the Fowlerville Senior Center in recognition of their “Outstanding Contributions to the senior community and the broader Fowlerville area.” (See full article in this issue.)

The Fowlerville Senior Center welcomes Christine Senia, a Fowlerville native, who is interning with us as she works toward her bachelor’s degree from Chamberlain University. Christine is a Registered Nurse and as part of her internship she is tasked with developing a program regarding diabetic care.

The Fowlerville Senior Center is very happy to assist Christine, and our members will be seeing her participate in our various activities and talking with members as she works toward completion of her internship.

The Fowlerville Senior Center held a “Sunflowers in a Vase” craft class and it was taught/facilitated by Lila Ratliff, our volunteer from Fowlerville High School. Lila proposed this craft project, planned the class, arranged supplies and instructed the class. Lila did a magnificent job as evidenced by the Senior Center members making sunflowers, conversations, laughter and just having a great time.

Earlier this year the American Heart Association

awarded the Fowlerville Senior Center a grant to install a “Multiuser Blood Pressure Monitor” at the Senior Center. The Senior Center has been informed the monitor and associated equipment is now being sent to us and should arrive next week.

The Fowlerville Senior Center was awarded a grant from the Livingston County Consortium on Aging to enhance the aesthetics of our Community Room. This was an important project for the Senior Center because art has a positive influence on a room by setting emotional tones, creating a focal point, and adding textures and colors augmenting the interior design of a room. This artwork serves as a personal reflection of our membership who participated in choosing the various pieces, boosting mood and transforming sterile and dull spaces into artful, inviting environments. This project has been completed, and we invite you to visit the Fowlerville Senior Center to view our Community Room transformation.

A group of Fowlerville Senior Center members held an impromptu meeting at Fowlerville Farms Restaurant.

Kudos to our waitress, Amanda, who provided excellent service during our lunch meeting.

Senior citizen camaraderie celebrates shared history, laughter, and companionship, often emphasizing that the best times are enjoyed together.



Craft class participants - Lila Ratliff, Linda Tesch, Kathy Eason, Kris Minock and Becky Spatrisano.



Mark Thompson, Irene Hursh, Kathy Eason, Becky Spatrisano, Sue Thompson and Donna Genei meeting at Fowlerville Farms Restaurant.

LEGAL NOTICES

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 Livingston County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on April 22, 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): Paul Albright and Rochelle Albright

Original Mortgagee: Figure Lending LLC

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): MEB Loan Trust VIII

Date of Mortgage: October 20, 2023

Date of Mortgage Recording: October 25, 2023

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$63,355.25

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Genoa, Livingston County, Michigan, and described as: Lot(s) 22 and 23 of Chemung Acres No. 1 according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 7 of Plats, Page 33 of Livingston County Records.

Also part of West 1/2 of Southeast 1/4 of Section 10, Township 2 North Range 5 East, Michigan described as: Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot 23 of said Chemung Acres No. 1; thence North 15 degrees 26 minutes 52 seconds East 150 feet; thence North 79 degrees 26 minutes 24 seconds West 220.33 feet; thence South 10 degrees 39 minutes 54 seconds West 150 feet; thence Southeasterly to beginning

Common street address (if any): 1840 Gray Rd, Howell, MI 48843-9104

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

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

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

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Date of notice: March 22, 2026

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LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT LIVINGSTON COUNTY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

CASE NO. and JUDGE 2026-23988-DE

Judge: Miriam A. Cavanaugh
Court address and telephone no.

204 S. Highlander Way, Howell, MI 48843
(517) 546-3750

Estate of KATHLEEN JOAN WOLSTONE, Deceased
Date of Birth: 03/12/1939

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, KATHLEEN JOAN WOLSTONE, died 09/22/2025.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to DENISE R. KETCHMARK, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 204 S. Highlander Way, Howell, MI 48843 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: 03/19/2026

Attorney:

DENISE R. KETCHMARK P-42291
1116 S. LINDEN ROAD, BLDG E, STE 14
FLINT, MI 48532
810-232-6096

Personal Representative:

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Senior Center members meeting and greeting each other and even receiving a hug or two before we start bingo.



Christine Senia, a Chamberlain University student, interning at the Fowlerville Senior Center.

Webberville Spring Carnival photos, continued



Michael Chuba is having a wonderful time hurling an axe.



Emily, Elizabeth, and Brooke are trying to win a sweet drink at the juice box walk.

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Upcoming Events

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Family • Wednesdays • 10:30am - Join the one & only Miss Betty for a little singing, a little dancing and of course, reading, too. Followed by a fun craft or activity!
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Coffee & Cribbage

Adults • Wednesdays • 1-3pm - Drop by the library for a game of cribbage, conversation and a cup of coffee or tea.
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Book Club

Adults • Fourth Thursdays • 6pm - Check out your copy of each month's book at the library and join us for the discussion.
March (3/26)—The Wager: a Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder by David Grann
April (4/23)—The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah
May (5/28)—The Dry by Jane Harper
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Neighborly Know-How

Adults • Fourth Thursdays • 5pm - Our new show & tell style series features local experts from our community sharing on the subjects they're passionate about. Join us the fourth Thursday of the month at 5pm.
March (3/26)—**Rabbit Fur Spinning:** Jackie MacDonald of CADL Williamston and her award-winning rabbit will demonstrate spinning rabbit fur into yarn.
April (4/23)—**Michigan Rocks:** Local lapidarist, Marv Martin, will talk about the rocks and minerals you'll find by the Great Lakes with lots of specimens to touch.
May (5/28)—**Adventures in Rug-Hooking**—Webberville hooking legend, Sallie Brodie, will share the ins and outs of hooking rugs.
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Ages 6-12 - Every month we have a new kit featuring everything you need to do something fun. Available while supplies last.
March—**Who Would Win? Clay Animal**— In the spirit of Jerry Pallotta's Who Would Win? series, design your own superanimal and make them out of clay.
April—**April Fools Pranks**—Celebrate April Fools Day all month long with this kit!
May—**Make a Pet Pig**—Inspired by Wilbur from Charlotte's Web, make your own pet pig. Warning! Kit comes with a little (plastic) spider to be your pig's best friend.

Volunteers needed in Fowlerville area for Meals on Wheels program

The Meals on Wheels program needs volunteers in the Fowlerville area. The pick-up location is at the Fowlerville Senior Center on N. Collins Street.

We would love the opportunity for you to be part of our team. This is a commitment of 1-2 hours of your time as little or as often as your schedule will allow. Once a month, once a week, temporary or on a continuous basis. Delivering meals to homebound seniors is a very rewarding experience. Please consider helping the seniors in your community.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! Come be part of our team. For more information, please call Lucy @ 810-632-2155 or email info@lwmow.org.



Officer Vincent tried his hand at frog-flinging.

IOSCO TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED MINUTES March 19th, 2026

The regular meeting of the Iosco Township Board was held on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. Members Present: Bonnville, Dailey, Harman, Miller, & Parker. The following action was taken: 1) Motion to approve the agenda. 2) 1st. Call to the Public: There were no requests to be heard. 3) Motion to adopt the proposed Regular Meeting Minutes from 2/19/2026 4) Clerk's report. 5) Treasurer's report. 6) Motion to pay \$69,210.97 in Township bills. 7) Fire Board update was heard. 8) Motion to approve Iosco Township's portion of the Fowlerville Recreation 2026/2027 budget for \$22,497.00 and to sign the 2026/2027 recreation agreement. 9) Planning Commission update was heard. 10) Assessor & Zoning Administrator's report was heard. 11) Motion to accept the Livingston County Road Commission's 3 proposals for a total of \$455,000 for road improvements. The improvements will be to the portion of Dutcher Road, Lange to Munsell Rd., Coon Lake Road, Gregory to Bull Run, and Coon Lake Road, Gregory to Bradley 12) Motion to approve the expense of putting a newsletter in with the trash bill not to exceed \$500.00. 13) Motion to approve the ACD Metro Act Right of Way Extension 14) Motion to accept Gorski Hauling's Spring Clean Up proposal estimated at \$3,800.00. 15) Motion to charge the residents \$153.00 of the yearly \$228.84 refuse collection fee, for the first cart and \$229.00 for all subsequent carts. 16) Motion to accept the 2026 lawn maintenance bid from Carson Services LLC for no more than 29 weeks at \$13,340. 17) Motion to accept the quote from Chloride Solutions at an application rate of \$0.229 per gallon/9,500 gallons per load for dust control for 2026. The approval is for 2 applications, and any rate increases will require Board approval. 18) 2nd Call to the Public: The public was heard from. 19) Motion to adjourn at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
 Julie Dailey
 Iosco Township Clerk
 (3-29-26 FNV)

LEROY TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS 2026-2027 TUESDAYS AT 6:00 P.M. 1685 N. M-52 WEBBERVILLE

- APRIL 7, 2026
- MAY 12, 2026
- JUNE 2, 2026
- JULY 7, 2026
- AUGUST 11, 2026
- SEPTEMBER 1, 2026
- OCTOBER 6, 2026
- NOVEMBER 10, 2026
- DECEMBER 8, 2026
- JANUARY 5, 2027
- FEBRUARY 2, 2027
- MARCH 2, 2027

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NOTICE TO THE ELECTORS OF IOSCO TOWNSHIP – INGHAM INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE FOR INGHAM INTERMEDIATE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ABSENTEE BALLOT VOTERS

All Iosco Township Ingham Intermediate School District Electors are hereby given notice that a Special Election will be held in Precinct 1 of Iosco Township on Tuesday, May 5th, 2026. The Iosco Township Clerk is currently available to issue ballots for all Ingham Intermediate School District registered voters requesting an absentee ballot for the Special Election on Wednesday & Thursday between 1 p.m. & 5 p.m. at the Township Hall located at 2050 Bradley Rd., Webberville, MI. For voters who are unable to visit during office hours, the Clerk will also be available on Saturday May 2nd, 2026, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Emergency Absentee Ballots are available on Monday, May 4th, 2026, from 1-4 p.m.

Julie Dailey
 Iosco Township Clerk
 (3-29, 4-12 & 4-26-26 FNV)

NEIGHBORHOOD CLASSIFIED SECTION

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Fowlerville JV Softball Team opens season with pair of losses to DeWitt

The Fowlerville Junior Varsity Team lost both games in their season opener against DeWitt last Wednesday, March 25. In game one, Ivory Vargo ignited the offense with a lead-off home run to left field. Sophia Rukkila and Emma Hodge had two hits a piece while Hanley Shirley, Maddie Redford, and Haley Juopperi each contributed one. Emma Hodge had a strong defensive outing behind the plate. The final score was 28-11.

Emma Hodge took the mound for game two and led the team in RBIs with a base-clearing double. Carlie Horner, Ivory Vargo, and Maddie Redford all chipped in with two hits a piece. Maddie Redford made a diving catch in foul territory and played a strong first base in both games. Game two saw DeWitt win by a 19-8 score.

The Glads took this coming week off for Spring Break and then play at Grand Ledge on Tuesday, April 7th.



VILLAGE OF FOWLerville RESIDENTS YARD WASTE COLLECTION GUIDELINES

Brown Yard Bag Collection:

Every Monday – April 6 through November 23, 2026.

- Use brown compost/yard bags only (NO plastic bags).
- Place bags by the curb, not on the road, by 7:00 a.m. on pick-up day.
- Bags are not to be placed on the curb until the Sunday before pick-up
- Limit: 5 bags per week per household.
- Bags must not exceed 40 lbs. – overweight bags will not be collected.
- Bags will be available at the Village Offices starting March 30th.

Brush Collection:

Every Second Tuesday – April 14 through November 10, 2026.

- This service is for trimming brush, shrubs, trees, and branches that may fall during storms.
- **Not Accepted:** Tree trunks and root balls.
- Brush must be stacked parallel to the curb, with branches no longer than 4 feet and between 1 to 6 inches in diameter.
- Twigs and smaller branches must be placed in the brown yard/compost bags for Monday's pick-up.
- Brush should be placed by the curb no earlier than three (3) days before collection and must be out by 7:00 a.m. on the scheduled pick-up day.

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Jamie Hartman
Village Clerk
(3-22 & 3-29-26 FNV)

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Newspaper clipping tells of Civil-era song ‘Michigan, My Michigan’

By Steve Horton

The past couple of months I’ve been in my basement, both after work and during some of my free time on weekends, attempting to organize the large collection of personal photos, along with assorted articles I’ve written and had either clipped out or copied, local historical information donated to me or otherwise saved, and a diverse array of personal mementoes and keepsakes.

The collection includes letters I received from long ago, birthday cards, booklets, and old newspapers headlining a noteworthy event—one of them being President Kennedy’s assassination and another reporting on Al Kaline’s last game as a Detroit Tiger. Some of the items that have been stored in the basement were inherited by my and Dawn’s parents as well as other, older family members, but most of the stash was saved by us over the years. In my case, it seems I’m a bit of a pack rat. I have everything from a special card given to me on my 10th birthday by Aunt Doris Haire to my father’s death certificate to a term paper I wrote in high school on Adlai Stephenson.

By far and away, though, what we have the most of is photos. They range from ones of our parents when they were young to our own youthful images to those taken of the kids and grandchildren. Lots and lots of photos. I don’t know when we had time to get anything done or enjoy a vacation as we seemed to be taking pictures of everything we did.

I’ve created a few new photo albums and begun assembling the articles and other written material in three-ring binders.

Among the items I came across was a clipping of a newspaper column written by the late Jim Hough. For those unfamiliar with him, once-upon-a-time he wrote a daily offering in the ‘Lansing State Journal’ under the heading of ‘the Onlooker.’

In the column I had, he began by stating “The ‘Michigan, My Michigan’ song printed in this column last Thursday brought many responses from Lansing and area oldsters,” adding that “the song brought back many fond memories of schoolday singing from the ‘Song Knapback,’ a book of songs published by Henry R. Patengill, former state superintendent of public instruction.”

Hough pointed out that the book contains an earlier version of the song, written during the Civil War by a Mrs. Jane W. Brent. He concluded by noting that the original poem had been printed in the Union Vidette in 1863 during the siege of Knoxville. This original version was included as part of that day’s column.

The clipping had been given to me a number of years ago by Judy Recker as there was a note paper clipped to it with the following message; “Found this in an old book. Thought you might like to print it during Michigan Week (May, I believe.)”

Then, as now, Judy has presented me with ideas for features, usually concerning a local resident or former resident who has done something she felt should be publicized in our local newspaper. These days it’s often information on a former resident who has passed away.

While I have followed up on many of her suggestions, there have been a few where I’ve ‘let the cup pass’. In this case, after reading the poem, I decided to finally do something with it.

* * *

A bit of research on the song indicated the lyrics were set to the tune of ‘O Tannenbaum’—also known in English as ‘O Christmas Tree.’ Not exactly a toe-tapper.

What’s confusing is that the source I checked out states that it was written by Winifred Lee Brent Lyster of Detroit, different from the name in Hough’s column which presumably was taken from the songbook.

The source material also stated that her husband, Henry, was a physician who rose to be Medical Inspector and Acting Medical Director of III Corps in the Union Army. He served from the First Battle of Bull Run to the Battle of Appomattox Court House. Mrs. Lyster (it said) was inspired to write the song after the Battle of Fredericksburg which would have taken place in mid-December of 1862. She was 20 years old at the time.

My guess is that Lyster was an added name from a later marriage and the middle initial W. is for Winifred.

As was noted by Jim Hough in his column, this was not the song that school children sang.

It seems there were actually two ensuing versions. The first was done by Major James W. Long of Grand Rapids who wrote new lyrics in 1886 “but kept the original tune

and original Civil War sentiment, followed by Douglas Mallouch who further revised the words in 1902 to make them “more suitable for a peacetime anthem.” A new tune was also composed by W. Otto Miessner. The end result was presented for a convention of the Michigan State Federation of Woman’s Clubs being held in Muskegon that year. There was not any mention of the Civil War in this third rendition.

Muddying the waters is an even newer song entitled ‘My Michigan’ that was created in 1933 with lyrics by Giles Kavanagh and music by H. Clint O’Reilly. Their celebration of this place we call home was apparently adopted as the official state anthem by the Legislature in 1937. However, many regard ‘Michigan, My Michigan’ as having this distinction.

While Jim Hough mentions that a number of readers recalled singing the third version of song from their school days, this was a generation or two before my arrival in the classroom. I was aware of there being a song about Michigan—official or otherwise—but never sang it or even heard it sung. That is until, when doing this research this past week, I came across a Youtube reel of Jeff Daniels performing the piece in 2016. In his rendition, the renowned actor from Chelsea sang the original lyrics written in 1862 with the recognizable melody of ‘O Tanenbaum’ as his musical accompaniment.

Context explains a lot. When you read the lyrics, you’ll see mention of specific battles, praises to the bravery and valor of Michigan soldiers who took part in them, and an anticipation of tears and honor in the coming years after the fighting had ended.

There is a martial tone as well with the terms “hostile southern sky” and “traitor foes” used. When the young lady was composing her poem, the Union forces had met with mixed results with no guarantee of ultimate success. Attempts to end the rebellion by invading Virginia and capturing the Confederate capital of Richmond had met with military disaster, including the latest battle at Fredericksburg. However, there had been some successes, with the victory Antietam in Maryland that past September being a major highlight. General Grant, who would go on to later fame, was singled out for his victories in the Western Theater.

I’ll assume that the poem was intended, in part, to “buck up” the northern spirits—at least those in Michigan that were faraway from the scenes of bloodshed but were nevertheless suffering from the loss of sons, husbands, and fathers.

Michigan, with its population coming mainly from western New York a generation earlier and those residents having roots tracing back to New England, was a strong supporter of preserving the Union and many of the state’s citizens also favored the abolition of slavery. Their zeal for ‘the cause’ might best be summed up by the lyric of another song that came out of the Civil War... “As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free, While God is marching on.”

The following year of 1863, the military tide began to turn in the North’s favor. General Lee’s excursion into Pennsylvania would be stopped at Gettysburg and General Grant would finally, after a long siege, take the vital Mississippi River port of Vicksburg.

But the nature of the war would also be changed—the reason ‘why’ it was being fought—when President Abraham Lincoln issued his ‘Emancipation Proclamation’ on Jan. 1, 1863. This executive order, taken by Lincoln as the Commander-in-Chief, would later be seen as a vital step in ending chattel slavery in the United States and “bringing forth a new birth in freedom.”

MICHIGAN, MY MICHIGAN

By Mrs. Jane W. Brent

Home of my heart, I sing of thee!

Michigan, My Michigan,
Thy lake-bound shores I long to see,
Michigan, my Michigan.
From Saginaw’s tall whispering pines
To Lake Superior’s farthest mines,
Fair in the light of memory shines
Michigan, my Michigan.

Thou gav’st thy sons without a sigh,
Michigan, my Michigan,

And sent thy bravest forth to die,
Michigan, my Michigan.
Beneath a hostile southern sky
They bore thy banner proud and high,
Ready to fight but never fly,
Michigan, my Michigan.

From Yorktown on to Richmond’s wall,
Michigan, my Michigan,
They bravely fight, as bravely fall,
Michigan, my Michigan.
To Williamsburgh we point with pride—
Our Fifth and Second, side by side,
There stemmed and stayed the battle’s tide,
Michigan, my Michigan.

When worn with watching traitor foes,
Michigan, my Michigan,
The welcome night brought sweet repose,
Michigan, my Michigan.
The soldier, weary from the fight,
Sleeps sound, nor fears the rebels’ might,
For “Michigan’s on guard tonight!”
Michigan, my Michigan.

Afar on Shiloh’s fatal plain,
Michigan, my Michigan,
Again behold thy heroes slain,
Michigan, my Michigan.”
Their strong arms crumble in the dust,
And their bright swords have gathered rust;
Their memory is our sacred trust,
“Michigan, my Michigan.

And often in the coming years,
Michigan, my Michigan,
Some widowed mother ‘ll dry her tears,
Michigan, my Michigan,
And turning with a thrill of pride,
Say to the children at her side,
At Antietam your father died,
For Michigan, our Michigan.

With General Grant’s victorious name,
Michigan, my Michigan,
Thy sons still onward march to fame,
Michigan, my Michigan.
And foremost in the fight we see,
Where e’er the bravest dare to be,
The sabres of thy cavalry,
Michigan, my Michigan.

Dark rolled the Rappahannock’s flood,
Michigan, my Michigan,
The tide was crimsoned with thy blood,
Michigan, my Michigan.
Although for us the clay was lost,
Still it shall be our broadest boast:
At Fredericksburg our Seventh crossed!
Michigan, my Michigan.

And when the happy time shall come,
Michigan, my Michigan,
That brings thy war-worn heroes home,
Michigan, my Michigan,
What welcome from their own proud shore,
What honors at their feet we’ll pour,
What tears for those who’ll come no more,
Michigan, my Michigan.

A grateful country claims them now,
Michigan, my Michigan,
And deathless laurel binds each brow,
Michigan, my Michigan;
And history the tale will tell,
Of how they fought and how they fell,
For that dear land they loved so well,
Michigan, my Michigan.





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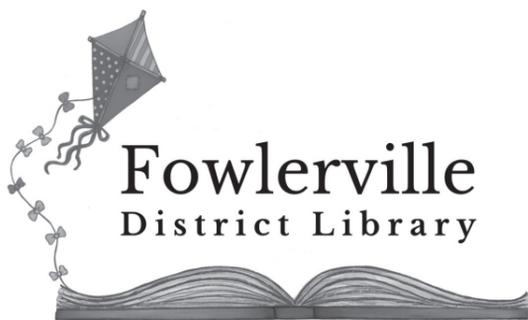
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 Thursday: 9:30 am to 8:00 pm
 Friday: 9:30 am to 6:00 pm
 Saturday: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
 Sunday: Closed

For any questions, or to register for programs, call us at 517-223-9089.

KIDS & FAMILY

Homeschool Hangout

This is a fun drop-in program for homeschoolers to connect with one another over games and activities. Each session includes a STEAM activity. Wed, Apr 8 & 22 • 1-2pm

Family Storytime (Ages 1-5)

For families with “littles” to learn, play and grow through a variety of stories, songs, rhymes, movements, and activities. Playtime and crafts included! Tues • 10-11am

Toddler Storytime (Ages 0-3)

A storytime for the “littlest littles” to learn, play, and grow through a variety of stories, songs, rhymes and movements that appeal to short attention spans. Wed • 10-11am

Kids Club (Ages 6-12)

All the fun of Lego Club, but with more! Now you can play a game, complete a craft or activity, and still build with your favorite bricks. Thurs. • 4pm

Graphic Novel Book Club

Read the book and then come to discuss it. Snacks provided.

Books are available at the front desk and are yours to keep. We will be discussing MONSTER BLOOD by R. L. Stine. Mon, Apr 27 • 4pm

Book Boxes (All ages)

Fill out the online form by visiting the events page on our website. Let the librarians pick a surprise selection of books for you. Register the first two weeks of every month to get next month’s box, which will be ready to pick up the first of the following month.

Reading Dragons (All Ages)

Game on! Read to earn creature cards to collect and play games! Can you collect them all? Stop by the library to grab a reading log and a starter set to begin your adventure.

K Pop Demon Hunters Break-in Bags

Rumi, Mira, and Zoey’s couch has been stolen! Follow the clues and solve the puzzles so the girls can have their couch time again. Participants will earn an exclusive Pajama Rumi, Mira, and Zoey Reading Dragon card pack. For ages 7-12 with second-grade-level reading proficiency. *Registration Required.* Wed, April 1 • 1 & 4pm

Egg Hunt

Find the eggs hidden around the library for a sweet treat or fun prize. Saturday, Apr 4 • 1-3pm

Live Homework Help

Free with your library card! Log on to HelpNow, click “Live Help”, Enter subject and grade level and enter the online classroom for expert assistance. You can find a link on our homepage.

Sensory Playtime (Ages 2-5)

This is a drop-in playtime filled with unstructured, sensory fun! Watch your littles use their imaginations to turn everyday things into toys. Caregiver supervision is required. Friday, Apr 17 • 10-11am

TEENS

Dungeons & Dragons (Ages 12-18)

Come play D&D 5th Edition! No prior experience needed. Wednesdays • 2:30-5pm

Switch Free Play (Ages 10-18)

Open gaming time with the library’s Switch. Fridays • 2:30-5pm

Nex Playground

Drop in and try out our Nex Playground—a full body movement-based gaming system. Enjoy table activities while you wait for your turn to play. Tues, Mar 31 • 1pm

ADULTS

Writer’s Group Meeting

Are you an established or aspiring author? You are not alone. There are many writers in Fowlerville and the surrounding areas. We will meet in the historical room. Fri. Apr 17 • 11am

Understanding Artificial Intelligence

Kelly from Cleary College will explain the basics of AI, and how it might impact our way of life, education and security. Gain understanding about its impact on the future and how to use it to your advantage. Please register. Thurs, April 2 • 6pm

Farmer’s Market Meeting

A meeting will be held here for vendors interested in being part of this year’s farmer’s market. Thurs, April 9 • 6pm

The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere

Owen McMaster will be here in honor of our upcoming 250th Semiquincentennial, celebrating the signing of the Declaration of Independence 1776. Always an entertaining speaker, he will get us in the zone to feel proud of our country. Thurs, May 28 • 6pm

Cardmaking (Adults)

Enjoy camaraderie and cards at this popular program. You will make four different cards to take home. All supplies included. Registration is required. Thurs, Apr 23 • 6:00pm & Fri, Apr 24 • 11am

Scrapbooking (Adults)

Make the most of your memories and join us for a fun day of scrapbooking your favorite photos. Stay the whole time or for just a few hours. Everyone gets their own table. Light refreshments will be provided. Registration is required. Sat., Apr 18 • 10:30 – 3:30pm

Shelf Indulgence Book Club (Adults)

Members take turns facilitating the discussions. Come and enjoy some literary camaraderie! Register to get a free copy

of the book, while supplies last. Registration begins one month before each scheduled meeting. Next meeting, we will discuss HEARTWOOD by Amity Gaige. Thurs, • 2-3pm

Sewing (Adults)

Bring your sewing machine and learn from a master seamstress. All levels of skill are welcome. Registration is required. Wed, Apr 15 • 5:30pm & Fri, Apr 10 • 10-2pm

Holistic Wellness (Adults)

Lyndsey Johnson from Natural Roots and Wellness presents workshops for promoting health and vitality through holistic practice. Registration is required. Mon, Apr 6 • 5pm

Patriotic Banner

Join us to help celebrate our Nation’s 250th birthday by making a patriotic banner just in time for Memorial Day. All supplies will be included. Registration is required. Thurs, May 14 • 6pm

Repair Cafe

Don’t throw it away! Bring your broken items here for repair and advice from handymen. Sat, May 30 • 10-12pm

Professional Pet Photos

Have a keepsake photo taken of your pet by a professional photographer here at the library. With your sign up, you will be given your own sitting time. We will ask what type of animal and how many humans in the picture. With your email address, the photos will be sent directly to you along with permission to print them. Tues, May 5 • 10-12pm & 5-7pm

Senior Appy Hours

Sign up at the front desk to reserve a time for one-on-one help with all your technology needs. Bring your phone, tablet or laptop and have your own personal time with our tech expert. Wed, Apr 8 & May 13 • 2-4pm

Library Lounge A Reading Ungroup for Grownups

Bring your own book, or read one of ours, and come to our monthly after-hours silent reading program. For adults 18+ only, you can imbibe with a non-alcoholic literary-themed signature MOCKTAIL, grab some pub snacks, then go find a comfy chair and read in uninterrupted delicious silence for an hour. Registration is required. Tues, Apr 14 & May 12 • 7pm

So You Think You Can Puzzle! Puzzle Challenge

Register your team of up to 4 people to compete to complete an identical puzzle in the fastest time. Single registrants will be paired with other singles. Prizes will be awarded, and refreshments served. This month’s puzzle will feature a Springtime theme. Thurs, Apr 16 • 6pm

All About Herbs

Are you wondering how to grow your own herbs? Maybe you want to learn about medicinal or culinary uses for herbs you are already growing. All these points will be explored and explained. Thursday, 04/30 • 6pm. Registration is not required.

Fiber Arts Lounge

Spend some time with other fiber artists. Bring your latest project and share your passion for an hour or two. We will meet by the fireplace, as space allows. Thurs, Apr 9 & May 7 • 6pm. Registration is not required.

DIY Book Planter

Join us in creating a succulent planter out of an old (or new) book. The library has a very large collection of discarded books to choose from. If you have one of your own you would like to use bring it along. Supplies and tools are provided. Thursday, Apr 2 • 6pm. Registration is required.

Fowlerville Area Historical Society Meeting

The Fowlerville Area Historical Society will meet here. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. Thurs, April 2 • 6pm

Library Closed

The library will be closed in observance of Good Friday on April 3.

Did You Know?

Did you know that we are a food collection location for the Family Impact Center? Non-perishable foods may be dropped off in the cafe area, and we thank you!

A Friendly Reminder

We are happy to be fine-free, however after a book is 8 weeks overdue, the item will be withdrawn from our system and can no longer be returned. A library lost/replacement fee will be applied to the account. Please return your items on time so that others can enjoy them too.

HANDY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR BOARD MEETING MARCH 17, 2026 SYNOPSIS

The regular meeting of the Handy Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Hinton at 7:00 P.M. in the Handy Township Board Room. Members present: Clerk Eisele, Treasurer Shear, Trustee Redinger. Absent: None. Also present: Twp. Atty.-Abdoo (via Zoom), and residents Mark Gatesman, TJ Thompson, Jennifer Raica, Michele Wagner, and Frank Munsell.

Meeting opened with a Moment of Silent Reflection followed by the Pledge of Allegiance at the regular Handy Township Board Meeting Room, the following motions were made:

To approve the agenda as amended.

To award the Bid for the Silver Springs Booster Pump Station.

To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 2-16-2026 as presented.

To approve the Special Meeting Minutes of 2-19-2026.

To pay the Bills in the amount of \$121,089.68.

To accept the 2026 quote from Chloride Solutions.

To accept the bid from Klaus Gardening for the 2026 Lawn Mowing Service for the Water Plant, Sewer Plant, Cemeteries, and Vote Center.

To enter into a Farmland Lease Agreement with C.James Palmer.

To accept the Township Insurance Policy renewal quote for 2026-2027.

To accept a quote for Pest Control for the Twp. Offices and Vote Center.

To accept the bid from Wolverine Power Systems for generator repair.

To adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M.

Laura A. Eisele
 Handy Township Clerk
 (3-29-26 FNV)

Williamston Area Senior Center

500 Williamston Center Road - 517-655-5173
March-April 2026 Events

- Monday, Mar 30** – 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30pm “Making Meals in a Rice Cooker” with Julie Powers, Disability Network.
- Tuesday, Mar 31** – 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30pm Cards & Games.
- Wednesday, Apr 1** – 9am Cards – 9:30am Chair Exercise – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch - 12:30pm Earl K Wolf, Mexico and Monarchs – 1-3pm Needle Work Group.

Williamston Theatre to premiere new play ‘Bad Books’ on April 23rd

Williamston Theatre, located at 122 S. Putnam Street in downtown Williamston, will present *Bad Books* by Sharyn Rothstein. Performances for this National New Play Network Rolling Premiere begin Thursday, April 23 and run through Sunday, May 31. Tickets are now on sale.

Some conversations don’t stay quiet – even in a library. What begins as a concerned mother’s inquiry about a book her son received from the library elevates into an unexpected debate with the town’s devoted librarian. As tensions rise, the consequences grow much larger than either of them anticipated. Sharp, witty, and deeply human, *Bad Books* explores the complicated questions behind censorship, book bans, and who decides what stories belong on the shelf.

Bad Books runs for six weeks only. The first four performances are Preview performances - Thursday and Friday at 7:30PM, Saturday and Sunday at 2:00PM. The schedule for the remaining four weeks - Thursday at 2:00PM, Friday at 7:30PM, Saturday at 2:00PM and 7:30PM, Sunday at 2:00PM. The Official Opening Night is Friday, May 1. Conversation Sunday is Sunday, May 17, immediately following the 2:00PM performance. Visit our website for more information about Previews and Conversation Sunday.

For information on ticket prices, discounts, and ticket policies, please visit our Ticket Information page on our website williamstontheatre.org.

Bad Books is sponsored by Norm Charles and Phyllis Mellon in loving memory of Elizabeth Charles. Additional support for the Williamston Theatre is provided in part from the Michigan Arts and Culture Council, National Endowment for the Arts, the Shubert Foundation, and ASAP Printing.

USDA announces \$495,000 for upgrades to emergency dispatch system in Livingston County

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Michigan State Director Dom Restuccia announced a \$495,000 grant to purchase a computer-aided dispatch system for Livingston County.

“This new Computer-Aided Dispatch system will ensure that when Livingston County residents call for help, our 911 dispatchers will have the best available technology to assist with call intake, location verification, and efficient dispatch of first responders,” said Restuccia. “When lives are on the line, seconds matter. President Donald Trump and Secretary Brooke Rollins are committed to safer streets, stronger communities, and supporting our first responders. Congressman Tom Barrett led the effort to secure this funding for Livingston County and USDA Rural Development is proud to deliver.”

The dispatch system is responsible for providing critical communications for all public safety divisions in the county including the police, fire, emergency medical services, emergency management, law enforcement records and jail management system.

USDA provided the grant through the Community Facilities program and Livingston County is contributing \$505,000 for a total project cost of \$1 million.

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- Thursday, Apr 2** – 9am Cards -10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch - BIRTHDAY BASH – 12:30pm.
- Monday, Apr 6** – 9am Cards – 10am Blood Pressure Check - 10:30am Exercise -11:45am Lunch -12:30pm I-Speak Guest Oluwaseyi Fasunhan from Nigeria.
- Tuesday, Apr 7** – 9am Cards – 9am-9:30am Chi Rising Exercise - 11:45am Lunch -12:30pm Cards & Games.
- Wednesday, Apr 8** – 9am Cards – 9am- 9:30am Chair Exercise – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30pm Drum Circle – 1-3pm Needle Work Group.
- Thursday, Apr 9** – 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30pm Julie Powers Disability Network, Virtual Museum Visit.
- Monday, Apr 13** – 9am Cards – 9am Chair Massage – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30pm.
- Tuesday, Apr 14** – 9am Cards – 9am-9:30am Chi Rising Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30pm WASC Board Meeting.
- Wednesday, Apr 15** – 9am Cards – 9:30am Chair Exercise – 10:30am Exercise - 11:45am Lunch – 1-3pm Needle Work Group.

- Thursday, Apr 16** – 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch.
- Monday, Apr 20** – 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 10:45am CADL Tech Support Help – 11:45am Lunch - 12:30pm ARK Animal Encounters with Rebecca Barrett.
- Tuesday, Apr 21** – 9am Cards – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30pm Cards & Games.
- Wednesday, Apr 22** – 9am Cards – 9:30am Chair Exercise – 10:30am Exercise 11:45am Lunch - 12:00 Nurse Chat with Michelle– 12:30pm TBA– 1-3pm Needle Work Group.
- Thursday, Apr 23** – 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30 TBA - 12:45pm Book Club.
- Monday, Apr 27** – 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 10:45 CADL Tech Support - 11:45am Lunch – 12:30pm TBA
- Tuesday, Apr 28** – 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30 Cards and Games.
- Wednesday, Apr 29** - 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30 Gary Post, Travels in Greece.
- Thursday, Apr 30** – 9am Cards – 10:30am Exercise – 11:45am Lunch – 12:30pm TBA.

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State budget debate will include whether to tax vape products

By Madison Merrell
Capital News Service

Michigan policymakers are discussing imposing a new tax on vape products to raise state revenue and deter their use.

Thirty-four states tax vaping products, making Michigan one of the 16 – and the only Great Lakes state – that does not, said Rachel Richards, a fiscal policy director at the Michigan League for Public Policy.

According to the U.S. Tax Foundation, Minnesota and

Washington have the highest taxes on vape products, each imposing a 95% wholesale tax. Many Midwest states rank among the lowest, with rates around 10% or less.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer’s recommended budget for the fiscal year of 2026–27 estimates the revenue generated from a proposed 57% wholesale tax on vape products would be \$95 million, said Robert Canell, an economic analyst at the Senate Fiscal Agency.

If rates increase too much, revenue could fall as consumers purchase less of the products, Canell said.

Richards said Whitmer’s efforts to fund the state’s share of Medicaid costs would benefit from the proposed tax because her budget recommendations would allocate the revenue to health and wellness programs, including cancer prevention, smoking cessation and other prevention programs.

The governor proposed \$8.9 million for smoking prevention, according to Associate Director Benjamin Gielczyk of the House Fiscal Agency.

However, Richards said that if the Legislature were to enact Whitmer’s proposal, lawmakers could dedicate the vape tax revenue to different uses other than the governor’s recommendation.

The League for Public Policy, an advocacy and research group, recommends “common sense policies” to help keep tobacco and vape products out of the hands of kids.

Whitmer’s proposed new vape tax and higher taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products would reduce use by middle school and high school students, along with increasing state revenues and stabilizing funding for health-related programs, according to the league.

Sarah Wilbur, the communications manager at the U.S.

Tax Foundation, said taxing vape products to reduce use can discourage potential new users from taking them up, but also discourages smokers from switching to less-harmful alternatives.

Wilbur said that to maximize harm reduction, vape products should be taxed at a much lower rate than cigarettes to encourage current smokers to switch.

According to Jodi Rake, the director of Tobacco Free Kids, Michigan ranks 44th for funding levels recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for tobacco prevention programs.

Michigan is considered part of the “tobacco nation,” a group of states with higher smoking rates and lower spending on prevention efforts than national levels, according to the National Institutes of Health.



Hartland Audubon Nature Club to learn about identifying shorebirds April 7th

Hartland Audubon Nature Club invites you to Shorebird ID 101 with Joe Kwasniewski, Tuesday, April 7, at 7 PM.

Shorebirds can be tricky to identify, and Joe will give us an overview of species commonly encountered in the Great Lakes region. He is an avid birdwatcher and wildlife photographer with over 15 years of experience, fine-tuning field techniques to capture the essence and beauty of wild birds. He has led field trips around the Midwest in search of elusive bird species.

Join us at Hartland Education Support Service Center, 9525 E. Highland Rd., Howell. Use the west entrance and look for our sign in the hall. Meetings are free, open to the public and all ages and levels of expertise are welcomed. For more information <https://hartlandaudubon.weebly.com/> or visit us on Facebook.

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Williamston Farm & Artisan Market Bottle-Can Fundraiser on April 5th

The Williamston Farm & Artisan Market holds twice-monthly bottle and can collection fundraisers, located in the large parking lot of McCormick Park, 123 High Street in Williamston, from 11am to 1pm, no matter the weather. The next one is on Sunday, April 5th.

Load up the car, pull up to the *Can Van*, pop the trunk, and volunteers will cheerfully accept your generous donation. It’s that easy, and every dime helps defray the costs of running the Market.

Upcoming collection dates are: April 5 & 19 and May 3rd. The 2026 Market Opening Day is Sunday, May 10th, Mother’s Day.

Vendors are invited to follow the Market on Facebook and get on the mailing list for the 2026 season: Williamston Farm & Artisan Market-Vendor Info. Look for postings on Facebook and emails in late January or February 2026, with info about vendor applications for the 2026 Market season!

If your business collects bottles and cans, consider donating them as well. Special collections can be made directly at business addresses during the week. Just call Jane Reagan (517-525-4177) to make arrangements for special pick-ups.

Interested in becoming a *Market Day Supporter*? For any individual, business or friend of the Market, a \$100 contribution funds expenses unique to a Market day theme. The 2026 Market Opening Day is Sunday, May 10th, *Mother’s Day* providing 23 Sundays available for your support.

For more information about Sowing Growth, the non-profit organization that operates the Williamston Farm and Artisan Market, to apply to become a vendor, to become a Market Day Supporter, to become a yearly Market Sponsor, to be added to the newsletter email list, to volunteer or to donate to the Market, contact MarketManager@SowingGrowth.org.

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