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NOTICE

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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



By Dianne Alward-Biery Cleaver 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

Larson New Construction Progressing Well 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 aca-

ing tours laid a wide path to a successful May 2017 millage vote. In short order, architectural drawings

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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.

Cleaver Gets School Expansion Sneak Peek

"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 wintertime." 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

"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

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

Robert Anthony McAulay, 34,

Bipartisan commission focused on equitable distribution of safe, effective vaccine to save lives, strengthen economy **Protect Michigan Commission hosts first**

state and federal government.

meeting, highlights state's vaccine strategy

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/Budd Lake Meltdown.

Winner takes home 50% of the proceeds!

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.

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 COVID19 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

DEMOCRATIC PARTY MEETING

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.

The Public is welcome.

The Clare County Democratic

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

every part of our state," Lt. Gov. 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 possible," as 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 bi-partisan 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 sta 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 and CDC.gov/Coronavirus. To learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine, visit

Michigan.gov/COVIDVaccine.



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was released from the Clare

County Jail on a day pass by an order from the Clare County Courts a n d ordered

to return



McAULAY

by 6 p.m. that same date.

McAulay failed to return as ordered and a warrant was issue 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 80th 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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COMMUNITY LIFE



Blight Still Hot Topic in Hayes

By Dianne Alward-Biery Cleaver Staff Writer

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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 Ginnie 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 ballots, 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 Resolution 20-09 Hayes Insurance Withholding Program;

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

-Approve payment for the Review

The board then approved the Annual Zoning Report, with an

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

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.

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abstention by Rick Jones who had to be placed on the August ballot.



SpartanNash Foundation, Harrison's **Family Fare** support Clare **County Habitat** for Humanity's Feb. 10-21 fundraiser

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 thoughout 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.

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some of those forts are quite elabo-

rate. Some of the forts have, peep

holes, they have escape tunnels.

Some have an open roof and others

school, we discover that you can

~ CLARE COUNTY HISTORY ~

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 weeping like 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;

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enior Services

February 8

<u>Hot Meal Menu</u>

Recommended Donation is \$2.25

Please Note: We are delivering Meals of

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

Monday, Feb. 8

Swiss Chicken,

Mashed Polaloes & Gravy,

Baby Carrols, Red Apple

<u>Tuesday, Feb. 9</u>

Chicken Poł Pie on Biscuił,

Chaleł Garlic Veggie Blend,

Applesauce.

Optional: Fruit Mix

<u>Wednesday, Feb. 10</u>

Baked Zili, Green Beans,

Parslied Cauliflower,

Fruit & Dip

Optional: Garlic Toast

Thursday, Feb. 11

Meatloaf, Au Gratin Potatoes

Brown Sugar Glazed Carrols

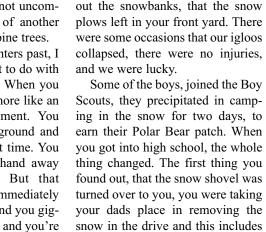
Under The Sea Salad.

Friday, Feb. 12

Happy Valentine's Day!

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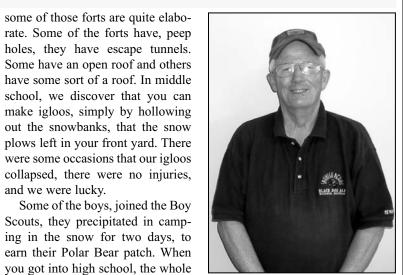
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shoveling off the roof of the cabin. In early adulthood, you start ice fishing from morning to night. You chased snowshoes hares from dawn to dusk. Many of times, I heard my friends say, you got to love winter. We didn't care if the temperature was 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 is 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/winteroutdoorfamilyadventure After



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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 Listen event. 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.

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

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



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 pharmicist. Get well soon Angie.



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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,

ATTENTION FRANKLIN TWP. RESIDENTS

As of January 1st, we have contracted with a new trash company, American Waste. You should have already received a new green & black receptacle from them.

American Waste will NOT pick up trash in the old brown or blue Republic containers, these belong to the property owners.

We ask that you please, MOVE THE OLD CONTAINERS BACK FROM THE ROAD.

> Thank you, Franklin Township Board

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 Neagele attends the wedding as a witness. This was Orin Grave's first marriage and Jessie Mav'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 Member, Clare County **Historical Society**

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OUTLOOK MIXED ON MICHIGAN'S EFFORT TO 'FIX THE DAMN ROADS'

By SHEL KRAUSE Capital News Service

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LANSING - With a new presidential administration and an expressed willingness for bipartisan cooperation from Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, advocates of better roads and infrastructure say they have mixed expectations about increased funding and improved federal guidance.

The governor made it clear that she hasn't forgotten about the policy promise that helped get her elected, as evidenced by her references to the "Fix the Damn Roads" slogan in her recent State of the State address.

She touted the Rebuilding Michigan Bonding Plan of 2020 as evidence that the state can "walk and chew gum at the same time" by tackling COVID-19 and the deteriorating infrastructure simultaneously.

Whitmer also boasted of large interstate highway renovation projects in Oakland County and Lansing.

Whitmer's plans for infrastructure improvements in 2021 include asking the Legislature to increase funding for local government projects, as well as a \$500 million MI Clean Water Plan.

The Michigan Association of

Counties, issued a statement supporting infrastructure's spotlight in Whitmer's address.

"We appreciate Gov. Whitmer's call to improve our local roads and infrastructure," association executive director Stephan Currie said. "While this is not a new topic at the state Capitol, or at the local diner, it is a critical one."

The association's director of governmental affairs, Deena Bosworth, also noted support for increased local funding of Whitmer's clean water initiatives.

Reactions from county road commissions varied.

A representative from the Wayne County Department of Public Services commented after Whitmer's address.

"Our state and federal governments have made it clear that they understand the need to increase funding and address critical improvements to infrastructure," said communications director Tiffani Jackson.

"As the largest county road agency in the state of Michigan, the Wayne County Department of Public Services remains hopeful, committed and supportive of any form of a stimulus package, both

chose to go it alone to solve that

issue. We then set up a responsible

budget and she gutted it and sent

money where she saw fit. We have

provided input and feedback from

our constituents about how the pan-

demic is negatively affecting them,

but she routinely ignores these pleas

and has continued to keep the state

locked down while changing the

rules time and again when her exten-

"So, forgive me for being skepti-

cal of her calls tonight for us to work

together. It takes two to do so and

sions are set to expire.

local and federal, that may assist us of helping local units of government. in continuing the mission of improving our infrastructure."

Todd Behring, the managing director of the Montmorency County Road Commission, said he doesn't believe that Whitmer has made a significant difference in the condition of his county's roads.

"I don't think her election had anything to do with our roads getting better because the funding was put in place before she stepped in," he said. "As far as the funding she's put in place, it has helped the state roads, but we didn't really receive any of that at the county level."

On the federal level, some advocates of greater spending on roads and bridges say they're pleased by the nomination of former South Bend, Indiana, Mayor Pete Buttigieg to be the U.S. secretary of Transportation.

Dan Gilmartin, the executive director and CEO of the Michigan Municipal League, said he is cautiously optimistic about increased federal support for infrastructure projects.

"There's a lot of goodwill right now," he said. "President [Joe] Biden has talked a lot about communities and talks a lot about the issues

"When it comes to some of his appointments, there's a lot of mayors sprinkled out there," Gilmartin continued. "There's certainly a knowledge of what happens at city hall what goes on at a local level – in the administration."

Buttigieg made his priorities for the position clear in testifying at his U.S. Senate confirmation hearing, saying, "I look forward to working with our partners at the state, local, territorial and tribal levels to find solutions to our infrastructure issues while we also prepare for the future of transportation at a time of great change."

Robert Laitinen, of the Chippewa County Road Commission, said he doesn't have particularly high hopes for the new administration.

"I have not heard or seen any details released on that. There's been some speech that's put out there, but I've seen no concrete plans or information that would lead me to believe that that's going to happen," Laitinen said.

"But yes, I have definite hopes that something's going to occur that's going to put some real investment back into our system, because it's sorely needed," he added.

A feather in your capitonym

Last week I wrote about the difference between "capital" and "capitol." My research opened up a can of worms, which is what I wrote about two weeks ago. While researching when the word "capitol" needs to be capitalized I stumbled upon the topic of "capitonyms."

Capitalization changes everything. A capitonym is a word whose meaning changes when its first letter is capitalized. Capitonym purists will tell you that, when capitalized, the capitonym's pronunciation changes as well, as in the example of "polish" and "Polish." I subscribe to the more inclusive definition that a capitonym's pronunciation sometimes changes when the word is capitalized. Let's look at some examples.

For some reason, some of the most notable capitonyms are months. Think about "march" and "March"; "august" and "August"; and "may" and "May." When these words appear in their lowercase forms, they mean one thing; when they are capitalized, they are months in the Julian calendar. If you want to dive down a fun rabbit hole, look up the "year of confusion." In the year 46 B.C., Julius Caesar decided he wanted to begin his new twelve-month calendar the following year. As a result, 46 B.C. ended up lasting 455 days.

There's another category of common capitonyms: place names. Whether we're dealing with countries or cities. In the case of countries, we have "china" and "China"; and "turkey" and "Turkey." I found a lengthy list of capitonym cities, but here are my

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favorites: "nice" and "Nice"; "mobile" and "Mobile"; "reading" and "Reading"; and "tangier" and "Tangier." Interestingly, each of the cities I just listed takes a different pronunciation from each of their lowercase counterparts. If I wanted to break that pattern, I would have included "scone" (the delicious breakfast biscuit) and "Scone" (the city in Scotland). Perhaps this is where you can find the Scone of Destiny.

Still another batch of familiar capitonyms falls into the category of religious terminology. A "mosaic" is different from "Mosaic" Law. When something is "catholic," it's universal; when someone is "Catholic," they belong to a global Christian denomination. "See" what I mean? What was Job's job, anyway? Can I have the lawnmower back that I lent you around Lent? A mass of people attended Mass.

Once you delve into the world of capitonyms, you'll notice them everywhere. You may even notice that it's rainier up on Mt. Rainier.

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SEN. RICK OUTMAN

LANSING - State Sen. Rick Outman, R-Six Lakes, issued the following statement Jan. 27, in response to Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's 2021 State of the State address:

"It is always interesting to hear the governor's priorities and her outlook we're tired of holding our hands out.

Sen. Outman Reacts To State Of The State Address for Michigan's future, but actions "With that said, I hope she is finalalways speak louder than words ly willing to work with us. We can written in a speech. start by giving people some certainty "For nearly a year, the Legislature

as to when they can return to work has been left out of discussions surand do so without changing the rules rounding the pandemic response. At a few days before the restrictions are first, it was calling on the Legislature to be lifted. to work with her on roads before she We can also continue working to

provide relief to those businesses that are on the brink of shutting down to help them stay afloat. Workers and businesses need certainty. They cannot keep making investments in safety equipment and extra measures only to be shut down anyway.

"Next, we can get kids back into schools and allow them to compete in winter sports and have that muchneeded interaction with their peers. This will be a tremendous first step in addressing and healing the mental health problems that have developed

a notification prior to the 2018

election requiring a response, did

from people being locked in their homes.

"Finally, she can join us in approving a responsible budget that puts some money back in our savings and funds critical state services like public safety, public health, road repairs and our schools.

"I've said from the beginning that the solution cannot be worse than the cure, and as we watch families struggle, businesses fail, and people's life's work being thrown out through the decision-making of one person, I believe we have reached that point.

"I hope 2021 is the year the governor finally does join hands with the Legislature. I hope she does give people in this state a voice.

"I look forward to the governor's budget presentation in the coming weeks and seeing if she truly means the words she said tonight, or if it was another speech for the cameras."

Secretary Of State Benson Continues To Bolster Election Security

Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson announced Jan. 28 that ongoing voter registration list maintenance and post-election

Ongoing voter registration list maintenance and election audits arm public trust

State, they will be registered automatically unless they opt out of registration.

The Bureau is also carrying out



audits continue to demonstrate the integrity, transparency and accuracy of Michigan elections.

"Michigan's 2020 elections were the most secure, successful and accessible in state history. More than 5.5 million citizens voted and over 1,600 election clerks on both sides of the aisle worked tirelessly to ensure all valid ballots were counted efficiently and accurately," said Benson. "Since November, my administration has continued to work with election officials across our state to review and strengthen all our election processes and protocols, in preparation for 2021's local elections."

In support of those efforts, Benson made publicly available Jan. 28 the list of approximately 177,000 voter registrations slated for cancellation because the state has reason to believe the voter has moved away from the registration address. These individuals either surrendered a Michigan Driver's License to another state or had election mail returned undeliverable to an election official prior to the 2018 election. They were sent

not respond to the notice and did not engage in any voting activity in at least the last two federal election cycles (2020 and 2018). To ensure that voters who still live at their registered address have

an additional opportunity to prevent cancellation, the full list of voters to be cancelled is now available more than one month prior to cancellation, enabling voters and civic groups to review the list and notify local clerks of any list errors or registrations that should be updated rather than cancelled. The list can be requested by emailing ElectionData@michigan.gov. Requesting the list does not require a fee. The list does not include any information that is not publicly available through a public records request of the Qualified Voter File. It includes voter name, address and birth year. More information can be found at Michigan.gov/Vote.

"When carried out transparently, accurately and in accordance with federal law, list maintenance is an important element of ensuring Michigan's election system remains secure," said Benson. "The work that we are doing now will ensure the list of registered voters, which had gone over a decade without sufficient comprehensive efforts to ensure its accuracy, is updated and modernized with methods to promote integrity and prevent any eligible voter from disenfranchisement."

Michigan voters whose registrations are cancelled can re-register at any time, including up to and on Election Day. If they conduct an identification or driver's license transaction with the Department of the following two additional list maintenance activities:

-Providing to local election clerks the absentee ballot applications returned undeliverable to the Bureau of Elections last year following what was the first statewide election mailing in nearly a decade. Federal law prohibited voter list maintenance in the 90day periods before the August and November 2020 elections, but as those periods have ended, the information gained from the returned mail can now be used to clean the voter rolls. Clerks will mail notifications to all those voters that they must verify their registration within two federal election cycles or it will be subject to cancellation.

-Mail additional notifications requiring verification to voters listed as registered in other states by the Electronic Registration Information Center, an interstate organization that compares voter lists and driver records nationally.

The work to maintain the voter registration list is occurring while the Bureau and local clerks continue to also carry out more than 200 post-elections audits, including an ongoing statewide risk-limiting audit expected to arm the results determined by vote-counting machines in the presidential election.

A similar pilot audit demonstrated the machines were accurate following the March 2020 presidential primary election. All the completed audits of the November 2020 election have confirmed its accuracy and integrity. A list of all audits that includes their current status is available on the Bureau of Elections website.



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Outside Looking In

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-



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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. I sat up dazed and remember my hand sliding up my leg and

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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 or in care of the Cleaver.

Early Head Start is Enrolling Now

Give your child the best start with Early Head Start Mid Michigan Community development and building school Action Agency is now enrolling for readiness for early learning and the Early Head Start (EHS) pro- future success, with services curgram. EHS provides supportive rently 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 EAVER Local Books Available Through The Cleaver* video activities including story * As supplies last. time, recipes, crafts, and much more. MYSTERY MAN "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 **Mystery Man** always our highest priority, and Gangsters, Oil & Murder during this pandemic we are comin Michigan mitted to our families. Now more than ever we can provide a warm by Robert Knapp blanket of support for our new families and young children." CLARE COUNTY MICHIGAN 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 interest form or visit an www.mmcaa.org/ehs. Learn more about all Mid Michigan CAA's early childhood programs at www.mmcaa.org/ecs. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, **Clare County** YouTube, and LinkedIn at @mid-**Plat Book** michigancommunityaction for 2020 news and updates. Sold for the Boy Scouts

SpartanNash pharmacies prepare to administer free COVID-19 vaccine

WEAR A MASK

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 companyowned 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 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 adults, pregnant women and efforts, as well as allowing customers to receive their second dose in a timely manner.

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KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

During the scheduled vaccination appointment, the pharmacist will administer a contact-free temperature reading, and both the pharmacist and the customer will grade face mask, provided by Human 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 muchanticipated vaccine, our family of retail stores remain committed to serving our customers with all of the products they need to stay healthy, including affordable, ing nutritious foods for a balanced diet, flu vaccinations, medications and more," EVP and General Manager, Corporate Retail Tom time comes, our pharmacies are to get your COVID-19 vaccination."

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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 immunocompromised store guests in Michigan.

STAY HOME IF SICK

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 be required to wear a medical U.S. Department of Health and 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.

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Family Fare, D&W Fresh Swanson said. "And when the Market, Martin's Super Markets, VG's Grocery pharmacies currentprepared to be your go-to choice ly offer walk-up flu, shingles vaccinations; reserved hours; and free home prescription delivery to Since the onset of the coron- ensure well-being and safety of customers and communities

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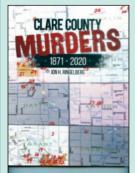
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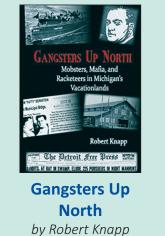
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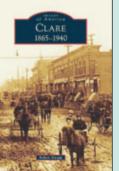
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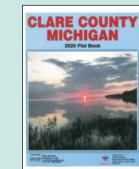
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Obituaries

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.

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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.



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

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 loosing 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. 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



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 longtime 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.

Life Celebration services honoring Mrs. Fries will be held Saturday, June

RONALD "RON" LEE MONVILLE

OCTOBER 9, 1954 - JANUARY 26, 2021

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 fish-

ing, hunting, bowling, reading,

watching movies, photography

and most importantly, spending

time with his family, making

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 hus-

band 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 hus-

band Marv, Vicky Searles and

Rita Duma and husband Dan,

three brothers in-law; Bruce

Curns and wife Deb, Robert

Curns and Dave Curns and wife

Sue, plus many nieces, nephews,

memories.

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

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.

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. 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.

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



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.

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. Arrangements and care of Mr. Czarnecki and his family are entrusted with Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison (989)539-7810.

Clare County Senior Services is hiring a home delivered meal driver for delivery to the Clare/Farwell area. Meals are picked up at the Senior Center in Harrison. The hours are 5 days per week, 4 hours per day, 10am-2pm approximately.

There is also an opening for up to 5 days per week, 4 hours per day, in the Harrison area.

The rate of pay is \$10.15 per hour; use of company vehicle for route. Please drop off your resume or obtain an application at: Senior Services at 212 S. Broad St., Harrison, Michigan (formerly the Knights of Columbus Hall behind the Courthouse.)

Further inquiries can be directed to Brenna Chapman at 989-539-6515.



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 i S i www.stockingfuneralhome.com. Arrangements and care of Mrs. Fries and her family is entrusted with Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison.

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Joy

Joy is the second grace mentioned by St. Paul as a fruit of the Spirit. Joy is a translation of the Greek word "chara," which can be rendered as joy, gladness, or delight. The Greek verb "charein" means "to rejoice." Throughout the Bible, there are many and varied occurrences of joy and rejoicing. For instance, we are told repeatedly in the Psalms



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to "Rejoice in the Lord." (Cf. Psalms 33, 35, and 97) And Jesus tells us that He has come to bring joy: "These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full." (John 15:11) We are repeatedly told that following God's commandments and having faith that God will save us, brings joy. Indeed, it is joyful to know that we are doing God's will, that our sins are truly forgiven, and that salvation awaits us. This is the real joy which abides in us despite

the ups and downs of our external circumstances or even our momentary mood swings. And although we may not always feel the elation of being on top of the mountain, if we keep our faith and trust in the Lord, we will always have the bedrock of joy to sustain us.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

R.S.V. Romans 15:13

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during the redemption period.

PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE:

In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the foreclosure sale, TCF National bank, successor by merger to Chemical Bank, formerly known as Chemical Bank and Trust Company may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any,

of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.



LEGALS

FORECLOSURE

600.3278: Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at foreclosure sale under MCL 600.3201 et. seq., the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or the mortgage holder for damaging the property

ATTENTION POTENTIAL

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Platted Lot(s), situated in the Township of Frost, County of Clare, State of Michigan, describedPlatted

to-wit:

the

annum.

Notice is hereby given that

the power of sale contained

in said Mortgage has

become operative and that

pursuant to that power of

sale and MCL 600.3201 et.

place

Michigan, that

Lot(s), situated in the Township of Frost, County Permission, of Clare, State of Michigan, Head of described as:

Lot 41, EXCEPT the East 10 feet thereof, Lot 42, and Michigan. as:

Lot 41, EXCEPT the East instrument, that:

This notice relates to a redemption period shall be Mortgage made by Donald the later of thirty (30) days P. Fuson, a single man from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the ("Mortgagor") to Chemical Bank and Trust Company, date the notice required by dated April 29, 2003, and MCL 600.3241a(b) was recorded in the Office of the posted and mailed. Dated: January 15, 2021 Register of Deeds for the

County of Clare in the State By: NICOLE R. GRAF (P55474) of Michigan on May 7, ALWARD FISHER RICE 2003, in Liber 848, Page(s) 434, et. seq., on which ROWE & Mortgage there is claimed to GRAF, PLC be due as of the date of this Attorneys for TCF Notice the sum of 202 E. State Street, \$17,151.99, together with Suite 100 interest at 5.50 percent per Traverse City, Michigan 49684 NOW THEREFORE.

(231) 346-5400 File No.: 16498.0190 (TCF / Fuson) 3-3

Public Notice

seq., on February 24, 2021 Let it be known to one at 11:00 a.m., at the County and all that on this date of Courthouse in Harrison, November 1, 2020, of the being day of our Lord, that Macomb County, State of for holding the Circuit Court Michigan and Resident of the United States of and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the America, Dr. James L. County of Clare, there will Osiwala was Ordained and be offered at public sale, the Bestowed the degree and premises, or some part title of Deacon by the thereof, described in said Sovereign Ecclesiastical SACRED Mortgage as follows, Monarchy: CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE EAST.

Let it be known that, We, Mar Basileus Adao Pereira I, By the Grace of Almighty God and with Divine Sovereign, State and Generalissimo of all the Militaries and Clergies.

WE DECREE: the East 5 feet of Lot 43 of By virtue of our Rights and the Supervisor's Plat of Privileges, according to the Hirim Hills Subdivision, canonical laws and Rules of Frost Township, as set forth the Sacred Catholic Church in Plats, Clare County, of the East, Chaldean Rite, We Certify through this

10 feet thereof, Lot 42, and James Lawrence Osiwala, the East 5 feet of Lot 43 of was blessed, Ordered and

NO. 004/2020 To the most Reverend Dr. James L. Osiwala on this date of November 1, 2020, that this title and instrument will be from this date forth, Perpetual in time for this most Blessed Disciple of the Faith and our Lord Jesus

MONDAY

Christ. We sign and confirm Our Hand and seal with our weapons on this date of November 1, 2020, at St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church, Clinton Township, Michigan, USA Signed by:

Mar Basileus Adao Pereira Perpetual Defender of the Ecclesiastical Monarchy of

the Church of the East. Signed by: Most Reverend Charles

McWilliams Bishop of the Church of Hope Monastic / Ecclesiastical / Indigenous Medicines In the Name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy

Amen...

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*** **Public Notice**

Ghost.

Let it be known to one and all that on this date of November 1, 2020, of the day of our Lord, that Macomb County, State of Michigan and Resident of the United States of America, Reverend Dr. James L. Osiwala was Ordained and Bestowed the degree and title of Priest by the Sovereign Ecclesiastical Monarchy: SACRED CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE EAST.

Let it be known that. We. Mar Basileus Adao Pereira I, By the Grace of Almighty God and with Divine Permission, Sovereign, Head of State and

Church, Clinton Township, Michigan, USA Signed by: Mar Basileus Adao Pereira

Perpetual Defender of the Ecclesiastical Monarchy of

the Church of the East. Signed by: Most Reverend Charles McWilliams Bishop of the Church of Hope

Monastic / Ecclesiastical / Indigenous Medicines In the Name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen... 3-3

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Notice under MCL 600.3278: Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under MCL 600.3201 et. seq., the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT

FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale. TCF National Bank, successor by merger to Chemical Bank, formerly known as Chemical Bank and Trust Company may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

This notice relates to a Mortgage made by Chad M Modification ***

THEREFORE, NOW Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on March 10, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., at the County Courthouse in Harrison, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Clare, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows,

to-wit: Land, situated in the Township of Grant, County of Clare, State of Michigan, described as:

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4, Section 12, Town 17 North, Range 4 West, described as: Beginning East along the North section line, 979.24 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 12: thence continuing East, along said North section line, 342.24 feet to the West 1/8th line; thence South 00 degrees 19'29" East, along said West 1/8th line, 198.00 feet; thence West parallel to the North section line, 342.05 feet; thence North 00 degrees 22'42" West,

198.00 feet back to the Place of Beginning. The redemption period shall be twelve (12) months unless the property is established to be abandoned nursuant MCL to 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was

posted and mailed. Dated: January 26, 2021 By: NICOLE R. GRAF (P55474) ALWARD FISHER RICE ROWE & GRAF, PLC Attorneys for TCF 202 E. State Street, Suite 100 Traverse City, Michigan 49684 (231) 346-5400 File No.: 18443.0005 (TCF / Ruby) 5-3 STATE OF MICHIGAN **PROBATE COURT** COUNTY OF CLARE NOTICE TO CREDITORS **Decedent's Estate FILE NO. 21-18234-DE** Estate of Richard R.

Date of birth: March 28, 1936 **TO ALL CREDITORS: ***

Taken Over The Phone!

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS:**

The decedent. RICHARD R. CARLEY, , died December 25, 2020.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Russell L. V. Carley, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 225 W. Main St., P.O. Box 96, Harrison, Michigan 48625-0096 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of

publication of this notice. Dated: January 27, 2021 Marcoux Allen Bower & Kendall PC Richard C. Mills P68618 145 S. Jackson Street P.O. Box 787 Jackson, MI 49204-0787 (517) 787-4100 Russell L. V. Carley 20739 Tomlee Ave. Torrance, CA 90503 (310) 251-1480 5

> PUBLICATION OF NOTICE

In the matter of Finn Family Living Trust u/a/d November 11, 1991, as amended.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including: *

Whose address(es) are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, Doris M. Finn, who was a resident of Clare County, Michigan died December 10, 2020. John A. Finn is the successor trustee of the Finn Family Living Trust u/a/d November 11, 1991, as amended. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against this Trust Estate will be forever barred unless presented to the Successor Trustee, John A. Finn within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice Dated: January 18, 2021 Gambrell and Associates PLC Todd M. Gambrell P57171 240 West Main Street Suite 1000 Midland, MI 48640 (989) 631-7626 John A. Finn 530 Bertha Drive Farwell, MI 48622 (989) 339-0878 ***



the Supervisor's Plat of Ordained to the Rank of Hirim Hills Subdivision, Deacon, and is fully Frost Township, as set forth authorized perform all in Plats, Clare County, Ministerial Canonically resident in the The redemption period shall be twelve (12) Sacred Medical Order the Church of Hope. We hereby unless property is established to be present this Certificate: abandoned pursuant to MCL **CERTIFICATE OF** in **ORDINATION OF** case the DEACON

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2160 BERT ROAD - Visualize yourself in this rewarding 3-bedroom Contempo. Gas heat. Garage, basement, well water. \$69,000

3390 CLARE AVENUE Commercial concrete block building with windows facing US127 for display of your inventory. Restore and open! \$49.000 For Photos Text

RBFJZMP To 52187 LOT 10 HAWTHORNE -Wooded, rolling lot on dead end paved stree in City limits with country settig. build your dream home. \$12,000 For Photos Text

RBFTJWB To 52187

14.15 ACRE WESTLAWN - Great Development site. Approximately 14.15 acres in the City of Harrison ready to be developed. The ground work has been done. Part of this is currently zoned R-2 and part is currently zoned residential, the Future Use according to the City Future Use Map calls for part of this to be Commercial. The rezoning of this parcel would be subject to approval by the City of Harrison. Subject to City Approval of Split. Seller will sell all or part of this parcel. \$172,500

https://harrison-realty.com/173563

<u>2686 JEAN</u> - Find a real honey 06, 07, 08 TAMARACK in this metal-roofed 2-bedroom RIDGE RD - Building lot over-Cottage-style. Well water. Right looking 7th fairway Tamarack style, right comforts! \$34,686 Golf Course, comes w/3 years 15 WHITE PINE RIDGE membership for 2 offered at \$29,900 per lot. Level building lot over looking 2439 LUDINGTON DRIVE the 11th fairway on an 18 hole golf course in Northern 5 Semi Wooded acres with Michigan. \$29,900 Beautifully remodeled Home For Photos Text just off M 115 close to US 10 3 T101141 To 52187 BD 1.5 BA all new

Open by Appointment Only

Generalissimo of all the Militaries and Clergies. WE DECREE: to By virtue of our Rights and his/her Duties, Privileges, according to the canonical laws and Rules of the Sacred Catholic Church of the East, Chaldean Rite, We Certify through this instrument, that: James Lawrence Osiwala Was blessed, Ordered and Ordained to the Rank of

Priest (Father), and is fully authorized all perform his/her Ministerial Duties, Canonically resident in the Sacred Medical Order -Church of Hope. We hereby present this Certificate: **CERTIFICATE OF**

ORDINATION OF PRIEST NO. 035/2020

To the most Reverend

to

Father Dr. James L. Osiwala on this date of November 1, 2020, that this title and instrument will be from this date forth, Perpetual in time for this most Blessed Disciple of the Faith and our Lord Jesus Christ. We sign and confirm Our Hand and seal with our

weapons on this date of November 1, 2020, at St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic



Ruby and Mary Beth Ruby, husband and wife, to Chemical Bank Michigan, recorded on June 16, 1994 in Liber 227, Page(s) 47, et seq. ("Mortgagor") with a Loan Agreement recorded in Liber 1343, Page(s) 116, et seq., which Mortgage was last assigned to Chemical Bank and Trust by Assignment of Mortgage, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Clare in the State of Michigan in Liber 227, Page(s) 345, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$25,057.11 together with interest at 8.875 percent per annum.

\$21,500. MLS 173804

6559 SAW MILL. 3

Bdrm. Waterfront 83' on

MLS 173696



6670 24x24 pole barn, & on a nice lot with access to a shared waterfront lot on Budd Lk. \$93,500. MLS 174105

canal of Chain of Lakes, vinyl siding many 6009 PIERCE. 160 updates, move in ready, acres, small hunting cabin decks, shed, beach area with elec., gas heat, no and seawall. \$124,900.00 well or septic. has many trails, great hunting area bordering state land &

EBERHART. Custom built log sided 4 bdrm. 2 bath home with large family room, garage, on 10 wooded acres near lakes, state land & trails. \$349,900. MLS 173387

(Due To Many Recent Sales, Listings Greatly Needed & Appreciated!)

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

said

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 denial reconsider its of support for expanding a progra utility company m the provides credits to has which low-income customers.

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

2020, On Dec. 17, 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 increase, the Attorney rate

MEC, General, and Sierra Club also raised the MPSC did not approve that concerns about the unaffordability relief. of Consumers Energy's electric MPSC bills for its lowest-income the company's customers. In 2020, Consumers pre-pandemic \$6.1 million Energy's bills were on average the proposal for bill assistance. highest in the state at \$106 per The majority (\$4.6 million) of month.

Attorney General and advocacy Assistance credit that the ALJ groups argued for both short-term found and longer-term programs and meaningless. policies to provide more targeted, impactful sustainable assistance low-income customers, including the an expansion in the Consumers in the availability of the \$30 Energy's low-income assistance per-month (LIA) credit program.

In October the administrative law judge (ALJ unopposed by any other party) who presided over the case in the case. recommended the MPSC approve a \$12.5 million increase for regarding bill unaffordability, low-income payment assistance as particularly now due to the it relates to the LIA credit, which ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Michigan clean energy advocat would allow additional customers and low-income ratepayers to receive the company's \$30 who are already struggling to per-month credit.

to the ALJ's proposal to expand between feeding their families

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NRDC the LIA credit program, Instead, the approved original that money goes to an \$8 per During the rate case, the month Residential Income nearly to be

> The joint petition for and rehearing asks the MPSC to for reconsider its decision to deny expansion credit for low-income customers as 2020, recommended by the ALJ and

"There is valid concern keep food on the table should Despite the lack of objections not be forced to choose 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 it all ratepayers."

> because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and economic recession, while at assistance will likely

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 serves.'

Service Commission just

approved an 8 percent increase

Consumers' customers, we

would hope they would also

increase assistance going to

those who are struggling. We

rehearing so low-income

consumers can get the relief

they desperately need on their

Michiganders are facing record

unemployment and lost wages,

low-income customers need

more assistance," said Derrell

Slaughter,

e for the Natural Resources

time

in residential rates

joined the petition

monthly electric bills."

"At a

said Sophie Stoepker, West "We continue to see more Michigan clean energy organiz Michigan families struggling er for Sierra Club. "The action of the Michigan Public Service Commission to reject this have

DNR Accepting Applications For Wolf Management Advisory Council



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 and wolf wolves management in Michigan, visit Michigan.gov/Wolves.

the same time gas and utility detrimental consequences without affordable for more low-income rates continue to increase," remediation."

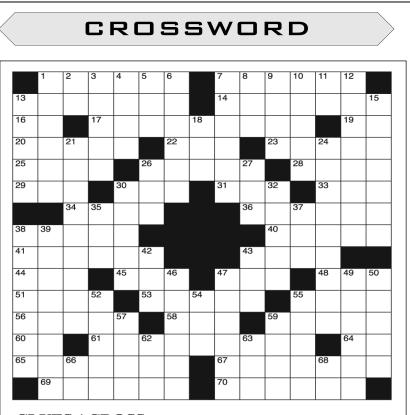
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Charlotte Jameson, If adopted, the proposal would result program director legislative in a minimal cost increase of less than affairs, energy, and drinking a quarter per month for all residential water policy for the Michigan ratepayers. However, the expanded E n v i r o n m e n t a l ratepayer access to the \$30 per-month Council. "Given that the Public credit will make electric bills more

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.



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

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

45. Split pulses 47. Brief trend

41. Section at the end of a book

43. Flat tableland with steep edges

48. Cool!

44. Criticize

- 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
 - ⊠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

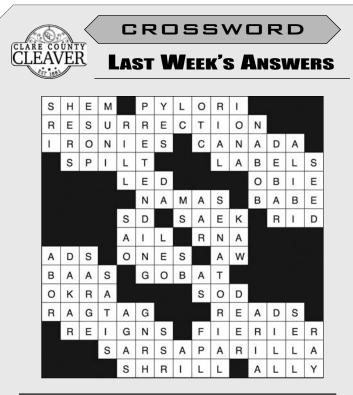
sealed proposals at their office at: 2105 Sullivan Dr. Harrison, Michigan 48625 until 10:00 a.m. local time, March 24, 2021 at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing bituminous asphalt paving. Detailed specifications, bid forms and instructions to bidders may be obtained from the City of Harrison. The City of Harrison reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities or defects and to accept any bid or bids which are in the best interest of the City.

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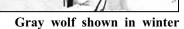








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woods. (DNR courtesy photo)

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 animal advocacy and 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@Michiga n.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

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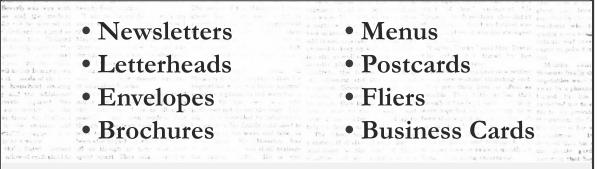
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Bricks are temporarily stored in the new gymnasium to warm up prior to installation. (Cleaver photos by Dianne Alward-Biery)

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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:





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.

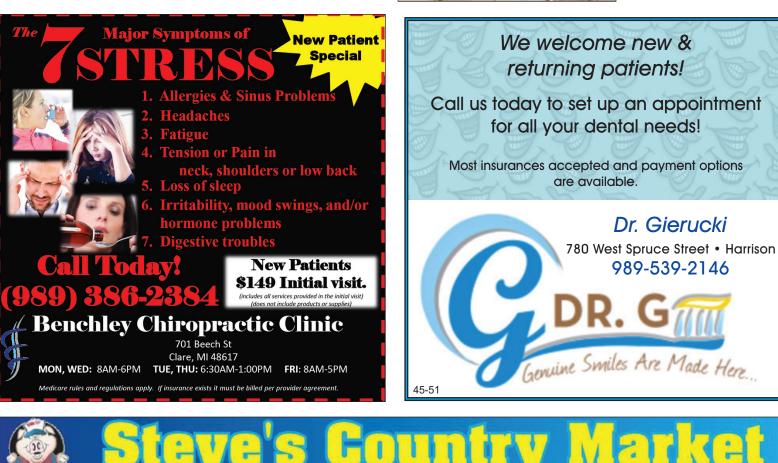


This painter rolls on the ever-present **Hornet Gold** stripes that course through every hallway.

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.







- -FAFSA application information
- -Federal financial aid programs
- -State financial aid programs
- -Scholarship searching
- -MiSSG Student Portal Accounts

Due to limited space, participants are encouraged to sign up for one session only. Registration can be completed by visiting the MI Student Aid website at www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid.

Administered by the state Treasury Department, MI Student Aid is Michigan's go-to resource for finding the financial resources needed to pay for college. For more information, contact MI Student Aid at mistudentaid@michigan.gov, 1-888-447-2687 or @mistudentaid on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat.

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

Michiganders with adult education ties is an essential first step on the 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

LANSING - To assist residents to educational opportuniroad to a meaningful career pathway."

> The Adult Education Services Locator, which is available at Michigan.gov/LearnMoreEarnMo re, 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. and Michigan communities.

> 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/LearnMore EarnMore.



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