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## NOTICE

### CMDHD to receive more vaccine doses

The Central Michigan District Health Department posted a special notice Monday on its public Facebook page. It read as follows:

*Vaccine update: We expect to receive 2,600 first doses and 2,175 second doses this week. This is the largest allocation that we have received to date. As of last Friday, we have vaccinated 6,860 people. We appreciate your patience as we continue to vaccinate as quickly as we can based on our supply. We are asking for your patience as we continue to work through everyone who wants a vaccine. Thank you for your understanding.*

A follow-up email also addressed those who have signed up for vaccination:

*When we have appointments available, CMDHD will email you (or call you if you do not have internet) to make an appointment. The information should come directly from CMDHD. Emails should not be forwarded to friends, neighbors, or family members, and appointments scheduled by forwarded emails/text messages will be canceled.*

*If you do not have internet (or someone you know does not have internet), they can call our local branch offices and leave a message with their name, phone number, county, and a brief message. We will return the call as soon as we can and sign them up to receive a call when there is more vaccine available.*

*Please be patient with this process. The vaccine is in high demand and we are waiting to receive more vaccine from the state and federal government.*

## It's a Budd Lake Meltdown!

Come join the Harrison Chamber of Commerce at Saxton's Landing from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20 for a fun day on Budd Lake. Fun for all ages!

There will be an ice-skating rink, a path to pull sleds around, plus a sledding hill. And a bonfire to warm you up!

Hotdogs, cocoa, music will all be provided! Just bring yourself, your skates and sleds.

Join us as we put our Harrison Hornet Statue on the ice for our first ever Budd Lake Meltdown!

You will be able to enter our contest of when the statue will fall into the lake...guess the day, hour and minute that it will fall. Guess as many times as you want for \$5 each. We will start the guessing from Feb. 20 until the statue falls. You can cast your guess during the Fun Day or go to [harrisonchamber.com/BuddLakeMeltdown](http://harrisonchamber.com/BuddLakeMeltdown).

Winner takes home 50% of the proceeds!



By Dianne Alward-Biery  
Clever Staff Writer

HARRISON – This story began in 2016 when a dedicated group of knowledgeable individuals formed the Step Up For Our Students Committee and took on the task of informing the community what a proposed millage would mean: not only in property taxes, but also what school upgrades would mean for students and the community overall.

The proposed changes were to address not only the building inefficiencies and age degradation, but also the shortchanging of students from inadequate technologies and non-secure buildings. School tours in April 2017 made clear, visually, the sad state of the structures, i.e., piecemeal barriers created by high school and Larson Elementary teachers desperate to separate their students from distractions caused by “open concept” layouts. At

Hillside Elementary, visitors were shown irreparable damage resulting from age and years of roof failures. Combined with the basic need for building security and an environment conducive to academic achievement, the eye-opening tours laid a wide path to a successful May 2017 millage vote.

In short order, architectural drawings were finalized and construction schedules set. That led to Phase I work on the high school and middle school buildings the summer of 2018 – work completed shortly after the fall semester commenced.

In July 2020, the City of Harrison Planning Commission approved the site plan, and construction bids for Phase II were approved by the Harrison Community Schools Board of Education. That set in motion excavation/grading work in preparation for the new construction at Larson. In a few short months, a gentle slope turned into a sizeable hill topped by a looming block structure. On Jan. 28, HCS Superintendent Rick Foote showed the Cleaver around the worksite, where progress is truly the order of the day.

This new Larson construction,

to date, will house the new gymnasium and some 12 classrooms for grades 3, 4 and 5, along with administrative offices, RESD offices, two Title I rooms, an art room, a special education classroom, lots of storage and, of course, restrooms. Foote said the new gym will have bleachers and a drop-down projection screen similar in size to the one in the high school auditorium.

“They’re still installing conduit so they can pull all the wires,” Foote said, pointing up and noting how quickly things progress. “They’ve been pulling all the data drop wire. I came in here and none of this stuff was here – I come in two or three days later and I’ve got a whole bunch of stuff.”

He also pointed out the installed ducting and that preparations were nearly complete for installing the drop ceilings, anticipated to happen the following week.

The walk-through was simple enough, as the classrooms hallways basically “horseshoe” around the gymnasium, yet there was plenty to see as a variety of workers tackled everything from wiring to HVAC to painting to welding. The site seems rather quiet from the exterior, but inside, it was a busy, busy place – steady work punctuated by the lilting notes of whistling echoing in the background.

Approaching one of the temporarily boarded over exterior openings, Foote kidded that it was “where the tow rope will go so the

kids can go up and down the nice hill they made for us in the winter-time.” That, of course, was a reference to the extraordinary difference in lot elevation caused by the grade changes needed to keep the entire school on the same level.

“Soon, they’ll be putting in the flooring and the cabinets,” Foote said. “They’ve got quite a bit done in a short period of time.”

He noted that exterior brickwork was already being done on the back of the building, and pointed out pallets of brick warming in the new gym prior to installation.

The open concept portion of the Larson building will see renovation/construction start immediately after school recesses for the summer. Describing the projected work schedule, Foote said the week after May 29 crews will come in and do exactly what was done at the high school: demolition and preparations for running plumbing and wiring, pouring floors, building walls, installing doors/windows/drop ceilings, and more.

“It shouldn’t take them long to knock down stuff over there,” Foote said. “Just like the high school.”

That was when Sarah Rust, HCS See **LARSON** on page 10

*Bipartisan commission focused on equitable distribution of safe, effective vaccine to save lives, strengthen economy*

## Protect Michigan Commission hosts first meeting, highlights state’s vaccine strategy

LANSING – The Protect Michigan Commission, comprised of a diverse group of leaders from across the state charged with helping raise awareness about the safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine, hosted its first meeting today and unveiled Michigan’s COVID-19 Vaccination Strategy.

Established by Executive Order 2020-193, the commission serves as an advisory group to Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

“The work of the bipartisan Protect Michigan Commission will help Michigan reach its goal of 50,000 shots in arms per day and help ensure all Michiganders have a plan to get their vaccine once it is their turn,” said Whitmer. “The safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine is our way forward out of this pandemic and will allow us to return to a sense of normalcy and a strong Michigan economy.”

“As we work to ensure that every Michigander who wants a vaccine will get one, the Protect Michigan Commission will play a vital role in reaching out to Michiganders in

every part of our state,” Lt. Gov. Gilchrist said. “The best thing we can do right now is to work together to ensure that Michiganders, especially those with questions and those hardest hit during the pandemic, have a plan to get vaccinated. Our clearest path to healthy communities, a growing economy, and day-to-day activities free from fear is through the COVID-19 vaccine.”

The governor has selected Kerry Ebersole Singh to lead the Protect Michigan Commission and assist in mobilizing the ongoing efforts of the commission.

“Today marked the start of the commission’s mission to protect the health and safety of Michiganders by ensuring all residents who want a COVID-19 vaccine are able to get one,” said Ebersole Singh. “The expertise of all involved in the commission will help eradicate the spread of the virus in our state.”

During the Jan. 29 meeting, the commission unveiled the state’s strategy to get 70% of Michiganders age 16 and older vaccinated as quickly as possible. The strategy is being guided by the following guiding principles:

- All Michiganders have equitable access to vaccines.
- Vaccine planning and distribution is inclusive and actively engages state and local government, public and private partners; and draws upon the experience and expertise of leaders from historically marginalized populations.
- Communications are transparent, accurate, and frequent public

communications to build public trust.

-Data is used to promote equity, track progress and guide decision making.

-Resource stewardship, efficiency, and continuous quality improvement drive strategic implementation.

“I am proud to co-chair the Protect Michigan Commission as we work collaboratively to get 70% of Michiganders ages 16 and older vaccinated with the safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine as quickly as possible,” said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health. “The strategy announced today clarifies our state’s goals and strategies and prioritizes equity, efficiency, and transparency. I am proud of the work of our partners across the state in helping us reach our goal. Everyone has a role to play in ending this pandemic.”

The Protect Michigan Commission will work to protect the health and safety of Michigan residents by educating communities about the effectiveness of an approved COVID-19 vaccine to eradicate the spread of the coronavirus.

To achieve this, the bipartisan commission will develop an outreach strategy to identify and work with communities around the state where there is hesitancy to the vaccine.

The commission will complete its work and submit a report to the governor by Dec. 31, 2021.

Last month, Congress appropri-

ated \$90 million in additional resources for vaccine distribution in Michigan through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act. Whitmer’s MI COVID Recovery plan will use this federal funding to ramp up vaccine distribution in Michigan and bring us closer to our goal of 50,000 shots in arms per day.

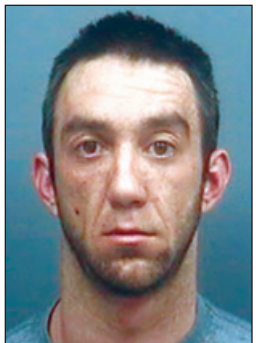
This funding will help provide financial support to local health departments for vaccine administration costs, including staff augmentation, as well as provide equipment and supplies. Michigan will also receive \$575 million to expand COVID testing, tracing, and lab capacity in Michigan.

More information about the commission, including a list of members, is available at MDHHS - Protect Michigan Commission.

Information around this outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at [Michigan.gov/Coronavirus](http://Michigan.gov/Coronavirus) and [CDC.gov/Coronavirus](http://CDC.gov/Coronavirus). To learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine, visit [Michigan.gov/COVIDVaccine](http://Michigan.gov/COVIDVaccine).

## Man on Day Pass Turns Himself in Three Days Late

Robert Anthony McAulay, 34, was released from the Clare County Jail on a day pass by an order from the Clare County Courts and ordered to return by 6 p.m. that same date.



McAULAY

McAulay failed to return as ordered and a warrant was issued for his arrest on Jan. 29.

On Sunday Jan. 30 McAulay turned himself in to the Clare County Jail. He was arraigned on Monday, Feb. 1 in the 80<sup>th</sup> District Court by Magistrate Worpell for escaping awaiting a felony trial, with a habitual offender third offense notice.

He is currently lodged in the Clare County Jail on a \$300,000 bond.

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## EVENTS

### VETERANS COFFEE HOUR RESUMES FEBRUARY 9

The monthly Veterans Coffee Hour is scheduled for 9:00 am February 9 at Hayes Township Hall in Harrison. The meetings will continue the second Tuesday of every month at the 9:00am unless otherwise notified.

### DEMOCRATIC PARTY MEETING

The Clare County Democratic Party will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 10. This will be a remote meeting using ZOOM. You can attend either by VIDEO or by PHONE. If you would like to attend, email [steph-terpening@gmail.com](mailto:steph-terpening@gmail.com).

The Public is welcome.



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## Blight Still Hot Topic in Hayes

By Dianne Alward-Biery  
Cleaver Staff Writer

HARRISON – Attendees at the January general meeting of the Hayes Township Board continued to experience difficulty participating via the Microsoft Teams program. For some that meant an extreme audio delay between the dial-in number and the Teams Meeting listen-only mode, and for others it meant attending via cell phone after being unable to connect online. Superintendent Rick Jones encouraged a follow-up phone call the next day to work through the difficulty.

No county commissioner participated, so business moved on to the library report from Deb Hoyt. She said the library had moved to Stage 5 in its reopening, meaning it is open to the public with conditions. Occupancy limit is 15 people; computer time is limited to one hour at a time; with winter hours of 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

Public comment Q&A included:  
-To supervisor, not sure why you are not publishing the Meeting Join Quick Start Guide that was offered last week to instruct remote users to join remotely. (Jones said he did not have an answer for that questions.)

-Have you begun work on a blight ordinance? (Jones and Hoyt both responded no.)

Pat Adams, part-time resident, sought clarification that the township has a blight ordinance but that it is suspended. Clerk Deb Hoyt said that since the township does not currently have a blight officer to enforce the ordinance, it is suspended.

At that point, when resident Ginna Collins attempted comment and was responded to, the afore-



From left, Maye Tessner-Rood and Deb Hoyt listen as Rick Jones fields remote attendee questions during the January Hayes Township Board meeting. (Cleaver screen capture photo)

mentioned audio delay caused each comment and response to broadcast simultaneously, resulting in a bit of COVID communications chaos. She made two points: that there is a blight ordinance that is not effective; that any one of the board members can actively enforce a blight ordinance without need for a blight officer, adding that most of the county's townships have not blight officer.

Adams added that his research showed three neighboring townships paid one individual to enforce their blight issues.

Deb Hoyt informed that the blight issue is something the board is looking into, and that the Michigan Townships Association attorney does not recommend that board members enforce the ordinance. The topic was left with Collins planning to drop off a list of townships which have a board member directly address blight complaints.

More questions arrive:  
-Supervisor, the new board has been in office for 60 days and has not, to my knowledge, offered any business plan. Can the public be apprised of your 20-21 business plan? (Treasurer Maye Tessner-Rood explained that the township is in FY 20-21 until June 30, and that's

what the budget reflects. Work will soon begin preparing the 2021-2022 budget, from which will arise the next business plan.)

-Blight!  
The board moved on to approving the Dec. 15 General Meeting minutes and the consent agenda.

In her Treasurer's Report, Tessner-Rood said her office has been busy, as many people wait until the end of December to pay their taxes, compressing payments into a short timeframe.

Ken Hoyt's Zoning Report included December approval of 6 zoning permits, bringing the year's total up to 104 (matching 2019).

Deb Hoyt reported the township had completed its Risk Limiting Audit of the November 2020 balance, and the results turned over the county clerk who will send the results on to the State of Michigan.

Under New Business, the board moved to:

-Adopt the 2021 IRS standard mileage rate for mileage reimbursement;

-Adopt Resolution 20-09 Hayes Township participation in the Fire Insurance Withholding Program;

-Approve 2021 Fire Department contract with the City of Harrison; and

-Approve payment for the required training for the Board of Review

The board then approved the Annual Zoning Report, with an abstention by Rick Jones who had

not yet read it.

Deb Hoyt noted there were seven pages of Fire Report, where usually there were one or two – again linked to those storm associated runs.

"I have to commend the Harrison Fire Department and the sheriff department for their response during the winter storm," she said.

In final Public Comment, more postings were read, which again spoke to a blight officer being unnecessary as the township had been offered an alternative blight ordinance; and a statement saying the new administration should have a vision of its first 100 days based on campaign platforms and asking what the supervisor was going to do for the community. Another comment lauded the zoning administrator for due diligence, professionalism and commitment to his responsibilities.

Jones responded there was nothing he could do individually about blight, because it takes money to fund a blight department and officer. Pat Adams then added a blight comment regarding the cockroach problem that persists in his Cranberry Lake subdivision, driving home the need to pursue a millage to fund blight control.

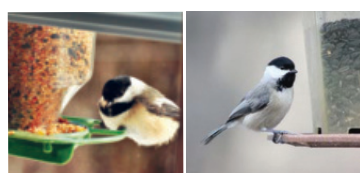
Jones said that topic would be addressed at the board's Feb. 9 workshop, and that the deadline would be April 21 for any proposal to be placed on the August ballot.

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The community is asked to join Harrison Family Fare as it helps Clare County Habitat for Humanity, teaming up together to build a strong foundation and a path toward homeownership in Clare County.

The retail scan campaign runs from Feb. 10-21 and store guests who visit the Harrisons Family Fare store will have the opportunity to donate \$1, \$5, \$10 or round up to the nearest dollar at any checkout lane. Fully 100% of all funds raised during the scan campaign will for directly to Clare County Habitat for Humanity.

Clare County Habitat asks the community to join them as they

build much more than homes in Clare County, by visiting Harrison's Family Fare. This promotion is offered throughout all Michigan Family Fare Supermarkets.

A big Thank You goes to SpartanNash and the local Harrison's Family Fare. Clare County Habitat for Humanity is proud to be a partner with Family Fare of Harrison.

## MMCA Volunteer Assistance With Tax Preparation to Begin in February

Mid Michigan Community Action Will be Providing Volunteer Income Tax Assistance in 2021

Mid Michigan Community Action Agency (Mid Michigan CAA) will be providing free income tax preparation services through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

VITA is an IRS program managed by partners all over the country, including Community Action Agencies. IRS trained and certified volunteers work with community members to prepare their taxes safely, confidentially, and at no cost to the community members.

To allow for ongoing social distancing measures, VITA appointments will be low-contact with most aspects of the tax return process being conducted virtually, by phone, and/or by mail. Due to the Stay Home order in March of 2020 and the tax program closing early, Mid Michigan CAA will be able to process 2019 tax returns in addition to 2020 tax returns.

"Each year our volunteers work throughout the tax season to help as many households as possible claim their maximum refund including all credits without filing costs or hidden fees," said Outreach Director Eva Rohlman. "Though this year is going to look a little different, the high-quality tax preparation service we can provide to our communities will remain the same."

The VITA program will run from Feb. 1 through April 15, serving residents of Clare, Gladwin, Mecosta and Osceola counties. Those interested in having their taxes prepared at no cost to them should contact call nearest office: Big Rapids 231-660-0271, Farwell 989-386-3805, Gladwin 989-426-2801, or Reed City 231-791-7078.

Those interested in volunteering should contact Sheri Nartker at 989-386-3805, ext. 1024 or snartker@mmcaa.org as soon as possible. To learn more about our tax prep program, visit [www.mmcaa.org/taxprep](http://www.mmcaa.org/taxprep).

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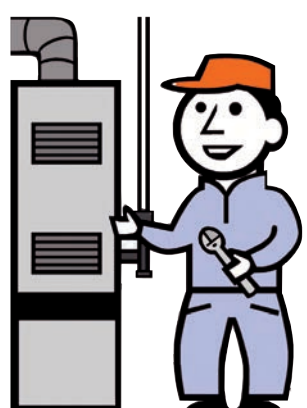
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# Outdoors With Jeff

Sitting at the table, watching out the window, the temperature is in the teens. The snowbanks are taller than I am. The snow has all my trees bent over; they all look more like weeping willows. Occasionally, when I'm in my yard or out in the woods, its not uncommon to hear a crackle of another limb falling off the old pine trees.

As I reminisce, of winters past, I realize that age, has a lot to do with how you look at winter. When you are a toddler, winter is more like an exploration and amazement. You first look at the white ground and you touch it for the first time. You immediately pull your hand away because it's so cold. But that doesn't stop you, you immediately put your hand in again and you giggle. You get a little older and you're in grade school, you have learned how to throw a snowball accurately. You also, learn to make snow forts;

some of those forts are quite elaborate. Some of the forts have, peep holes, they have escape tunnels. Some have an open roof and others have some sort of a roof. In middle school, we discover that you can make igloos, simply by hollowing out the snowbanks, that the snow plows left in your front yard. There were some occasions that our igloos collapsed, there were no injuries, and we were lucky.

Some of the boys, joined the Boy Scouts, they precipitated in camping in the snow for two days, to earn their Polar Bear patch. When you got into high school, the whole thing changed. The first thing you found out, that the snow shovel was turned over to you, you were taking your dad's place in removing the snow in the drive and this includes shoveling off the roof of the cabin.

In early adulthood, you start ice fishing from morning to night. You chased snowshoes hares from dawn to dusk. Many of times, I heard my friends say, you got to love winter. We didn't care if the temperature was around zero, you could usually find us on some frozen lake or hunting in some cedar swamp. For us, adulthood went all too fast, the snow shovel, seemed to get heavier and heavier. There were times, we swore, each shovel of snow weighed fifty pounds. There were times we would hear about a neighbor having a heart attack while shoveling snow, we would eventually shovel all the neighbors' driveways, so no one else would have a heart attack.

Today, its all different, with this virus, we are more restricted to stay at home. Some of my articles, I have mentioned that don't stay a prisoner of your home. Get outside and walk, go fishing or hunt rabbits. Now the Michigan Department of Natural resources did a press release to get outside and enjoy the snow. They said it's a great time to get out and enjoy Mother Nature. When you get outside and enjoy nature at its best. There are groomed trails to walk on and watch wildlife and wild birds at their best.

There's another event to get out with your little children at Mid Michigan College. Its for ages from 5 to 19. This is sponsored by Jays Sporting Goods. The dates are February 19 to the 21, you must be preregister. It's called, Winter Outdoor family adventure event. You can pre enroll here at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/winter-outdoorfamilyadventure> After



JEFF GOYT

being cooped in our homes for a year, this would be a great time to get you and the kids outdoors. Check their podcast with Mike Avery as they discuss this great event. Listen here; <https://bit.ly/3nNjHdn>.

Don't stay locked up in the house, just get outside for a while. Check for other places to get outdoors for a while, in case they have been canceled because of the virus.

Spring will be here soon enough, it seems that January went by pretty fast, hopefully February and March will go by fast too.

# ~ CLARE COUNTY HISTORY ~



## A Glimpse Into The Past

With our Editor on the sideline this week feeling under the weather, we'll feature the above picture of Mussell's The Druggist in Clare, MI - circa 1895. Back in that day she may have had to go see this old version of what we now call a pharmacist. Get well soon Angie.



February 8 - 12

### Hot Meal Menu

Recommended Donation is \$2.25  
Please Note: We are delivering Meals on Wheels Monday - Friday. Congregate Centers are NOT OPEN to the public, but all Seniors (60+), can pick up a meal to go. You must call Cheryl or Brenna in Harrison (989-539-6515) OR Deb in Lake George (989-588-9841 ext. 01) to reserve.

#### Monday, Feb. 8

Swiss Chicken,  
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,  
Baby Carrots, Red Apple.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 9

Chicken Pot Pie on Biscuit,  
Chalet Garlic Veggie Blend,  
Applesauce,  
Optional: Fruit Mix

#### Wednesday, Feb. 10

Baked Ziti, Green Beans,  
Parslief Cauliflower,  
Fruit & Dip  
Optional: Garlic Toast

#### Thursday, Feb. 11

Meatloaf, Au Gratin Potatoes,  
Brown Sugar Glazed Carrots,  
Under The Sea Salad.

#### Friday, Feb. 12

Happy Valentine's Day!  
Chicken Fajitas, Spanish Rice,  
Refried Beans, Cherry Pie.

## Early Clare County Legal Cases

### PEOPLE vs. MORRISSEY SEPTEMBER 27, 1904 – A Happening In The Clerk's Office Leads To A Teacher Being A Daddy

Jessie May Clark of Frost Township signed a Complaint before Justice of the Peace Algernon S. Young on August 13, 1904, alleging that Stephen A. Morrissey was the father of a "male bastard" child she delivered on August 12th. Specifically she claimed that defendant Morrissey 'did beget her with child in the City of Harrison . . . on or about the 26th day of November, A.D. 1903, at the Clerk's office in the Court House.' Justice Young examined Jessie May Clark under oath and she related that she was begotten with child "about Thanksgiving day 1903 . . . Thanksgiving night was the last time that I was with him, I was begotten with child in the clerk's office in the Court House . . . Stephen Morrissey . . . is the Father of my child."

Defendant Morrissey worked as a Deputy Clerk and Register for F. M. Morrissey and had been a teacher in Clare County. Following arrest, defendant Morrissey waived preliminary examination and Justice Young set bond at \$400. The bond was provided on August 16th with Ora D. Cleveland and John H. Richmond signing as sureties. The Return of Justice Young was filed in Circuit Court on September 27th. However, the matter was settled on September 15th on defendant Morrissey paying Jessie May Clark \$325 "for all claims of every nature and kind . . . on account of the support of myself and child".

This typed agreement/receipt was signed by Jessie May Clark,

S.N. Clark as her guardian, and by W.W. Harper, Superintendent of the Poor. The \$325 would have a dollar value of \$8,348 in 2017.

The following information relating to this legal case was obtained in research by Angela Kellogg, a Clare County historian, in March of 2017. The research indicates that it is doubtful that Jessie May Clark was at the Clare County poor farm, although the poor farm at the time may also have served as the Clare County infirmary. Jessie May Clark, born May 6, 1883, was the daughter of Sylvester Noble Clare and Caroline Canfield. Caroline Canfield's sister, Laura married Edmund Bailey. Jessie May Clark died in 1955, although no death or cemetery record can be found in confirmation. Jessie May Clark married William Naegele on September 16, 1906, and the 1910 census has a child, Leo, living with them in Detroit.

In 1913 Jessie May and William divorced and the divorce information does not mention the child, Leo. However, one might assume that Leo is the 'bastard child' and son of Stephen Morrissey. The 1915 Detroit City Directory has Jessie May living on Concord Avenue as a widow; William having remarried and having a child in that marriage in 1933; and, William dying in 1973.

The 1929 Detroit City Directory has Jessie May living with Leon, an auto worker on Kercheval Avenue. In 1930 Jessie is living with her sister Fannie Hill (widowed) and her brother Nelson Clark (single) in Livingston County. Jessie is listed as divorced.

The 1930 census and 1940 census have Leo Naegele living as a boarder in Detroit and working as a carpenter and an auto factory trimmer.

Then in 1933 Jessie May marries Orin Graves and a Leo Naegele attends the wedding as a witness. This was Orin Grave's first marriage and Jessie May's second.

Orin was an oil field worker. Stephen Morrissey married Ada Hull on Sept 12, 1904, just a month after the baby with Jessie was born. They moved to Benzie County and had three children.

By Jon H. Ringelberg  
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Historical Society

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# LOCAL EVENTS & NEWS

## Outside Looking In

By: Charlie Ziesemer

### The Greatest Word

It's hard to believe we have entered the year 2021. I remember as a teen thinking about what it would be like in 2021. It seemed so far away and hard to imagine when I would hit that age of 70. It's still hard to fathom that I have reached the "golden years" and am experi-



my fingers dipping into the gash of my leg. I laid back down realizing I was injured. I remember people all around me, including the frazzled truck driver, telling me it would be OK. The next thing I remember is traveling in an ambulance to the hospital. I thought that this is really cool.

As I laid in the bed in the hospital emergency room all of a sudden Dad came busting into the room asking if I was OK? I don't ever remember seeing that emotion from my dad. I remember mom telling me later that when they had received the call that I was in an accident, Dad raced out to the car yelling at her to "let's go". Mom had to change her clothes and use the bathroom. She said Dad actually drove up and down the driveway a couple of times impatiently waiting for her to come out and get into the car.

They then drove to the accident area to get my bike. The police were still at the scene and told my dad that I was in pretty bad shape. Dad looked at the crushed bike and I can imagine his thoughts as he jumped into the car and raced to the hospital. I just know that I will never forget the look on his face as he rushed into the room and saw that I was OK.

I know how much my parents loved me by being a good parent. I also know how much my grandparents loved me by becoming a grandparent. I learned that love is shown by our actions and the life we live. We don't always say the words "I love you" as much as we should but it would be far worse to say I love you and not show it by our actions. Love is the greatest word and the perfect way to live. We can thank God for that and especially for those times when we bounce off the truck and don't slide under it.

Do you have any stories to tell? Send them to me at [cziesemer49@gmail.com](mailto:cziesemer49@gmail.com) or in care of the Cleaver.

encing the same life and thoughts of my parents and grandparents and so many ahead of me. Yet here I am, 71 years young, retired, and living a life that continues to make memories and provide new challenges that will make a difference, no matter how small, in this crazy world.

As you get older you learn to cherish the memories of your parents and grandparents and the impact they made in forming your life and the person you are. It makes you much more aware of how you interact with your children and especially your grandchildren. Raising my children, I depended on the same techniques and practices as I learned from my parents. I feel I was a result of a good upbringing so why change anything from what I feel was a success.

With grandparenting you rely more on being involved and providing support. I also think that the example you show and how you live your life is the best teacher of all. My dad was not a man of words, but I could tell by his actions he was one who loved his children and God. He worked hard to provide us with all we needed to be a family. And although he didn't say the words "I love you" until we were older, I learned that he loved us and my mom by his actions and by the way he lived his life.

I remember one day when I was delivering my newspapers on my bike. I came racing down a hill on the sidewalk of a busy street, a truck pulled out in front of me and I crashed into the truck, hitting my head and gashing my knee. Luckily or what I think now is that a someone was watching over me, I bounced off the truck as my bike slide under the rear wheel crushing my bike.

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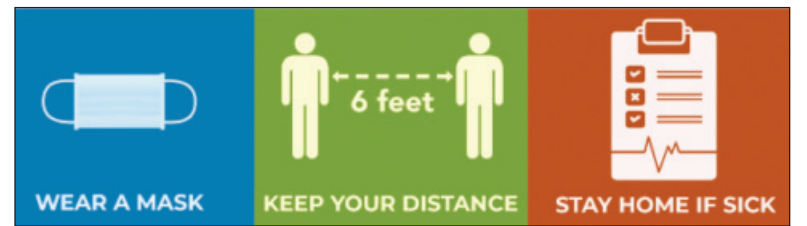
## SpartanNash pharmacies prepare to administer free COVID-19 vaccine

GRAND RAPIDS – As part of its continued efforts to ensure the well-being and safety of its family of associates, customers and communities during the coronavirus pandemic, SpartanNash has partnered with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, along with state programs in all states the company operates in, to offer the COVID-19 vaccine in accordance with the nationwide rollout plan.

The vaccine will be administered at no cost to patients and will be available at each of SpartanNash's 88 company-owned pharmacies, including Family Fare, D&W Fresh Market, Martin's Super Markets, VG's Grocery, Family Fresh Market, Forest Hills Foods and Econofoods stores in Michigan, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

Store guests can sign up to be notified when the vaccine is available at their nearest SpartanNash pharmacy at [shopfamilyfare.com/covid19vaccine](http://shopfamilyfare.com/covid19vaccine).

"With multiple COVID-19 vaccinations approved and ready for broad distribution in the coming months, SpartanNash and our family of retail pharmacies are here for our store guests, and we are committed to providing them with a safe, clean environment to receive this important vaccine," EVP and Chief Merchandising and Marketing Officer Lori Raya said. "Our pharmacists have and will continue to play an important role in the fight against the coronavirus, providing critical care for the communities we serve. You can trust us to provide safe access to the COVID-19 vaccine when it becomes available."



To ensure the safety of both store guests and pharmacists as well as the availability of the COVID-19 vaccine, customers will schedule an appointment and complete a health screening prior to receiving the vaccination. These measures ensure low wait times and appropriate social distancing efforts, as well as allowing customers to receive their second dose in a timely manner.

During the scheduled vaccination appointment, the pharmacist will administer a contact-free temperature reading, and both the pharmacist and the customer will be required to wear a medical grade face mask, provided by SpartanNash as an additional safety measure.

Following the COVID-19 vaccination, customers will be visually monitored by the SpartanNash pharmacist who administered the vaccine for a brief period of time.

"While we wait for the much-anticipated vaccine, our family of retail stores remain committed to serving our customers with all of the products they need to stay healthy, including affordable, nutritious foods for a balanced diet, flu vaccinations, medications and more," EVP and General Manager, Corporate Retail Tom Swanson said. "And when the time comes, our pharmacies are prepared to be your go-to choice to get your COVID-19 vaccination."

Since the onset of the coronavirus pandemic, SpartanNash

pharmacies have adjusted operations to ensure the safety of store guests, offering walk-up vaccinations for the flu, shingles and more and free, same-day prescription delivery at all company-owned pharmacies, as well as introducing reserved pharmacy hours for older adults, pregnant women and immunocompromised store guests in Michigan.

Select SpartanNash pharmacies in Michigan, Indiana and Minnesota also offer free COVID-19 testing.

To maximize access to COVID-19 vaccines for all Americans, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services recently announced the U.S. government's partnerships with large chain pharmacies and networks that represent independent pharmacies and regional chains. Through the partnership with pharmacy chains, this program covers approximately 60 percent of pharmacies throughout the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

For all of SpartanNash's ongoing efforts, visit: [spartannash.com/spartannash-coronavirus-updates](http://spartannash.com/spartannash-coronavirus-updates).

*Family Fare, D&W Fresh Market, Martin's Super Markets, VG's Grocery pharmacies currently offer walk-up flu, shingles vaccinations; reserved hours; and free home prescription delivery to ensure well-being and safety of customers and communities*

## Early Head Start is Enrolling Now

Give your child the best start with Early Head Start

Mid Michigan Community Action Agency is now enrolling for the Early Head Start (EHS) program. EHS provides supportive services for those who are pregnant and children ages birth through 3 years in Clare, Gladwin, Mecosta, Midland and Osceola counties. EHS gives children and families the best start by supporting healthy

development and building school readiness for early learning and future success, with services currently provided in a safe, virtual environment. Virtual services include weekly Zoom meetings in place of in-person visits and virtual playgroups and parent meetings. Technology is provided as needed. Families will receive supply totes via contactless drop-offs, filled with items to support young learners and provide family fun. Families also will have access to video activities including story time, recipes, crafts, and much more.

"During this pandemic we have continued to provide Early Head Start services including families basic need support, early education and infant/toddler development, family support, and community resources," said Sue Harvey, Early Childhood Director at Mid Michigan CAA.

"The health and well-being of the children, families and staff is always our highest priority, and during this pandemic we are committed to our families. Now more than ever we can provide a warm blanket of support for our new families and young children."

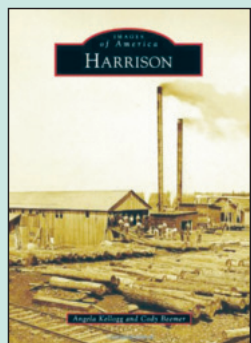
Mid Michigan CAA's Early Head Start is enrolling now for those who are pregnant or have a child age birth through 3 years. Call 1-877-386-4406 to complete an interest form or visit [www.mmcaa.org/ehs](http://www.mmcaa.org/ehs).

Learn more about all Mid Michigan CAA's early childhood programs at [www.mmcaa.org/ecs](http://www.mmcaa.org/ecs). Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and LinkedIn at @mid-michigancommunityaction for news and updates.

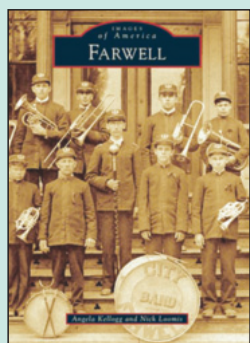
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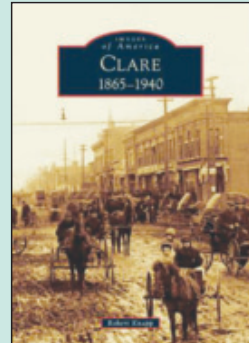
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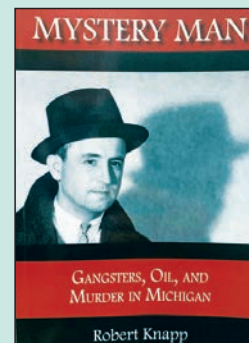
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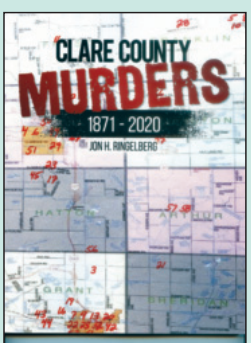
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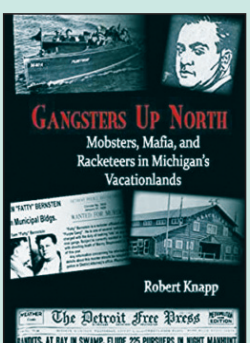
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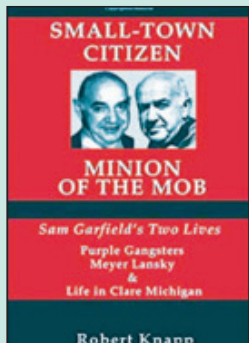
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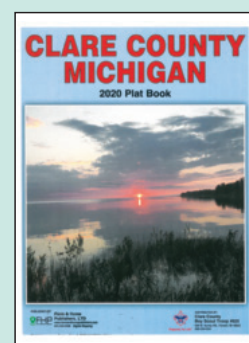
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### JANENE MARIE COUGHLIN

MAY 10, 1970 - JANUARY 24, 2021

Janene Marie Coughlin of Ortonville; Died January 24, 2021. She was 50. She was born on May 10, 1970 in Clare, Michigan to the late Jack and Jeanette (nee: Bruce) Chaffee. She married Scott Coughlin on December 19, 1992 in Harrison, Michigan. She is survived by her loving husband, Scott Coughlin; three children, Shayla Coughlin, Sierra Coughlin, Ryan Coughlin, and dog, Denali; two sisters, Joy (the late John) Fahrner and Judi (Mike) Ridge; one brother, Jim Chaffee; her father and mother-in-law, Ron and Connie Coughlin; sister and brother-in-law, Sherry and Pat Baldwin; nieces and nephews; and countless loving friends.



A memorial visitation will be from 12:00-1:00 p.m. for family and 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. for friends on Saturday, February 6, 2021 at Village Funeral Home, 135 South Street, Ortonville, Michigan. Due to COVID restrictions we are allowed 25 people in the chapel at a time. We will rotate people thru. Please be aware there may be some waiting time. MASKS ARE REQUIRED. Memorial contributions may be made to the family for a future scholarship fund for Brandon athletes. If you would like to leave a condolence for the family go to [www.villagefh.com](http://www.villagefh.com)

Janene received her bachelor's degree in Accounting and was employed by the Brandon School District in Data and Pupil Services. She worked at Brandon Fletcher Intermediate School, Brandon Middle School, and Central Office. She loved the Brandon School District, especially the cheerleading and football programs. She loved crafting, sunshine, flowers, reading, hammocking, and the ocean.

### RONALD "RON" LEE MONVILLE

OCTOBER 9, 1954 - JANUARY 26, 2021

Ronald "Ron" Lee Monville age 66 of St. Johns, Michigan went to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, January 26, 2021, surrounded by his loving family. Ronald was born October 9, 1954 in Bay City, Michigan the son of Elmer Eugene Monville and Elsie Maxine (Johnson) Monville. Ronald enlisted in the United States Army and honorably served his country. On June 20, 1981 in Harrison, Ron was united in marriage to Ms. Robyn Sue Curns. Mr. Monville has resided in St. Johns since 1985, moving from Midland, Michigan.



Ronald was currently employed with Michigan Paving and Materials of Lansing, Michigan as an Aggregate Technician. Ron attended Community Christian Church of St. Johns with his family. For many years, Ron volunteered with Area 28 Special Olympics of Clinton County. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, bowling, reading, watching movies, photography and most importantly, spending time with his family, making memories.

great-nieces, great-nephews, several extended family members and his beloved dogs; Daisy and Lucy and beloved cat, Grace. Ronald was preceded in death by his parents, mother in-law, Nellie Curns, one brother, Leslie Monville, his niece, April Monville, two sisters in-law and two brothers in-law.

Surviving Mr. Monville is his loving wife and best friend of thirty-nine years, Mrs. Robyn Sue Monville of St. Johns, two daughters; Tara Flores and husband Frankie of Bay City and Ashley Monville of St. Johns, one granddaughter, Jesa Flores of Bay City, three brothers; Keith Monville of Indiana, Bob Monville and wife Katrina of Chesterfield, Michigan and Duane Monville and wife Raydene of Lincoln, Michigan, four sisters in-law; Mary Lee Pearson, Carol Bedard and husband Marv, Vicky Searles and Rita Duma and husband Dan, three brothers in-law; Bruce Curns and wife Deb, Robert Curns and wife Sue, plus many nieces, nephews,

Life Celebration services and Military Honors for Mr. Monville will be held Saturday, February 13, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. from Brown Corners Church, 5540 South Clare Avenue, Clare, Mi. 48617 with Mr. Tyler Barlage officiating. A time of gathering will take place on Saturday, February 13, 2021 from 9:30 a.m. until time of service. Inurnment will take place at Summerfield Township Cemetery, Harrison. Memorial gifts in memory of Mr. Monville may be considered to: Special Olympics Area 28, 10100 Williams Road, DeWitt, Michigan 48820. To share an online memory or condolence with Ron's family, please visit: [www.stockingfuneralhome.com](http://www.stockingfuneralhome.com). Arrangements and care of Mr. Monville are entrusted with Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison (989) 539-7810. Following COVID 19 guidelines, all guest attending the gathering and service for Mr. Monville are required to wear face masks and practice suggested social distancing.

### KEITH ALLEN CZARNECKI

JUNE 27, 1947 - JANUARY 9, 2021

Keith Allen Czarnecki 73 of Harrison passed away Saturday, January 9, 2021 at Covenant Healthcare-Saginaw. Keith was born June 27, 1947 in Royal Oak, Michigan the son of Joseph P. and Alice O. (Olson) Czarnecki. Keith graduated in 1967 from Walled Lake High School. Upon high school graduation, Keith enlisted in the United States Army and honorably served his country. After completing his commitment to his country, Keith attended Mid Michigan Community College and spent three years furthering his education.



Mr. Czarnecki had resided in Harrison since 1969, moving from Walled Lake, Michigan. While living his Harrison, Keith was a Tax Preparer for many years. On June 3, 1999, Keith was united in marriage to the former Judith "Judy" Foutch-Sprague in Ohio. Keith enjoyed socializing with his friends, clients and even complete strangers. Many will remember Keith as an avid gambler, visiting several Casinos throughout Michigan. He also could be seen daily at various locations purchasing Michigan Lottery tickets. He enjoyed watching televised golf and football game's as well as political events, as many know he was very politically involved.

Leslie of Harrison, one grandson, Declan Czarnecki also of Harrison, four sisters; Cheryl Norton of Harrison, Myra Coopshaw and husband Rich of Harrison, Bertha Combs and husband Bob also of Harrison and Faith Cooper and husband Kenneth of Harrison, plus many nieces, nephews and extended family members. Keith also was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Sharon Miller and three brothers; Paul Joseph Czarnecki, James S. Czarnecki and James S. O'Toole.

Surviving Mr. Czarnecki is his son, David Czarnecki and wife

Services celebrating Keith will be held later this year. To share an online memory or condolence with Keith's family, please visit: [www.stockingfuneralhome.com](http://www.stockingfuneralhome.com). Arrangements and care of Mr. Czarnecki and his family are entrusted with Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison (989)539-7810.

### ELIZABETH "LIZ" IZORA FRIES

AUGUST 20, 1942 - JANUARY 26, 2021

Elizabeth Izora Fries 78 of Harrison passed away Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at Michigan Medicine University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Elizabeth was born August 20, 1942 in rural Harrison the daughter of Ellsworth Miller and Esta (Price) Miller. Liz graduated from Harrison High School in 1960. After graduating high school, Liz attended Mid Michigan Community College. Liz was united in marriage to Mr. Francis Fries in 1966 in Harrison. Mr. Fries preceded Elizabeth in death the year of 2008.



Mrs. Fries has resided in the Harrison community her entire life. She retired from Amble School of rural Harrison in 2001 after 25 years as a Teachers Aide. Liz was a member of Faith Lutheran Church, Harrison and Harrison TOPS. Liz loved children, she continued helping children with reading and school for many years after her retirement. Liz's love for Jesus Christ and her family for unconditional. She enjoyed cooking, canning and enjoying the fruits of her labor, brewing a fresh cup of coffee, sharing many conversations with family and friends with the guarantee that it would not be boring, playing and cheating at cards, chewing out her partner for losing the game. Liz demanded every kid, grandchild or friend the importance of washing your hands, and helping her with chores, as there was always something to do. If you were close to Liz, your name was: Kim, Carol, Cheree or whatever the hell your name is.

great-grandchildren two sisters; Carol Beggs and husband Jerry of Crossville, Tennessee and Shirley Croff of Hastings, Michigan, two brothers; Larry Miller and wife Marti of Gladwin, Michigan and George Miller and wife Kathy of Clare, many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews and her special long-time friend, Gary Haskell of Harrison. Liz also was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters; Mildred and Dorothy and six brothers; William, John, Richard, Paul, Ervin and James.

Surviving Mrs. Fries are her two daughters; Kimberly Graham and husband Kevin of Clare, Michigan and Cheree Tuttle of Gillette, Wyoming, seven grandchildren; Jeremy, Jordan, Janiece, Jessica, Nathaniel, Joshua and Joel, many

Life Celebration services honoring Mrs. Fries will be held Saturday, June 5, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. from Cedar Crest Cemetery, Harrison. Inurnment will immediately follow services at Cedar Crest Cemetery, Harrison. Memorial gifts in memory of Liz may be considered to; Harrison District Library, 105 East Main Street, Harrison, Michigan 48625 or Harrison Community Schools Library Fund, 420 West Spruce Street, Harrison, Michigan 48625. To share an online memory or condolence with Liz's family, please visit: [www.stockingfuneralhome.com](http://www.stockingfuneralhome.com). Arrangements and care of Mrs. Fries and her family is entrusted with Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison.

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# Advocacy Groups Seeking Additional Relief For Consumers Energy's Low-Income Customers

LANSING – In an effort to secure additional financial relief for customers of Consumers Energy Co., Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel and several ratepayer advocacy groups are asking the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) to reconsider its denial of support for expanding a program the utility company has which provides credits to low-income customers.

Nessel and the Michigan Environmental Council (MEC), Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and Sierra Club led a motion on Jan. 15 for rehearing before the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) regarding the utility company's recent rate case.

On Dec. 17, 2020, the MPSC approved a \$90.2 million rate increase for electric customers of Consumers Energy. In addition to opposing the amount of the company's originally proposed \$244 million rate increase, the Attorney

General, MEC, NRDC and Sierra Club also raised concerns about the unaffordability of Consumers Energy's electric bills for its lowest-income customers. In 2020, Consumers Energy's bills were on average the highest in the state at \$106 per month.

During the rate case, the Attorney General and advocacy groups argued for both short-term and longer-term programs and policies to provide more targeted, impactful and sustainable assistance for low-income customers, including an expansion in the Consumers Energy's low-income assistance (LIA) credit program.

In October 2020, the administrative law judge (ALJ) who presided over the case recommended the MPSC approve a \$12.5 million increase for low-income payment assistance as it relates to the LIA credit, which would allow additional customers to receive the company's \$30 per-month credit.

Despite the lack of objections to the ALJ's proposal to expand

the LIA credit program, the MPSC did not approve that relief. Instead, the MPSC approved the company's original pre-pandemic \$6.1 million proposal for bill assistance. The majority (\$4.6 million) of that money goes to an \$8 per month Residential Income Assistance credit that the ALJ found to be nearly meaningless.

The joint petition for rehearing asks the MPSC to reconsider its decision to deny the expansion in the availability of the \$30 per-month credit for low-income customers as recommended by the ALJ and unopposed by any other party in the case.

"There is valid concern regarding bill unaffordability, particularly now due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and low-income ratepayers who are already struggling to keep food on the table should not be forced to choose between feeding their families and paying their utility bills," Nessel said. "I hope the relief requested in this joint petition brings additional resources for the people who need it, and I am grateful for the support of the MEC, NRDC, and Sierra Club in this fight for the betterment of all ratepayers."

"We continue to see more Michigan families struggling because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and economic recession, while at

the same time gas and utility rates continue to increase," said Charlotte Jameson, program director legislative affairs, energy, and drinking water policy for the Michigan Environmental Council. "Given that the Public Service Commission just approved an 8 percent increase in residential rates for Consumers' customers, we would hope they would also increase assistance going to those who are struggling. We joined the petition for rehearing so low-income consumers can get the relief they desperately need on their monthly electric bills."

"At a time when Michiganders are facing record unemployment and lost wages, low-income customers need more assistance," said Derrell Slaughter, Michigan clean energy advocate for the Natural Resources Defense Council. "The commission should reverse its decision to increase that assistance, while expanding the program and providing an additional \$12.5 million in funding for those customers."

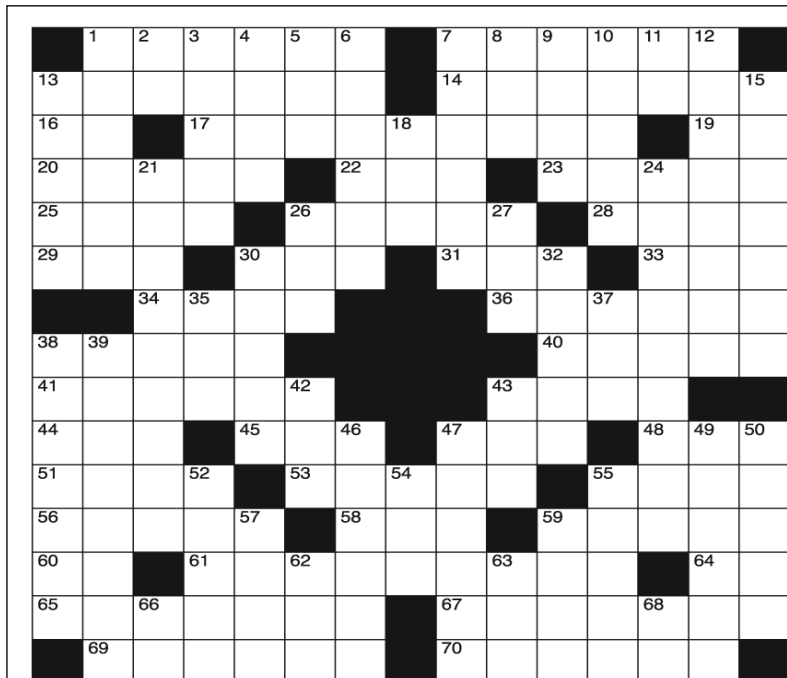
"Even before the COVID-19 pandemic, Consumers Energy's electric bills were highly unaffordable for the 450,000 low-income customers it serves," said Sophie Stoepker, West Michigan clean energy organizer for Sierra Club. "The action of the Michigan Public Service Commission to reject this assistance will likely have

detrimental consequences without remediation."

If adopted, the proposal would result in a minimal cost increase of less than a quarter per month for all residential ratepayers. However, the expanded ratepayer access to the \$30 per-month credit will make electric bills more

affordable for more low-income customers and lead to more timely and complete payments thus reducing collection activities by Consumer Energy. Reduced collection costs will ultimately benefit all electric customers.

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### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Large dung beetle
- 7. Representation of a plan
- 13. In a fervid way
- 14. The Book of Psalms
- 16. Morning
- 17. Exactly the same
- 19. About
- 20. Brown and basmati are two
- 22. Swiss river
- 23. Philippine island
- 25. Expressions of surprise
- 26. An ant
- 28. Common Japanese surname
- 29. Deoxyribonucleic acid
- 30. Car mechanics group
- 31. A person's brother or sister
- 33. Ancient pharaoh
- 34. Quantitative fact
- 36. Vividly colored bird
- 38. Your home has one
- 40. Organic compound
- 41. Section at the end of a book
- 43. Flat tableland with steep edges
- 44. Criticize
- 45. Split pulses
- 47. Brief trend
- 48. Cool!
- 51. Purposes
- 53. Brews
- 55. Skin condition
- 56. Pops
- 58. American air travel company
- 59. Minute bug
- 60. Anno Domini (in the year of Our Lord)
- 61. One who rides in your car
- 64. One of the Gospels
- 65. City in southern Spain
- 67. Inquisitive
- 69. Jean Paul \_\_, author
- 70. Pop singer Harry

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. An ape or monkey
- 2. Chemical element
- 3. Zodiac sign
- 4. Removes
- 5. Brew
- 6. Nickname
- 7. Architectural structures
- 8. Trigonometric function
- 9. Postmodern architectural building in Vienna
- 10. Henderson and Fitzgerald are two
- 11. Mountain (abbr.)
- 12. Landscaping practice
- 13. Capacitance unit
- 15. Redirect
- 18. Hat for women
- 21. In a way, dressed down
- 24. Granny
- 26. Feed
- 27. Endpoint
- 30. Indian instrument
- 32. Bleated
- 35. Cablegram (abbr.)
- 37. Root mean square (abbr.)
- 38. Jellyfishes
- 39. Individual TV installments
- 42. Talk
- 43. More (Spanish)
- 46. Leaseholder
- 47. Monetary units
- 49. Hostility
- 50. Work stations
- 52. Linguistics giant
- 54. Female sheep
- 55. Calendar month
- 57. Seasoning
- 59. Lofty nest of a bird of prey
- 62. Single Lens Reflex
- 63. A way to remove
- 66. Virginia
- 68. Old English

Watch For Answers In Next Week's Issue...

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The City of Harrison, Michigan, will receive sealed proposals at their office at: 2105 Sullivan Dr. Harrison, Michigan 48625 until 10:00 a.m. local time, March 24, 2021 at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing bituminous asphalt paving.

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## DNR Accepting Applications For Wolf Management Advisory Council



Gray wolf shown in winter woods. (DNR courtesy photo)

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is now accepting applications for the Wolf Management Advisory Council, an advisory body that is being re-established in light of federal delisting (which went into effect Jan. 4) of gray wolves as a threatened or endangered species.

The purpose of the council is to make recommendations on wolf management in Michigan. It will be comprised, at minimum, of representatives from conservation, hunting and/or shing, agricultural and animal advocacy organizations, as well as tribal government, as specified in state statute.

Applications for the council will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4. Request an application by emailing [DNR-Wildlife@Michigan.gov](mailto:DNR-Wildlife@Michigan.gov) or calling the DNR Wildlife Division at 517-284-9453.

On Nov. 3, 2020, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service decided to remove gray wolves from the federal list of threatened and endangered species in the lower 48 states. The action took effect Jan. 4.

With the federal delisting of wolves, two state laws – Public Act 290 of 2008 and Public Act 318 of 2008 – became effective. These laws allow residents to use lethal control on wolves that are in the act of killing or wounding livestock or a dog.

Wolves in Michigan are still a protected game species, and the taking of a wolf that is not in the act of killing or wounding livestock or a dog is illegal. The

mere presence of a wolf near livestock or a dog does not authorize the use of lethal control.

From an estimated survey of 140 wolves in 1998, to more than 600 every year since 2011, gray wolf populations in Michigan's Upper Peninsula have recovered, based on goals set by state and federal governments.

Wolf management in Michigan is guided by Michigan's Wolf Management Plan, which currently is being updated. There will be opportunity for public input as work to refresh the plan continues.

To learn more about wolves and wolf management in Michigan, visit [Michigan.gov/Wolves](http://Michigan.gov/Wolves).

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Bricks are temporarily stored in the new gymnasium to warm up prior to installation. (Cleaver photos by Dianne Alward-Biery)

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administrative assistant and bonus tour guide, spoke up saying, "I can't wait! I want them to start now! It will be interesting to see it when it's all done - seeing it progress is so interesting."

That construction will include 12 walled classrooms for grades K-2 and two specials rooms, each with its own restroom; RESD offices, two intervention rooms, a computer lab, a teachers' lounge, and more. The kitchen facilities will be expanded substantially, and the original gym converted into a cafeteria/multi-purpose space. The kitchen facility will be nearly tripled to accommodate the doubled student body. An additional projection screen will be installed in the new cafeteria. And, as was done with the locker pits at the high school, the floors will be brought up to one uniform height - no more walking down into that former gym area.

"Hopefully, the Tuesday after Labor Day they will be starting school here K-5," Foote said. "That's our goal: worst case scenario, if it's not the Tuesday, it might be the Monday, but we're hoping the Tuesday after Labor Day everybody will be over here."

The last building to be addressed will be Hillside, and bids for that will go out in February or early March. Foote said the day after school lets out for the summer, the proposed renovations/rearranging of offices will begin, to include redoing the back entrance with ramps for accessibility. He also said the gym floor will be replaced and bleachers removed.

"Kind of dress it up a little bit," Foote said. "Then the '38 building and the '48 building will be taken down. Having things come down will be the last thing that takes place. We'll keep our offices where they're at until they get the renovation done so that we just have to move across the hallway, instead of moving, moving, moving. So, one step at a time."

The Hillside work will put a period on the end of a 5-year-long sentence. Some will wax nostalgic, saying it is the end of an era. Yet, others will say it is a bright new beginning, offering students a wider horizon where relevant technologies and safer facilities will provide enhanced opportunities for success.

It definitely will be a busy summer for Harrison Community Schools, and well worth keeping an eye on the construction progress.

## TREASURY OFFERS VIRTUAL COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Students and families looking for help paying for college are encouraged to register for an upcoming Virtual College Financial Aid Night hosted by Michigan Department of Treasury's MI Student Aid team.

Sessions will be available from 6:30-8 p.m. EST every Tuesday and Thursday in February. All sessions are free and open to the public. Participants will be able to gather information on the following financial aid topics:

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## Adult Ed Services Locator offers new on-ramp to careers

*Free online tool connects users to local programs, resources and high school equivalency testing centers*

LANSING - To assist Michiganders with adult education opportunities, the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) has launched a new online tool - the Adult Education Services Locator - which allows users to conduct custom searches and identify a variety of Adult Education programs, resources and high school equivalency testing centers available statewide.

"There are more than 100 approved adult education programs in Michigan, and the new Adult Education Services Locator tool makes it easier than ever for Michiganders in all 83 counties to find nearby programs to continue their education," said Stephanie Beckhorn, LEO's Director of the Office of Employment and Training. "Connecting Michigan

residents to educational opportunities is an essential first step on the road to a meaningful career pathway."

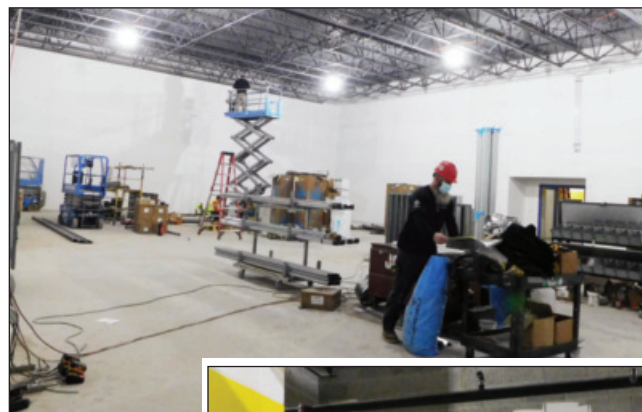
The Adult Education Services Locator, which is available at [Michigan.gov/LearnMoreEarnMore](http://Michigan.gov/LearnMoreEarnMore), allows visitors to search for a variety of services including Adult Basic Education, Adult Secondary Education, English as a Second Language and Workplace Literacy in relation to their city or ZIP code.

Expanding access to Adult Education aligns with Michigan's Sixty-by-30 goal to increase the number of working-age adults with a skill certificate or college degree to 60 percent by 2030.

For more information about Adult Education in Michigan, visit [Michigan.gov/LearnMoreEarnMore](http://Michigan.gov/LearnMoreEarnMore).



Above left, Larson Elementary as viewed from the southeast last summer. Above right, the structure as it appears now from the same vantage point. Noting the landmark trees in the background lends a sense of the project's scale.



This painter rolls on the ever-present Hornet Gold stripes that course through every hallway.



At left, the future gymnasium serves as a staging/work prep area. At right is one of the many areas which will become access points into the original Larson building once the second portion of the project begins when school is out for the summer. Below, the mechanicals mezzanine and seemingly miles of pipes, cables and ducting that will bring climate control and function together.



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| <b>COLBY OR COJACK CHEESE</b><br><br><b>\$4.99</b><br>LB.       | <b>BABY CARROTS</b><br>1 LB.<br><br><b>\$1.25</b><br>EA.           | <b>NORTH STAR LOTTA POPS</b><br>20 PK.<br><br><b>\$2.99</b><br>EA.                        |   |  |  |  |                |
| <b>GUGGISBERG BABY SWISS CHEESE</b><br><br><b>\$5.49</b><br>LB. | <b>AVOCADOS</b><br><br><b>2/\$1.00</b>                             | <b>4 QUART PAIL ICE CREAM</b><br><br><b>\$4.99</b><br>EA.                                 |   |  |  |  |                |

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