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Officials from First National Bank presented Paul Harmon with a crystal plaque, congratulating Harmon Real Estate on its 75th anniversary. From left are Ron Long, bank president; Carrie Newstead, Howell branch manager and former Fowlerville branch manager; Paul Harmon, owner of Harmon Real Estate; Phil Utter, chair of the bank's board of directors; and Mary Tumbarella, current Fowlerville branch manager.

Harmon Real Estate congratulated on 75th anniversary by local bank

Harmon Real Estate is observing its 75th anniversary this year. Located at the Main Four Corners of Downtown Fowlerville, the firm was started in 1946 and is in its third generation of family ownership.

On Sept. 2, owner Paul Harmon received a surprise visit at his 100 E. Grand River office from officials of First National Bank of Howell. They presented him with a crystal plaque in honor of the firm's diamond anniversary.

The inscription reads: "Since 1946 and now a third generation business, Harmon Real Estate has helped countless families and businesses with honesty and integrity by simplifying the homebuying process and helping them find their ideal new home. Congratulations on 75 years from your friends at 1st National Bank."

The bank officials in attendance included Ron Long, bank president; Carrie Newstead, Howell branch manager and former Fowlerville branch manager; Phil Utter, chair of the bank's board of directors; and Mary Tumbarella, current Fowlerville branch manager.

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Paul Harmon shows off the crystal plaque he received from First National Bank of Howell commemorating the diamond anniversary of the Fowlerville real estate firm. He is the third generation of his family to own the business.

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Smith Elementary highlights ‘Classroom of the Week’

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Front Row (L to R): Vivian Reinhart, Emmalyn Ringle, Alyson Labadie, Tessa New, Bailey Busick, Trystan Pringle-Rood, Madilyn Allen, Georgia Chrzanowski, Robert Buchanan, Tyler Young;

Back Row (L to R): Mrs. King, Henry Duckett, Peyton Kinnunen, Hunter Herren, Boe Sharrah, Aurora St. Charles, Joseph Roca, Andrew Taylor, Landyn Steiner, Wyatt Potchynok, Graham Thomson, Arielle Ponski. Not Pictured: Elora Brockway and Rylee Guthrie.



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Grief Share Seminar/Support Group reopening on Sept. 15

Grief Share, which is sponsored by Family Impact Centers and is held at the Family Impact Center Wellness Center (9430 W. Grand River just west of Fowlerville) is scheduled to begin a new group on Wednesday, September 15, from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

This faith-based program is for anyone who is grieving the loss of someone close. It will run consecutively for 13 weeks, except for Surviving the Holidays on Wednesday, November 17th, with the last meeting occurring on December 15, 2021. It is free of charge.

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Kreeger Elementary School News

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CALENDAR OF KREEGER EVENTS

9-17-21 Mumkin Sale Ends
9-27-21 Art Club Begins
10-5-21 Fall Picture Day
10-1-21 Mumkin Flower Pick Up Day

ART CLUB

Art Club flyers have been sent home. Art Club is an after school activity and runs until 5:00 p.m. Your student would be expected to attend the majority of the club dates due to limited seating. The club will start the week of **September 27, 2021** and runs through the middle of January 2022. **The deadline for sign-up is September 15th.**

FALL MUMKIN FUNDRAISER

We have chosen Foertmeyer & Sons Greenhouse to help us raise our funds again this year. Flyers have been sent home with your children, but we are asking that this year you please order ONLINE! Also, be on the lookout for communication from fundraiseit.org including the link to order online.

ONLINE SALES ONLY!

Our Fall Mumkin Sale dates are as follows:

- Wednesday September 1st– Online store goes LIVE! Flyers sent home
- Friday, September 17th– Online store closes and cash/check orders due!
- Friday, October 1st –Flower Delivery Day
Your flowers arrive at 10:30 am, pick up time is from 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Please note: *If you are unable to pick up your plants on this date and time, please make arrangements with friends or family to have them picked up. We are NOT responsible for any plants not picked up.*

STUDENT MEDICATION

If your child requires any prescription or non-prescription medication during the school year, a parent or guardian must bring the medication in to the Kreeger Office to drop it off and complete the necessary paperwork. **School Board Policy states that children are not allowed to transport medication.**

Does your child know what to do at dismissal time?

*Will your child be riding the bus home?

*Will your child be going to *Little Glads*?

*Will your child be getting picked up?

If you need to call the office for a “reminder note” for your student, please call the office before **2:50** at 517-223-6006.

Fowlerville Varsity Football Team loses in overtime, 33-27

The Fowlerville Varsity Football Team lost in overtime to Bullock Creek on Thursday, Sept. 2, by a 33-27 score. The loss was extra hard, given that the Glads held a 27-6 lead early in the third quarter.

It was the first time Fowlerville played the Midland area school, with the game being held at that northern site.

After a scoreless first period, Jack Shrader completed a 45-yard touchdown pass to Blake Nogafsky early in the second quarter. Trevor Cockerill's PAT made it 7-0.

Less than four minutes later, Shrader ran the ball in from the 13-yard line for another six points. Cockerill's point-after kick put the Gladiators up 14-0.

Bullock Creek rallied for a touchdown shortly after that to cut the lead to 14-6.

Shrader hit Phillip Nogafsky on a 55-yard pass to another score with 2:26 left in the half. The PAT failed, making the tally 20-6.

The momentum continued in Fowlerville's favor at the start of the second half when Shrader scored on a 30-yard run. Cockerill's kick made it 27-6.

From there on, though, Bullock Creek rallied with two touchdowns in the third period, plus a successful two-point conversion, putting the game at 27-20. That was followed by another TD and point-after kick late in the final stanza to tie the game.

Their final, game-winning score came in overtime on a 20-yard run.

Both teams had impressive offensive games, with Fowlerville gaining 347 yards and Bullock Creek 399.

Fowlerville rushed for 208 yards on 31 carries and gained 139 yards in the air.

The Glads suffered a fumble, while the defense intercepted a Bullock Creek pass.

Shrader completed 7 of 114 passes for 139 yards and ran for 133 yards on 24 carries. Cole Jones added 71 yards on 15 runs.

Blake Nogafsky caught 4 passes for 83 yards, while Phillip Nogafsky grabbed 2 passes for 63 yards.

On defense, Lorenzo Wojcik led with 7 solo tackles and 8 assists, Austin Wilber had 6 solo tackles and 6 assists, and Brady Hanna had 4 solo tackles and 1 assist.

With a 1-1 record in non-league play, the varsity hosted St. John's in CAAC play this past Friday and are at Williamston on Friday, Sept. 17.



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Dawn Patrol has long history in Fowlerville


With last year's event being cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, today's Sept. 12th Dawn Patrol is the 70th time the fly-in and all-you-can eat breakfast has taken place in Fowlerville. It's been held at the Maple Grove Airfield on Sherwood Road, north of town, since 1970---the year the airfield opened. Prior to that it took place at Newton Field, located on Sargent Road.

This photo, supplied by Ann Utter, was taken at that location in September 1949. Back then the event was hosted by the Fowlerville Commercial Club. Later on the Rotary Club took over. Among those helping serve the breakfast during that long-ago Dawn Patrol were, from left, Tom Woods, Frank Curtis, Clarence Allen, John Vogt Sr., John Munn, Roger Liddicott, and Clesson Allen. Ann believes her father, Fred Hillman, took the photograph.



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Fowlerville High School's "ATHLETES" OF THE WEEK



JV Volleyball

Tori Briggs (10) - Second Year player on JV. Tori is one of our outside hitters and also plays the position of setter. Tori has transitioned to setter this year. Tori is a strong player on the team, she is an athlete that can play where needed.

Kaitlyn Seiter (10) - Kate is the teams' Libero. She has great defensive skills and is a leader on the court.

Tommi Kleinschmidt (9) - Tommi is our outside hitter with a powerful swing. Tommi is a smart and competitive player. She keeps the team fired up on the court. Tommi is great on defense and offense.

Congratulations to you. Keep up the good work ladies!

Entries being taken for Fowlerville Christmas Parade on Dec. 4

The Fowlerville Christmas Parade will be on Saturday, Dec. 4th this year. All participants who were in the 2019 parade will be sent the invitation form following this Labor Day weekend. Those who have never had a unit in the parade before are more than welcome to enter.

If you need a form you may contact Ed Prevo at 517-223-4076. Please do not delay because we only have so many spots and they fill up fast. We hope that everyone will enjoy the parade, whether participating or watching.



Fowlerville Junior High School News

IMPORTANT DATES:

Fundraiser Ends--Wed. Sept. 22
Fall Count Day--Wed. Oct. 6th
Homecoming-- Fri. Oct. 8th
No School-- Fri. Oct. 15th
Picture Retake Day-- Tues. Oct. 19th
Parent Teacher Conf.-- Wed/Thur Oct. 20 & 21
End of first nine weeks-- Fri. Oct. 29th

SPORTS FOR WEEK OF SEPT. 13:

Mon., 9/13: VB vs Mason- 7A, 8H; 4:30; bus-3:15
XC @ HOME vs Okemos, Eaton Rapids, Ionia-5:00
Wed., 9/15: VB vs Haslett- 7H, 8A; 4:30; bus-3:30
XC @ Ionia Invite-5:00; bus- 3:00

PARENTS: Be aware that due to shortage of bus drivers, parents may be asked to help w/ transporting athletes to AWAY sites. Please, if you are a driver, your paper work must be submitted to the Bus Supervisor for an OK.

NO limit on spectators at athletic events in our league. Please use discretion when attending athletic events. Some schools require the wearing of masks by players & spectators. Please respect this request. Please expect to pay admission at all athletic events, except XC.

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Northern Illinois 13 at Univ. of Mich. 37

SUNDAY, SEPT. 19

Cincinnati 13 at Chicago 23
Houston 10 at Cleveland 34
LA Rams 27 at Indianapolis 23
Buffalo 24 at Miami 20
New England 26 at NY Jets 19

San Francisco 24 at Philadelphia 23
Las Vegas 28 at Pittsburgh 30
New Orleans 27 at Carolina 22
Denver 23 at Jacksonville 19
Minnesota 24 at Arizona 27
Atlanta 16 at Tampa Bay 30
Dallas 33 at LA Chargers 31
Tennessee 23 at Seattle 26
Kansas City 30 at Baltimore 24

MONDAY, SEPT. 20

Detroit 17 at Green Bay 31





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Walmart donates money to Fowlerville Family Fair

Walmart presented a \$1,000 check to the Fowlerville Family Fair, which was used for Kids Day. Shown here accepting the ceremonial check was Brooke Tate, the fair manager. From left, front row, are Wesley Tate, Brooke Tate, and Summer Hulett of Walmart's Human Resource office; back row, Kendall Lucas, store manager, and Greg Hillier, assistant store manager who is holding Henry Tate.



Smith Elementary School News

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 am – 4:30 pm

School Hours: 8:50 am – 3:32 pm

IMPORTANT DATES:

September 24- Picture Day

October 12- Mobile Dentist at school

October 15 – NO SCHOOL – Teacher Professional Development

HR Imaging Student's Picture Day – Student Picture Day is scheduled for September 24th. Packets will be sent home prior.

Medication –If your child requires any prescription or non-prescription medication during the school year, a parent or guardian must bring the medication in to the Smith Office to drop it off and complete the necessary paperwork. **School Board Policy states that children are not allowed to transport medication.**

Mobile Dentist-Smile America will be here on October 12, 2021. Permission forms will be coming home September 10 for you to complete IF you would like your child to participate.

New Student Enrollment is Still Available – Pre-enrollment is done online. Please go to fowlervilleschools.org and click on the New Student Enrollment link for 1st or 2nd grade or the Kindergarten Enrollment link. We will print

off the enrollment paperwork in our office when you come in to complete the registration process. Please stop by the office, Monday through Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. Please bring necessary documentation: original state issued birth certificate, current immunization records, vision screening (Kindergarten Only), and proof of residency (1 piece of proof required along w/ Driver's License).

FYI- Each school building in the Fowlerville Community School District has a Child Study Team / Response to Intervention process in place, which is a vehicle for staff members to review student performance, concerns, and collaboratively develop interventions. If you have concerns about your child's development and are interested in more information on special services, contact his/her building Principal.

Ladies: Join Us for A Day with Priscilla Shirer at Family Impact Center

On **Saturday, October 2nd**, Family Impact Centers will be hosting an all-day event featuring the Bible teaching of Priscilla Shirer along with worship led by Anthony Evans. This event, entitled **Going Beyond**, will be held at Family Impact Wellness Center (9430 W. Grand River, just west of Fowlerville) from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The \$25 cost includes a delicious lunch and a special gift for every participant. Scholarships are available. Tell your friends and save the date!

For more information or to sign up, call Barb at 517-223-4428. Seating will be limited, so please register soon!



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Harmon Real Estate observing 75th year in business

Harmon Real Estate, located at the main four corners of Downtown Fowlerville, at 100 W. Grand River, is observing its 75th year in business. As such, it can certainly be considered a fixture in the community.

“My grandfather, Gordon Harmon, started the business in 1946, right after World War II,” noted current owner Paul Harmon. “He and Andrew Rudnicki had come to town in 1934 after purchasing the *Fowlerville Review*. During the war, as I understand the history, he began dabbling in real estate and, liking it, decided to sell his share of the newspaper and printing business to his partner and go into real estate fulltime. He also sold insurance.

“My grandmother, Gladys Harmon, assisted him with the office work and was the first woman in Livingston County to get a broker’s license.”

The local firm has had three generations of owners.

Sandwiched between Gordon and Paul were Tom Harmon—his father who passed away in 2019—and Stan and Joyce (H a r m o n) Lockwood, his uncle and aunt, who retired a number of years ago.

In a 1986 interview, shortly before he passed away, Gordon talked about his career. “I was raised in Laingsburg and started working as a printer while still going to high school,” he said.

Following graduation, he went to work as a printer for the *Livingston County Republican* for six years. “At that time Howell had two newspapers—the *Republican* and the *Livingston County Democrat*,” he noted. “They merged into the *Livingston County Press* while I was there.”

While working in Howell, Gordon met and married Gladys.

Gordon started his real estate and insurance business in an office over the bank (on East Grand River). “By that time I also owned the building at 127 North Grand Avenue (where Reggie’s Barber & Beauty Shop is now located) and was renting it. We (later) moved to that location.”

“When I started in real estate, we mainly sold farms,” he recalled. “At that time a farmer could raise a family on 80 acres. That’s been the big change, with the farms being broken up and sold off in smaller parcels.” He added that in the early 1960’s a lot of people locally were buying small parcels in the countryside, surrounding town, and building residential homes. Later on, he said, real estate experienced the influx of people coming here from the metro Detroit area.”

On the insurance side, Gordon pointed out that he started off with 10 different companies.

Gordon was not only a prominent business owner; he was active in community affairs. He was on the village council and president of the village in the 1950s and also served on the board of education for the Fowlerville Community Schools. In addition, he was on the Fowlerville Fair Board for a number of years, including three years as the secretary, and was president of the Commercial Club when that local business organization was active.

In 1955, Stan Lockwood joined the business, selling real estate and eventually handling the insurance portfolio.

Interviewed five years ago, on the occasion of the firm’s 70th anniversary, he offered the following comments.

“Joyce and I graduated from Fowlerville High in 1953 and were married in 1954. I joined the business the following year.

“I started off selling real estate and then later I took a special course at Michigan State University and became licensed to sell insurance. We sold casualty policies, insuring farms, homes, auto, fire, and wind damage.”

Stan noted that during the 1950s, the Fowlerville area and nearby communities benefited from the sale of farms on the outskirts of Detroit and in Milford where the General Motors Proving Grounds was being developed.

“The farmers were selling their places, getting a good price and then they came out here and bought new farms,” he explained. “Along with handling these transactions, we were also selling a lot of farm insurance. I was on the road nearly every day. We sold policies all over the area--Pinckney, Stockbridge, Williamston and Webberville as well as Fowlerville. We were also insuring their machinery and equipment, so I had to do an inventory. A lot of the time I met with the client at night or on a Sunday since they were busy working during the day.”

In 1957, Harmon Real Estate purchased the building on the northwest corner of East Grand River and North Grand Avenue (101 E. Grand River where Gormley & Johnson Law Offices is now located) and moved to that more visible site.

Stan pointed out that one of the trends that started in the late 1950s was for local residents to build a new home outside of town. “In 1958, Gordon and George Finlan took land that George owned on North Fowlerville Road and developed the first rural subdivision in the area,” he said.



This photo was taken in 2016 when Harmon Real Estate was honored as Grand Marshals of the Fowlerville Christmas Parade. From left are Paul Harmon, Tom Harmon (who passed away in 2019), Joyce Lockwood, and Stan Lockwood.

The late Tom Harmon recalled his tenure

Tom Harmon, when interviewed in that article five years ago, joked that he started off in the real estate business “cleaning the windows and tile floors at the office.”

He noted that he had graduated from Fowlerville High School in 1961 and then attended the University of Detroit where he earned a bachelor’s degree in accounting and economics in 1966.

“I got my real estate license in 1963, but didn’t use it at first,” Tom recalled. “I rented a place while in Detroit and going to the U of D. We ran a real estate ad in the Detroit Suburban newspaper and used my (local) phone number. Back then, before 800 numbers, people didn’t like to call long distance due to the expense, so I’d get the calls and then contact the Fowlerville office to give them the leads.”

Tom worked for Arthur Anderson at the accounting firm’s Dearborn office for two years after college and then in December of 1968 he went to work with his father and obtained his broker’s license in 1969.

In 1972, Gordon retired and the business was taken over by Stan and Tom, with Stan handling the insurance and selling real estate, and Tom focused on the real estate including the preparation of the necessary closing papers.

“During the 1970s a lot of people moved into the community from metro Detroit and bought small 10, 20 and 40-acre parcels,” Stan and Tom both noted. “We also were selling more and more insurance.”

“Myself and 10 other brokers started the multi-listing service in Livingston County in the mid-1970s,” Tom pointed out. “At that time we printed up little flyers once a week and distributed them amongst ourselves.”

Harmon Real Estate purchased the hardware store from Fred Dillingham in 1979—its present location—and, after remodeling the interior and exterior, moved into the new quarters in 1980. Tom recalled that they had misgivings about this move for the next couple of years. “The country had gone into a recession and interest rates were in the double digits,” he said. “We had installed all of these phones for our agents to use and hardly anyone was calling us.”

Joyce, also interviewed, noted that she started working at the office in 1980 as a way to keep the expenses low and continued for another 21 years.

This recession fortunately proved short-lived. After that slow start in the new quarters, activity began picking up and over the next couple of decades Fowlerville, along with the rest of Livingston County, experienced a lot of residential and then industrial growth.

The firm’s former office, meanwhile, was being rented. The decision to keep the building proved convenient when, in 1985, Stan and Tom decided to split the real estate and insurance businesses.

Stan and Joyce moved across the street and established Lockwood Insurance Agency. The couple operated that business for another 16 years, until 2001 when they decided it was time to retire and sold the business to the Zizka-Grand Agency, owned by Dallas English.

Stan was a longtime member of the Rotary Club and, like Gordon, was active in the Commercial Club when it was still in existence. He is also a member of the local Masonic Order.

“I enjoyed the work,” Stan said of his real estate and insurance career. I had a lot of nice clients.”

Tom, as the sole proprietor of Harmon’s, focused on real estate and growing his business over the next two decades. “I bought Preston Real Estate in Howell in 1987 and operated that firm for two years,” he recalled. “I decided, though, that I needed to be in Fowlerville fulltime.”

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
MARION TOWNSHIP**

The Marion Township Planning Commission has prepared draft amendments to the Marion Township Master Plan. The new language strongly supports preserving the rural character of the Township through different planning methods including, but not limited to, purchase of development rights, farmland protection, and continued focus on larger lot residential uses. Lastly, the goals and policies of the Master Plan have also been modified to provide guidance on future zoning amendments.

The proposed amendments will be considered at a public hearing conducted by the Planning Commission on September 28, 2021, at 7:30 pm at the Marion Township Hall, 2877 W Coon Lake Rd, Howell, MI. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposed changes. Written comments may be mailed to the address above, or via email to masterplan@mariontownship.com. The complete text of the draft amendments can be reviewed on our website, mariontownship.com, or at the township hall during normal business hours, Monday-Thursday, 9 am-5 pm.

Marion Township will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities. Anyone requiring auxiliary aids and services should contact the Marion Township Clerk at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Cheryl Range
Secretary, Planning Commission
(9-12-21 FNV)



Gordon Harmon was the founder of Harmon Real Estate, starting the Fowlerville business 75 years ago in 1946. Assisting him was his wife, Gladys. They are the paternal grandparents of the current owner, Paul Harmon.

Tom remained an owner until 2005. That year, at age 62, he sold the firm to his son, Paul who had been working with him for the 10 previous years. “My last year in business I closed my first million dollar deal,” he noted. “That had been a goal I had. It was a farm in Milford that we sold to a developer.”

Tom served on the LDFA board for several years, helping to develop the two industrial parks in Fowlerville and bring factories to these locations. He was also a member of the Fowlerville Downtown Development Authority. In addition, he was active on the Livingston County Board of Realtors. “I served at one time or the other in every position and was president in 1984,” Tom pointed out.

“I really enjoyed doing what I did for all of those years,” he said. “While we were based in Fowlerville, we had listings all over the area. It was fun to go to work.”

Paul Harmon said that being part of the family real estate business was a goal he had while growing up. His father, of course, was a role model, but his mother—the late Jane (Kirkland) Harmon—had also worked at the office.

“I graduated from Fowlerville High School in 1994 and obtained my real estate license when I was 18 years old while attending Michigan State University,” he noted. “I earned a degree in financing. My father wanted to make sure I had something I could fall back on, just in case.”

Paul worked during the summers at the real estate office while at MSU and then joined the business fulltime in 1998 after receiving his bachelor’s degree. “When I first got my license, my father and I worked as a team,” he recalled. “Because of my age, a lot of people struggled with what I said. So, I offered the youthful energy and my dad brought the experience.”

His early years in the business were a boom time. “A lot of buying and selling was going on,” Paul noted. “People who owned farms or large tracts of land were deciding to sell them as residential lots. There were a lot of new homes being built and the community was growing in population.”

When Paul purchased the business in 2005, the prospects of this continued prosperity seemed excellent. Then in 2007 the housing bubble suddenly burst, and new residential construction came to a sudden halt.

Shortly afterwards the Wall Street troubles, followed by the bankruptcies of General Motors and Chrysler Motors, sent Michigan and much of the rest of the nation, into an economic recession. Credit tightened up as a result, making it difficult-to-impossible for many would-be home buyers to obtain a mortgage and for sellers to get the sales price they needed to cover their outstanding debt.

“During that time I often was more of a counselor and tried to guide people the best I could,” said Paul. “A lot of people had upside down mortgages, owing more money than the house would sell for or, for those who had lost their jobs, having a payment that was too high. A lot of foreclosures occurred. I tried to help them make the best they could of a bad situation, but there were a lot of tough conversations.”

To help his business, Paul said that he worked with several private individuals who were willing to finance the mortgages for buyers who had the means, but were unable to secure a loan from a bank. “We also helped parents buy homes for their children because the prices were so low and it was a good investment.”

Paul also started PJH Management in 2003, taking care of rental properties for their owners. “Currently, I manage 40 properties, which includes collecting the rent and coordinating repairs.”

The downturn appears to have ended in the mid-Michigan area, including western Livingston County. “Over the past three years, the real estate market has been showing a strong

recovery,” said Paul. “The value of homes has been going up and so have the listing prices. It’s become a seller’s market due to a shortage in inventory. This a countywide situation.”

Paul added that, even so, this past year was the “strongest ever” for Harmon Real Estate. “Volume-wise, we had roughly \$18 million in sales and over 100 transactions,” he said.

The “we” he refers to are himself and nine agents, several of whom have been with the firm for several years. “We have averaged between seven and 10 salespeople over the years,” he noted. “That’s about the right number for our office and this area. We haven’t had a lot of turnover and that experience and professional

knowledge is a main reason, I feel, we have enjoyed this amount of business.”

Like it has in so many areas of business and society, computers and the internet have changed the real estate business. “There are different websites which will showcase the homes we list with photos and descriptions,” Paul said. “People can go on the internet and search for homes in their price range, see what the place looks like outside and view the different interior rooms.”

“We also use a service through the multi-listing, which allows our clients to see all of the listings available in the area as soon as they hit the market,” he said. “We set up the specific criteria for what our clients are looking for in the MLS and when a listing comes on the market which matches the criteria they receive an email with the listing. It’s an outstanding feature. Probably 85 percent of our leads are generated through the internet.”

In addition, the firm lists available properties with advertisements in area newspapers and puts them on the company’s website: www.harmonrealestate.net. “The newspaper ad in the local newspaper keeps our name out there in the community,” he said.

While new prospects are always desirable, and help grow the company, Paul pointed out that repeat customers and referrals are the “bread and butter” for Harmon Real Estate. “I’d say that 90 percent of what we do is the result of word of mouth or with clients who have bought or sold a property with us before.”

Paul attributes this to the work and reputation of the agents and to the foundation that his grandfather and his father and uncle built. “What I stress to our agents and what I learned from my grandfather and father is that this is typically the largest investment people will make in their life, so we offer the best professional guidance and service we can. And it doesn’t matter the size of the transaction or whether it’s vacant land or a home. If you give them this kind of service, then it creates referrals and repeat business.”

Another lesson Paul learned, and has followed, is being active in the community. He has been president of the Fowlerville Business Association (FBA) for the past 6 years and helped to start the business organization in 2006. He joined Rotary in 1998 and has been its treasurer for the past 15 years. He serves as co-chair of the Christmas in the Ville celebration that is sponsored by the FBA and the Rotary Club.

In addition, following in his father’s footsteps, Paul serves on the LDFA board (vice-chair), the Downtown Development Authority (vice-chair), and the Livingston County Association of Realtors which he is the 2021 President of. He also likes to golf and has been president of the Fowlerville Men’s League at Oak Lane Golf Course in Webberville for the past 18 years.

Paul met his wife, Heather, at Michigan State University. They were married in 2000 and have three sons: Zach (18), Jon (14), and Nick (11).

Paul’s son Zach is now a freshman at Western University this fall and he is looking to major in business. At this point he has a strong desire to consider pursuing a real estate career once he graduates from college. “I told Zach to focus on college for now and if you find an interest thru your studies which you want to pursue by all means please do. If you do not and you want to have the next conversation about real estate once you graduate, I will be here waiting for you with an open door” Paul said.

“I take a lot of pride in calling Fowlerville home,” said Paul. “I’m grateful the community has supported our business for 75 years. The downturn we experienced over 7 years ago taught me a lot. It also reminded me of the importance of having a good reputation, of offering good

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Livingston County Comments

**By: Doug Helzerman,
District 4
Commissioner**

As I have said before, the “call to the public” portion of the meetings is my favorite part of the meeting. It is not always pleasant but I enjoy listening and considering each person’s words and reasoning. Tuesday the 7th the General Government Sub Committee with four members, I being one, started our routine meeting at 5:30 pm. It concluded at 12:45 a.m. Each meeting has two of these calls to the public where each person has three minutes to speak on any subject they wish. At 10:30 p.m., the first call to the public finished, we took a short break, and then conducted our business and opened the second call to the public which concluded after 12:30 a.m.

On Wednesday, after our Monday (usually) subcommittee meetings, we have a Finance Committee Meeting of the whole nine-member Board, starting at 7:30 am, so that the members that have regular daily responsibilities can get back to them. This is followed by a very short Full Board Meeting to approve the paying of the bills that were discussed in the previous Finance Committee Meeting. Each of these meetings have two calls to the public, giving anyone the ability to have four three-minute speeches (which some had).

This is necessary in a free society and is part of the reason that I wanted to represent Livingston County District 4 residents.

This discussion shows that Americans are awaking to the problems of growing government overreach and one-size-fits-all solutions created by “experts” that every person is to follow without question. The point of discussion was whether to accept the second year of special Covid funding to assist the Livingston County Health Department in dealing with Covid. It is obvious that two sides have two distinct sources of information. The one seems to accept that Lansing’s approach from the last 18 months was correct and that mask mandates should remain in place. I understand them to say that experts (CDC, the Michigan Health and Human Service Agency, and Livingston County Health Department) should be allowed to make these decisions for the whole population and that only by the community buying into the total program can the virus be defeated. Therefore they say the funds should be accepted with no restrictions.

The other side have read other sources that call into question the viability of the mask to stop the spread of Covid. They point out the fact that the “vaccines” are not like the polio and small pox vaccines which prevent people from contracting these diseases and therefore make it impossible for them to spread the disease. They point out that the promise of the shot is that if you contract Covid your symptoms will be less severe. They also pointed out that Covid quarantining has been different than traditional methods where only sick people were quarantined.

This group, almost to a person, demanded that this extra 1.5 million dollars be rejected in whole because it will surely result in government (the LCHD) mandating masks in schools and would make demands that children be vaccinated to be in school. They indicated they knew, as Americans (and as humans), they have unalienable rights of free choice as to how to live and especially to raise and control their child’s life and health decisions.

As I listened to the comments, what stood out to me is that we and the health department need to find a way to build a bridge to span the differences of opinion, because as one said, after Covid is passed we will need to learn to come together again as Americans. I would hope we will always be united as Americans.

As a representative of people, I must represent all, but I must keep my oath of office to the Constitutions of our state and federal government and the laws of the land.

The words of the Pledge of Allegiance describe the nature of our limited form of government best when it says “liberty and justice for all.”

The Health Department (as well as the county Board of Commissioners) is created by state law and each have their separate authority but have intertwining existence. We are in control of their budget and the number of employees that they may have. We pick the Director of the Department. The day-to-day operations are under the purview of the director who works with our County Administrator who also expresses the wishes of the board to the director.

Over the years, I have developed a level of trust for our Director Diann McCormick and the team she has assembled and directs. I believe that we have the best County Health Department in the state and that they work tirelessly to fulfill their responsibilities in the conservative spirit for which our county is known.

Any time we take federal/state money there are always “strings.” Some of the strings of this (extensive) contract are very troubling to me. For example the extended list of reasons for non-discrimination I had never seen before in writing in one place. Several categories (homosexuality and transgenderism) indicate that tradition/Biblical/moral reasoning has no place in the modern society where secular religion seeks to be established in our legal system. Our county counsel assured me that all of these “new” items were either sanctioned by the Supreme Court or were in one way or another addressed in law.

From my personal research and my trusted sources, I agree with the personal freedom/decision side of this debate. I only differ in one point (which is likely their largest point) that funding should be accepted because I believe our department will administer the money in a way that will honor the freedom of choice that is the hallmark of a good and free society. Any contract, including this one, has a 30-day escape clause and if the Health Department uses this money in an oppressive way, we have the right to stop receiving this money.

Please email me your input to me at dhelzerman@livgov.com.



This pink program cover, with white lace and a butterfly, was made by Janice Wheeler for our upcoming meeting of the Woman’s Advance Club. The gathering marks the start of a new season.

Woman’s Advance Club begins new season on Sept. 20 at UMC

By Betty Dodge

The Woman’s Advance Club, founded in 1893 is still very active in Webberville, and we are ready to begin a new season. Our first meeting will be held on Monday, September 20, 2021 at 1:30pm at the Webberville United Methodist Church. Our program will be on memories of the Webberville Centennial in 1971. In recognition and celebration of the Village of Webberville Sesquicentennial from 1871 to 2021, a plaque is now on display in the entryway wall of the Webberville Cultural Center and was presented by our Club.

Our history started with a group of six women who wanted to be involved in the community, give back to it, and learn new things. We have a club color of green and white, our flower is Lily of the Valley and club motto is “Even unto the heights.”

Our club President is Nancy Ann Webb, who has led us for a wonderful 25 years. The other club officers are: Vice President, Jill Moon; Secretary, Sallie Brodie; and Treasurer, Rosemary Cahaney, who is also the Vice President to the Ingham County Home Association. Our Trustees are Kathy Ward and Sallie Brody who also attend the meetings.

The Executive Committee is responsible for setting up meetings and programs. The chairperson this year is Janice Wheeler, with the help of Pat Jennings, Jean Johnson, Phyllis Webster and the club president. These ladies do an awesome job getting all the dates and programs set up, along with books copied for all of our members. We welcome guests or ladies interested in our work and learning programs as well as causes that we support and donate to.

Current members are Sallie Brodie, Rosemary Cahaney, Betty Dodge, Carolyn Freyaldenhoven, Pat Jennings, Jean Johnson, Marge Lawson, Jill Moon, Lynn Reed, Marion Sherburne, Kathy Ward, Nancy Webb, Phyllis Webster and Janice Wheeler. We also have an honorary member, Joan King of Raid River, MI. As you can see, we have people who live in Fowlerville and Williamston that participate in our club.

Along with memories of the 1971 Centennial, we’ll discuss ‘What social or technology has changed from 50 years ago?’ Members will share their thoughts on this during roll call. Should be interesting! Please remember to bring hygiene items for Homeless Angels of Lansing when you come.

Ladies, we always enjoy having women join us and share our meetings, just contact a member ahead of time to let us know that you’ll be coming.

—Area Deaths—



Beth Ann Sperry October 11, 1978—August 30, 2021

Beth Ann Sperry (Humrich), 42, passed away August 30, 2021, in Jacksonville, Florida from metastatic breast cancer. She handled her illness with poise and grace.

Beth grew up in Fowlerville, Michigan and attended Eastern Michigan University where she earned a Bachelor’s degree in Special Education in 2001. She moved to California in 2002 and completed her Master’s degree in Education in 2006 at San Diego State University. After six years in California, Beth moved to Lakeland, FL where she met her future husband, Ben Sperry. They married on March 16, 2012, in Ponte Vedra, FL. Their son Casen was born in February 2013, and daughter Cali was adopted in December 2017.

Beth taught ESE for 21 years, half of her life. She spent most of her years teaching Kindergarten and ESE, inspiring countless students, and fellow teachers who have shared that she touched every heart she encountered. “Just her presence made our lives a little bit brighter each and every time we saw her.”

One of her students, Sarriah, recently wrote, “Look where I am now...8th Grade! Because of you. You helped me become a better person, helped me be respectful...I love you Mrs. Sperry, you were my favorite teacher...thank you for your time with us.”

Beth’s love of children and teaching came second only to the love she had for her family. She enjoyed spending quality time with her family, hunting for shark’s teeth at the beach, exploring new hiking trails, doing yoga, visiting the mountains, and crafting.

Beth is remembered with love by her husband, Ben Sperry (Jacksonville, FL), children Casen and Cali Sperry, parents Marv and Jean Humrich (Webberville, MI) and Diane Comstock (Jacksonville, FL), sister Alane Humrich (Gainesville, FL), Kathleen and Peter Munson (Lakeland, FL), Charles and Joan Sperry (Saginaw, MI), Josh and Tiffany Sperry (Tampa, FL), and a host of other family members and friends.

Beth had such a beautiful and gentle presence. She was an incredible mother, wife, daughter, sister, friend, and teacher and truly an extraordinary and authentic human being. She exemplified love, patience, kindness, and compassion in every thought, word, and action. The world was a better place with her in it, because of her genuine love for others and our natural world. Her light will shine on forever in her children and all who knew and loved her.

A private memorial will be held at a later date. Donations in Beth’s memory may be made to METAvivor, the sole U.S. organization dedicated to awarding annual stage 4 breast cancer research.

‘Senior Celebration Days’ being held at Fowlerville Center on Sept. 29

The Livingston County Consortium on Aging is presenting ‘Senior Celebration Days’ at the six centers during September.

The Fowlerville Senior Center will host the event on Sept. 29.

The Howell Senior Center held the event this past Wednesday, while Hamburg is set for Sept. 14, Hartland for Sept. 16, Brighton for Sept. 21, and Putnam for Sept. 22.

Several area businesses are sponsoring ‘Celebration Days.’

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JUNIOR VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM: From left, front row, Halli Jorgensen, Tara Peterson, Angelle Haan, Tori Briggs, Mareta Finley, Halee Haydu; Back row, Kaitlyn Seiter, Mackenzie Kelly, Paige Yarbrough, Coach Patti DuFore, Meadow Browne, Heidi Curd, Tommi Kleinschmidt. Not shown, Morgan Near.



FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL TEAM: From left, front row, Cheryl Hinojosa, Morgan Thomas, Payton McConaughy, Tatum Cook, Grace Nelson, Maggie Buurma; Back row, Audrey Felver, Valerie Curd, Jozlynn Tyler, Ava Ludd, Coach Riley McGuire, Vivian Shelley, Addison Durand, Evelyn Redinger, and Clara Johnson.



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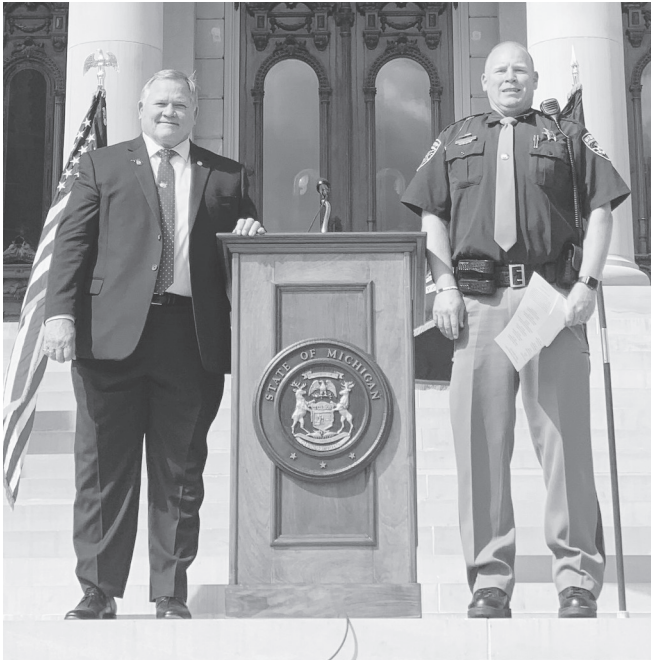
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Michigan House Report

By Bob Bezotte,
47nd District

This week, Liza Estlund Olson, the acting director of Michigan’s Unemployment Insurance Agency, appeared before the House Oversight Committee on Thursday, Sept. 9 at 9 a.m. There have been calls for changes at UIA. It’s important to get answers and have a clear picture of what is going on at the agency. We heard from Director Olson on a number of issues related to Michigan’s unemployment system, especially since those issues have become more common in recent months. As the committee continues to fulfill its duty to investigate and hold government agencies accountable, it is important that committee members hear from the director.



The House also held a 9/11 ceremony on the Capitol Lawn. Joining me during the ceremony was Lieutenant Eric Sanborn from our very own Livingston County Sheriff’s department. It was a wonderful ceremony to honor the fallen and first responders. Thank you to everyone who helped to turn this service into something special.

With extra federal unemployment benefits ended, more people may be looking for work. There are numerous free resources and programs available. Whether you want to conduct a job search, explore new career pathways, or discover educational or training programs, there are many opportunities such as:

- Pure Michigan Talent Connect at MITalent.org is a free job search resource that lists more than 90,000 jobs currently available in Michigan.
- The Michigan Return to Work Playbook is an online portal that features job readiness and industry/job specific resources as well as resources to support specific individuals (such as veterans or individuals with disabilities).
- Career exploration, resume assistance, interview skills, classroom, and on-the-job-training, virtual and in-person job fairs and more are provided through a local Michigan Works! service center. Call 800-285-WORKS or visit michiganworks.org.
- Apply for health-care coverage, food, and cash assistance, and more using the Michigan Department of Health and Humans Services’ MI Bridges system, which also lists helpful state and local resources.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to my office at 517-373-8835 or RobertBezotte@house.mi.gov.

Livingston Fine Art Association presenting ‘Colors of Life’ Show

The Livingston Fine Art Association presents the Colors of Life juried fine art show at the Historic Howell Opera House. 123 W. Grand River, Howell. This is a members only display show, and the theme is ‘Underwater’. The public is invited.

Times are: Friday, September 17, 6:00 - 9:00 pm. Meet the Artists Reception, Hors D’oeuvres and Beverages available. Saturday, September 18, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm. Everyone invited.

For additional information, visit <http://www.lfaaofmi.com> find us on facebook or call (517) 223-3900.

Fowlerville High School News

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IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES TO NOTE:

September 21st Picture Day
October 8 Homecoming vs. Mason

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The Fowlerville Homecoming Parade Committee is looking for individuals willing to drive their convertible, truck, or jeep in the parade this year. Homecoming Court Representatives will be riding in the back of the vehicle. The Homecoming Parade is Friday, October 8th. Drivers would need to arrive by 4:45pm and stay until halftime of the football game. If interested, please contact Amanda Tomassi at: tomassia@fowlervilleschools.org.

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Anyone wishing to donate to the Micro food pantry please go ahead and put canned goods etc. into the pantry..... self serve and self fill. The pantry is located on 2nd St. and Grand River next to State Farm.

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Parents please take the time to make sure your address is updated in MI-Star prior to the 21-22 school year. You can get a change of address form by contacting the office.

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Juniors and Seniors interested in the Co-op Program for 2021-2022 School Year: Are you currently working? Are you interested in finding out if you could earn high school elective credit while you work? You may be eligible for the high school co-op program. For more details, requirements, and the application paperwork for the 2021-2022 school year, please see the Fowlerville High School website. Follow the procedures flowchart and return the paperwork to the main office ASAP. Additional questions should be directed to Mr. Hardenbrook at hardenbrookj@fowlervilleschools.org.

Letter to the Editor

Back Off Our Kids Rally being held

The purpose of the Back Off Our Kids Rally is to demand no compromises when it comes to our kids’ medical liberty. There are groups in our county and state who are working very hard to force unnecessary and dangerous masking of our kids.

In addition to local forces working against our children’s medical liberty, our County Commissioners are expected to hold another vote on Sept. 13 to decide whether or not to accept the \$1.5 million Covid bribe that is intended primarily to fund giving the dangerous “jab” to our kids. We as parents are the final authority in deciding what is best for our children. We must stand now or regret it later.

This is a family friendly event, with a crafts table for the kiddos, being held on Sunday, Sept. 12, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm in front of the Livingston County Health Department. We’ll be lining both sides of the street in front of the Health Department.

This event is being hosted in partnership between Guardians of Freedom Michigan (GOFM) and Moms of Liberty Livingston.

Jason Peters
Fowlerville

Fowlerville Fire Department Report

September 2nd - No calls received today.

September 3rd - 5:15 am: Outside smoke investigation on Mason Road in Iosco Township. 11:23 am: Medical emergency on Layton Road in Handy Township. 7:44 pm: Medical emergency on Hanna Jane Drive in Handy Township.

September 4th - 4:14 am: Structure fire on Benjamin Street in the Village. Mutual aid was received from NIESA Fire and Howell Fire Departments. 10:21 am: Tree blocking Bradley Road in Iosco Township. 3:15 pm: Medical emergency on Gehringer Drive in the Village.

September 5th - 5:41 am. Medical emergency on Rifle River Drive in Handy Township. 9:55 am: Tree blocking Hayner Road in Conway Township. 11:25 am: Medical emergency on Terry Avenue in Handy Township. 11:54 am: Medical emergency on Fowlerville Road in Conway Township. 8:19 pm: Medical emergency on Mason Road in Iosco Township.

September 6th - 7:58 am. Medical emergency on Hayner Road in Conway Township. 10:31 am: Medical emergency on Weller Road in Iosco Township. 6:09 pm: Motor vehicle accident on I-96 in Handy Township. 10:46 pm: Medical emergency on Village Drive in the Village.

September 7th - 8:37 am. Medical emergency on Cedar River Drive in the Village. 10:32 am: Medical emergency on Kalamazoo River Drive in Handy Township. 11:17 am: Medical emergency on Hidden Knoll Court in Conway Township. 12:41 pm: Motor vehicle accident on Grand River Avenue in Handy Township. 8:03 pm: Tree blocking the road on Dutcher Road in Iosco Township. 9:12 pm: Medical emergency on Odell Road in Iosco Township. 9:31 pm: Medical emergency on Nicholson

Caleb Jenkins Column



The Pain of Rumors

As humans, we seem unfortunately drawn to gossip and the sharing of rumors. Most of us possess a desire, even if suppressed, to feel ‘in the know’ and be ‘part of the club.’ One of the primary ways we experience this camaraderie is by listening to and sharing gossip about others. This causes us to feel privileged and secure in our clique and justifies, so we think, our persuasions about those on the outside. While this practice may seem harmless on the surface, especially when done in moderation, the pain caused by rumors runs deep, and gossip opens the door to many unanticipated troubles.

First, gossiping in a clique destroys the potential for firm friendships. This is sadly ironic since most people pursue gossip in the first place as a way to feel like they belong. However, strong friendships are built on trust and productive shared pursuits, not on fleeting emotions generated through gossip. Opinions change, and a hurtful comment the two of you once agreed upon may seem irreparably damaging in retrospect. Your friend may later question your judgment and scruples, and likewise, you may wonder what your friend is saying about you behind your back. This concern is almost a cliché, but it is a legitimately damaging aspect of gossip.

Second, gossiping is frankly an unproductive use of time and a waste of a good friendship. We ought to take the acquaintances God has placed in our lives to grow and achieve great things together. Talking about others and creating unnecessary drama distracts us from enriching conversations and frustrates efforts to do good. Our time on this earth is short, and we should concern ourselves more with our own affairs rather than judging and chastising others behind their backs.

Third, gossiping instills a false impression of others that is often hard to correct. This is called poisoning the well, and while some do so purposefully to steer a conversation, we often unintentionally receive or generate a misguided perception of someone else through careless speech. Once this opinion is reinforced through gossip, our minds can struggle to overturn it, even when presented with new information. We risk creating a scenario where we unwittingly (but avoidably) shape future assessments and interactions based on inaccurate and vague impressions generated through gossip. This type of scenario can quickly snowball and cause drama and tension that could easily have been avoided through direct, productive conversations.

Gossip is a tempting pastime that appears largely innocent on the surface, but I have witnessed it tear apart people who otherwise could have been great friends. Gossip and its effects are vain and tragic, but they are also avoidable if we commit to upright interactions with friends, family, and associates.

Capital Area District Libraries have new hours of operation

With the start of the school year, new hours are now in place at all of the branches of Capital Area District Libraries.

“We’re so excited to be back to our full hours, which we haven’t had since the start of the pandemic,” said Executive Director Scott Duimstra. “There’s more evening and weekend hours so that you’ll be able to fit library visits into any schedule.”

Check out the hours for your favorite CADL branch by visiting <https://www.cadl.org/locations>.

Indoor browsing and account services are available at all branches. No appointments are required and there are no time limits for visits. Meeting rooms can be reserved and some events are offered.

The Local History room at the Downtown Lansing Branch will be available by appointment from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Tuesdays. Appointments are 45 minutes long. Contactless pickup is still available at all branches except Downtown Lansing and South Lansing.

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Road in Handy Township. 10:39 pm: Medical emergency on Chippewa River Drive in Handy Township.

September 8th - 2:45 am. Medical emergency on Meadow Lane in the Village. 7:01 am: Medical emergency on North Grand Avenue in the Village. 3:58 pm: Medical emergency on Benjamin Street in the Village.

Silent Auction donated items being accepted at the Webberville Library

Plan now for donating to the Friends of the Webberville Library Silent Auction fundraiser coming November 8 through November 23. We are asking for original artwork, homemade craft items, themed gift baskets, gift cards, event tickets and services from local businesses. We will accept donations starting November 1.
 For questions contact Webberville Public Library at 517-521-3643 or visit the Capital Area District Library (C.A.D.L.) website for library hours.



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The Williamston Area Senior Center Fifth 2021 Picnic in the Park will be held on Monday, September 13, 2021 at the Williamstown Township Pavilion 4990 Zimmer Rd., Williamston, MI 48895 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Lunch will be provided: Hot dogs, chips, dessert and water. Please bring your own chairs. Reservation is a must – call 517-655-5173 and leave a voice message, please call before September 10 to make your reservation.

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The Williamston Area Senior Center is now providing hot lunches at noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please call 517-655-5173 for lunch reservations so we can have the right number of luncheons on hand. Cost is still a donation of \$3.50 per person.

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September Activities:
 Tuesday, September 14, 2021 discussion on senior issues with County Commissioner Randy Schafer.
 Wednesday, September 15, 2021 Chair Exercise with Kristen McIntyre.
 Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 11:30 am Lunch with the President of the Williamston Area Senior Center.
 Tuesday, September 21, 2021 Mind Games sponsored by the Williamston Area Library.
 Wednesday, September 22, 2021 Trivia with Christy from the Willows.
 Thursday, September 23, 2021 Bingo.
 Tuesday, September 28, 2021 Preplanning for Assisted Living.
 Wednesday September 29, 2021 Senior Movie.
Covid-19 Guidelines – wearing proper face covering and social distancing is recommended. Hand sanitizer and disinfectant will be provided on the premises.

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Other September Activities at the Senior Center:
Tuesday Knitters Group meets from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.
Wednesday Needle Craft Group meets 1:00 to 3:00 pm.
Thursday Euchre meets from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.

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Coming in October – Flu Shots at the Williamston Area Senior Center sponsored by Rite Aid on Wed., Oct. 6, 2021.
Lunch with Williamston Area Senior President- Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 11:30 am.

NIESA Fire Report (Northeast Ingham Emergency Service Authority)
 On Wednesday September 1, 2021 NIESA responded to five calls. Four were emergency medical calls, with two occurring in Williamstown Township, one in the Village of Webberville, and one in Leroy Township. NIESA also responded to a vehicle accident in the City of Williamston in front of the fire station.
 Thursday September 2, 2021 NIESA had one response. It was an emergency medical response to assist Meridian Township.
 On Friday September 3, 2021 NIESA responded to six calls. Two were fire calls. Both responses were in Williamstown Township, one for a smoke/odor investigation and the second a possible illegal burn. NIESA also had four emergency medical calls, with two occurring in Leroy Township and two in Wheatfield Township.
 Saturday September 4, 2021 NIESA responded to two calls. One was an emergency medical call in Leroy Township, and the second was a mutual aid fire response to Fowlerville for a structure fire.
 On Sunday September 5, 2021 NIESA had seven responses. One was a vehicle accident in Williamstown Township. The remaining calls were emergency medical responses, with three occurring in the City of Williamston, one in Williamstown Township, one in the Village of Webberville, and one was an assist to Stockbridge Ambulance.
 Monday September 6, 2021, Labor Day, NIESA responded to an emergency medical call in Locke Township.
 On Tuesday September 7, 2021, NIESA had three emergency medical calls. One response was in Wheatfield Township, another in Williamstown Township and the final response was in the City of Williamston.

Williamston’s Farmers Market to celebrate National Wildlife Day Sept. 12
 The Eastern Ingham Farmers Market welcomes you and your family to downtown Williamston at McCormick Park this Sunday, Sept. 12, from 10am to 2pm, with over 20 vendors selling you their bounties of fruits, vegetables, herbs, cut flowers and hand-made art and crafts for the home or yard.

This week the Market celebrates *National Wildlife Day* by hosting local author and photographer Gene Klco, whose children’s books are filled with his many photos of loons, eagles and other wildlife from Michigan. He will be selling and signing his books and displaying some of his photographs. Drawings for wildlife stuffed animals will be held hourly; sign up to win as you enter the Market, at the Information Booth.

The Market accepts payments from the various food assistance programs: SNAP, Double-up Food Bucks and Senior Fresh, and offers “banking” services at the Information Booth, allowing customers to use their debit/credit card to purchase ‘Market tokens’ that are like cash and accepted by all of the Eastern Ingham Farmers Market vendors.

Upcoming Events
September 12- National Wildlife Day, find in the Art Booth, an exhibition featuring “Our Loon Chicks” photographer and author Gene Klco who will also be signing his latest book.
September 19- Whole Grains Day, featuring For the Love of Grain vendor Craig Koenigsnecht who will display ancient and heirloom whole grains that he uses in his baking, and provide visitors with Fun Facts about whole grains.
September 26- Apple Day
October 3- Coffee Day
October 10- Customer and Vendor Appreciation Day. This is the last Market of the 2021 Season during which the Market thanks its customers and vendors for making this season such a successful one.
 For more information about the Eastern Ingham Farmers Market in Williamston, to be added to the newsletter email list, to volunteer on Sundays or to donate to the Market, visit the Market website www.EasternInghamFarmersMarket.org, visit its Facebook page or contact Market Manager Tom Cary 616-916-9823 or EasternInghamFM@gmail.com).

Webberville Garden Club holding Bake Sale Sept. 25
 The Webberville Garden Club will be having a Bake Sale on Saturday, Sept. 25, from 10am til 2pm at the Blue Star Memorial Garden on Grand River, Webberville. The club will have all your favorite cookies, candy, breads, pieces of pie and cake, and jellies. Hope to see you! Stop by and support your Garden Club!



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New Factory, Millersville, Pa.

A black and white photograph of a small, weathered wooden house with a gabled roof, situated in a wooded area. The house has several windows, some of which appear boarded up or broken. A large tree stands prominently in front of the house, and a dirt road or path runs across the foreground.

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Fowlerville Police Report

for the Village of Fowlerville Council Meeting

for Monday, September 13, 2021

The Fowlerville Police Department responded to **530** calls for service over the past two weeks. Tickets used during past two weeks **9**.

Warrant Authorized/Declined

Incident #21-00869 – Operating While Intoxicated – Warrant Authorized

- 54 y/o male, Livonia, August 22, 2021 at 0208 hours

Incident #21-00868 – Operating While Intoxicated, High B.A.C. – Warrant Authorized

- 31 y/o male, Wayne, August 21, 2021 at 2354 hours

Incident #21-00865 – Operating While Intoxicated & CCW Violation – Warrant Authorized - FELONY

- 40 y/o male, Oak Forest, IL, August 21, 2021 at 0206 hours

Incident #21-00870 – Operating While Intoxicated – Warrant Authorized

- 31 y/o male, Brighton, August 22, 2021 at 0425 hours

Incident #21-00894 – Retail Fraud – Warrant Authorized

- 49 y/o male, Howell, August 27, 2021 at 1359 hours

Incident #21-00867 – CCW Violation – Warrant Authorized - FELONY

- 36 y/o male, Harrison, August 21, 2021 at 2311 hours

Incident #21-00903 – Operating While Intoxicated – Under Review

- 66 y/o male, Howell, August 29, 2021 at 0048 hours

Incident #21-00913 – Domestic Violence – Under Review

- 38 y/o male, Fowlerville, September 1, 2021 at 1215 hours

Incident #21-00900 – Retail Fraud – Under Review

- 35 y/o female, Waterford, August 28, 2021 at 1714 hours

Incident #21-00864 – Driving While License Suspended 2nd – Under Review

- 52 y/o male, Jackson, August 21, 2021 at 0014 hours

Officers Investigated the Following Types of Complaints:

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| • 13-Assist to EMS/FAFD | • 5-Alarms |
| • 3-Abandoned vehicle | • 100-Area checks |
| • 3-Assist other agency | • 2-Assault reports |
| • 70-Building/property check | • 1-911 hang up |
| • 10- Citizen assist | • 3-Civil complaint |
| • 3-Community policing | • |
| • 1-Court prosecutor complaint | • 1-Disturbances |
| • 2-Domestic in progress | • 1-Drugs VCSA |
| • 8-Foot patrol | • 26-Follow up |
| • 29- General Non Criminal | • 1-Fraud |

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ESTATE SALE: Sept. 17-18-19-20, 10am-6pm, 1860 S. Gregory Rd., Fowlerville. Antiques, piano, kitchenware, china, curio, collectables, tools, household goods, and much more.

CRAFTERS WANTED: Saturday, Dec. 5, 9am-4pm, at 6909 Grand River, Place of Refuge, Fowlerville. Applications at: winterwonderlandcraftshow.com Contact Jackie at 517-315-6300. Will be part of Fowlerville Christmas in the Ville celebration.

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| • 1-Intimidation, threats, harassment | |
| • 1-Juvenile Complaint | • 2-Hazard |
| • 1-K9 training | • 2-Larc. in progress |
| • 12-Liquor investigation | • 1-Littering/dumping |
| • 1-MDOP | • 4-Meetings |
| • 2-Mental health/CMH | • 1-Message delivery |
| • 6-Ordinance investigation | • 1-Motorist assist |
| • 4-Patrol/traffic complaint | • 1-OWI |
| • 3-PBT request | • 2-PDA |
| • 3-Retail fraud | • 23-School events |
| • 8- Suspicious Situations/Vehicle/Person | |
| • 42-Subdivision patrol | • 7-Subpoena service |
| • 5-Traffic details | • 60-Traffic stops |
| • 1-Trespassing | • 1-Unattended death |
| • 1-Vin inspection | • 3-Warrant arrest criminal |
| • 3-Welfare check | |

The above statistical information is retrieved using the computer aided dispatching module, provided by Livingston County Central Dispatch. All supporting statistical documentation can be provided upon request.

Assist Other Agency:

Officer Feister was requested to assist a Livingston County Sheriff Deputy on I-96 near the Fowlerville exit with a traffic stop for a stolen car. Officer Feister assisted on the stop and once the Deputy was secure he cleared the assist.

Officer Kuzdek was requested to assist Escanaba Police Department with attempting to locate a subject in the Village. Officer Kuzdek checked a few locations and a short time later she was informed the person was located in Escanaba.

Officer Kuzdek was requested to assist MSP with a DRE (Drug Recognition Expert) evaluation. Officer Kuzdek arrived on location and conducted her evaluation and determined the driver was under the influence of Cocaine and Heroin. Officer Kuzdek submitted her report and cleared the assist.

Additional Information:

I attended the Livingston County area public safety meeting. We discussed crime trends in the county, open criminal investigations, upcoming training opportunities and case sharing notes.

Mitchell’s Hope had an event at the Mission House in the Village. We had an officer at the event to discuss drug trends we are seeing in the Village and what resources we have available to those in need.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Chief John J. Tyler

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Fowlerville Boys Varsity Tennis

Team beats Williamston, 7-1

The Fowlerville Boys Varsity Tennis Team beat Williamston in a league match they hosted on Wednesday by a 7-1 score.

Singles:

No. 1 - Carter Young, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Joe Mirate, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL, 7-5, 6-2

No. 2 - Lucas Anderson, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Joey Heilman, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-2

No. 3 - Calvin Dowker, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Jameson Hurley, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-3

No. 4 - Ralph Rivera, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL def. Oliver Farmer, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 4-6, 6-2, 7-5

Doubles:

No. 1 - Isaac Way, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL - Greg Wilkinson, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Tommy Warren, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL - Jacob McNew, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-0

No. 2 - Jimmy Buurma, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL - Owen Browne, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Ben Gorsline, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL - Owen Masi, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-3

No. 3 - Alex Jonas, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL - Ryder Lukasik, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Eli Payton, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL - Jack Robke, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-2, 6-3

No. 4 - Cole Sova, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL - Ethan Way, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Adrian Eby, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL - Seth Pennington, WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL, 6-0, 6-2

Fowlerville Varsity Volleyball Team

loses tough match to Haslett

The Fowlerville varsity volleyball team had a tough match against league rival Haslett on Wednesday, losing 21-25, 25-16, 25-13, 21-25, and 12-15. For the night, Emily Homrock led with 12 kills, had 12 points, 3 aces and 11 digs. Abby Thomas had 22 digs, 12 points and 4 aces. Emma Browne set a strong game and had 22 assists, 11 points and 3 aces. Hannah Ray added 11 points, 9 kills, and 2 aces. Josie Cruz had 10 digs and 8 points and Raelynn Hahn added 11 digs and played strong defense.

The girls are off until they meet league opponent Mason next Wednesday.

The varsity team also played Williamston the week before and lost in 25-15, 25-17, 25-8 sets. Abby Thomas had 21 digs and 3 points. Emma Browne had 10 assists and 5 points and Emily Homorck added 5 kills and 2 points. Mara Menard and Carlie Atchinson played strong in the front row.

—Area Deaths—



Theresa Ann Schaefer

Theresa Ann Schaefer of Byron, went home to be with the Lord on September 4, 2021. Theresa was born February 24, 1939 in Detroit, Michigan, to Elmer and Beatrice Dutton. She was born as the second child and only girl in a large family of seven children.

On September 20, 1958, Theresa married the love of her life, Walter Lawrence Schaefer in Cheboygan Michigan. They moved from Cheboygan to Detroit in the early to mid 1960's, and finally settled in Byron in 1975. They raised seven children, with the six oldest being boys and the youngest a girl. Raising a large family was a full-time job for Theresa while Walter worked for John Carlo Construction Company.

After the children were raised, Theresa got involved with Shaklee health products as a distributor to help people with their health needs. She was an avid gardener, and canned many vegetables. Theresa always had a strong belief in God and was very involved with her church. She was always helping out at the church in many different ways. She loved helping others, praying for people in need, lending a hand to help when she was able.

Theresa is survived by brothers Chuck, Raymond (Leianna), Pat (Barbara), George (Laura), Daniel, sons Walter (Jacqueline), Mike (Laura), Dale (Leslie), Mark, Tom, Todd (Joann), daughter Dawn (Terry LaVere), close family friend Tom Petersmark (Sherri), fifteen grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents Elmer and Beatrice Dutton, husband Walter L. Schaefer, and brother Dean Dutton.

Visitation was scheduled for Tuesday, September 7th from 5-8pm at Herrmann Funeral Home in Fowlerville, MI. There was also a visitation on Wednesday, September 8th at 10 am, followed by the Funeral Service at 11am at Place of Refuge in Fowlerville. Burial followed by Byron Cemetery. Online condolences may be expressed at pjherrmannfuneralhome.com.

Some Special Recipes

By Dawn Horton

This week's recipes were submitted by local resident and former mail carrier, Jean Carl. The Mexican Stuffed Shells is a recipe that she received from Denise Warren, who is a sister-in-law of Gail Warren. Gail is a retired clerk from the Fowlerville Post Office. The Unstuffed Cabbage is from Jean Carl's own collection. Enjoy!

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MEXICAN STUFFED SHELLS

Yield: 16 shells

- 1 lb. ground beef (or ground turkey)
- 1 package low sodium taco seasoning
- 4 oz. cream cheese
- 16 jumbo pasta shells
- 1 1/2 cups salsa
- 1 cup taco sauce
- 1 cup cheddar cheese
- 1 cup Monterey jack cheese

For Toppings:

- Green onions
- Sour cream
- Black olives

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Brown ground beef and drain. Add taco seasoning (cook according to package directions). Add cream cheese, cover and simmer until cheese is melted. Stir together and mix well. Set aside.

Cook pasta shells according to package directions and drain. Set shells out individually on a cutting board or baking sheet so they don't stick together.

Pour salsa on bottom of 9x13 baking pan. Stuff each shell with 1-2 tablespoons of meat mixture. Place shells in pan open side up. Evenly cover shells with the taco sauce. Cover dish with foil and bake for 30 minutes.

After 30 minutes, add shredded cheese and bake uncovered for an additional 10-15 minutes.

Top with desired toppings and serve.

—Denise Warren

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UNSTUFFED CABBAGE

Lightly Brown:

- 1 lb. ground beef

Add:

- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 small head cabbage, shredded
- 1 can (28 oz) Mexican style tomatoes, with liquid

(Since I seldom have any Mexican style tomatoes, I use plain tomatoes, and add 1-2 teaspoons chili powder.)

- 1 Tablespoon brown sugar
- 1 Tablespoon vinegar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

Cook over low heat about 15 minutes. This can be put in a crock pot. Serve over cooked rice.

—Jean Carl



Michigan DNR Fishing Tips—

Get Your Fall Fish On!

Summer may be drawing to a close, but great fishing is far from over. Many anglers agree that fall is a wonderful time to cast a line as fish prepare for the colder months by ramping up their feeding efforts. Most target – and see much success pursuing – salmon, walleye, perch, panfish and bass. Get ready to reel in some of these beauties at fall fishing hot spots across the state.

Find more tips on targeting various species at Michigan.gov/Fishing.

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IOSCO TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TUESDAY, 9/14/21 AT 6:30 PM

The Iosco Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to discuss an amendment to the 2019 Iosco Township Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendment will be to:

Article 13: Standards and Regulations for Specific Land Uses

Residents can attend the hearing at the Iosco Township Hall, located at: 2050 Bradley Road, Webberville, MI 48892.

Hearing begins at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, September 14, 2021.

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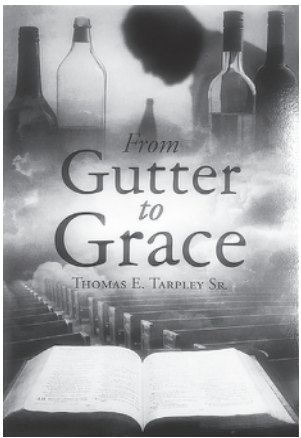
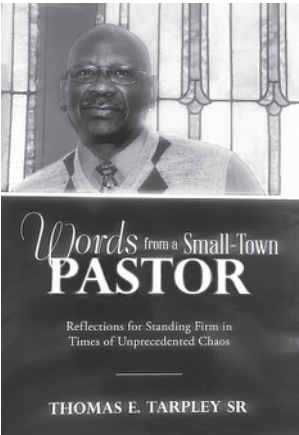
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Pastor Thomas E. Tarpley, Sr., who passed away on August 15th, published two books.

From Gutter to Grace tells of how he overcame his abuse of alcohol, which began at age four, as well as his use of illegal drugs and a pursuit of worldly pleasures by finally turning to God and finding a personal relationship with Jesus. That life-changing event, which occurred when he was 48, eventually led him to becoming a pastor.

Words from a Small-Town Pastor: Reflections for Standing Firm in Times of Unprecedented Chaos is a compilation of 82 of his articles that first appeared in the Fowlerville News & Views. Pastor Tarpley had a weekly column in the newspaper from 2015 until just before his death.



Both books are available for purchase at the Fowlerville News & Views office, 206 E. Grand River, Fowlerville MI 48836, with the money going to Gloria Tarpley, his widow.

From Gutter to Grace costs \$13.95

Words from a Small-Town Pastor costs \$19.95

Call 517-223-8760 to make an appointment to pick up either or both books.

Williamston Eagles Club hosting Jack Clarkson Band on Oct. 10 & Nov. 7

The Williamston Eagles Club will be hosting Jack Clarkson Band on Sunday, October 10th and also November 7th. Join us for some dancing and easy listening to a large variety of songs. Jack Clarkson Band has been a popular source of entertainment for decades, not only in Michigan but Texas as well.

Doors open at 3pm, the band will be playing from 5 to 8pm. Your \$10.00 cover charge includes coffee, tea and snacks. Our newly renovated dance floor is waiting for you! Come down and enjoy a relaxing Sunday, whether to dance, sit and enjoy the music or capture the backyard view.

The club is located on the banks of the Red Cedar River at 835 High St in Williamston. Public welcome. Call the club after 3 pm at 517-655-6510 if you need more information.



Fowlerville High School CTE Student of the Week



Caleb Shermoe

Congratulations to this week’s Career Technical Education Student of the Week at Fowlerville High School, Caleb Shermoe! Caleb is being recognized for his work in the Graphic Communications program through Livingston Career & Technical Education! This particular program is held at Brighton High School. As part of the program students get to utilize several different graphic software applications. Students interested in career paths in graphic design, computer design, printing management, and more, will find this program beneficial!

Regarding Caleb’s favorite part of the class, he stated, “My favorite part about the class is that we get to design and make our own t-shirts and make things for the school.”

Caleb’s career plan is to eventually open his own design/printing business. When asked how this class will help prepare him, he mentioned that it will provide him with the knowledge and skills on how to create designs and make products out of them. He also mentioned gaining knowledge on how to open a small business with few products.

Caleb shared some specific things the class will be learning throughout the year, “How to design logos or pictures to make on products such as signs, t-shirts, banners and posters.” He also talked about how there is a vehicle in the classroom and they will be learning to wrap it in vinyl, as well as how to remove and replace wraps.

To those considering this program, Caleb finds the class enjoyable! He stated, “It’s a fun and interesting program.” He also stated, “It’s a great school to be a part of, the class is very cool because we get to use most of the machines in the room.”

Congratulations once again to Caleb Shermoe!

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—Area Deaths—



Brian K. Grover

Brian K. Grover, age 56, of Port Huron, formerly of Fowlerville, passed away in the comfort of his home September 3, 2021. He was born in Howell on February 22, 1965 to George and Nancy (Schlarb) Grover. He participated in the life skills program for the disabled. He was a resident of Abbotsford Group Home in Port Huron.

He is survived by his parents: George and Nancy Grover; brothers: Todd (Chuck) Grover and Jeff (Tina) Grover; aunts and uncles: Margaret Sharpe, Sandy (Archie) Rock, Penny (Mark) Pringle; cousins: Jen (Blair) Massey, Lindsey Guarnieri, Michael Guarnieri Sr., Eddie (Sandy) Grover, Robert (Peggy) Grover, Jim (Marlene) Grover, Tom Grover, Michael (Denise) Grover, Randy (Lynda) Sharpe, Robert (Mychelle) Sharpe, Rick (Nancy) Sharpe, Deborah Grover, Linda Grover, as well as several extended family members of the Grover and Schlarb families.

He is preceded in death by his Grandparents: Shirley (Ella) Grover and Chester (Maxine) Schlarb, Aunt and Uncles: Robert (Peggy) Grover and Harold (Josephine) Grover.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date as well as a family & friends service at Crossroads Community Church, China, MI.

Cremation arrangements with Young Funeral Home, China Twp. To leave a message of comfort visit www.youngcolonial.com.



Donald L. Hornback, Jr.

Donald L. Hornback, Jr of Webberville, loving father and grandfather, passed away at the age of 52 on August 25, 2021. Donny was born December 7, 1968 in Plymouth, MI to parents Don and Chris Hornback. He is survived by wife Lori, children: Donald, Christopher, Nick, and Taylor; and grandchildren: Blake, Amber, and Connor. His spirit will live on through his brothers: John, Billy, Jeremiah and sisters: Dorothy, Belinda, and Bethy, as well as 18 nieces and nephews and 23 great nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents Don and Chris and brothers: Joseph, Joshua, and Nathan.

Donny was a very loyal and devoted employee working at C. A. Hull for many years. But he lived for those weekends when he could hook up the boat and go fishing with his family, as well as heading north to his parents’ house for deer camp, where family and friends gathered to tell stories of their hunting adventures. Donny had a smile and laughter that was contagious and could light up any room. He inspired everyone around him to constantly better themselves. He will always be loved and missed, and never forgotten.



Ida B. (Pat) Spalding

Ida B. (Pat) Spalding, age 88, of Fowlerville passed from this life into the arms of Jesus on September 7, 2021.

Pat was born in Manton, Michigan on August 12, 1933. She grew up in Shaftsbury under the care of foster parents John and Lelia Shorna on their farm. Pat graduated from Perry High School in 1952 where she was active in 4-H and the band.

Pat was retired from Bent Tube in Fowlerville. She was also a past president of the Michigan Lupus Foundation for many years.

Pat was loved by many and she will remain in our hearts forever!

She was preceded in death by her husband Ted Spalding Sr, infant son David, and dear brother Ernie Winegarden.

She is survived by her three children: Ted (Sue) Spalding Jr, Kim (Judy) Sandin, and Shay (David) Gaffey. Grandchildren: Rich (Belinda) Spalding, Wade (Amy) Spalding, Scott (Ladda) Spalding, Kristy (Brad) Placido, Matt (Susi) Sandin, Mike Gaffey, DJ (Mary) Gaffey. Great grandchildren: Stephanie, Sophia, Sara, Andrew, Luke, Abby, Lydia, Justin, Joel, Renae, Joey, Molli, Patrick, Joseph, Maggie, Deone, and Lexxi.

Pat loved all animals, especially dogs. She was a friend to many and always had a kind word for everyone. She loved to play cards, family gatherings, and all people.

This is written by her granddaughter, Kristy Placido. It sums up what a wonderful person she was:

“If you knew my Gram, you were a lucky person. Always sharp, classy, smart, witty, and fun. She was quick with a smile, ready with a joke, and loved a little gossip. You never had to wonder if she loved you and she’d defend her family and friends unrelentingly. She had a forgiving spirit and didn’t carry bitterness in spite of some bad hands she had been dealt. She was not just my Grandma, she was a lifelong friend and confidant. She was a co-conspirator and always made a little mischief feel like big fun. I know she made her first stop to the Rainbow Bridge to pick up Coco and Hailey and now she is dancing pain-free in heaven, cackling with all her girlfriends! I hope Johnny Carson’s in heaven because I know she’d love to meet him! Love you forever, my sweet Gram... until we meet again.”

The family thanks Todd Walter and all the staff at Crosaires AFC home in Williamston for their care and kindness.

Donations in Pat’s honor are requested to the Crosaires Foundation
 5829 Zimmer Rd
 Williamston, Michigan 48895
 A memorial will be planned at a later date.

Ronald Rogers

JANUARY 28, 1949 – SEPTEMBER 2, 2021

Ronald Rogers, faithful man of God, age 72, of Winter Haven, Florida passed away on Thursday, September 2, 2021. Ronald was born January 28, 1949, in Detroit, Michigan, was a Fowlerville graduate and former resident.

He retired from the Polk County Sheriff’s Office to fulfill God’s call to help build the Orlando House of Prayer.

He is survived by his wife Linda of 18 years, brother Michael, daughters Jennifer, Sarah and Kate, son Matthew, stepdaughters Holly and Heather, and nine grandchildren.

Family and friends honored his life on September 10th with a service held at the Family Worship Center followed by a burial at the Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Florida.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.ottlaughlinfuneralhome.com for the Rogers family.



My brother John Seeley and I visited the Eastern Market. There was a Renaissance Festival going on, so we posed with one of the participants.



Here are some people in their colorful costumes at the Renaissance Festival.



Our Grandpa Seeley sold apples at the Eastern Market for many years, beginning when he accompanied his father before World War I. I'm shown here with him in the 1970's.



This is the iconic entrance to the Eastern Market, which is designated as a Michigan State Historic Site.



Bert's Marketplace, which includes a Jazz and Blues room and Motown room, is a popular entertainment and restaurant venue at the Eastern Market.



In-season vegetables are offered by this vendor.

Eastern Market in Detroit proved to be adventure

By Karen Grab

My brother John Seeley and I took our travels to the Detroit-Dearborn area for a week while my husband Ed had farm duties to attend to. There are a number of interesting places to visit, and it's close by.

To start things off, on Sunday, August 1st we decided to visit the Eastern Market since our Grandpa Seeley sold his apples there. He had a 40-acre orchard in Walled Lake on

Haggerty Road and sold apples all of his working life, starting from when he went to the market with his father before World War I into the 1970's.

Eastern Market is located northeast of the city's downtown at 2934 Russell Street and has over 150 food and specialty businesses. Flowers, fruits and vegetables, soap, purses and clothes are among the offerings. The vendors are located under different sheds which are numbered. There are also restaurants, a brewery, and a tavern.

In addition to browsing the Market, there was a Renaissance Festival going on while we were there. This event is usually held in Holly, so it was a great treat to see the

colorful costumes—adding to our adventure.

The district that encompassed the Market was designated a Michigan State Historic Site in 1974 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1978. It is the largest historic public market district in the United States, and the Eastern Market farmer's distribution center is the largest open-air flowerbed market in the United States.

With so much to offer, the Market draws thousands of shoppers.

It's open on Tuesday, 9 to 3pm, Saturday, 6am to 4pm, Sunday, 10 to 3pm.



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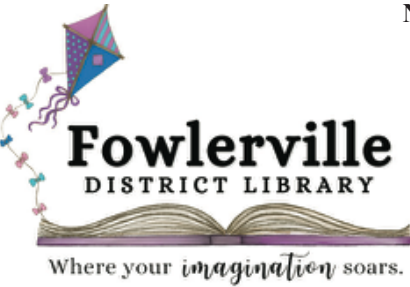
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Sunday: Closed

Ongoing Book Sale When the Library is Open!
Newly reorganized! New books come in all the time. Great for finding your beach read, older James Patterson novels or even a gift for a special friend! Paperback 50¢, Hardback \$1, DVD \$1, CD'S, .50¢, kids/teen books 25¢; or fill a bag with anything for \$3.

FOR KIDS - New Storytimes!

All storytimes are open -- no registration is required

**Sensory toys and weighted blankets are available during storytime

Preschool Storytime (ages 3-5 with caregiver)

Join Mrs. D for stories, sing songs, fingerplays and more! This program will be outside in September- bring a blanket or lawn chair; this program will move indoors for inclement weather.

Tuesdays & Wednesdays | 10:00am

Toddler Storytime (ages 1-3 with caregiver)

Get ready to move and groove to some cool tunes and stories!

Thursdays & Fridays | 10:00am

Baby Lap Sit (ages 0-2 with caregiver)

Little ones and caregivers will socialize, sing songs, and play in this musical storytime!

Fridays | 9:30am

Family Storytime

Fun for the whole family! We'll read stories, sing songs, learn fingerplays, and more!

2nd Saturdays, starting Sept. 11 | 12:00pm



Facebook LIVE Storytime

Watch LIVE on our Facebook Page or later at your convenience - a storytime from the comfort of your own home!

Thursdays | 12:00pm

OTHER FUN PROGRAMS FOR KIDS

Scavenger Hunt

Can you find all the letters of the alphabet in the library? Try the challenge during open hours.

All of September

Kid Craftafternoons

Drop in and get crafty with a new and exciting craft each month! Supplies provided.

1st Tuesdays | 3:30 – 4:30pm

FOR TEENS

Tabletop Wednesday (Drop-in)

Every Wednesday, the library is open and available to come and play your favorite tabletop RPGs. Play with your friends or have teen librarian Connor run a one-shot. All are welcome.

Wednesdays | 2:30pm – 5:00pm

Music with a Twist! Line Dancing (Drop-in)

Welcome *Line Dancing with a Twist* from Howell to help us celebrate country music and learn to line dance! Drop ins welcome, but registration would be appreciated to gauge interest. Register by calling or stopping by the library.

Thursday, Sept. 16 | 6:30pm

Yoga with Belinda

Practice postures to strengthen and promote flexibility in all parts of the body with an emphasis on balance, core strengthening, and moves to improve range of motion. This 45-minute class will help improve your quality of life and is for all levels of fitness. Bring water and yoga mat.

Monday Sept. 13 | 10:00am

Wednesday, Sept. 15 | 6:00pm

Escape Room: Shipwrecked! (Registration Required)

Land Ho! Can you get your ship in working order to escape the mysterious island?

Wednesday, Sept. 23 | 6:30 pm

Beyond the Book (Registration Required to receive copy of book)

A book discussion group that may include watching the movie adaptation. Movie style refreshments included. September's Title: Rocket Boys/October Sky

Thursday, Sept. 30th | 6:30 pm

Halloween Candy Jar Craft (Registration Required)

Make a Halloween theme candy jar in time for this spooky time of year.

Saturday, Oct. 2 | 10:30 am

FOR ALL AGES

Intro to 3-D Printing

See what the fuss is about, how the process works, and learn to make your own pieces!

Monday, Sept. 13 | 3:30pm

Family Board Game Night (Drop-in)

Drop in and enjoy family game night at the library. Games provided.

Monday, Sept. 20 | 5:00 - 7:00pm

For more information regarding any of our programs or services please call us at (517) 223-9089.

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