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Dylan Branch



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Gracie Croft



Emma LeBoeuf



Michael Phillips



Stella Wilder



Hayley Williams

Webberville High School announces Top 10 seniors

Webberville High School has announced the Top 10 academic seniors in the Class of 2022. Lydia Howard is the Valedictorian, while Logan Pierce is the Salutatorian. The others, in alphabetic order, are: Kylie Atkins, Dylan Branch, Baylee Cloudman, Gracie Croft, Emma LeBoeuf, Michael Phillips, Stella Wilder, and Hayley Williams.

These seniors and the rest of the class will be graduating this Thursday, May 19, at 7 p.m. on the Webberville football field, weather permitting. Another highlight will take place this Monday, May 16, when the Senior Academic Awards are held in the high school cafeteria, starting at 4:30 p.m.

Profiles of Top 10 seniors on page 18

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Fowlerville Family Fair part of exhibition ban on poultry & waterfowl

As of now, there will not be any poultry or waterfowl shown at the Fowlerville Family Fair due to a statewide exhibition ban instituted early last week by the Michigan Dept. of Agriculture and Rural Development.

A news release, issued by the department noted that “After much deliberation and consultation State Veterinarian Dr. Nora Wineland, MDARD’s Director, Gary McDowell, has decided to stop 2022 poultry and waterfowl exhibitions in Michigan until such time that the state goes 30 days without a new detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in domestic poultry.

“This decision is effective immediately to further protect against the spread of HPAI, helping to keep Michigan’s domestic poultry flocks safe,” the release stated.

Fowlerville Fair Manager Brooke Tate said that a letter informing Youth Show exhibitors of this ban was emailed on Tuesday afternoon.

“The kids will still do their projects, but unless something changes there won’t be any birds on the fairgrounds this

year,” she said.

The fair is scheduled to run July 25-30.

Tate said the poultry and waterfowl will still be sold at the Small Animal Auction to interested bidders. “Our normal routine is to conduct the judging early in the week and then send the market birds to Munsell Processing so that they’re ready for pick up on Sunday,” she explained.

“The exhibitors have a photo of their bird, which they show during the auction.

“What will happen now is that the market birds will go directly to Munsell’s where they will be weighed and tagged,” Tate added.

The news release from the MDARD outlined details of the ban, noting that “This stop does include (but is not limited to) shows, exhibitions, swap meets, petting zoos at fairs, and game bird/waterfowl fair displays. This stop does NOT include or affect egg hatching exhibits, pigeon races, or zoos.

“HPAI is a highly contagious virus that can be spread in various ways from flock to flock, including by wild birds, through contact with infected poultry, by equipment, and on the clothing and shoes of caretakers. As new cases of HPAI continue to be identified across the nation and in Michigan,

bringing in poultry from different flocks to a central location creates a significant risk,” the news release stated.

So far this year, Michigan has responded to 12 cases of HPAI in non-commercial backyard flocks from nine different counties across both the Upper and Lower Peninsulas.

“MDARD is committed to protecting the health of all Michigan’s domestic birds. Preventative measures are the best and only tools we have to limit the negative impact of HPAI. By exercising this necessary precaution, we can wait for the warmer, drier weather needed to kill the virus without creating conditions that could worsen the problem,” said Dr. Wineland. “By taking this step now, it is hoped that poultry exhibitors can still participate in fair activities once circumstances have improved.”

MDARD will continue to monitor the situation and work in conjunction with the Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions, Michigan State University Extension, 4-H programs, and other partners to notify and advise exhibitors regarding when these activities can resume and how to conduct them safely.

More information on this stop can be found in the frequently asked questions available at Michigan.gov/BirdFlu.

“While the stop on poultry exhibitions is not ideal, the safety of our exhibitors, attendees, and animals is of the utmost importance to our fairs,” said Lisa Reiff, Executive Director Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions. “When poultry exhibitions were canceled in 2015, many fairs thought outside the box to allow exhibitors an opportunity to highlight their projects in unique ways without live exhibitions. Fairs are already planning ways for poultry to still be a part of the fair in a non-traditional way that will keep everyone safe.”

“Our 4-H families are often on the leading edge of biosecurity,” said Jake DeDecker, Michigan State University Extension state 4-H leader. “We will work closely with MDARD and MAFE to make sure that we address this issue head on.”

Kreeger Elementary School News

ATTENTION NEW STUDENTS:

All enrollments can be done online www.fowlervilleschools.org.

After you complete those documents please print and sign areas marked. Bring your child’s original raised seal birth certificate, 2 proofs of Fowlerville Schools residency and if your child attended a school in Michigan his/her immunizations will be on the MCIR website.

CALENDAR OF KREEGER EVENTS

- 5-20-22 Flower Delivery
- 5-30-22 No School Memorial Day Recess
- 6-7-22 ½ Day School K-5
- 6-8-22 ½ Day School K-5
- 6-8-22 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

AFTER SCHOOL BUS CHANGES

If your child has an after school bus change, you **MUST** have prior approval from the Transportation Department. We cannot put a child on a different bus without approval.

LOST AND FOUND

We have an overabundance of items in our lost and found. We will be donating all items to the Family Impact Center at the end of May. Please have your students look through the lost and found to see if anything belongs to them. Thank you!

SPRING FLOWER SALE:

Friday, May 20th– Your flowers arrive at Kreeger Elementary, pick up time is from 11:00 A.M. to 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.*

DRESS CODE

Just a reminder as the weather gets warmer: Dress that is disruptive to the educational process is prohibited. Clothing and/or accessories should not endorse any item or product related to tobacco, alcohol or other controlled substances. All clothing must be neat and clean so as to present the best possible appearance. Sagging and baggy pants are not allowed, nor are chains or other gang related potentially dangerous accessories. Shoes must be worn at all times.

Decency interpreted by the administration and staff is to be maintained at all times. Shirts that expose the midriff, short skirts, short shorts are not allowed. Hats, caps, bonnets, helmets, hoods, and head scarves are not to be worn inside Kreeger Elementary. At Kreeger, all sleeveless tops must have a minimum of two inches on shoulder.



Saluting the Seniors in the Fowlerville High School Band & Choir Programs



The graduating seniors who have been part of the Fowlerville High School Band & Choir Programs are being saluted during the next few weeks, prior to their graduation. High School Band Director William

Vliek asked each of them the following questions:

--Your plans for next year;

--Your favorite band or choir memory.



Cheyenne Huff

Plans for next year: Taking a year off of school to get a job and some money under my belt then go to Mississippi State for Agriscience.

Favorite band memory: When I slid down the “slip ‘n’ slide” and ran into Holden Adams at Freshman/Senior night and came into band practice the next day with a bruise on my hip.



Zoe Ozar

Plans for next year: Going to LCC for ultrasound major and hopefully getting a medical assistant job.

Favorite band memory: My favorite band memory is senior nite for the football players, band members, and cheerleaders. It was my favorite because it felt I was wrapping up all I had done in band. I got to be recognized with all of my senior band friends. It was also special because my family was there and so were my friends.



Korynn Polzin

Plans for next year: Attend Lansing Community College as an undecided major.

Favorite band memory: The 2022 band dance when Chloe and I had a photo shoot.



Chloe Ozar

Plans for next year: Going to LCC with a business major.

Favorite band memory: When me and Molly screamed all night at a Friday night game and tried to lose our voice.

Accreditation Assessment Team to examine the Livingston County Sheriff Department; public comment invited

A team of assessors from the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MACP) will arrive on June 6 to examine all aspects of the Livingston County Sheriff's Office policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services Sheriff Michael J. Murphy announced last week.

"Verification by the team that the Livingston County Sheriff's Office meets the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission's "best practice" standards is part of a voluntary process to achieve accreditation, a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence", Sheriff Michael J. Murphy said.

As part of this final On-Site Assessment, employees and members of the general public are invited to provide comments to the Assessment Team. They may do so by telephone or email. The public may call 517-546-2440 on June 7 between the hours of 9:00 am - 11:00 am. Email comments can be sent to Lt. Eric Sanborn at esanborn@livgov.com.

Telephone comments are limited to five minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with the Commission's standards. A copy of the standards are available for inspection at the Livingston County Sheriff's Office, 150 S. Highlander Way, Howell, MI. Please contact Lt. Eric Sanborn at 517-546-2440 x 7903.

Anyone wishing to offer written comments about the Livingston County Sheriff's Office ability to comply with the standards for accreditation is requested to email the Accreditation Program manager at nrossow@michiganpolicechiefs.org or write the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission at 3474 Alaiedon Pkwy, Suite 600, Okemos, MI 48864.

The Livingston County Sheriff's Office must comply with 105 standards in order to achieve accredited status.

Sheriff Michael J. Murphy explained that "Accreditation results in greater accountability within the agency, reduced risk and liability exposure, stronger defense against civil lawsuits, increased community advocacy, and more confidence in the agency's ability to operate efficiently and respond to community needs."

The Accreditation Program Manager for the MACP is Ret. Chief Neal Rossow.

"The assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar Michigan law enforcement agencies," Rossow noted, adding that "The assessors will review written materials, interview agency members, and visit offices and other places where compliance with the standards can be observed.

"Once the assessors complete their review of the agency, they will report to the full Commission, which will then decide if the agency is to be granted accredited status," he said.

Accreditation is valid for a three-year period during

which time the agency must submit annual reports attesting to their continued compliance with those standards under which it was initially accredited. The MACP, through its Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission, is the legitimate authority and accreditation agency in the state of Michigan.

For more information regarding the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission, please write the Commission at: MACP, Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission at 3474 Alaiedon Pkwy, Suite 600, Okemos, MI 48864 or email at nrossow@michiganpolicechiefs.org.

Wrong way driver on I-96 results in two fatalities in May 11th accident

On Wednesday, May 11, at approximately 1:47 AM, Livingston County Central Dispatch was advised by Ingham County Central Dispatch of a wrong way driver. A black Audi was traveling east on I-96 in the west bound lane of travel. At 1:53 AM, Ingham County Dispatch advised that the black Audi had entered Livingston County. At 1:57 AM the black Audi struck a vehicle that was traveling west in the west bound lane of travel head-on. The crash occurred on I-96 near the 132-mile marker west of W. Highland Road.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that a 29-year-old male, John Francis Manion an Iowa resident, was driving a 2014 Audi A5 east bound on I-96 in the west bound lane of travel. The Audi struck a 2011 Buick Regal that was operated by a 30-year old female, Mary Javonne Buchanan a Lansing resident. There were two rear seat passengers in the Buick, both female Lansing residents ages 28 and 4 years old.

The driver of the Audi was pronounced deceased at the scene by Livingston County EMS. The driver of the Buick was transported to the U of M Hospital in Ann Arbor where she passed away. The passengers in the Buick were transported to U of M Hospital in Ann Arbor by the Howell Area Fire Department where both were admitted in stable condition.

Both drivers were wearing their seatbelts at the time of the crash. The 4-year old passenger was restrained in a child safety seat and it is unknown if the rear seat passenger was wearing her seat belt.

The roadway was closed for approximately four hours during the investigation and cleanup. Alcohol and speed appear to be a factor in this crash. This crash remains under investigation by the Livingston County Sheriff's Office.

Deputies were assisted on the scene by Livingston County Ambulance, Howell Area Fire Department, and the MDOT.



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Caleb Jenkins Column



The Secret to Success

A few months ago, an associate of mine was working on a group research and presentation project with a handful of coworkers. The topic was fairly complex and nuanced, but over time, he gained a reputation for knowing and presenting the information well. After a while, some of his coworkers started acting like that status quo was a given. As they saw it, “of course he knew the information; that is just the way it goes.”

Although meant as a compliment, the underlying, unstated

assertion was that his success came naturally. He just had that special something. He had the advantage, and the others could not compete. However, in reality, his ‘special something’ was that he stayed late almost every night working on the project and researching what he did not know, and he spent personal time preparing for the work days. His success had little, if anything, to do with natural talent, so called. Rather, the secret to success was hard work and dedication.

As humans, I think we often conflate natural talent and hard work, and this mischaracterization can lead to mediocrity and frustration. We commonly see the end results of success, and in that final moment, success looks easy! If someone is achieving something that we are not, it must be due to luck or a natural ability that we do not possess. Or so we think. In truth, when we look at the final product, we miss the tremendous amount of work, dedication, patience, and risk that went into it.

True, some people are more talented in certain areas than others. Each of us is born with special gifts and a unique purpose. However, natural gifts will lie dormant if we do not infuse them with hard work. In the illustration above, my associate’s coworkers shared his natural abilities, but he chose to mature those talents through purposeful investments and hard work. The colleagues who perceived his successes as special had the same opportunities as he did.

That is not to say we all have to run ourselves ragged to get to the front of the pack. That is not what I am saying at all. We all have different priorities and goals. Some of my associate’s coworkers gave 100 percent when at work but chose not to stay late because they had other priorities at that time. That is completely fine. In fact, we should understand and be patient with others’ priorities, especially when they differ from ours.

But we should also learn to be comfortable with our priorities and not denigrate the successes of others. If someone else is successful, be happy for them, and recognize the hard work that likely went into that success. Do not be the person that tries to poke holes in others’ successes to make yourself feel better. We can all be successful in different ways and appreciate those individual accomplishments. To put it another way, we would be much better off if we spent more time evaluating our own lives rather than grasping for ways to delegitimize others.

Card of Thanks

We would like to extend our gratitude and appreciation to so many members of not only the Fowlerville School community, but the greater Fowlerville community as well, as we experienced the loss of Chris Collins, our husband, father, and son.

It would be impossible to detail all the acts of kindness and caring we have been recipients of these last couple of weeks. From the first moments of our loss, we have been absolutely surrounded by prayers, love, and support from so many people and we will be eternally grateful. We have been a part of the Fowlerville community since 1999 and our love for this small town and school system has grown with each year.

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend either the visitation or memorial service, to all those who sent cards, flowers, and food, to Herrmann Funeral Home for making the arrangements as easy as possible, to the Fowlerville School Board and Administration for being so accommodating of our desire to hold Chris’ memorial service at the school, to all those who shared the impact Chris’ had on their lives on social media or in person, to those who have offered assistance for any needs we may have, to those who contributed to the future scholarship we have established in memory of Chris, and to everyone who sent a prayer or good thought our way from a distance.

If there was a word that means more than overwhelmed, that is what we have felt from you all! Go Glads!

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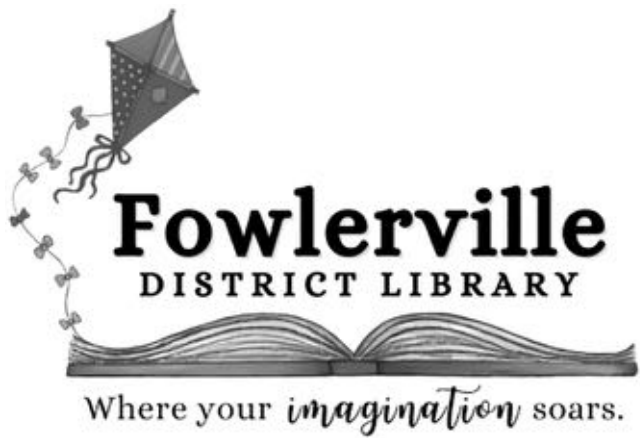
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FAMILY

Under the Sea Party (All Ages)

Tuesday, June 7, 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Join our summer reading kick-off party! We'll have games, snacks, activities, and a chance to sign up for summer reading where you win PRIZES!

ADULTS

Monthly Cardmaking

Thursday, May 19, 6:30pm

Wish you could craft your own greetings cards, but feeling a little intimidated? Let Mary do all the work! She provides all the materials and step-by-step instructions. You'll go home proud of your four special occasion themed cards.

Registration required. Sign up online or call the Library.

Monthly Book and Coffee Club

Monday, May 23, 2:00pm

Join Zoe in the afternoon for a traditional book club with coffee and dessert. This month's selection is *The Maid* by Nita Prose.

Registration required. Sign up online or call the Library.

Monthly Beyond the Book

Thursday, May 26, 6:30pm

An evening book discussion plus the movie, recipe, or more. This month's selection is *The Color of Water* by James McBride.

Registration required. Sign up online or call the Library.

Simply Authentic Series

Friday, June 3, 12:00 – 2:00 pm

Join Ellen Zezula from Simply Authentic, where she will demonstrate glass painting with stencils.

Green Living with Clean Refillery

Monday, June 13, 12:00pm

Join us here at the Library to learn about ways to live eco-friendly with Clean Refillery - a low waste health and beauty store located in Lansing.

Yoga Fitness Class

Mondays, 10:00 am – 10:45 am

Lean into Yin Yoga with Ellen Zezula from Simply Authentic. Wake up the body with soft stretches and yoga asanas, including a touch of meditative practice. No cost to attendees, just bring your mat and a water bottle.

TEENS

Tabletop Wednesday

Wednesdays, 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Drop in and play your favorite tabletop RPGs. Play with your friends or have our teen librarian Connor run a one-shot.

Teen Craft Wednesday

Wednesdays, 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Mary has tons of fun teen craft projects planned! Drop in to take part in making super cool crafts, such as beaded animals, resin jewelry, and other top secret projects.

Friday Gaming

Fridays, 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Drop in anytime from 2:30 to 5:00 for free play on the Nintendo Switch. Teen hosts Connor and Tally have an amazing setup with lots of games from the Library's steadily growing collection.

KIDS

Our revamped storytime programs are open to everyone! No registration necessary.

Kids Crafternoons (ages 6 -12)

Tuesday, June 7, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Roll over here after school and get your craft on. Mrs. D provides all the supplies to bring her magical ideas to life in your hands.

Family Fun Storytime

Saturday, June 11, 2:00 pm

Bring the whole family for this extra special storytime! We'll read stories, sing songs, fingerplays, and more.

Reading with Bosco the Dog

Tuesdays, 4:00 pm

You'll find Shelly and her book loving dog Bosco waiting in the children's area from 4:00 to 5:00. Bosco needs friends to come and read him their favorite books.

Preschool Storytime (ages 3 to 5 with caregiver)

Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 10:00 am

Join our always terrific Mrs. D. for engaging stories, sing-alongs, finger plays, and so much more!

Toddler Storytime (ages 1 to 3 with caregiver)

Thursdays & Fridays 10:00 am, May 19 – August 25

Get ready to move and groove with some funky tunes and stories with our dynamic youth librarian Storm.

Baby Lap Sit (ages 0 to 2 with caregiver)

Fridays 9:30 am, May 20 – August 26

Come and make some new baby friends in this musical storytime led by Storm. Babies and their caregivers will socialize, sing songs, and play together.

Facebook Live Storytime (ages 2 to 8)

Thursdays on Facebook, 12 pm

Learn signs, sing songs, and play in this recorded storytime on our Facebook page. Build some early literacy skills in your pajamas.

K-5 Book Club (K-5)

Tuesday, May 17, 4:00pm

Read a book along the theme, then come to the library to discuss it while enjoying snacks and a craft! Visit the library for a list of reading suggestions if you'd like! This month's theme is Book With A One-Word Title.

Kids Crafternoons (Ages 6-12)

Tuesday, June 7, 4:00 – 5:00 Drop in

Drop in and get crafty with Mrs. D., who has a new and exciting project planned just for kids! All supplies provided.

Fowlerville Varsity Girls Soccer Team beats Lansing Eastern 8-0

The Fowlerville Varsity Girls Soccer Team traveled to Lansing Eastern on Thursday, May 5, and came away with the 8-0 win. Scoring for the Glads were Lindsay Lemieux with 2 and 1 each from Mia Jaeger, Cailyn Cockerill, Teela Theibert, Morgan Challiss, Katie Tait and Arianna Crossman. Getting assists were Molly Kipela with 2, along with Autumn Carr and Morgan Challiss. Kyla Durbin had a save and the shutout for the Gladiators.

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PENDING IN 3 DAYS



Beautiful ranch home with 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths on 3.3 acres, paved road with natural gas. This well-maintained home has updated furnace, central air, siding, Andersen windows, paint and flooring. Nice finished walk-out basement with wet bar and family room with door to patio and stairs to large deck. Attached 2 car garage plus 24x40 outbuilding with concrete floor. \$299,900.

PENDING IN 3 DAYS



Custom built 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home with over 2,300 sq.ft. of living space close to town with 1.3 acres. This beautiful home features wood floors throughout the kitchen, dining and great room. Large kitchen with hickory cabinets & all appliances included. Andersen windows, 1st floor laundry and spacious master suite with walk-in closet. Full walkout basement ready to finish, attached 2 car garage plus 32x40 pole barn with cement floor. Shows Great! \$364,900

Nice 3 bedroom, 1 bath home in the city of Fenton. Features include living room with large bay window, partially finished basement, large family room with door wall to large patio, fenced yard backing to nature. Great expressway access. Shows great. \$220,000.



Cute 3 bedroom, 1 bath home in the city of Durand. This home features a nice enclosed front porch, fenced in yard and 1 car detached garage. Coved ceilings and archways, large dining area and living room. \$119,900

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Fowlerville Fire Department Report

May 5
7:58 a.m. Medical response on Hazelnut St in the Village.
2:34 p.m. Medical response on Rifle River Dr in Handy Township.
4:05 p.m. Medical response on Cherry St in the Village.
6:53 p.m. Medical response on Layton Rd in Handy Township.
May 6
10:58 a.m. Medical response on E Grand River Ave in the Village.
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Morgan Jenks - Morgan is also a sophomore on the jv team. Her versatility and strong arm make it easy to put her in several positions on the field. Morgan spends time at first base, third base, and behind the plate. If needed, she can also play the outfield. Morgan continues to improve at the plate using her strength and speed to cause havoc on the basepath. Morgan also has a strong work ethic and strives to improve every day. She expects nothing but the best out of herself and often exceeds our expectations. Thank you for making our team better!

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3:52 p.m. Electrical fire on Country Corner Dr in Handy Township.
6:31 p.m. Medical response on Garden Ln in the Village.
8:58 p.m. Medical response on Pinegate Dr in the Village.
May 7
11:03 a.m. Medical response on Cedar River Dr in the Village.
6:55 p.m. Medical response on S Grand Ave in the Village.
9:34 p.m. Controlled burn complaint on N Gregory Rd in Conway Township.
9:51 p.m. Reported outdoor fire on Stow Rd in Conway Township.
May 8
5:46 a.m. Medical response on Samantha Dr in Handy Township.
9:45 a.m. Medical response on Meadowlawn Ave in Handy Township.
10:23 a.m. Medical response on Pinegate Dr in the Village.
11:28 a.m. Reported grass fire on I-96 near the Fowlerville Rd exit in Handy Township.
12:16 p.m. Medical response on Hazelnut St in the Village.
12:23 p.m. Controlled burn complaint on Sargent Rd in Handy Township.
4:17 p.m. Medical response on Kalkaska River Dr in Handy Township.
8:17 p.m. Structure fire on Ryan Dr in Handy Township.
May 9
10:09 a.m. Medical response on N Grand Ave in the Village.
8:41 p.m. Medical response on W Sharpe Rd in the Village.
May 10
1:07 p.m. Medical response on N Grand Ave in the Village.
May 11
12:33 a.m. Medical response on Hibbard St in the Village.

Fowlerville Varsity Tennis Team loses to St. Johns 6-2

The Fowlerville Varsity Girls Tennis Team lost a league match against St. Johns last Monday.
SINGLES
Maggie Motz (F) lost to Lexi Maloney (SJ) 6-0 6-0
Leyna Baumgartner lost to Bailee Thelen (SJ) 6-0 6-0
Levie Clark (F) lost to Isabel Thelen (SJ) 6-1 6-2
Annika Scott (F) lost to Liv Kudwa (SJ) 6-0 6-1
DOUBLES
Emily Homrock & Emma Browne (F) beat Laney Voisinnet & Caroline Pope (SJ) 4-6 6-2 6-3
Holly Birmingham & Ella Murawski (F) beat Claudia Psaki & Jenna Hoyer (SJ) 1-6 7-5 6-4
Kat Lutz & Kayla Render (F) lost to Kaylee Woodburry & Kennedy Sturgis (SJ) 7-5- 7-5
Ivy Case & Lucy Thomas (F) lost to Kaylyn Fedewa & Courtney Nickols (SJ) 6-1 6-3



Michigan House Report

By Bob Bezotte, 47nd District
This week, the House voted to send significant changes regarding term-limits to the ballots this November. Currently, House lawmakers are capped at three, two-year terms of service, though can go on to be elected to the Senate and serve for two, four-year terms for a total of 14 overall years of public service. That would be lessened to 12 years under this joint resolution, though a person could choose to serve all 12 years in a singular chamber.
In addition to the stipulations surrounding cumulative years served, the proposal also would require financial disclosures from officials for the first time.

I also presented a State of Michigan Tribute to Rachel Pakenas for receiving the General Billy Mitchell Award. Congratulations, Rachel, on a well-deserved award!
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.

Fowlerville Varsity Tennis Team tops Eaton Rapids on May 9 by 5-3 score

The Fowlerville Varsity Tennis Team topped Eaton Rapids on May 9 by a 5-3 score.
SINGLES
Maggie Motz (F) loses to Sofia Kingsley (ER) 6-4 6-2
Layna Baumgartner (F) loses to Anna Hokanson, 6-2, 6-4
Levee Clark (F) beats Allie White (ER) 6-0, 6-0
Annika Scott (F) beats Kaylee Walker (ER) 6-0, RET
DOUBLES
Emma Browne & Emily Homrock (F) beats Ava Kunkel & Isable Marvin (ER) 6-0,-6-2
Ella Murawski & Paige Frazier (F) loses to Kiersten Lanore & Cassie Comer (ER) 5-7, 62, 1-7
Kayla Render & Kat Lutz (F) beat Macey Hathaway & Kylee Nadell (ER) 6-1, 6-1
Ivy Case & Lucy Thomas (F) beat Oliva Quainton & Isabelle Petty (ER) 6-1, 6-3

Fowlerville Varsity Tennis Team tops Lansing Eastern 6-2

The Fowlerville Varsity Tennis Team topped Lansing Eastern in league play on May 10 by a 6-2 score.
1 SINGLES-- MILO LUCAS (E) beat MAGGIE MOTZ (F) 6-2 6-1 2
2 SINGLES-- MIKAYLEE FEDELE (E) BEAT LEYNA BAUMGARTNER 6-4 6-4
3 SINGLES-- LEVEE CLARK (F) BEAT ALINA LEWANDOWSKI 6-1 6-0
4 SINGLES-- ANNIKA SCOTT(F) WON BY DEFAULT
1 DBLS-- EMILY HOMROCK/EMMA BROWNE (F) BEAT RILEY LEINBACH KALEIGH SCHNIEDER 6-1 6-0
2 DBLS-- HOLLY BIRMINGHAM/ELLA MURAWSKI (F) BEAT AVERY REED/ AMANI WHEELER 6-0 6-0
3 DBLS-- KAT LUTZ/KAYLA RENDER BEAT ALINA PHAN/ANDREA AGUILAR 6-0 6-0
4 DBS-- IVY CASE/LUCY THOMAS (F) WON BY DEFAULT

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Fowlerville Junior High Track Team competed at Eaton Rapids on May 4th

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4701-02-101-001	4701-02-101-020	4701-02-101-039
4701-02-101-002	4701-02-101-021	4701-02-101-040
4701-02-101-003	4701-02-101-022	4701-02-101-041
4701-02-101-004	4701-02-101-023	4701-02-101-042
4701-02-101-005	4701-02-101-024	4701-02-101-043
4701-02-101-006	4701-02-101-025	4701-02-101-044
4701-02-101-007	4701-02-101-026	4701-02-101-045
4701-02-101-008	4701-02-101-027	4701-02-101-046
4701-02-101-009	4701-02-101-028	4701-02-101-047
4701-02-101-010	4701-02-101-029	4701-02-101-048
4701-02-101-011	4701-02-101-030	4701-02-101-049
4701-02-101-012	4701-02-101-031	4701-02-101-050
4701-02-101-013	4701-02-101-032	4701-02-101-051
4701-02-101-014	4701-02-101-033	4701-02-101-052
4701-02-101-015	4701-02-101-034	4701-02-101-053
4701-02-101-016	4701-02-101-035	4701-02-101-054
4701-02-101-017	4701-02-101-036	4701-02-101-055
4701-02-101-018	4701-02-101-037	4701-02-101-057
4701-02-101-019	4701-02-101-038	4701-02-101-058

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of Conway Township, acting on a petition signed by the record owners of more than fifty percent (50%) of the total number of units of the Secluded Acres Site Condominium abutting or having access to the private roads commonly known as Secluded Ridge Drive, Hidden Circle Drive, and Hidden Knoll Court, has set a first public hearing to consider the establishment of a special assessment district for the purpose of making repairs and improvements to those private roads, and to defray the cost thereof by special assessment pursuant to Public Act 139 of 1972 and Public Act 188 of 1954 against the properties specifically benefited thereby. Proposed costs for said repairs and improvements of the private roads are on file with the Township Clerk and will be available at the public hearing. Periodic redeterminations of costs may be made without further notice.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet and hold a public hearing at the Conway Township Hall at a regular meeting on **Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m.** to hear objections and favorable comments to the proposed special assessment district and will consider any revisions, corrections, or changes to the plans, cost estimates, or special assessment district.

Any objection to the improvement pursuant to MCL 41.723(1)(b) must be made in writing at or before the first public hearing. An owner of or party of interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest the special assessment, or may appear by letter filed with the Township Clerk at or prior to the time of the hearing. A hearing for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll will be held, sometime in the future pursuant to notice given as required by law. Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended, provides that the appearance and proper protest of the special assessment at the public hearing held for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll is required before the Michigan Tax Tribunal may acquire jurisdiction of any dispute involving the amount of the special assessment. After confirmation of the special assessment roll, all assessments on that roll shall be final and conclusive unless action contesting an assessment is filed in a court of competent jurisdiction within thirty (30) days of confirmation.

Dated: May 3, 2022

Elizabeth Whitt
Conway Township Clerk
(5-8 & 5-15-22 FNV)

losing 58-78. The girls had a solid overall performance, beating Eaton Rapids 83-53.

In the field events, Brayden Packer had a personal record (PR) throwing 33’6” in shot put placing second. Kiely Davis led all girls for the second meet in a row, throwing a new personal record of 34’5”.

In high jump, Cody Cruz placed 3rd for the boys, jumping a new PR of 4’9”. Ella Shaw jumped 4’4”, placing first in high jump and teammate Bethy Marshall jumped 4’, placing second.

In the pole vault, Aiden Burke and Alex Loomis cleared 5’6”, placing 1st and 2nd for the boys. Girls had a great day at pole vault with Maria Beach placing 2nd, clearing 6’6”—18 inches better than her previous best. Kiely Davis placed 3rd, also clearing 6’6” which is two feet higher than her previous best.

In long jump, Connell Hardenbrook leaped 14’9”, placing third for the boys with Griffin Brodersen placing 4th with a leap of 14’3”. Fowlerville’s lone girl jumper, Danykah Muck, placed 2nd with a jump of 10’9”

In the sprints, Jamisen Nickolopoulos, took second place in both the 100m and 200m dash earning a personal best in both. Keegan McClanahan placed 2nd in the 400m dash with a new PR of 1:06. Kellen Douglass took 4th in the 70m dash with a PR 9.91. Highlights for the girls’ sprints were McKayla Fletcher placing 3rd in the 70m with a PR 10.79, Peyton Brooks placing 1st in the 100m with a PR time of 14.53s and Carly Kalis placing second with a time of 14.81.

In the hurdles, Ranger Matteson took first in the 55m hurdles with a time of 10.37s. In the 200m hurdles, Connell Hardenbrook took first with a new PR of 31.91s and Zach Rinehart placed second with a PR time of 32.94s. In the 55m hurdles for the girls, McKenna Maybee placed first with a time of 10.43s and Delaney Richardson placed 3rd in the 200m hurdles with a time of 39.64s.

In the distance races, Carter Banfield had a great day for the boys placing first in both the 800m and the 1600m with new personal records. Zach Rinehart placed 2nd in the 3200m run with a PR time of 14:03. For the girls, Bethy Marshall placed 2nd and Alyssa Seiter placed 3rd finishing just a second apart in the 800. Delaney Richardson placed second and Clara Marshall placed 3rd in the 1600, both with a new PR. Reagan Wilkins ran a new PR of 15:43 to place first in the

3200m.

The boys 4x100 team of Ranger Matteson, Cody Cruz, Brayden Packer and Jamisen Nickolopoulos with a time of 54.39s and the 4x200 team of Griffin Brodersen, Rogan Slayden, Kellen Douglass & Connell Hardenbrook with a time of 1:56.4 placed first. The girls 4x400 team of Bethy Marshall, Alyssa Seiter, Payton Musser and Makenna Rudnicki with a time of 5:12.2 and the 4x200 team of Maria Beach, Shyann Nogafsky, Peyton Brooks and McKenna Maybee with a time of 2:07.6 placed first.

Check out the complete results and our many personal records earned at <https://www.athletic.net/>.

Our Gladiators continue to improve each day!

20th Annual United Way ‘Day of Caring’ is August 10

Livingston County United Way is excited to announce that The 20th Annual Day of Caring will be held on Wednesday, August 10, 2022. Volunteer and work site registrations are now open and ready for people to sign up.

Special Thank You to Griffith Realty who has signed up to be the Major Sponsor for the 2022 Day of Caring, which is the largest single-day community service event in Livingston County. One day. One Community. Amazing Results.

In 2021, we were able to bring together 563 volunteers who covered 741 shifts, to accomplish a total of 67 projects. These included assisting senior citizens with home related repairs and improvements, building wheelchair ramps, helping support project referrals from our local agencies and schools, collecting school supplies and packing 932 school backpacks, as well as organizing local food and personal care drives.

The Livingston County United Way collects worksite proposals from local residents, seniors, schools, disabled residents and non-profit agencies. The work is often minor household repair projects, cleaning and yard work that the homeowner is not able to do on their own. Anyone can recommend a worksite and community members are encouraged to apply for a neighbor or friend who needs extra help. Deadline for worksite projects is June 21.

All proposed worksites are reviewed for approval by the Livingston County United Way Day of Caring Committee. Volunteers are invited to register individually or as a group. They can designate preferences for location, type of project, special skills and specific shift times (9:00 a.m. – noon or 1:00-4:00 p.m. or a full day commitment). Deadline for volunteer registration is June 21. Livingston County United Way 2980 Dorr Road, Brighton, Michigan 48116 · 810-494-3000 · Fax 810-494-3004 · lcuw@lcunitedway.org

Companies, clubs and organizations are invited and encouraged to participate together. What better way to showcase an organization’s volunteer spirit while making a difference, improving employee morale and enthusiasm through team building and connecting individuals to their community and coworkers.

If you are unable to participate in this wonderful community service event but still want to help, consider a company sponsorship, a personal donation. Consider holding a food drive or personal care drive in the weeks before the event. All sponsorships and donations will be used to buy supplies needed for Day of Caring worksite projects!

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Fowlerville Varsity Softball Team wins Portland Spring Sport Carnival tourney

The Fowlerville Varsity Softball Team won the Portland Spring Sports Carnival tourney on Saturday, May 7. Game 1 had them matched up against Traverse City Central. Fowlerville was down 2-1 after 3 innings, but bounced back with 1 run in the 4th and another in the 5th to take the lead and hold on for the 3-2 victory. Tori Briggs led the offense with 3 hits. Julia Johnson had 1 hit and an RBI. Halle Dargie had a career high 14 Ks while giving up 4 hits and 2 ERs to pick up her 10th win.

In game 2, the Glads picked up a 15-5 win over Saranac. Carlie Atcheson got the victory on the mound, giving up 5 ERs on 5 hits and striking out 6. Briggs has 3 hits, including 2 doubles, and picked up 4 RBIs. Atcheson, Ashlee Dailey and Raelynn Haan each had 2 hits.

Fowlerville solidified the championship with a 12-6 win over Portland in the third game. Tori Briggs got her first win of the year on the mound and Dargie collected the save. The duo combined for 11 Ks. Briggs and Dailey each had 3 hits. Hannah Ray, Josie Cruz and Katie Bigos all had multiple hit games.

Fowlerville finished the day at 15-4 on the year.

Fowlerville Varsity Softball Team wins pair of games against Eaton Rapids

The Fowlerville Varsity Softball Team travelled to Eaton Rapids on Thursday, May 5, for a twinbill. The Glads took the first game 8-0 behind another strong outing on the mound from Halle Dargie. The senior threw a complete game shutout, giving up only four hits and striking out eight Greyhound batters. Tori Briggs homered and drove in two runs. Tommi Kleinschmidt had three hits and Kennedy Douglass, Dargie and Angelle Haan all had two hits. The Glads completed the sweep with an 11-3 win in the nightcap. Dargie threw another complete game, giving up one earned run on five hits to go along with five Ks. Dargie and Hannah Ray led the offense with three hits apiece. Briggs and Angelle Haan both collected two hits.

Fowlerville softball seniors put on show at home game with Lansing Waverly

The Fowlerville softball seniors put on a show at their last home game against Lansing Waverly. It was the second game of the JV/Varsity doubleheader played on Monday, May 9.

Halle Dargie threw a 3 hit shutout and struck out 9 over 5 innings. Ashlee Dailey led the team offensively with 3 hits, 2 doubles, and 5 RBIs. Tori Briggs, Kennedy Douglass, Carlie Atcheson and Hannah Ray all had two hits.

Each senior collected at least one hit or one RBI. Tommi Kleinschmidt made a spectacular diving catch in the 4th inning to help halt the Waverly momentum.

Fowlerville stands at 16-4 on the year.

Fowlerville Varsity Softball Teams picks up two wins at St. Johns on May 10

The Fowlerville Varsity Softball Team picked up two wins at St Johns on Tuesday, May 10. Carlie Atcheson and Katie Bigos combined for a no hitter in a 10-0 victory in game one. Atcheson went 5 innings and struck out 3 and Bigos threw the sixth striking out 1. Tori Briggs set the tone for the offense with a double and a triple. Halle Dargie and Angelle Haan each had two hits and Kennedy Douglass added an RBI and a double. Tommi Kleinschmidt came up with another web gem, grabbing a sinking liner in centerfield and doubling the runner up at second base.

In game two nine different Gladiators collected hits, led by Dargie’s four. Ashlee Dailey, Briggs and Douglass all had multiple hit games. Dargie picked up the win in the circle by giving up one hit over three innings and striking out five. Tori Briggs threw a scoreless fourth striking out two.

The Glads are undefeated in the CAAC Red and 18-4 overall.



Livingston Fine Art Association presenting knit workshop on May 19

The Livingston Fine Art Association is presenting a ‘Beginner Learn-to-Knit’ Workshop on Thursday, May 19, at 6:30 p.m. The workshop will be held at Leann’s Art Studio, 7050 Byron Rd. Howell.

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Not all nematodes are bad.

But these specific plant-parasitic nematodes attack the roots of hops, causing stunted growth and wilting. And because hops are a 10- to 15-year perennial crop, farmers can’t simply dig up their plants to test for nematodes, which can create uncertainty when they see a problem with their hops.

Darling describes hops, which are susceptible to attack by other bacteria and fungi, as “pathogen sponges.”

“Some nematologists referred to Michigan as the ‘cyst nematode capital of the U.S.,’” Darling said.

Found in Yakima Valley, Washington — the leading hop producer in the country — these nematodes have had a big impact locally on hopyards in the Traverse City area, Darling said, adding that some growers have been put out of business in part due to these parasites.

Now that they’ve been identified, Darling’s research currently focuses on how to fight them.

Darling and Quintanilla warn against sharing unclean farm equipment between plots of land because these parasites are highly infectious.

“Nematodes cannot fly, and they can’t walk, so the only way they’re getting from an infected place to a new place is with human machinery,” Quintanilla said.

In February, the Craft Beverage Council recommended \$335,000 for 13 projects that advance research into craft beer, spirits, wine and hard cider.

Michigan ranks sixth in the nation with 398 craft breweries in the state, according to the Brewers Association. It also ranks ninth for wine production, according to the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau.

Jenelle Jagmin, director of the beverage council, said this year’s research priorities are climate change, crop quality, crop variety and water sustainability.

“It is an investment in the future,” Jagmin said. “We know with Michigan that the strength of our craft beverage industry — that includes spirits, beer, wine and cider — all of it is in agriculture.”

Since its inception in 2018, the council has granted over \$1.5 million in research projects, according to Jagmin. And while most of these grants go toward agriculture, she said the council would consider projects on the production and marketing of craft beverages as well.

Colleges look to attract older students to offset downturn in enrollment

By Sydney Bowler
 Capital News Service

Colleges are testing new tactics to increase the number of adult learners in the classroom after years of a downturn in enrollment.

Postsecondary enrollment in Michigan declined by 1.7%, or 7,463 students, in fall 2021. From fall 2019 to 2020, enrollment dropped 9.2%, or 44,578 students, according to estimates by National Student Clearinghouse.

This problem isn’t limited to traditional college-age students because students 24 and older experienced the sharpest relative enrollment decline. In fall 2021, adult enrollment dropped by 3.4% or 210,800 students nationally.

Many universities and community colleges are making efforts to reduce those numbers and, in the process, designing ways to meet the needs of older learners, such as child care options and advising services.

At Wayne State University, the Warrior Way Back Program is aimed at re-enrolling adult learners with some previous education.

The debt-forgiveness program helps students who left Wayne State owing \$1,500 or less return to the university, according to Amber Neher, the adviser for the program.

Students must meet certain criteria to qualify: They cannot have attended for at least two years, must have left with a minimum GPA of 2.0 and must owe the university \$1,500 or less.

“We’ve partnered a lot with the Detroit Regional Chamber to help facilitate students returning, whether it’s to Wayne State or maybe to another local institution. While we want students to return to Wayne State, we understand it’s not the best fit for everybody,” Neher said. “Likewise, for someone who went to Oakland (University), it may no longer be the best fit, so they come to Wayne State.”

Neher noticed that having a dedicated support team has made all the difference for adult learners once they are on campus.

Wayne State also has emergency grants, a food pantry and the Wayne Wardrobe Initiative, which provides gently used business attire and casual wear. It’s in the process of finding a new way to provide child care.

The university currently provides child care options for students, but acknowledges that those options are limited.

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By Elissa Slotkin,
8th District, U.S. House
of Representatives

U.S. Rep. Elissa Slotkin (MI-08) has voted to pass the Federal Firefighters Fairness Act of 2022, a bipartisan bill to make sure federal firefighters have access to workers' compensation benefits for illness and disease that may result from their important work.

Currently, workers' compensation laws in 49 states, including Michigan, provide firefighters with a presumption that certain diseases are work-related. However, no such law covers the approximately 15,000 firefighters employed by the federal government. The bill has been endorsed by: the International Association of Fire Chiefs, the International Association of Fire Fighters, and the American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE). "Michigan's

firefighters are constantly putting themselves at risk to keep our communities safe, and the challenges of the pandemic have made their job more challenging – and all the more important – over the last two years,” said Slotkin. “Right now, our state and local firefighters are entitled to important workers’ compensation if they get sick from the toxins they’re constantly exposed to on the job, but federal firefighters don’t have that same status. These brave men and women are our first responders when a crisis hits, and we owe them the same level of care as we do to the local firefighters in our own

According to Neher, it was the first program of its kind in Michigan.

"To date, we have welcomed 298 students into the Warrior Way Back program. Of those, 66 graduated from Wayne State while enrolled in Warrior Way Back," Neher said.

In total, 88 Warrior Way Back-affiliated students have earned their degrees.

According to Bob Murphy, the chief policy officer at the Michigan Association of State Universities, some adult learners were misguided when initially entering the workforce. He said that while a lot of people were told to consider a skilled trade instead of college, the salary estimates provided may not have been entirely accurate.

Murphy said that many adult learners require a different set of needs and support, as “life gets in the way for them sometimes.”

“Many adult learners work at full-time careers and have to fit in studies and research after that. Most folks my age have a family that they’re raising, or they’re taking care of parents or other elders,” he said.

“There’s a complete dearth of affordable child care at the moment, and so a lot of folks left the labor market and never came back in because they’re providing that child care.”

Murphy said many universities have online offerings in programs that adult learners tend to enroll in.

Neher agreed, saying Wayne State has seen a big demand for online, evening and weekend courses since before the pandemic.

Murphy said Michigan Reconnect is another great opportunity to get a degree from a community college.

Reconnect allows adult learners to enroll in local community college classes for free. The only requirements are that the participant has no prior degree, is above age 25, has been a Michigan resident for at least one year and has a high school diploma or equivalent.

“We know that Reconnect is doing a lot of good for the community college sector, and I think it could really be applied to the public university sector. It’s a great demand, and it would be transformational for adult learners pursuing a bachelor degree around the state,” he said.

"They aren't eligible, but it would be nice," Murphy said.

As of March 2022, Michigan community colleges reported that over 500 Reconnectors have completed their skills certificate or an associate degree program, according to Erica Quealy, the communications director for the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity.

Queally said applicants who are accepted to Michigan Reconnect receive one-on-one guidance from a Navigator to help with many aspects of higher education, from choosing a degree program to registering for classes to applying for financial aid and scholarships.

neighborhoods. I'm proud that the House has passed this bill and I hope the Senate will quickly do the same so we can fix this imbalance."

“All firefighters are at a higher risk of certain cancers due to the exposures they face in their work environment,” said Brighton Area Fire Authority Chief Michael O’Brian. “The fire service is working hard to protect our firefighters and many states have worked to protect our local firefighters with presumptive care. Congress must act to protect our federal firefighters – their work should not cost them their lives.”

In Congress, Slotkin has been a staunch advocate for Michigan's firefighters. In March of this year, she announced she had secured \$1.3 million in a government funding package to help build a new headquarters for the Brighton Fire Authority.

Slotkin also led the charge on a number of amendments – signed into law by President Trump as part of the National Defense Authorization Act in 2020 – that restrict the military’s use of PFAS in firefighting foam. One of those amendments bans the Department of Defense from using that foam in military training exercises, while another requires the military to transition away from PFAS-laden foam altogether by 2024.

H.R. 2499, the Federal Firefighters Fairness Act, would:

- Establish an initial science-based list of diseases for which an automatic presumption of work-related illness would apply, provided the firefighter is employed in fire protection activities for five years. The initial list includes: Bladder cancer, Brain cancer, Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, Colorectal cancer, Esophageal cancer, Kidney cancer, Leukemias, Lung cancer, Mesothelioma, Multiple myeloma, Non-Hodgkin lymphoma, Prostate cancer, Skin cancer

(melanoma), Testicular cancer, Thyroid cancer, and sudden cardiac event or stroke not later than 24 hours after working in fire protection activities.

- Requires the Secretary of Labor to evaluate the latest science on breast cancer risks for firefighters and determine within 3 years of passage of the Act whether breast cancer should be added to the list.
- Enables any person to propose additions to the initial disease list. The Secretary of Labor would be directed to review and authorized to add additional diseases to the list if the science demonstrates that there is a significant risk to employees in fire protection activities of developing the disease.



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Social Security supports teachers online

By Vonda Van Til,

Social Security Public Affairs Specialist

The past two years have been difficult for everyone, including educators and students. Our nation's teachers have adapted and provided for their students in so many ways. This year, we celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week from May 2 through May 6, and honored all educators who prepare our children for the future.

We know that well-informed instructors can have a powerful and positive influence on their students. That's why we created an Educator Toolkit. It's a shareable online resource for teachers to engage students and educate them on Social Security. The toolkit includes:

- Lesson plans with objectives.
- Infographics and handouts for each lesson plan.
- Links to Social Security webpages.
- Talking points.
- Quiz questions and answers.

You can access the toolkit at www.ssa.gov/thirdparty/educators.html. We value and welcome the efforts all teachers make to educate America's young people. We want to help spark discussion with students about Social Security. Please share our toolkit with the educators in your communities today!

Vonda Van Til is the Public Affairs Specialist for West Michigan. You can write her c/o Social Security Administration, 3045 Knapp NE, Grand Rapids MI 49525 or via email at vonda.vantil@ssa.gov.

Social Security lists the most popular baby names in Michigan for 2021

The Social Security Administration today announced the most popular baby names in Michigan for 2021. Charlotte and Noah topped the list.

The top five boys and girls names for 2021 in Michigan were:

Boys:

- 1) Noah
- 2) Oliver
- 3) Liam
- 4) Henry
- 5) Elijah

Girls:

- 1) Charlotte
- 2) Olivia
- 3) Amelia
- 4) Ava
- 5) Evelyn

The agency announced last week that Olivia and Liam were the most popular baby names in the U.S. How does Michigan compare to the rest of the country? Check out Social Security’s website -- www.socialsecurity.gov-- to see the top national baby names for 2021.

Acting Commissioner Kilolo Kijakazi encourages everyone to enjoy the baby names list and, while online, create a *my* Social Security account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount. *my* Social Security, born ten years ago this month, is a personalized online account that people can use beginning in their working years and continuing while receiving Social Security benefits.

Over the decade, more than 69 million people have signed up and benefited from the many secure and convenient self-service options. People who set up their *my* Social Security account have access to additional personalized services. They can request a replacement Social Security card online if they meet certain requirements. If they already receive Social Security benefits, they can start or change direct deposit online, request a replacement SSA-1099, and if they need proof of their benefits, they can print or download a current Benefit Verification Letter from their account.

The agency began compiling the baby name list in 1997, with names dating back to 1880. At the time of a child's birth, parents supply the name to the agency when applying for a child's Social Security card, thus making Social Security America's source for the most popular baby names.

In addition to each state's top baby names (and names for U.S. territories), Social Security's website has a list of the 1,000 most popular boys and girls names for 2021.



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The Good Shepherds

By Jace Arledge

One reads in scripture that Jesus was the “Good Shepherd” (John 10:11,14). It says that the good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep while the one who isn’t a shepherd or owns the sheep flees. I like that scripture except for one thing.. I don’t like being called sheep. Most sheep are docile and afraid of many things. I don’t fit that description, what so ever. I guess you could say I am a “black sheep”.

I mean I like to do things on my own, you know independent, make my own way. Even if the results or consequences aren’t favorable, I use my free will.

I recently read an article by Nadia Bolz-Weber, a Lutheran minister and public theologian, who is the founding pastor of House for All Sinners and Saints in Denver, Colorado. In this article she talks about the desires and wants of people and how they are actually mimicked and we imitate desire. Have you ever looked at what others have and said “I wish I had that!” or “Why/How can I get that?” I hear that while driving

Fowlerville High School News

Doors at FHS will be open at 6:45 a.m. on school days. After school hours if your student is not participating in a sport, math lab, credit recovery or meeting with a teacher they should make arrangements to leave the building by 3 p.m.

Testing-Out forms are now available for students wanting to Test Out of a course for next year. Forms can be found on the FHS web page under news and in the Main Office. Please complete the form and return it to Mr. Diroff (diroff@fowlervilleschools.org) by May 17, 2022 to participate in Testing-Out this summer.

SENIORS!!! Make sure you have paid all of your school fines. You must have them paid before graduation. If you have any questions, ask in the Main Office.

Seniors & parents: Please check the fowlervilleschools.org or your google classroom for ordering information as well as other senior information.

Senior Parents - Time is fast approaching for graduation, a letter was sent last week to all senior parents outlining the expectations for your senior in the days leading up to the walk across the stage. Included in this letter are 7 graduation tickets per student. There will not be a list for extra tickets this year, feel free to share with your friends if you have extra.

The day of graduation, doors open at 1:15 pm with the ticket holders seated first. The doors open at 2:00 p.m. for anyone not holding a ticket to enter. Those attendees will be allowed to sit in available spots or stand above on the track. Your letter will be mailed to the MAILING ADDRESS pulled from Mi-Star. Seating areas will be marked for family members with special needs, the elevator will be available for those people that cannot use stairs.

Lock-in Information: The senior lock-in activity is again a privilege and not a right. Lock-in is held at the high school on the night of June 5th and check-in is at 9:45 p.m.-10:15 p.m., doors lock at 10:00 p.m. and students must stay until 5:00 a.m. If you have specific needs (medication, medical concerns, etc.), please let Mr. Lusk know ASAP. Food will be provided for you and students are not allowed to bring their own beverages. Please do not bring valuables, as the school is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Students cannot bring sleeping bags. Students should wear comfortable clothes and shoes, there will be A LOT of fun activities for all! Only students who graduate and walk at graduation are allowed to attend Lock-In. It will be a fun time!! Listen to announcements for lock in sign up as well as tournament sign ups.

The Class of 2024 Flower Power Fundraiser has been extended to May 25th. Please visit our website at <http://fhsclassof2024.fpfundraising.com> to check out the variety of flowers, vegetables, and herbal seeds available for purchase. All orders will be delivered directly to you. We thank you for your support, GO GLADS!

Fowlerville Community School wishes to thank all scholarship providers for their continued support of our senior classes. For information on becoming a scholarship sponsor, please email Jamey Hardenbrook at hardbrookj@fowlervilleschools.org.

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.

the bus, the kids wanting what others have.

The belief is that if we see it, we want it—from skin care products advertised to “remove excess wrinkles” and a pill that will “magically” help you shred pounds. If someone else has it, we need it too! I look at what she said and think, “No way am I like that.” But alas friends, I am just like that! My dissatisfaction of the way I am, the way I look, the things I have are driven by what I feed into my brain. Those ingenious tv ads that drag us into wanting the next best thing to get rid of weeds or build the best 6 pack have their sway.

I must confess that as much as I like to think I am this independent, make-it-on-my-own kinda guy, not following a specific shepherd, but alas, I am simply a “sheep” like everyone else.

My desires, wants and perceived needs are dictated by what others have that I see. Yet these desires aren’t always the new car or house, or pool, it can also be the wellness industry, the music and movie industry that lead us to believe we can obtain certain goals, which I know for me are pretty much unattainable.

Ask yourselves, has anyone you follow or listen to on social media ever given you that feeling of belonging, fulfilled your wants and needs, desires or have they just left you wanting more, feeling that you are less than, still unfulfilled and craving for what others have? While they continue to find ways to pit other “followers” against each other and sit back and watch the show.

We currently see this behavior in many political arenas and houses of worship, where we find “shepherds” who suggest that we should look, feel, and act a certain way that is always just out of reach no matter how much we strive. And any past success serves only as an accusation against our current efforts. They set before us an unwinnable game. And in it there is no rest.

So when you are navigating through life, look for the “good shepherd” who never bases your belonging to what you look, feel, have or wish to attain. They accept you for you, nothing more and nothing less. Here we find GRACE, here we find nothing to envy, nothing to fear and nothing to prove.

Remember, YOU belong, YOU are valid, and BE NOT

AFRAID!! Step out of that box and dance like no one is watching, fly your freak flag and LOVE, LOVE, LOVE, because one day you may have others look up to you, so be the brightest light you can for them and give them something attainable.

Stay kind and love unconditionally.
Till next time...

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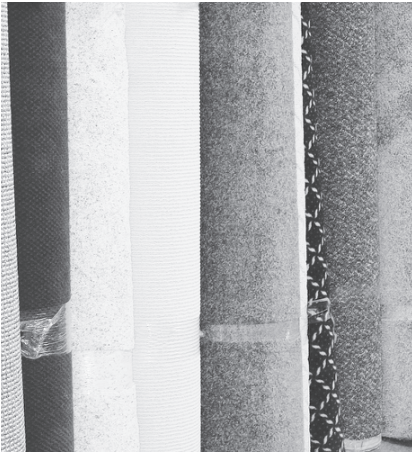
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Fowlerville businesses hold Ladies Night Out for Mother’s Day shoppers

Fowlerville businesses held their first Ladies Night Out on Thursday, May 5—just in time for Mother’s Day. Participating merchants offered special sales and some had ‘goodies’ to try.

Studio 125 was serving refreshments during the evening. From left were Kelsey Baker, co-owner; Tiffany Sucharski, who was getting her hair done; Ashley Young, co-owner; and Mark Young, Ashley’s dad who was helping out that night.



These ladies were at Uptown Alure Boutique on South Grand Avenue. From left, Alison Hardies, Michelle Hodge of the Boutique, and Lauren Hardies. The store offered savings on their gift items.



Kodet’s Hardware offered a discount on merchandise and also served refreshments and cookies. From left were customer Shari Sandel, store manager Kurtis Kodet, and customer Doris Bowers.



Shear Image was busy doing hair and offered some sales, too. Shown here, from left, back, were Jamie Hernden, co-owner/stylist; Jules Olmsted, stylist; and Kelly Varcoe, co-owner/stylist; and front row, these fun-loving customers Ann Murwsk, Nathan Holten, and Lynette Crawford.



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Grandma’s Attic Sale being held this Thursday-thru-Saturday at fairgrounds

The Annual Grandma’s Attic Sale, the spring fundraiser for The Livingston Centre Historic Society, begins Thursday, May 19 at 9:00 a.m. and continues through Saturday, May 21. The sale will run until 4:00 p.m. each day.

This event takes place inside the Commercial Building near the front entrance of the Fowlerville Family Fairgrounds. Nearby parking is free. Thousands of items will be offered; so many treasures to be found!

Donations will be accepted beginning this Sunday thru Wednesday, May 15 - 18, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment. As you continue spring cleaning and organizing, please consider donating to this fundraising event for the benefit of the Historic Village, located there inside the Fairgrounds. Your generosity will help restore and preserve Livingston County’s history. Also, volunteers are needed on the days that items are brought in, and on the days of the sale.

Accepted items include smaller furniture (please, no sofas nor overstuffed chairs), clothing and jewelry, kitchen and household, toys, tools and hardware items, fabrics and crafts, stationary, books and dvd’s (please no VHS tapes), smaller sporting goods, collectables and vintage items. The historic society appreciates your donations of good condition, usable items; please make sure all pieces and parts are included, and that everything works.

Unfortunately, in addition to the items noted above, the following items will NOT be accepted: TV cabinets/consoles and monitors, large exercise and sports equipment, computers and other electronics, medical or handicap bathroom equipment, mattresses and large headboards.

For more information about volunteering or drop-off, please call Matt. D. at 517-294-6710



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Sponsored by Phyllis Langston to benefit her granddaughter Heather Robinson’s 500-Mile Bike Ride to raise money for AIDs Research.
Place: Fowlerville Senior Center, 203 N. Collins St.
Tables available to rent. Call Phyllis at 517-304-0337 to reserve space.

NIESA Fire Report (Northeast Ingham Emergency Service Authority)

On Wednesday May 4, 2022 NIESA responded to five calls. One response was in the City of Williamston for a wire down across the roadway. It was determined to be a communication line. NIESA also responded to four emergency medical calls. Two of the responses were in Locke Township, one in Wheatfield Township, and one in the City of Williamston.

Thursday May 5, 2022 NIESA had three calls. One response was an emergency medical call in Williamstown Township, the other responses were fire related. One was wires down in the City of Williamston, which as determined to be communication lines. The second response was for a possible structure fire in the City of Williamston, which was determined to be a shorted out motor in a furnace.

On Friday May 6, 2022 NIESA responded to five calls. One response was a mutual aid to Fowlerville Fire Department for a structure fire. The remaining four calls were emergency medical responses, with two occurring in the City of Williamston, one in the Village of Webberville, and one in Wheatfield Township.

Saturday May 7, 2022 NIESA had two calls. Both responses were in Williamstown Township. One was for a utility pole issue, and the second was a complaint of someone burning illegally.

On Sunday May 8, 2022 NIESA responded to three calls.

One response was mutual aid to Stockbridge for a mobile home fire. The other two were emergency medical responses, with one occurring in the City of Williamston, and another in Locke Township.

Monday May 9, 2022 NIESA had five calls. All of the responses were emergency medical calls, with three occurring in the City of Williamston, one in Williamstown Township, and another in the Village of Webberville.

On Tuesday May 10, 2022 NIESA had five responses. Four were emergency medical responses, with two occurring in the City of Williamston, one in Williamstown Township, and the fourth was a mutual aid response in Mason. NIESA also responded to a vehicle accident in Locke Township for a motorcycle vs. deer.

Webberville United Methodist Church to hold Chicken Dinner

The Webberville United Methodist Church, 4215 E. Holt Rd. is having a ‘drive through’ chicken dinner on Saturday, May 21. The dinner includes 2 pieces oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, chicken gravy, green beans, corn casserole, coleslaw, roll and cookies. All for \$10. The dinner will be served 5 to 7 PM or until we run out.



Wind at Work

Wind is moving air. We can’t see wind, but we can see it move things. Sometimes we can hear it and even feel it!

What can wind do? Fill in the blanks from your own experience!

- Wind can blow a _____.
- Wind can fly a _____.
- Wind can shake a _____.
- Wind can make a _____ go faster.
- I can hear the wind when _____.
- I can feel the wind when _____.



Draw a picture of a windy day. Show the wind at work!



Construct a Paper Plate Wind Spinner

Want to make your yard, patio, or other favorite outdoor spot sparkle with personality? As the weather grows warmer, this project is a perfect way to brighten things up! Your child will create a homemade wind spinner that represents their favorite elements of summertime.

Not only will it add an adorable decoration to the backyard, but as your child watches their spinner twirl in the breeze, they'll learn how even the gentlest wind can make a lightweight object dance!



What You Need:

- Paper plate
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Markers, stickers, glitter glue
- String

What You Do:

1. Start at the outer edge, and use a pencil to draw a two-inch wide spiral inwards toward the center of the plate. This marks where the plate will be cut after it is decorated.
2. Talk to your child about their favorite outdoor activities and locations. Use markers to draw their favorite representations of summertime on the paper plate. Encourage them to embellish the creations with glitter, stickers, or other art supplies to make the plate look festive.
3. When the decorations are complete, cut along the pencil line.
4. Next, make a hole in the center of the plate.
5. Finally, select the perfect spot to hang the spinner!

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—Area Deaths—



Michael Roy Brunger

Michael Roy Brunger “Big Mike” of Williamston, Michigan passed away on May 6, 2022, at the age of 58, after a short battle with cancer. By the grace of God, Mike passed at home peacefully while surrounded by those he loved most dearly.

Mike was born on June 26, 1963, in Lansing, Michigan. He married the love of his life and his best friend, Amy, on February 6, 2003. He is the son of the late Gerald Brunger and Vonda Saul. Michael was a lifelong farmer who loved everything about farming, tractors, and all things outdoors. Mike loved spending time in the woods, tractor pulling, and visiting the Great Smokey Mountains in Tennessee. He had a special place in his heart for animals, especially his dog Rocky and his dogs Martin and Buddy who preceded him in death.

He is survived by his loving wife, Amy, of 19 years. His 10 children: SSG Michael Brunger, Matthew Brunger, Mindy Brunger, Marcus (Katie) Brunger, Megan (Curtis) Brunger, Jarred (Brooke) Roby, Alyssa Roby, Brianna Brunger, Gerald Brunger, and Ronnie Brunger; 5 siblings: Julie (Wilfred) Santos, Connie (Bryan) Smith, Laurie (Tom) Hudson, Mark (Cristy) Brunger, and Sarah (Paul) Gorsline; sister-in-law Rhonda (Trevor) Monroe and brother-in-law Timothy (Stefani) Thomason; 19 grandchildren who lit up his world; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles, and dear friends.

Mike was preceded in death by his father Gerald Brunger, mother Vonda Saul and his father-in-law Ronald Thomason.

A funeral service was held at 12:00pm on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at Watkins Brothers Funeral Homes in Perry, MI. Pastor Paul Gorsline officiated, with the eulogy delivered by his brother-in-law and friend, Trevor Monroe. Interment took place immediately following the service at Webberville Cemetery.

The family had received friends on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 from 5:00pm- 8:00pm as well as two hours prior to the service on Wednesday. Memorials are suggested to American Cancer Society and [cancer.org](https://www.cancer.org). Online condolences may be shared at www.watkinsfuneralhomes.com.



In August 2021, this group of Sowing Growth / Eastern Ingham Farmers Market volunteers gathered just prior to participating in the Red Cedar Jubilee parade. Look for their smiling faces on many Sundays during the 2022 Market in Williamston’s McCormick Park’s large parking lot, 10am to 2pm from May 15 through October 16, rain or shine.

Williamston Farmers Market holding Opening Day this Sunday, May 15

The Eastern Ingham Farmers Market in Williamston is rested, renewed and ready to *Welcome Home* new and returning visitors, vendors and volunteers from 10am to 2pm this Sunday, May 15, for *Opening Day*, in McCormick Park’s large parking lot.

During the past two years, much of the Market’s optional activities such as live music and the children’s booths were suspended due to Covid-19 concerns. While always keeping the safety of participants in mind, this season Market Manager Tom Cary and the Board of Directors of Sowing Growth, the non profit that operates the Market, have planned for the return of these every Sunday, and other special events like Nature Discovery exhibits on several Sundays during the season.

The 2022 Market will be open every Sunday, rain or shine, through October 16, and has scheduled a special Thanksgiving Market on November 20 and Holiday Market on December 18th.

Michigan-returnable Bottles and Cans Collection occurs at every Market this season, continuing for the third year, the Market’s most successful fundraiser that benefits everyone. Load up your car and drop off at the “Bottleground” on any Sunday between 10am and 2pm.

If your business collects bottles and cans to donate, special collections can be made during the week by calling any member of the Board of Directors (listed on the website: www.EasternInghamFarmersMarket.org) or the Market Manager to make arrangements for special pick ups.

For more information about Sowing Growth and the Eastern Ingham Farmers Market in Williamston, to become a vendor, to be added to the newsletter email list, to volunteer or to donate to the Market, visit the Market website www.EasternInghamFarmersMarket.org, visit its Facebook page or contact Market Manager Tom Cary (517-618-1630) or EasternInghamFM@gmail.com.

**NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING
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FOR EVA LANE
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Supervisor has prepared and filed in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination a special assessment roll covering all properties within the Eva Lane Special Assessment District benefited by the proposed road repair and improvement project. The roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs as shown on the estimate of costs on file with the Township Clerk. The roll is in the total amount of \$33,950, with a proposed special assessment of \$2,264 for 5 years per parcel abutting the road, anticipated to be assessed in the amount of \$453 per year per parcel.

The Township Board will meet at the Conway Township Hall located at 8015 N. Fowlerville Road, Fowlerville, Michigan on May 17, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. to review the special assessment roll, to consider any objections thereto, and to confirm the roll as submitted or revised or amended. The roll may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk at the Township Hall during the Township’s regular business days and hours, which are Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. until the time of the hearing and may be examined at the hearing.

An owner or party in interest, or his or her agent, may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment in writing, or may file his or her appearance and protest by letter before the hearing, and in that event, personal appearance shall not be required. All protests must be made in writing. The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in writing at or before the hearing may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the special assessment roll is confirmed.

After the public hearing, the Township Board may confirm the roll as submitted or as revised or amended; may provide for payment of special assessments with interest; and may provide by resolution for such other matters as are permitted by law

All interested persons are invited to be present at the hearing to submit comments. Conway Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed material being considered at the hearing, to individuals with disabilities at the hearing upon four days’ notice to the Township Clerk. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township at the address or telephone number listed below.

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Webberville Report



Senior Spotlight—Juliette Flannery
 By Kylie Atkins

In her short amount of time at Webberville, senior Juliette Brodberg Flannery has made a lasting impact on the Webberville community. Flannery is the daughter of Jennifer and Eric Brodberg, and the sister of Jason Morse who graduated from Webberville in 2018.

"My family's a bit confusing," said Flannery. "I had a hectic life growing up and my family hasn't always been super close, but we've gotten through it all, and I'd say we're doing

Webberville High School announces Top 10 Seniors

Webberville High School has announced the Top 10 academic seniors in the Class of 2022. Lydia Howard is the Valedictorian, while Logan Pierce is the Salutatorian. The others, in alphabetic order, are: Kylie Atkins, Dylan Branch, Baylee Cloudman, Gracie Croft, Emma LeBoeuf, Michael Phillips, Stella Wilder, and Hayley Williams.

These seniors and the rest of the class will be graduating this Thursday, May 19, at 7 p.m. on the Webberville football field, weather permitting. Another highlight will take place this Monday, May 16, when the Senior Academic Awards are held in the high school cafeteria, starting at 4:30 p.m.

Lydia Howard - Valedictorian
Parents: Benjamin and Katherine Howard
Academic Achievements/ Honors: NHS, Government/Economics Department Award, Senior Class President, Student Council Vice President, Homecoming Queen, Journalism Award, GPA of 4.0, Valedictorian
Activities: National Honor Society, Journalism, Journalism Editor, Student Council, FFA, Senior Class President
Community Service/Hobbies: Operation Christmas Cheer; NHS Community Clean Up.
Who inspires you: My parents, my siblings, and my teachers
Life's Philosophy/Motto: Life is in the small moments.
Favorite Quote: "Unless someone cares a whole awful lot, nothing's going to get better it's not." -Dr. Seuss
Favorite Book: *The Witch of Blackbird Pond* by Elizabeth George Speare

pretty alright now."

In her spare time, Flannery enjoys drawing on her iPad and reading. She also enjoys spending time with her friends, like fellow Webberville student Carter Fuller, who has been friends with her for close to six years and had some kind words to share about her.

"I like her drive and motivation for knowledge and her passion in church life," said Fuller. "I'm going to miss going to Waffle House with her in the middle of the night."

Throughout her high school career, Flannery has thrived in the classroom, and has been a part of The LCC Early College Program since her junior year.

"One of my biggest accomplishments in my life so far has definitely been getting into The Early College program," said Flannery.

After graduation, Flannery plans to major in education to become a high school math teacher, but is undecided on what school she would like to attend.

When asked about what she'll miss the most about Webberville Flannery said,

"The thing I'll miss the most about Webberville is the structure," said Flannery. "College, especially being online due to Covid, is a lot more of an on-your-own schedule and you have to have the self-control and responsibility to get your work done while also giving yourself time away from school. The balance is pretty difficult to find."

Why Webberville? Webberville Schools has a very caring and welcoming atmosphere with teachers and staff who are very willing to dedicate their time and resources on helping students be successful.

Future Plans: I am going to attend Capernway Bible College in Northern England for one year. After that I plan to attend a four-year university to get an international business degree.

Logan Pierce - Salutatorian
Parents: Bob and Courtney Pierce
Academic Achievements/ Honors: 4.0 GPA Award: 4 years, Student Council: 3 years (President 2 years), National Honor Society President: 2 years, Journalism: 1 year, Computer Literacy Award: 1 year, AP Psychology Award: 1 year, GAC Scholar Athlete: 1 year
Activities: Varsity Softball: 4 years (Team Captain 3 years), Varsity Volleyball: 3 years (Team Captain: 1 year) (Second Team All Conference: 1 year) (Academic All State: 1 year), Varsity Basketball: 3 years (Team Captain: 1 year) (Team Academic All State: 1 year), Cross Country: 1 year (League Champions: 1 year), Varsity Track: 1 year (League Champions: 1 year)
Community Service/Hobbies: Adopt A Family: 3 hours of service this year. Homecoming Week: 10 hours of service this year. Community Clean Up Day: 5 hours of service this year. Operation Christmas Cheer: 3 hours of service this year. Stuff the Bus and Kennedy's Closet: 10 hours of service this year. September Spectacular: 4 hours of service this year.
Who inspires you: Although many people inspire me, the people who inspire me the most are my family members. I've learned practically everything from them. My cousins taught me to be myself unapologetically, my mom taught me to follow my dreams, and my dad taught me to stand up for the little guy.
Life's Philosophy/Motto: Every cloud has a silver lining,

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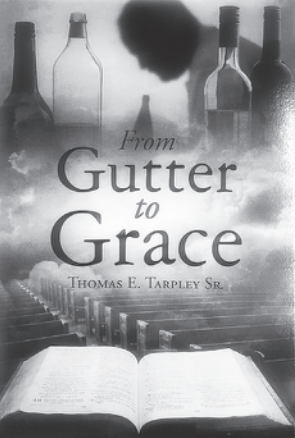
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Words from a Small-Town Pastor: Reflections for Standing Firm in Times of Unprecedented Chaos is a compilation of 82 of his articles that first appeared in the Fowlerville News & Views. Pastor Tarpley had a weekly column in the newspaper from 2015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

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Savvy Senior Column

By Jim Miller

How Medicare Covers Alzheimer’s Disease
Dear Savvy Senior,
 What exactly does Medicare cover when it comes to Alzheimer’s disease? My husband was recently diagnosed with early-stage Alzheimer’s, and we would like to find out what’s covered and what isn’t.

Planning Ahead

Dear Planning,

I’m very sorry to hear about your husband’s diagnosis, but you’ll be happy to know that most medical costs to treat beneficiaries with Alzheimer’s disease are covered by Medicare. Unfortunately, long-term custodial care costs that most patients eventually need are not. Here’s a breakdown of what Medicare does and doesn’t cover when it comes to Alzheimer’s disease, along with some tips that can help you plan ahead.

Medical care: For the most part, ongoing medical care to diagnose and treat Alzheimer’s disease is covered by Medicare Part B, including visits to primary care doctors and specialists, lab tests, speech and occupational therapy, home health care and outpatient counseling services. Medicare pays 80 percent of these costs, and you will be responsible for the remaining 20 percent after you’ve met your annual \$233 Part B deductible.

Sixty days of inpatient hospital care is also covered under Medicare Part A after you pay a \$1,556 deductible. Beyond 60 days, a daily coinsurance fee is added.

Medications: Most Alzheimer’s medications are covered under Medicare’s Part D prescription drug plans, but coverage varies so check his plan’s formulary. The only exception is Aduhelm, the controversial new drug that is estimated to cost \$28,200 per year. Medicare Part B will only cover this drug if your husband is enrolled in a clinical trial.

Long-term custodial care: It’s important to understand that original Medicare does not cover long-term custodial care. This includes nursing home care, the costs of assisted living facilities and adult day care. Medicare does, however, pay for some shorter-term nursing home care, but only up to 100 days following a three-day inpatient hospital stay.

Hiring home help for bathing, toileting and dressing (this is known as custodial care) is not covered by Medicare either unless your husband is also receiving skilled-nursing care or physical or occupational therapy.

To help with these costs, you may want to look into getting a long-term care insurance policy or short-term care plan (see aaltci.org/stc) if possible, or if your income and assets are very limited, you may qualify for Medicaid. To investigate your financial options for long-term care, go to PayingForSeniorCare.com.

Hospice: In the final stages of the disease, Medicare Part A covers nearly all aspects of hospice care, including doctor services, nursing care, drugs, medical equipment and supplies, physical and occupational therapy, homemaker services, counseling and respite care. To qualify, a doctor must certify that a patient has six months or less to live.

Other Insurance and Assistance

If your husband is enrolled in original Medicare and he doesn’t have a supplemental insurance (Medigap) policy, you should consider getting him one. A Medigap plan will help pay for things that aren’t covered by Medicare like copayments, coinsurance and deductibles. To search for plans in your area, go to Medicare.gov/plan-compare and click on “Medigap policy only.”

Or, if you’re enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan (like an HMO or PPO), his plan must provide him at least the same coverage as original Medicare does. Some advantage plans may also offer additional coverage for home care services.

If you can’t afford your Medicare out-of-pocket costs or need help with medication expenses, there are Medicare Savings Programs and the Extra Help program that provide financial assistance for medications. To learn more, see Medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs.

You can also get help through your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see ShipHelp.org or call 877-839-2675), which provides free Medicare and long-term care counseling.

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Michigan Senate Report

By Lana Theis,
22nd District

Senate approves bill to help children with dyslexia

The Senate has approved a bipartisan plan to provide critical help for students with dyslexia, through improved educator training and more stringent student screening.

“Michigan has never had a statewide, coordinated strategy to help children with dyslexia, until now,” said Sen. Lana

Theis, R-Brighton, who chairs the Senate Education and Career Readiness Committee and sponsored Senate Bill 381. “We must remove the stigma from dyslexia and make sure our students are getting the support they need to ensure they’re getting the education they deserve. Literacy, perhaps more than anything else, is the key to unlocking a limitless future of possibility and success.”

Theis’ bill would require teacher preparation institutions to offer instruction on the characteristics of dyslexia, the consequences of dyslexia, evidence-based interventions and accommodations for children with dyslexia, and methods to develop a classroom infrastructure that meets the needs of students with a multi-tiered system of support (MTSS) in place.

Other measures included in the package are:

- SB 380 to require school districts to screen students in grades K-3 (and certain students in grades 4-12) for reading difficulties using a universal screening assessment. If the assessment shows a child is having trouble learning to decode, the school district must ensure support is provided in the form of MTSS.
- SB 382 to require that “professional” level

teaching certificates are only issued after an individual has received instruction on the six areas outlined in SB 381. According to the Michigan Alliance for Special Education, about one in five students has a reading disorder. It is estimated that most of these students may have some form of dyslexia — a minimum of 5% to 10% of the population — which is between 108,000 to 217,000 children in Michigan alone.

- SB 383 to establish a resource advisory committee of experts to help public schools make sure no students fall through the cracks.

The bills now go to the House of Representatives for consideration.

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May 2022 Events

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Tuesday, May 17th – Annual Board Meeting and Lunch at noon located at Wheatfield Township, 985 Holt Road, Williamston (**The Senior Center will be closed**)

Wednesday, May 18th – Euchre 10am-Noon, Movie & Popcorn at 12:30pm showing “Yours, Mine & Ours”, and Needle Work Group 1pm-3pm

Thursday, May 19th – Euchre 10am-Noon, Tech with Drew at 11:30am, and Travel Expo to The Magnolia Trail at 12:30pm

Monday, May 23rd – Euchre 10am-Noon, Lucky Penny Day, Presentation by American Red Cross at 12:30pm, and Vintage Senior Prom & Dinner 5 pm at Family Life Wesleyan Church-3720 Rowley Road in Williamston

Tuesday, May 24th – Euchre 10am-Noon, International Tiara Day, Mind Games with the Library at 12:30pm, and Knitter Group 1pm-3pm

Wednesday, May 25th – Euchre 10am-Noon, Make Your Own Garden Stake 11am, Chair Exercise 12:30pm, and Needle Work Group 1pm-3pm

Thursday, May 26th – Euchre 10am-Noon, Sock Hop Party and Bingo at 12:30pm

Monday, May 30th – Closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 31st – Euchre 10am-Noon, National Macaroon Day, Save Your Hearing Day! Presentation by Hearing Health Care at 12:30pm, and Knitter Group 1pm-3pm

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Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm at the Conway Township Hall, 8015 Fowlerville Road, Fowlerville, MI.

Present: Clerk Elizabeth Whitt, Trustee George Pushies, Supervisor Bill Grubb, Treasurer Debra Grubb.

Open public hearing regarding Eva Lane SAD at 7:02 p.m.

Closed public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

The following Motions were made:

1. Motion to approve the Board Meeting Agenda. Motion approved.
2. Motion to appoint temporary trustee, postponed.
3. Resolution #220504-1 offered, Roll Call, Resolution passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 pm. Complete minutes are available at the Conway Township office at 8015 N. Fowlerville Road, Fowlerville, Michigan 48836.

Elizabeth Whitt
Conway Township Clerk
(5-15-22 FNV)

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Steve Horton Column

Michigan’s Auto Insurance Reform Law: The Fight Continues

“He can run, but he can’t hide” was the famous comment made by heavyweight boxer Joe Louis about an opponent who planned to keep his distance in an upcoming championship fight rather than engage in a toe-to-toe slugfest with the title-holder.

The opponent had good reason to employ this strategy, given Louis’s ability. His nickname the ‘Brown Bomber’ was, in part, a reference to his race, but also the wallop contained in his punches.

As it turned out, the opponent—despite doing quite well early on with his approach—was eventually knocked out. Boxing, after all, is about exchanging blows and the ring is small.

I’ll let you judge whether or not the analogy is appropriate for how legislative leaders have responded to calls for fixing Michigan’s Auto Insurance Reform Law, but their initial “let’s wait and see” replies or, more often, not bothering to comment at all have had the appearance of ‘ducking the question.’

Legislative leaders in the Senate, including Majority Leader Mike Shirkey and Senator Lana Theis, who chairs that chamber’s Insurance Committee, have taken a non-comital approach to pleas by auto-accident survivors, their families, and care providers that the cuts in the fees paid out to caregivers and other medical services, as well as new qualifications for who can do the caregiving, are too drastic, resulting in dire consequences.

To be more specific, care-giving agencies and other medical and rehabilitation professionals have had their fees reduced by 45 percent, while the hourly rate paid to family members and friends who are caring for patients at home is now capped at 56 hours per week rather than the previous 24/7 coverage.

While these reform provisions affect the newly injured and anyone hurt in the future, where the have had the most impact and gotten the most publicity is with the 18,000-plus auto accident survivors who had been previously covered by the Catastrophic Claims Fund—some of them for decades—who were now suddenly dealing with this new landscape.

The dire consequences are multi-faceted, but in general many survivors have either lost their care or seen the quality of services reduced, families have had their financial fortunes upended, and a number of care-giving companies have gone out-of-business or no longer treat auto-accident patients.

The most heartbreaking stories are the more severely-injured, including those paralyzed or with traumatic head injuries, whose care had been provided at specialized facilities, but are now ending up in nursing homes that do not offer the same high level of rehabilitative or personalized care. Some of them have gone from having a productive, albeit challenging life to one spent lying in bed with nothing to do.

In other, equally sad outcomes, families have dropped their loved one off at the hospital, unable to either physically or financially provide the needed care.

There are reports as well of survivors who have died from the reduction in their care or being relocated to a new facility, the change proving too much for their already delicate condition.

Adding insult-to-injury are allegations, which began surfacing last summer and fall, that insurance companies were not paying the caregivers (professionals and families) for submitted bills in a timely fashion, arbitrarily deciding to no longer cover certain services or equipment, or stopping payment altogether.

The patients, their families, and caregivers had hoped for a legislative solution. They made periodical trips to the state capital to lobby for “a reform to the reform law,” talking with lawmakers and making their case. The media, including your’s truly, ran stories on the situation.

As noted, the Senate leadership was not overly responsive.

House Speaker Jason Wentworth took a similar approach. But the lobbying and publicity seemed to be having its intended effect. Rank-and-file members began calling for modifications, with bi-partisan bills introduced. However, that progress was stalled when the leadership refused to schedule any committee hearings—a prerequisite to moving a bill forward towards becoming a law.

Finally, this past February, after another appearance by the survivors and their allies and maybe sensing the growing momentum, Wentworth broke the silence, declaring that the proposed legislation would not be dealt with during the remainder of the session and adding “It’s time to move on.”

Putting an exclamation point on his decree, he called on the Michigan State Police to remove the survivors from the lobby of his office.

I’m guessing this example of how governance really works—realpolitik American-style—was never taught in civics class.

One of the comments I heard when doing my earlier reports on this issue was that paying a portion of the insurance premium into the Catastrophic Claims Fund in return for the promise of unlimited, lifetime coverage, if or when a customer was severely injured in an automobile accident—a requirement for all those who purchased No Fault Insurance since 1973—was akin to a contract.

The contention is that the Legislature, in passing the reform law in 2019 that changed the agreement with those who were already receiving this benefit, had broken the contract. By extension, the insurance companies, in refusing payments or cutting certain medical services, were also not living up to the agreement.

I’m certainly not a legal expert. I also realize that those who are experts can interpret the law differently. But there’s a common-sense ring to this notion that “a deal is a deal.”

This premise that a contractual agreement between the insured and insurer should remain in force was front and center in a recent ruling by a Washtenaw County Circuit Court judge.

The news story that appeared on Michigan Radio reported that Judge Archie Brown had ordered State Farm Insurance to resume paying for the care of a man who was severely injured in a 2011 car crash.

Judge Brown also ordered the company “to compensate his caregivers retroactively for the months the insurer did not pay.” Calling Michigan’s 2019 No Fault Reform Law “un-constitutional,” he further stipulated that the insurer “pay a market rate for the gentleman’s nurses and home care aides, rather than the no fault reform’s discounted rate.”

It was noted in the story that the survivor is a quadriplegic; the kind of patient you’d assume would qualify—without question—for benefits.

A couple of qualifications to keep in mind: One, a ruling like this one, coming from a lower court, “does not establish a precedent,” meaning that other circuit court judges may or not use it to “inform their own decisions.” Also, State Farm Insurance can appeal and, in doing so, might prevail.

But this ruling, as of now, coupled with the lack of action by the Legislature, will presumably inspire more and more survivors to pursue a legal remedy. From what I understand, a number of them have already done so.


The Michigan Radio report further explained that “A class action lawsuit seeking to have the no fault law declared unconstitutional on behalf of all survivors is pending in the Michigan Court of Appeals.”

That, I assume, would be more of a game-changer, depending on the decision and, if it goes to the state Supreme Court, what their ruling is.

It seems one way or the other, the issue (for the time being) is not disappearing, despite the House Speaker advising everyone “to move on” and the silence of other legislative leaders.

As Joe Louis would say, “They can run, but they can’t hide.” The ethics and human dimension in this matter carry too powerful a punch to avoid or ignore.

So, the fight continues.



Fowlerville Cub Scout Pack 330, sponsored by the Fowlerville Rotary, is excited to announce our 2022 Flags over Fowlerville program!

Our local Cub Scout Pack plans its continued support and patriotism to our community with the raising of American flags throughout town. We value our continued lesson to build community pride in our youth through this program and hope you’ll support our kids too.

Flags are displayed throughout the summer at six major holidays, beginning Memorial Day and continuing through Veterans Day. Pack 330 will service your flag by delivering and picking them up before and after the major holidays. We will store them respectfully between each event to ensure the highest quality is obtained. Upon joining our program, we’ll provide and insert a PVC sleeve into the ground that will display the flag respectfully (no brackets or fixtures are attached to your home or business). Each 3’x5’ flag setup is assembled by Fowlerville Cub Scout Pack 330 leaders and scouts, comprised of high-quality American made material and displayed on a 10’ pole.

Don’t live in the village? No problem! We can place your flag in one of the village parks with personalized options such as your name, in honor of someone, to advertise your local business, or even sponsor your favorite business/team/organization!

Memorial Day - 5/30


Flag Day - 6/14

Independence Day - 7/4

Labor Day - 9/5

Patriot Day - 9/11

Veterans Day - 11/11



Flags Over Fowlerville
Fowlerville Pack 330 & Rotary

All proceeds go to support our local Cub Scouts for outdoor activities throughout the year. To support your local Cub Scouts, subscriptions start at just \$40 for the first flag, each additional flag is only \$20. Our new and returning subscribers can mail checks to **Flags Over Fowlerville, P.O. Box 426 Fowlerville, MI 48836**. Please make all checks payable to Fowlerville Rotary with Pack 330 in the memo line. Remember to include your name, address, and phone number with your mailed check. **PLEASE GET YOUR FLAG SUBSCRIPTION PAYMENTS IN BEFORE MEMORIAL DAY OR YOUR FLAG WILL NOT BE INSTALLED.**

If you have questions on the program or would like to learn more on Cub Scouting in Fowlerville, please email at FlagsOverFowlerville@gmail.com or call Stacey at (517) 861-9579. Leaders of Pack 330 thank you for your continued support and community pride!

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Fowlerville Junior High School News

IMPORTANT DATES:

Award Ceremony (invite only)- Wed. May 25th
No School-Memorial Day break- Mon. May 30th
Half days of School- Mon-Wed. June 6,7,8th
Last Day of School- Wed. June 8th
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YEARBOOKS—Almost sold out!

Yearbooks are on sale now for \$32. Only 72 yearbooks left. Order now online or in person.

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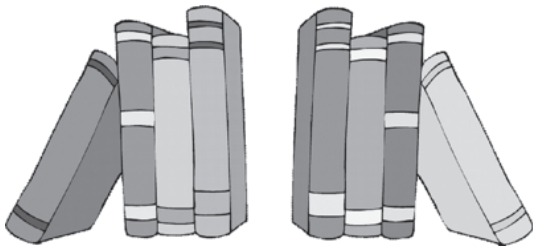
SPORTS FOR WEEK OF MAY 16:

Wed., 5/16: TRACK @ HOME vs DeWitt & Lans. Catholic-4:30; concessions. FREE Admission. LAST FJH home track meet of the season! Come out & support the young Glads.
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CSI WINNERS

Richard Bilodeau, Aubrey Mather, Cameron McCarron, Kaleb Dobbins and Axel Daavettilla.



CSI WINNERS

Eva Highhouse. Liam Schaale, Max Webb, Nick Harman and Ethan Foster.

Cemetery Clean-up

Conway Township is taking bids for the removal and clean-up of the fence surrounding Antrim Cemetery located at 7491 E. Lovejoy Rd.
For specifications, please contact Clerk Whitt at the Township office T&W from 9-3 or at 517-225-9499.

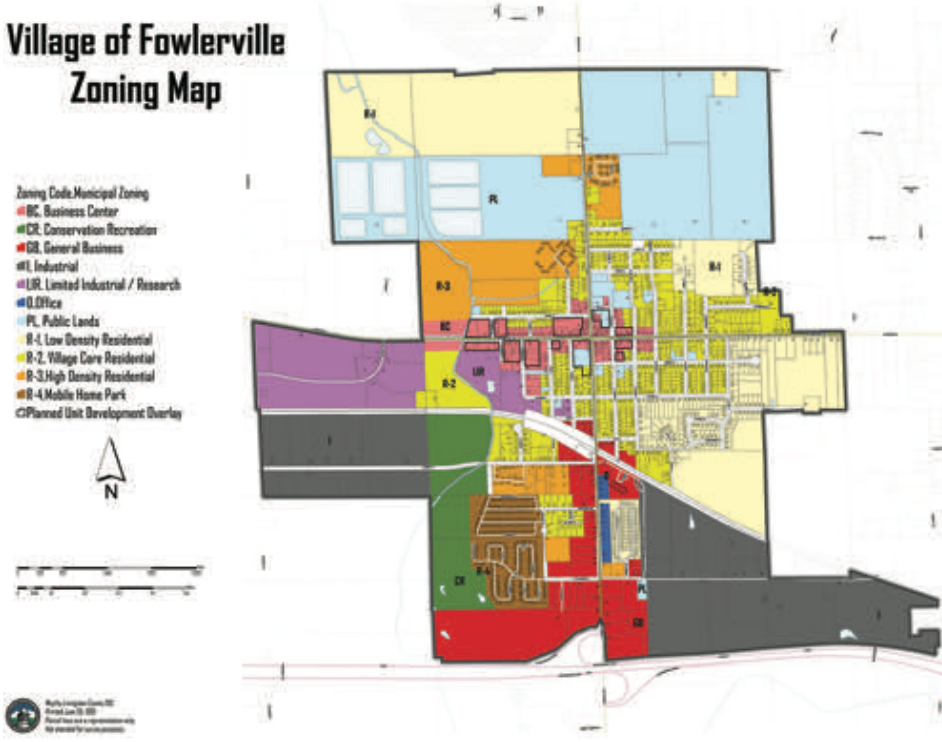
Elizabeth Whitt
Conway Township Clerk
(5-15 & 5-22-22 FNV)

THE VILLAGE OF FOWLERVILLE OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

POLICE SERVICES SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village Council of the Village of Fowlerville, Livingston County, Michigan, intends to proceed pursuant to Act 33 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1951 (“Act 33”) and Act 368 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1978 (“Act 368”) to provide for the maintenance and operation of police services within the Village and to defray the cost of purchasing, operating, and/or contracting police motor vehicles, apparatus, equipment, capital improvements, and providing police protection and related services, maintenance and operations (collectively, the “Services”) in the Village by special assessment on the lands and premises in the Village to be benefited, except for lands and premises exempt from the collection of taxes under the Michigan General Property Tax Act (however, lands and premises otherwise subject to special assessment via a contract or agreement with the Village or otherwise or subject to special assessment due to special or other legislation are not exempt and shall be subject to the proposed special assessment).

The Village Council has resolved its intention to proceed pursuant to Act 33 and Act 368 to provide the Services in the Village. The Village Council has tentatively determined that some or all of the cost of the Services shall be specially assessed against each of the lots and parcels of land located in the proposed Police Services Special Assessment District (the “Special Assessment District”). The proposed Special Assessment District shall be comprised of all lots and parcels of property located within the boundaries of the Village of Fowlerville, Livingston County, Michigan. A map of the tentative proposed special assessment district is as follows (i.e., all of the Village of Fowlerville):



FIRST PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that the Village Council of the Village of Fowlerville will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 23, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall, 213 S. Grand Ave, Fowlerville, Michigan 48836, to hear and consider comments and objections to the estimate of cost, the creation of a special assessment district, the special assessment district tentatively designated, and defraying the expenses

of the special assessment district on the property to be especially benefited, except property exempt from the collection of taxes (however, lands and premises otherwise subject to special assessment via a contract or agreement with the Village or otherwise or subject to special assessment due to special or other legislation are not exempt and shall be subject to the proposed special assessment), and all other matters relating to the creation of the proposed special assessment district.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that there is a right of referendum available to property owners under Act 33 on the question of defraying the expenses of Services by special assessment.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the estimates of cost for the Services are on file with the Village Clerk for public examination.

TAKE ADDITIONAL NOTICE THAT AFTER THE CREATION OF THE DISTRICT, THE VILLAGE WILL ANNUALLY DETERMINE THE AMOUNT TO BE ASSESSED FOR POLICE SERVICES, SHALL HOLD A HEARING ON THE ESTIMATED COSTS AND EXPENSES OF POLICE PROTECTION AND ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE LEVY AND SHALL DIRECT THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO DISTRIBUTE THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LEVY AS APPROVED.

PROPERTY SHALL NOT BE ADDED TO THE PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND THE ACTUAL INCREMENTAL COSTS SHALL NOT BE INCREASED BY 10% OR MORE OVER THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING. HOWEVER, IF A LOT OR PARCEL IS PERMANENTLY COMBINED AFTER THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT HAS BEEN CREATED, APPROVED AND IS IN PLACE, THEN IN THAT SITUATION, THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT SHALL BE ADJUSTED FOR THAT PROPERTY TO REFLECT THE EXISTENCE THEREAFTER OF ONLY ONE LOT OR PARCEL. LIKEWISE, IF A LOT OR PARCEL IS SPLIT OR DIVIDED AFTER THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT HAS BEEN CREATED, APPROVED AND IS IN PLACE, EACH OF THE NEW RESULTING LOTS OR PARCELS IN THAT SITUATION SHALL BE CONSIDERED A SEPARATE LOT OR PARCEL FOR PURPOSES OF THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT TO BE APPLIED.

Periodic redeterminations of the costs of the Services may be necessary, without a change in the Special Assessment District, and in that event, such redeterminations may be made by the Village Council without further notice to record owners or parties in interest in the lands in the Special Assessment District, in accordance with the provisions of said Act 33 (unless the actual incremental amounts assessed exceed the estimate thereof by 10% or more, in which case notice and public hearing will occur).

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a property owner or person in interest must either appear and object at the public hearing or submit a letter of appearance and objection to the Village prior to the public hearing in order to preserve the person's right to appeal the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. A record owner of land may appeal a special assessment by filing a written appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after written confirmation of the special assessment roll.

SECOND PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that after the first public hearing for which this Notice is given is held, there will be a second public hearing specifically regarding the assessment roll and the assessments against each parcel and lot in the Special Assessment District and that an owner or other person having an interest in the real property must appear and protest at the public hearing on the assessment roll in order to appeal the amount of their assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

This notice was authorized by the Village Council of the Village of Fowlerville. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

Dated: May 15, 2022

Kathy Rajala, Village Manager/Clerk
The Village of Fowlerville
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Fowlerville, MI 48836
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(5-15-22 FNV)



Local
government
lobbyists oppose
keeping legal
notices in
newspapers

Commentay by Paul J. Hedbreder,
President of the Michigan Press Association
 For over a decade, lobbyists for local governments including Michigan Townships, Michigan Counties and the Michigan Municipal League have been on a mission to pull public notices out of newspapers and put them on municipal websites-which, at best are not heavily used, but often are shoddy or don't exist.
 The newspapers of Michigan understand the need for modernization in methods to provide notices of government activity to citizens. That is why we have worked with members of the legislature to expand access to information on what

government bodies are doing by requiring these materials be published on the newspaper's website -- in front of any paywalls -- and will additionally be uploaded on a statewide website where they are accessible to the general public free of charge.
 The key part of this plan is that notices that impact your taxes, property and other community use of your taxpayer dollars are not hidden on an obscure government website. They will remain in an independent venue that preserves due process.
 The Michigan Senate unanimously passed the Newspaper Modernization bills, SB 258 and SB 259 sponsored by Senator Sylvia Santana (D-Detroit) and Senator Curtis VanderWall (R-Ludington) a few months ago. Last week, the Michigan House passed the bills on to the Governor. **The Governor signed the bills on Thursday, May 12, we appreciate her support expanding access to information for our citizens.**
 Sadly, the local government lobbyists in Lansing continue to attempt to take control of these important notices. Representative Kevin Coleman (D-Westland) recently introduced HB 6062. This bill would allow local governments to post notices on their website and provide a hard copy in their office. This is a fox watching the henhouse scenario. These paid lobbying organizations in Lansing are not in tune with many of the local

clerks they represent in our townships and counties who are good stewards for their citizens.
 The newspaper modernization bills will protect you-the citizens of Michigan- by keeping notices in an independent source no matter how you read your newspaper...on your phone, laptop, tablet or in print. We feel this is the best way to make sure Michiganders can monitor government actions.
Paul J. Hedbreder is the Publisher of the Traverse City Record Eagle.

Letter to the Editor
End Title 42

Is the real concern about terminating Title 42 about health or migration?
 If it's migration, then Title 42 of the Public Health Service Act of 1944 is not the answer. This law was created to give health officials quarantine authority and specifically designed to avoid discrimination against immigrants.
 The Covid-19 pandemic provided an opportunity for the Trump administration to achieve its desired goal of closing the border to asylum seekers. The order, referred to as a "Stephen Miller special", was not based on medical or scientific evidence, but was political pressure on the Center for Disease Control.
 Since March 2020, over a million asylum seekers have been expelled or refused entry without the legally required screenings and forcefully returned to the dangers they were trying to escape, such as gang violence, rape, torture, and murder. At the same time, hundreds of thousands of people from all parts of the world come to the United States through ports of entry.
 If Title 42 is lifted, our chances of contact and consequential covid contamination with asylum seekers is minimal. A greater risk is Michigan's unvaccinated residents who are vectors for Covid-19 and fertile breeding ground for variants. Yet many feel more threatened by potential refugees than our daily interactions with 40% of our neighbors that keep covid alive in Michigan.
 Immigration became an issue the day our country was born, but veiling a health policy as an entry strategy contradicts U.S. and international asylum laws. Once Title 42 is lifted, the border patrol will return to pre-pandemic U.S. Code, Title 8 enforcement practices. It's time to end the misuse of Title 42.
 Evelyn Gallegos
 Brjghton

INDEPENDENCE DAY

CLASSIC CAR BIKE + 4x4 SHOW

Downtown Fowlerville

Monday, July 4th, 2022

Check-in: 1:00 pm

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