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BUCK TALES

The Cleaver office
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COMING EVENTS

Tip-Up Town in Houghton Lake is Jan. 21-22 and 28.

Harrison's Frostbite Winter Festival is Feb. 16-18.

Al-Anon Family Group meets at 8 p.m. Thursdays at First Congregational Church, 211 W. Spruce St., Harrison.

Euchre Night at 6 p.m. Mondays at the Farwell Senior Center: \$3.

Clare County Republican Party meets at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of every month at the Doherty Hotel, Clare. Social hour prior to meeting.



Zara [formerly Zaria] is pictured with her new human, Beth Wellman, director of the Humane Society of Midland County.

Heartwarming Success Story

#EmptyTheShelters has come to a close and we'd like to end it by making a very special adoption announcement!

Zara [formerly Zaria] Many of you will remember the story of Zaria, a Great Dane in Clare County who found herself on a small marshy uninhabited island in a lake. The Clare County shelter and the residents of Clare County went above and beyond for many many weeks attempting to trap the very fearful dog who would certainly die out there when winter hit.

Once back at the Clare County shelter it became apparent that Zaria's fear was severe and they inquired with us about a possible foster home for her. We had some interest, but they only had 4 foot fences and the Clare County shelter wanted someone with a 6 foot fence. Our Shelter Director, Beth Wellman, then stated that she had a 6-foot fence. So, to her house Zaria came and was quickly dubbed Zara instead.

Zara, though stressed and fearful settled in quickly and it wasn't long before Beth was remarking how she was the best dog she'd fostered, well-behaved and so sweet. You can see where this is headed....Beth just couldn't let her go and Zara was our last adoption of ETS!

Thanks to two shelters working together and to Cathy Bissell and BISSELL Pet Foundation Zara is home for good!!!



COMMUNITY LIFE



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MID MICHIGAN COLLEGE PARTNERS WITH TOYS FOR TOTS

Mid Michigan College's Laker Basketball teams partnered with the Central Michigan Area Toys for Tots Chapter to help disadvantaged children this holiday season.

On Dec. 7, the Lakers took on the Schoolcraft College Ocelots at Morey Courts in Mount Pleasant and hosted a Teddy Bear Toss event.

Leah Ryckman, local director for Toys for Tots, shared a short message with all in attendance at halftime during the women's game, and the Teddy Bear Toss took place at halftime during the men's game.

Attendees were encouraged to bring a new stuffed animal or toy and 'toss' their donation onto the court when prompted. Stuffed animals and toys were also available for purchase at the game and monetary donations were also accepted.

The event collected 100 stuffed animals and toys, and raised \$75 for the local Toys for Tots chapter.

"It was great to see so many people join us on this special night and help us give back to our local communities," noted Ryan Harkrader, Mid Michigan College athletic director. "This year's Teddy Bear Toss was a great event, and we look forward to hosting it again next year!"

The Toys for Tots program has throughout its history depended on the support of communities, businesses, and charitable organi-



Tim Hood, MMC president, poses with some of the many toys donated to Toys for Tots at the recent Teddy Bear Toss event in Mount Pleasant.

zations across the country. The local chapter was established in 1988 by SSgt. Richard A. Barz, a lifelong resident of Mount Pleasant, and now distributes over 8,000 toys each holiday season to children in Isabella and Clare counties.

Mid Michigan College competes in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association against other community colleges for conference and State championships. The Lakers also compete

in the National Junior College Athletic Association for national tournaments. Mid currently fields teams in the following sports: men's basketball, women's basketball, men's and women's bowling, baseball, softball, bass fishing, and clay target shooting. Additional teams, including cross country, will be added in the future.

For more information about the Teddy Bear Toss event, email athletics@midmich.edu or call 989-386-6622, ext. 548.



Pictured, from left, are seventh-grade Hornets Madison Wheaton, Dominique Rogers, Khloe Keel, Dakota O'Day, coach Josh O'Day, Aliyana Quintero, Zoey Balcer, Ashlynn Sly and Destiny Kehlbeck. (Photo courtesy of Allan Winters)

7th-Grade Lady Hornets Place 2nd in Jackpine Conference Regular Season

By JOSH O'DAY
HMS Basketball Coach

The Hornets won three of the last four games to improve their record to 8-2 for the regular sea-

son. If you see any of these ladies in town, give them a big congratulations. Khloe Keel #0, Dakota O'Day #1, Destiny Kehlbeck #5, Zoey Balcer #10, Dominique Rogers #13, Madison Wheaton #14, Alyana Quintero #21, and Ashlynn Sly #22. We played in a tournament Saturday going 1-1 to

bring our final record to 9-3. I am really proud of how these girls played and the improvements in different areas of their game this year. I would like to thank the parents for giving me the opportunity to coach these girls. It will be exciting to see how they progress as they keep moving forward.



MMC Continues Giving Tradition

Since 1999, the employees at Mid Michigan College have supplied Christmas presents for at least 60 children each year from Clare and Gladwin counties through partnerships with Gladwin's Christmas Kindness and Clare County Department of Health & Human Services. Mid employees sponsor selected children by purchasing wished-for gifts and needed items.

Gifts are purchased, collected on campus, and then delivered by community partners, including Matt Schafer, owner of Ace Hardware of Clare.

"I was happy to help deliver the gifts so generously given by Mid employees," shared Schafer. "The college has been a longtime community partner and we value their support."

Matt Schafer of Clare stands ready to deliver a bag filled with some of the many gift donations for children, collected through Gladwin Christmas Kindness and the Clare County Department of Health and Human Services.

"This effort showcases the high regard in which the college holds community connections and the excellent results that can be achieved when teams across the college collaborate," noted Tim Hood, president of Mid Michigan College.

Mid is proud to be one of many community organizations that support children and families during the holiday season.

For more information about this annual effort, contact Lori Fassett at lfassett1@midmich.edu or 989-386-6692.

BOC Passes Motions

HARRISON – The Clare County Board of Commissioners passed the following motions at its Dec. 14 meeting. The Board moved to:

- Approve Board of Commissioners Minutes of Nov. 9, 2022, and Special Meeting Minutes of Nov. 23, 2022.
- Approve the purchase of a vehicle for veterans in the amount of \$27,362.93 with all of the funds being paid out of grant dollars.
- Approve Statutory Finance Committee meeting minutes of Nov. 14, 2022, in the amount of \$144,490.12 and the meeting minutes of November 28, 2022, in the amount of \$211,296.59 and the meeting minutes of Dec. 12, 2022 in the amount of \$96,033.24.
- Approve Budget Adjustments 23-21 in the amount of \$24,035 to account for the increase in the Public Safety grant.
- Approve the Finance meeting dates as presented through December 2023 with dates consistent with the off week of payroll beginning at 9 a.m.
- Approve the Board of Commissioner meeting dates through December 2023 with dates consistent with the third Wednesday of the month unless specified on the posting with meetings to begin at 9 a.m.
- Approve the Holiday Schedule as presented for calendar year 2023.
- Approve the contract with Great Lakes Roofing and Insulation Systems Inc. to finish the jail with an additional cost of \$20,000 above the already approved cost of \$132,500.
- Approve the pre-purchased support of 100 hours of preventive maintenance and customer requested support in the amount of \$13,650.
- Approve the contract with Smith Rx as our new prescription provider beginning January 2023.
- Approve the contract with Advanced Benefits Group as our Agent of Record for all health insurance related items including but not limited to stop loss coverage, TASC, COBRA, prescription coverage, dental, vision, inmate insurance, Aflac, All State, and Aggregate Stop-loss with the responsibility of providing benefit consulting, analysis, and recommendations for Clare County with the County Administrator.
- Go into closed session to discuss the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement.



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DAD Joke of the week

“What did the gingerbread man put on his bed?
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Outdoors With Jeff

In two short days it will be Christmas Eve; families will gather together and celebrate a very special time of the year. Families will gather with other members of the family, which they haven't seen since last year for Christmas. You will see your aunt whispering to another telling her what she got someone else on Christmas day. This goes on and on, except when it comes to the teenagers that are present, they are whispering to other teenagers of items they would like to see under the Christmas tree on Christmas day.

It was kind of like the Christmas we had, however our Christmas would sometime be considered different. As I have mentioned in past articles, getting ready for Christmas was a chore. The Wizards of the Woods would meet long before Christmas and would coordinate between Thanksgiving and Christmas in preparing their lists of possible presents.

These same people spent most

of their time in the woods and there were times that we dragged one of the old timers with us to make sure we got it right. Those old men had a lot on input in what these young men got for Christmas.

They first started educating us when we were five or six years old, they told us what's the best type of BB guns should we get and later when it came to shotguns and deer rifles.

When Christmas came and presents were unwrapped and after a few hours we would all gather at one location and compare the type of gun did they received. After everyone bragging about their new gun and claimed they had the best shotgun or rifle, depending on what they received. This went on for years, the old timers that I mentioned were no longer with us, and they passed when we were teenagers. We sure missed those of duffers from my youth.

Those Wizards of the Woods carried on for many years, we hunted just about every day, which we could. We were interrupted from hunting by the Vietnam war. It wasn't long and we were reunited, and we hunted for many years after. Time passed and some of these Wizards of the Woods passed on. Presently there are only a couple of us left. We don't see each other very often anymore. I sought out comfort as I got older, the dog and myself spent a lot of time alone tramping through the swamps on snowshoes, hunting rabbits and hares. No longer were the wizards of the woods present, what I see now are the grandsons and great grandsons in the woods, trudging through the swamps chasing the elusive rabbit. It reminded me of many years ago.

Today I go alone into the woods on Christmas Eve. I strap the snowshoes on and after dark I go through the woods along the south branch of the Au Sable River. Just before dark, I watch the deer as they gather in the swamps, all I hear is the swishing of snow as I walk with the snowshoes; I watch the deer as they gather. I see a snow owl roosting in a tree, staring at me for a while then he flies away.

Just before dark the Raven lets me know he is present. The moon shines on the snow, it sparkles and it's so peaceful. I feel Gods presence and I feel those Wizards of the Woods are with me.

There is an old fable that on Christmas Eve at midnight, animals have the ability to talk, every Christmas Eve I sit in the woods and listen, waiting to hear it some



JEFF GOYT

night.

I wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas. Enjoy your family and friends during this wonderful season.

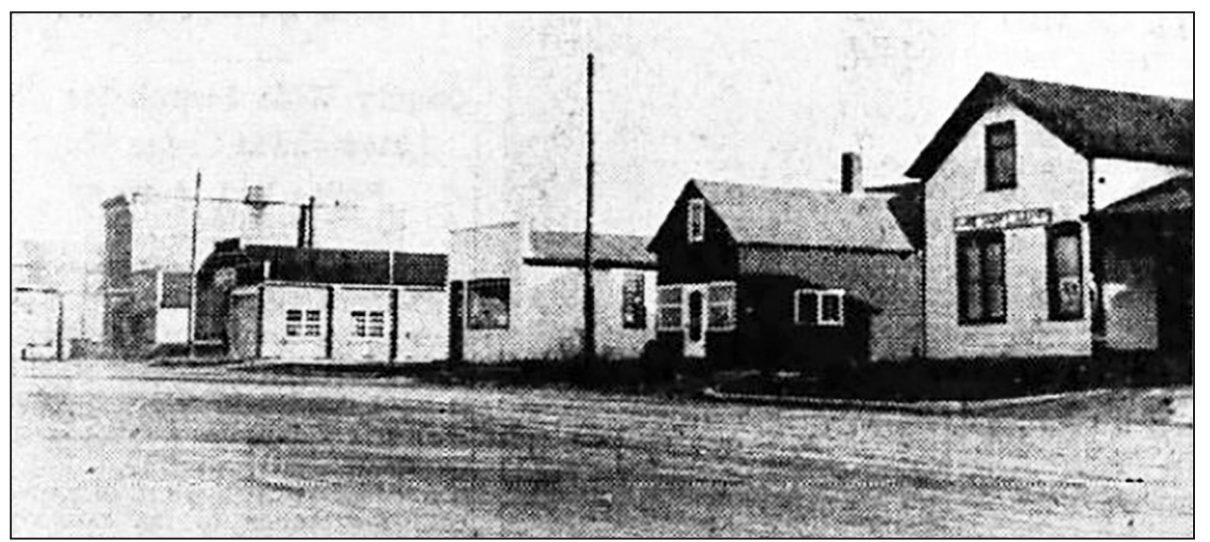


PEOPLE vs. PALMER & MCINTYRE FEBRUARY 24, 1906 – Adultery In Surrey Township

Robert Hutchinson signed a Criminal Complaint before Justice of the Peace Algernon S. Young on February 24, 1906 alleging that on January 1, 1906, to February 17, 1906, George Palmer (not George W. Palmer, the Farwell mail carrier and grandfather of the present Palmer Hardware Store owner) and Luella McIntyre committed adultery in Garfield Township.

A Warrant was issued, defendant George and defendant Luella were arrested, and on arraignment they waived preliminary examination. Bond was set at \$300 each.

Prosecutor John Quinn filed an Information on February 26th endorsing as witnesses Robert Hutchinson, Sheldon Lake, Robert Carson, J.C. Owens, and Ruby McIntire. Judge Peter F. Dodds signed for each defendant a Warrant For Removal of Prison to



~ CLARE COUNTY HISTORY ~

A Glimpse Into The Past

The Lansing State Journal ran a series of photos in a "Know Your State" feature in the 1940s. Harrison was featured in a 1942 issue with photos of the Clare County Courthouse, Harrison Schools, the Congregational Church and the above photo of Main Street. The bank is on the corner of Main and Second Street, the garage (later the roller rink), the post office and at far right, the Clare County Cleaver. Part of the caption reads, "The story of Harrison, the last in the "Know Your Michigan" series will be told in a broadcast over radio station WKAR at East Lansing. Starting next Sunday The State Journal will start a new series with pictures showing the war effort of the various towns and cities in the area."

Lincoln Township Fire/Rescue Firefighter Of The Year



Lincoln Township Fire/Rescue Firefighter of the year Ben Garver (left) and Dale Majewski Chief of Lincoln Township Fire.



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'Best year' in long time boosts Christmas tree farms

By LIAM JACKSON
Capital News Service

LANSING – Christmas trees are in Levi Dutcher's blood.

His parents planted 2,000 while his mother was pregnant with him in 1988. Now, he is preparing for his first holiday season as the owner of a choose-and-cut Christmas tree farm.

"It takes a lot of work and a lot of money to make a little bit of money in the end," said Dutcher, of Old Grove Christmas Tree Farm in Caledonia. "But it's definitely a lot of fun."

Dutcher is one of nearly 500 Michigan Christmas tree farm owners benefiting this year from an exceptional growing season.

"It was pretty much the consensus of the Michigan Christmas Tree Association board that it was the best year they've had for growing in a long time," said Amy Start, the executive director of the group that promotes Christmas tree farms.

Dutchman Tree Farms near Cadillac benefited from ideal weather conditions in northern Michigan.

"We had decent moisture throughout the summer and did not have any late-season frosts," said Scott Powell, the nursery manager of Dutchman in Manton and president of the association.

A good growing season is a good sign, but when it comes to actually selling the trees, other factors come into play.

"Usually what affects the selling season is good weather," Start said.

"A little bit of snow for atmosphere is always lovely," she said. "But if not, we at least hope it's not raining. Because nobody wants to go to a farm when it's downpouring or muddy."

Michigan is third in the nation for Christmas tree production, according to the tree grower group. Each year the state supplies 2 million trees nationally.

Choose-and-cut farms appeal to younger families who want to "make a day of it," Start said.



Levi Dutcher, with his family outside of Old Grove Christmas Tree Farm in Caledonia, will carry on a family tradition of selling trees.

"They feel as if it's the freshest way to get a tree," she said. "Because it is. You are cutting it down yourself."

That experience is the culmination of nearly a decade's worth of work for the farmer. It takes Christmas trees seven to 10 years before they are ready to cut.

Each growing season is critical and has lasting impacts for farmers beyond hat. Drought during one season can delay growth, Start said.

"It takes a lot of work and a lot of care to get them to the full size to sell so the growers are really, really diligent about those trees," she said.

Some new choose-and-cut farms are set to open to the public this year, but an opening is the completion of a project started long before – sometimes several decades.

Dutcher is opening his choose-and-cut farm this year, seven years after the trees were planted.

The events that led to the grand opening began before Dutcher was born. The 2,000 trees

his mother helped plant in 1988 were nearly all wiped out by a drought.

When Dutcher was 8 years old, his parents sold trees for one year. They never did it again.

"During that season I thought 'Wow this is a lot of fun,'" Dutcher said. "The whole family was hanging out. I didn't come from a lot of money, so anytime someone came up to buy a \$20 tree, it was really exciting."

About 20 years later, Dutcher bought property in Caledonia, and his sister-in-law recommended planting Christmas trees so the family could gather each year and cut their own.

Dutcher took the idea one step further and planted 1,000 trees.

"It was a mixture of me remembering all the good times we had the one year my parents sold trees and my sister-in-law's suggestion," Dutcher said. "That's how we've arrived at this."

Dutcher's family will still bond over the farm, including his aunt, who will fly from Oregon to help out.

Christmas tree farmers find other ways to make ends meet while the trees grow.

Photo ops with Santa and a firepit to roast marshmallows are ways that Creekside Christmas Trees in Port Austin attract local residents during the Christmas season.

Creekside owner Lisa Szymanski planted trees two years ago. She anticipates that the choose-and-cut portion of the farm will open in 2027.

"We are doing things on the retail side to keep us relevant and keep people in the area knowing that we are here and getting in the habit of coming," Szymanski said.

ABOUT LIAM JACKSON

Liam Jackson is a journalist from Trenton, Michigan. He enrolled at Michigan State in 2018. His journalistic interests include feature stories and sports journalism. In addition to writing for Spartan Newsroom, Liam has also served as the News Editor and Sports Editor at Impact 89FM.

Grammer Guy

'Goblin mode' named Oxford English Dictionary's 2022

Word of the Year

Now the Oxford English Dictionary is at it. In my previous column, I reported that "gaslighting" has been named the Word of the Year 2022 by the dictionary aficionados at Merriam-Webster.

Each year, the Merriam-Webster dictionary chooses a word it believes captures a prevailing sentiment of the cultural zeitgeist. Not wanting to miss out on the lexical lingo retrospective, the OED is chiming in with its vote: "goblin mode."

The OED brought three words to an online vote: goblin mode, metaverse and the hashtag IStandWith. Goblin mode won, garnering 93% of the 340,000 votes

What the heck is goblin mode? On its face, the term sounds like something stolen from Dungeons and Dragons or World of Warcraft. There's an ancient YouTube video where a user calling himself Leeroy Jenkins runs into an impossible battle against a dragon, armed with the confidence of 1,000 soldiers. To me, that would be "goblin mode."

As it turns out, I'm wrong. In fact, goblin mode stormed the Twitter scene in February 2022 as Covid restrictions were lifted across the U.S. and most of the world. As people emerged from their hidey-holes of prolonged social isolation, they decided to engage in oddly self-indulgent behaviors.

The OED defines goblin mode as "a type of behavior which is unapologetically self-indulgent,



CURTIS HONEYCUTT

lazy, slovenly, or greedy, typically in a way that rejects social norms or expectations."

Goblin mode looks like eating the entire carton of Ben & Jerry's while watching an entire season of "The Great British Baking Show."

It is playing video games until 3 a.m. on a Sunday night, fully aware that you have a budget review meeting at 9:00 in the morning. Goblin mode embraces our lazy and selfish impulses that don't take tomorrow into account.

After all, don't you deserve it? The past few years have been collectively terrible. As long as giving into personal "treat yourself" moments doesn't turn into a bad habit or do something to hurt yourself and/or others, go for it. Besides, personal dignity is overrated. Wear two Snugglies if it makes you feel extra cozy.

I don't think my top words of the year merit their own press release, but if I were to suggest Grammar Guy's big three buzzwords of 2022, I would choose "IRL" ("in real life"), "low-key" and "ghosted." What word or words sum up your 2022?

Curtis Honeycutt is an award-winning syndicated humor columnist and author. Connect with him at curtishoneycutt.com.

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Be Scam Aware This Holiday Season

Social Security Administration Advisory

Many of us spend the holidays relaxing and sharing in goodwill with friends and family. But some bad actors use the holidays to take advantage of people's generous spirits. Scammers frequently target the older and other more vulnerable members of our communities. They pretend they are from Social Security or another government agency to steal your money or personal information.

Caller ID, texts, or documents sent by email may look official, but they are not. Fraudsters are calling to verify information about the 2023 cost-of-living adjustment for people who get benefits. Remember, this adjustment is automatic and a beneficiary does not need to verify anything. Social Security won't ask you to provide information or money to get your benefit increase. Know that how we do business with you doesn't change because it's the holidays. We may email or text you about programs and services, but we will never ask for personal information via email or text.

Recognizing the signs of a scam can help you avoid falling victim to one. These scams primarily use the telephone to contact you, but scammers may also use email, text messages, social media, or U.S. mail. Scammers pretend to be from an agency or organization you know to gain your trust. Scammers say there is a problem with your Social Security number or account. Scammers pressure you to act immediately. Scammers tell you to pay in a specific way.

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GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP NEWS

The Greenwood Township Board held its regular monthly meeting Dec. 14, and 19 visitors joined us. Diane Wood from the Harrison District Library provided updates on what's happening. Nancy House was elected to be the new president of the library board. Children's librarian Euri Garcia has started several clubs for kids.



GAIL GARRITY
Greenwood Trustee

Events can be found on their website. County Commissioner Bronwyn Asplund advised us of what's happening at the county level including the upcoming changes to elections. The board thanked Asplund for her service.

Under unfinished business, Supervisor McClaughy complimented contractor Stacy Budd on the new pad and grading near the recycling dumpster. Water and ice are no longer accumulating. The water softener was replaced by Scott Owens Plumbing. Orkin Exterminators came out to assess the insect issues. After a thorough inspection, they felt there was no reason to treat this time of year. There was no charge for their visit. Construction on Old State Avenue will be resumed in the spring and the blacktop applied by summer. BS&A training for Rachel Mackson and Lorie Fliegel is going well. The Dec. 3 Christmas party was well attended – all seats were full. Potluck dinner was followed by cookie decorating and a cake walk. Children were treated to a special storytelling by Euri Garcia of the Harrison District Library. Bryan Fliegel set up his karaoke equipment and the children especially enjoyed singing. Northern Alliance for Children was this year's chosen charity and residents were generous

with their donations.

Under new business, the first item addressed was the budget. Two adjustments to the budget were discussed and voted on. The Dust Control – Brining schedule was presented. The three dates (weather permitting) are posted under Upcoming Events on website. The Board of Review candidates and Fire Contract were tabled.

Invoices and bills were approved by the board, and two residents spoke during Public Comment.

Under Board Member Comments, the following items were noted: Gail Garrity stated the next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be held Jan. 18. The Holiday Light Tour is ongoing and the information flyer is posted on the website. Jim Gross is interested in planning future events – possibly an Archery Day. Jess McClaughy would like to see more pictures submitted to be posted on our website. He attended the Nov. 30 road commission meeting. The recent Board of Review meeting went well. Rachel Mackson reminded us that it is holiday time and board members can be contacted via phone or email directly.

The next regular township board meeting will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11. Folks can stay informed by signing up on the greenwoodtownship.org homepage. An email will be sent to you when the minutes are posted and/or other important events. As always, everyone is welcome to attend our meetings in person. Until next time, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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Letters To Santa

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-Editor

Dear Santa,
My name is Maverick, and I am 5 years old. I have been a good boy, and this is what I want from Christmas: tornado hot wheels, big monster truck, big dinosaur, blue car, and Lamborghini.

To Santa,
Holt has been a very good boy. From Holt's Grandma. P.S. Hendrix and Hatcher have been good also.

From Hatch & Hendrix's Grandma

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a new alternator for my 2011 Nissan Juke, Harry Styles concert tickets for the pit and my mom would like a JBL boombox speaker. Thank you and Merry Christmas!
Your Biggest Fan

Dear Santa,
Could you please get me a: Unicorn, jewelry, basketball pink, squish ball, pj's, baby bottle pops.

Love, Finley

Santa,
I would like a ice cream truck for my doll, a toy elf, a stuffed dog, more slime.

Talon

Dear Santa,
My name is Hayden and I turned 2 on Nov. 28. I would really like a kitchen playset and Lightning McQueen toys for Christmas! I've been pretty good all year. Can't wait to leave you milk and cookies soon. Thank you!

Love, Hayden

Here's my Christmas list this year: Lego friends, the game Apples, blankets, boos, gum.

Hannah, Age 9

Dear Santa,
I am 4 years old this year! I live in Harrison. I will have cookies and milk waiting for you by the table. Because I have been so good this

year, I made a list: paw patrol toys, one batman toy, pj masks, tractors, construction toys, magna tiles, superheroes, a new motorized car, books, clothes and shoes. Please also get a new bike for Isla because they would really use a special gift this year.

Your friend, Cole

P.S. I drew a picture of a dinosaur on the back of the letter. I hope you like it.

Dear Santa,
I've tried to be a good girl this year. I would like a toy unicorn, cell phone, clothes for doll, stuffed animals, zebra.

Love, Isabella

Dear Santa,
A garbage truck, more big blocks, toy crane, nugget couch, Paw Patrol, remote control monster truck, trucks and trailers, construction toys.

Love, Mason

Dear Santa,
All things construction, RC car, nugget couch.

Love, Jace

Dear Santa,
This year I think I've been nice. One good thing I did this year was help daddy with chickens. This year I want a baby wolf. This year I need stuffed animals. I'd like to wear dresses. I'd like to read arctic books, wolves.

Love, Nora

Santa,
I've been good.

Hatcher

Dear Santa,
I would like baby dolls and head phones and toys for my brother and sisters and a toy for my puppie and a new blanket.

Thank you Santa, Carlie

Dear Santa,
I hope you are staying warm in the North Pole. I need more socks because mine have a hole in them. And I want a RC cars and a kids watch.

Dear Santa,
My name is Jaxon and I am 3. So mommy has to write for me! I would really like a big garbage truck and a big Mack truck for

Christmas! Oh and a gray truck like my daddy's semi truck. I've been very good this year! I will leave you extra milk and cookies! And carrots for your reindeer!

Thank you & Merry Christmas, Jaxon

Dear Santa,
I hope you and Mrs. Claus are ok. The weather has been crazy. Anyway I have been good a lot. I hope I earned something.

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl this year. I would like a fitbit, a CD player that actually works. A cell phone, CD's for the CD player. Wireless earbuds.

Love, Airieanna

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would love a toy dirtbike, and a VR and toy train. Merry Christmas from Bentley P.S. The elf you sent to my house is very naughty. She drew all over my face.

Dear Santa,
I want a new hoverboard and

tablet just like my brothers. And a pair of work boots and tools.
Thanks, Milo

Dear Santa,
I have been good all year long and I think I should be able to get a lot of presents. For Christmas I want saishmellows, art supplies, and little live pets mama surprise guinea pig. My Mom can not find it any were. If you have time you can get me some new curtains. We also need some new Nintendo Swich controller because are two player dose not work and I want to be able to play against my siblings.

Sincerely, Leah

Dear Santa,
My name is Corbin I just want to put in my Christmas list Ryan's World Egg and Batman Rollbot. I haven't been good all the time but I have been good most of the time. Thank you.

Corbin

Dear Santa,
I want trucks and a new pair of boots a tablet or hoverboard.

Thanks, Brayden

Dear Santa,
I want you to know that I want a Oculus, PS5, Traxxas, RC car, hay dudes.

Merry Christmas, Colton

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. Bird feeder. Stuffed axolotl. Back pck patches. Head phone.

'Twas The Night Before Christmas

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house, not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.

The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there.

The children were nestled all snug in their beds, while visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads.

And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap, had just settled down for a long winter's nap.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash, tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below.

When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, but a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer.

With a little old driver, so lively and quick, I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick. More rapid than eagles his coursers they came, and he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name.

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To the top of the wall!
Now dash away! Dash away!
Dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly, when they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky.

So up to the house-top the coursers they flew, with the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas too.

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof the prancing and pawing of each little hoof.

As I drew in my hand, and was turning around, down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot, and his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot.

A bundle of toys he had flung on his back, and he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

His eyes ~ how they twinkled! His dimples how merry! His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry! His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow.

And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow. The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth, and the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.

He had a broad face and a little round belly, that shook, when he laughed like a bowlful of jelly.

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf, and I laughed when I saw him, in

spite of myself.

A wink of his eye and a twist of his head, soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work, and filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk, and laying his finger aside of his nose, and giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle, and away they all flew like the down of a thistle. But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,

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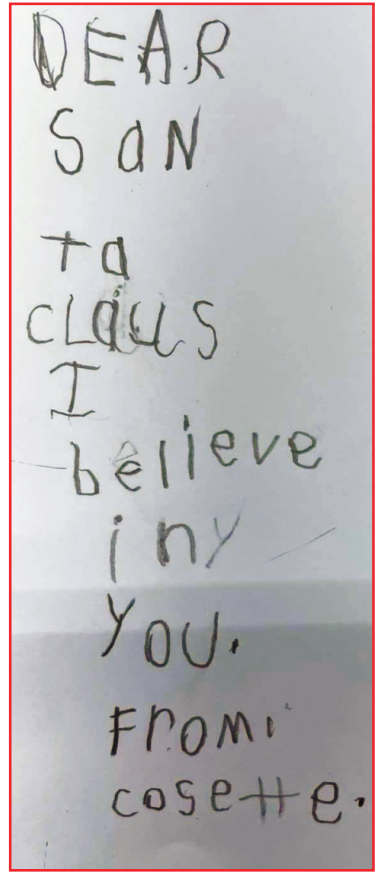
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Dear Santa,
I love you Santa thank you for everything. I hope you love your cookies on Christmas day and I hope I get everything I asked for. I love you Santa.
Merry Christmas, Ellianna

Dear Santa,
I would like big monster truck or big semi for Christmas. I've been very good boy.
Thank you Santa, Ashur

Dear Santa,
I would like a tigers shark, teddy bear, books, race track, dinos.
Walker

Dear Santa,
How are you doing. Oh I am doing good. How is it going in the shop. This year I have been good. Well I was thinking that you could bring a elf. I hope you have a good Christmas.
Karma

Dear Santa,
Plz bring me toys. Pls and thank you.
Mila

Dear Santa,
Please get me and iPhone 11 for Christmas.
Damien

Dear Santa,
I would like Lol dolls and mini brands and baby's and a dog toy for my pupie.
Thanks Santa, Kenslie

Dear Santa,
I tried to be good this year. I hope I made the nice list. If I did make the list here are a few things I

would like: 3D pen and sticks, Barbie Dream house, prima colored pencils, Lego friendship tree, earpods, mini brands, Alexis Melody 32 key electric keyboard, fuji film instax mini instant camera, Nintendo Switch. Thank you for anything I get.
Love, Kendall

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like an orange tractor for Christmas and I would like you to my baby sister a purple puppet. She cannot talk yet to tell you what she wants, so I am helping her out.
From Thomas (age 3)

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like you to bring baby Jesus a Christmas tree for His birthday, and a purple tractor for me.
Macrina (Age 2)

Dear Santa,
This year I would like a new LOL toy. Also, I would like a new Disney Doll at Target. One thing I need is some new mouthwash because I used all mine. I have been good and nice to my brother. I'm using my manners everyday. Thank you for my elves this year. I love you Santa!
Love, Oaklyn (age 4)

Dear Santa,
For my family to be the happiest as they can.
Thank you, Elijah, Age 8

Dear Santa,
I would like a candy fan full of gumballs, one with nerds, a package of sweet tarts with balloons, and purple playdoh. All the candy fans that there is. Thank you, Merry Christmas.
Kieran, Age 5



Dear Santa,
I know it's been a while. What I want for Christmas is a jackpot full of toys. This what I want, a smart watch, coloring stuff, hates, skateboard. A new bike and Legos.
Logan

Dear Santa,
I would like Nintendo Switch, Kirby, Dinos
Donald

Dear Santa,
Can I have a VR headset for Christmas?
Lexie

Dear Santa,
I want hatchimals, I already have the buny family and unicorn. Squishmellaws family, mini fridge and barbies.
Lexie

Dear Santa,
My name is Paisley. I have been a good girl this year. My Christmas list is at follows: toy mermaid (with no earrings) toy truck that I can ride, toy tool set, my own blanket-Paw Patrol, Alladin Set-foot tall, cow girl hat, cow girl dress, toy horse that has a button so I can ride it. A lot of gems so I can go to the beach tomorrow and bury them in the sand on Christmas day. Some more kitchen set food. I can't find mine. Thank you for taking the time to read my wish list.
Love, Paisley

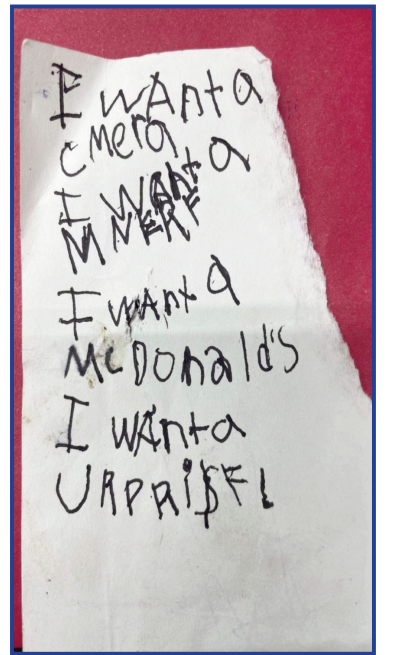
To Santa,
This is my Christmas wish list: slime, unicorn, barbie, sweater

(orange with polka dots), cooking set, ice machine to make ice, barbie camper, barbie dream house, dog to go with barbie, ice cream maker. Thank you Santa!
Brynleigh

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a microscope, fitness watch, a book of how to draw this, a skateboard, a box of skinny markers, iPhone, RC car, drone and a laptop, a miniature real kitchen, and the Minecraft Lego set, golden Pokémon cards, and 10-10 rubix cube and for last a lot of sticky notes.
Sincerely, Keegan

Dear Santa,
My name is Charlee and I am 5 years old. I've been a very good girl this year. Here is my Christmas list: robot baby, baby that cries, video games, board games, stuffed animals, dolls, jewelry, clothes, toys, pajamas, slippers. I'm going to set out milk and cookies for you. Please be safe with your reindeer on the way to my house. I love you.
Charlee

Dear Santa,
I would like a drone for Christmas and a new football blanket.
Thank you Santa, Collin



Dear Santa,
I am 9 years old this year. I will have sugar cookies and milk waiting for you by the fireplace. Because I have been so good this year, I made a Christmas list: rehann baby with accessories, Disney 5 surprises, JoJo items, shoes, America girls, new coat, go cart, little live pets, real cat. Please also get a family tree for my family because they could really use a special gift this year.
Aria

Dear Santa,
I have some toy idea. So I'm going to ask for them but you can pick ten or five it don't matter. So #1 a toy school for my American dolls. #2 speaking of American dolls can I have five more dolls please because I only have two. #3 Can I have a nuther hamster but a girl this time so I have babys #4 don't give Gavin any toys he is...bad.
I love Crismis and you Santa!



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Words

- Blizzard
- Chilly
- Clouds
- Cozy
- Drift
- Fireplace
- Flakes
- Frozen
- Gusts
- Icicle
- Melting
- Mittens
- Pile
- Pond
- Shovel
- Silent
- Skates
- Ski
- Sledding
- Snow
- Snowman
- White

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.



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Complete the counting patterns.

1. Start with 3

3		18
4	9	12
7	14	

2. Start with 8

10		8
13		
		22

3. Start with 6

6		9
	12	
		16
	20	

4. Start with 2

2	10	
	8	16
		24
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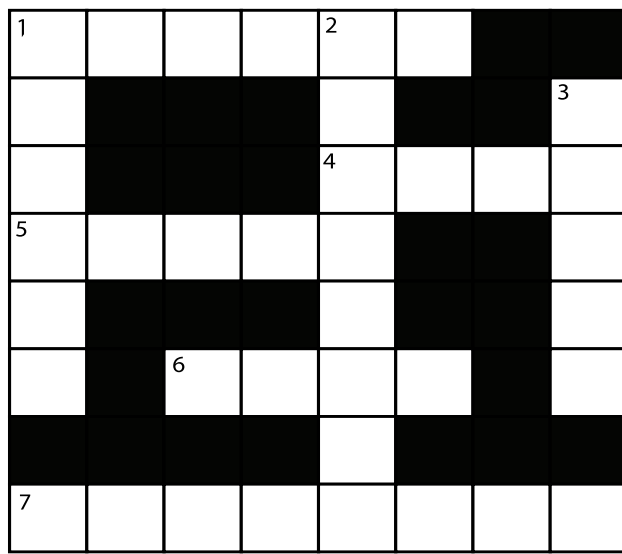
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Crossword Puzzle



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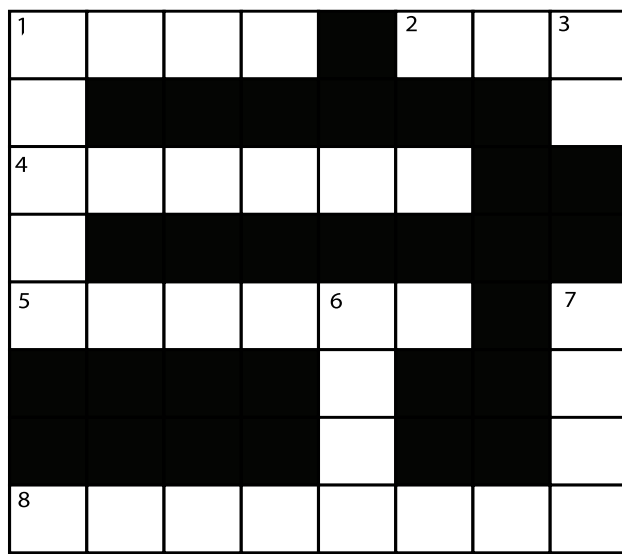
1. Dr. Seuss villain
4. "I wouldn't touch you with a thirty-____-and-a-half-foot pole"
5. Changed location
6. Very unpleasant
7. Satisfactory

DOWN

1. Unhappy
2. Little girl who wins over The Grinch
3. Beats in chest

Answers:
 Across: 1. Grinch 4. Nine 5. Moved 6. Vile
 Down: 1. Grumpy 2. Cindy Lou 3. Heart 7. Adequate

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. "Santa ____"
2. "We Wish ____ a Merry Christmas"
4. "Oh ____ Town of Bethlehem"
5. "____ Bells"
8. "O Come all Ye ____"

DOWN

1. "Jingle ____"
3. "____ on the Rooftop"
6. "As ____ Happy Christmas"
7. "The First ____"

Answers:
 Across: 1. Baby 2. You 4. Little 5. Silver 8. Faithful
 Down: 1. Bells 3. Up 6. Each 7. Noel

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Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC
Date of Mortgage: December 2, 2020
Date of Mortgage Recording: December 4, 2020
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$61,801.48
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Hayes, Clare County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 51 of Airport Forest Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 20, Clare County Records
Common street address (if any): 4561 Williams Rd, Harrison, MI 48625-7705
 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).
 If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.
Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney

for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.
 This notice is from a debt collector.
 Date of notice: December 1, 2022
 Trott Law, P.C.
 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145
 Farmington Hills, MI 48334
 (248) 642-2515
 1482827
 (12-01)(12-22) 48-3

Deeds, Michigan, which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$131,343.17. The following described premises situated in the Township of Grant, County of Clare, State of Michigan, to-wit: Lots 1 and 2 of Otter Lake Village, Grant Township, Clare County, Michigan. Commonly known as 8810 Clarion Road, Farwell, MI 48622 Property ID# 015-460-001-00
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 File 22-11054 (12-15)(01-12) 50-4

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CLARE COUNTY Decedent's Estate CASE NO. 22-18740-DE
Court Address: 225 W. Main Street Harrison, MI. 48625
Court Telephone: 989-539-2510
 Estate of Michael Roehrs, deceased
TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
 The decedent, Michael Roehrs, died 09/06/2022. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Julie Roehrs, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 225 W. Main St., Harrison, MI. 48625 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.
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 989-832-1770
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 4923 Claremont Street Apt. 1
 Midland, MI. 48632
 989-429-0165

LEGALS

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Brad Walsh, a married man
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic

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Public Notice of Township Meetings
 The General Township Board will meet on the following dates in 2023. All meetings will begin at 6:30 pm and will take place at Hamilton Township Hall at 3042 N. Rodgers, Harrison, MI. 48625.

Thursday, January 5	Thursday, July 6
Thursday, February 2	Thursday, August 3
Thursday, March 2	Thursday, September 7
Thursday, April 6	Thursday, October 5
Thursday, May 4	Thursday, November 2
Thursday, June 1	Thursday, December 7

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Public Notice of Planning Commission Meetings
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Regular Meeting Dates:

Wednesday, January 4	Wednesday, July 5
Wednesday, January 11	Wednesday, August 2
Wednesday, February 1	Wednesday, September 6
Wednesday, March 1	Wednesday, October 4
Wednesday, April 5	Wednesday, November 1
Wednesday, May 3	Wednesday, December 6
Wednesday, June 7	

Workshops to review the Hamilton Township Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance:

Wednesday, January 4	Wednesday, March 29
Wednesday, January 18	Wednesday, April 5
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Wednesday, February 15	Wednesday, May 3
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of holding the circuit court in Clare County, starting promptly at 11:00 AM on JANUARY 25, 2023. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A

potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information.

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michelle Secor a/k/a Michelle J. Secor, single, to PNC Bank, National Association, successor by merger to National City Bank, Mortgagee, dated August 22, 2003 and recorded September 9, 2003 in Liber 872, Page 438 and Loan Modification Agreement recorded on August 30, 2016, in Liber 1325, Page 599, and Loan Modification Agreement recorded on September 12, 2019, in Liber 1424, Page 798, Clare County Records, Michigan.

There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Nine and 61/100 Dollars (\$39,479.61).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Clare County, Michigan at 11:00 AM on JANUARY 25, 2023.

Said premises are located in the Township of Garfield, Clare County Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 5Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 Section 32, Town 17 North, Range 6 West, described as Beginning North 01 degrees 33 minutes 24 seconds East along the East Section line 893.00 feet from the

Southeast corner of said Section 32; thence continuing North 01 degrees 33 minutes 24 seconds East along said East Section line, 359.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 16 minutes 26 seconds West, parallel to said East Section line, 16.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 16 minutes 26 seconds East, parallel to said South Section line, 70.69 feet; thence South 01 degrees 33 minutes 24 seconds West, parallel to said East Section line, 343.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 16 minutes 26 seconds East, parallel to said South Section line, 396.00 feet back to the Place of Beginning. 11806 Twin Lakes Ave, Lake, Michigan 48632

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If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: December 22, 2022 File No. 22-012255 Firm Name: Orlans PC Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084 Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400 (12-22)(01-12)

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Dianne S. Bentley a single woman

Original Mortgagee: Amerifirst Financial Corporation

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust

Date of Mortgage: June 12, 2008

Date of Mortgage Recording: July 3, 2008

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$121,669.69

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Hatton, Clare County, Michigan, and described as: Lots 23 and 24 of Forest Highlands, as set forth in Plat Liber 15, Pages 6 through 9, inclusive, Clare County Records, located in

Section 4, Hatton Township, Township 18 North, Range 4 West, Clare County, Michigan.

Common street address (if any): 2515 Timberlane Rd, Harrison, MI 48625-9214

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

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

Attention homeowner:

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Date of notice: December 22, 2022

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Farmington Hills, MI 48334

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HAYES TOWNSHIP Update to Master Plan Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to state Public Act 33 of 2008, as amended, the Planning Commission of Hayes Township will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., at the Hayes Township Hall, located at 2055 E. Townline Lake Road, Harrison, Michigan 48625. The public hearing is intended to provide an opportunity for interested citizens to express their opinions regarding all aspects of a proposed update to the Hayes Township Master Plan. The Master Plan serves as a guide for the physical development of the Township, by setting forth goals and policies and providing a comprehensive view of the preferred future.

An electronic copy of the proposed Master Plan can be downloaded from the Township website at the following internet address: www.hayestownship.com. You may also request to view a hard copy of the proposed Master Plan during regular business hours at the Township Hall.

Those unable to attend the public hearing are invited to submit written comments to the attention of the Township Clerk at the Township Hall address noted above or by e-mail to hayestownshipclerk@gmail.com. All written comments must be received by no later than 4:00 p.m., on January 11, 2023. To comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), any citizen requesting accommodations for this meeting, and/or to obtain this notice in alternate formats, please contact the Township Clerk at (989) 539-7128 or hayestownshipclerk@gmail.com.

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Sheriff John Wilson

Welcome to December Clare County! I hope everyone is keeping warm as our temperatures are dropping and the white stuff is falling.

During the month of November, the Clare County Central Dispatch recorded 2,987 incidents for the county, with your Clare County

Deputies handling 1,757 of those incidents. Other law enforcement, including Clare City Police, Michigan State Police and the Michigan DNR handled 906 incidents. Your county fire/rescue units handled 147, and MMR Ambulance responded to 177 calls. We currently have 138 people in our jail which consist of 5 Diverted Felons, 57 Federal Renters, and 76 locals.

Here is something I don't believe I have ever put in one of my articles, and that is the total number of calls that our Central Dispatch receives in a month. For the month of November 2022 there were 3,111 calls answered by our dispatchers. That number includes all 911 emergency, and regular non-emergency calls that came in. The busiest time for calls came in between 1500 to 1900 hours, averaging over 200 calls an hour during

those times. The slowest time of calls was between 0100 and 0500, averaging 32.6 calls an hour. Of course, these numbers can change depending on weather conditions. I want to congratulate Kerrie Card for taking over 600 calls, and Stephen Hillard for taking 550 calls during the month of November.

I would like to congratulate Det/Sgt Bill Sharp, Det/Sgt David Aldrich, Corporal Andrew Coulson, and Corporal Joseph White on completing a four-and-a-half-day seminar in Bay City this past month. The FBI-LEEDA Supervisor Leadership Institute is a four-and-a-half-day course that helps prepare the next generation of police leaders for their critical first steps in police leadership. The class was hosted by Director Michael Cecchini of the Bay City Department of Public Safety.

Our Central Dispatch entered a float in the Harrison Parade of Lights this year and won "Best Theme", congratulations to the hard work that went into the float! We held our annual hallway of giveaways. Each year many employees buy items to give away. Our top winners were Melissa Schmidt winning the Ruger 10-22 and Jake Tessner who won the Remington 870 12 Gauge.

I would like to take this time to wish everyone in Clare County a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. May your holiday time be filled with joy and happiness. Be safe in your travels and remember to have a designated driver if you plan on consuming alcohol.

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Sheriff John S Wilson



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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLARE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING FILE NO. 22-18714-GM

In the matter of SERENITY ANN SPRAGUE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including: CHAD OUSLEY whose address(es) is/are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following: TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023 at 1:30 P.M. at

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Harrison Community Schools Board of Education will accept applications for a vacant seat on the board. A new member will be appointed to fill a term on the Board which will begin January 10, 2023 and will expire December 31, 2024. Interested parties should submit a letter which expresses your reasons for your interest in serving on the Board of Education, resume with personal and professional references and letters of recommendation to the Board Secretary by 2:00 p.m. on Monday, January 2, 2023.

The Board of Education will interview and appoint the new member during its Regular meeting held Monday, January 9, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

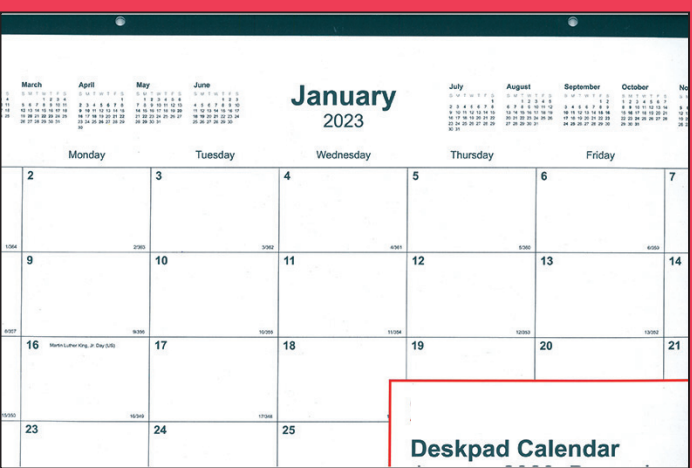
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we do it one step at a time, and again it comes down to the little things. The small acts of kindness and courtesy, the smile and the friendly greeting can make a big difference in the lives of those around us. Resolve to perform these small gestures with love and you will thereby have done something great.
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MORE NEWS & VIEWS

Clerk Outlines Proposal 22-2 Election Changes

Proposal 22-3 Recount Does Not Change Local Outcome



ing portion of the proposal affects only federal and statewide elections, not local elections such as those held for school bonding proposals. She added that the nine-day early voting could be offered if the local units chose to do so.

"They also said the cost of early voting is going to fall on the county and local jurisdictions," Mott said. "The state is not getting any funding for the nine days of early voting. So, not only is it nine days of early voting, but it's 10 days of voting."

Commissioner Rick Fancon asked if there was an estimated cost, and Mott said that she is putting together a committee to discuss options [ahead of the Bureau of Elections giving its recommendations], because there is a desire to know what is best for this county.

"Sometimes these are passed based on what's best for big cities," she said. "And what's best for big cities is not always what's best for our small communities."

During the Dec. 14 meeting of the Clare County Board of Commissioners, Lori Mott, county clerk/register of deeds, elaborates on the recent Proposal 22-3 Recount in Hayes Township, as well as election changes that will result from the passage of Proposal 22-2. (Cleaver photo by Dianne Alward-Biery)

One possibility is consolidating a minimum of six precincts, but Mott expressed concern for the voter confusion that could cause due to possibly voting in different locals for various issue, i.e., school districts not common to all precincts.

The statistically daunting concern that comes with nine days of early voting is the requirement of having the polls open at least eight hours each day. Adding the pre-setup, teardown and securing of ballots, that reaches 10- to 12-hour days, all of which require paying additional people.

Mott also touched on the small change to overseas absentee voting, which requires not closing voting until six days after the election to accommodate ballots postmarked as late as 8 p.m. on election day.

She explained that clerks can already email ballots to absent voters 45 days prior to the election, which allows ample time to fill in and mail back the ballot. So, the Board of Canvassers can do its work, but the vote cannot be certified until after those additional six days.

Mott also addressed the photo ID requirement, saying nothing has changed because of that component.

"You had the right to sign an affidavit if you didn't have your voter ID prior to this - you still have that," she said. "You don't have to show ID to vote; you can sign the

affidavit just like before the proposal passed."

Mott said the most concerning part of the proposal, aside from the economic issues, is that once someone applies for an absentee ballot, they can be put on a permanent absent voter list. That exists currently, however, rather than requiring the voter to request an absentee ballot prior to each election, now the ballot will continue to be sent automatically.

"We're going to mail you ballots for each election, whether you want one or not," she said. "If you don't vote for six consecutive years, we'll stop doing that."

Fancon asked how that function will be audited, citing the example of the voter who is signed up to automatically receive a ballot then moves out of state.

"The only way we'll know you moved out of state is if you cancel your driver's license or the Secretary of State cancels you," she said. "I don't think it's going to be a huge issue in Clare County, because we're small. And our clerks do take your ballot envelope, look at your signature and look at the signature we have on file for you and make sure that signature matches."

Mott then voiced concern that in a county with more than a million voters, there won't be adequate staff numbers to compare signatures.

Next on the list was prepaid postage for the AV ballots, and Mott's anticipation that the funding will ultimately go to the taxpayer: a cost which, based on the 2020 election, would amount to \$11.4 million for each election just for postage. She said that amount is estimated to increase by \$4.3 million for the next presidential election. Mott noted that in 2024, that will mean three elections: the Presidential Primary, August Primary, and General Election.

Ballot drop boxes will now be required at each voting precinct, and voters will now be able to place their AV ballot applications in the drop boxes as well.

Moving on to donations and contributions, Mott said counties, cities and townships may now accept and use charitable donations and contributions to conduct and administer elections.

"So that's an option, if you want to get out there and see if someone wants to fund our elections," she said.

In summary, Mott said that elections will cost the county more money, and require more coordinating, planning and executing from her office. She told commissioners to be aware of the possibility she could approach them seeking to hire an additional employee.

"There's a lot to think about, and a lot that's going to have to go into this," she said.

By DIANNE ALWARD-BIERY
Cleaver Staff Writer

HARRISON - In her Dec. 14 report, Lori Mott, county clerk/register of deeds, began by telling the Clare County Board of Commissioners that the report would be her longest in a long time. She started with the statewide election proposal recount which touched on several counties, and in Clare County included only one of the two precincts in Hayes Township.

"As far as the Bureau of Elections can tell, there's no reason for any of the precincts that were picked," she said. "And when asked about it, they just said they 'had a secret sauce.'"

Mott said that recount in Hayes, which was only for Proposal 22-3, ended with two less "yes" votes and three additional "no" votes. She went on to explain that such changes can be due to the way the machine reads the vote, i.e., when someone makes an "X" in the oval rather than filling it in.

"And sometimes voters will do it quickly, and they only get a little piece of the oval," she said. "And the machine won't read it.

That's one way there would be an additional vote."

Mott said that, at that time, the recount statewide was still in progress, but that the outcome for Hayes Township did not change.

"The Bureau of Elections doesn't expect a change in the final vote," Mott said.

She went on to describe the election procedural changes that will be necessitated by the passage of Proposal 22-2, and stated with the previous misperception that changes would not affect Clare County, as it has no townships with populations over 10,000. Mott said that was incorrect, that it affects everyone statewide, and then went on to describe some specifics and how she plans to move forward.

"The Bureau of Elections didn't have any recommendations for us at our conference," she said, explaining that at the time the election had just been completed, and the recount announced. "They haven't even had a chance to look at Proposal 22-2 to give their recommendations. That will be coming after the first of the year."

Mott clarified that the early vot-

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