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Fowlerville police sergeant retiring, but taking on new role at school

By Steve Horton

As far as retirements go, Jeff Soli won't be having much of one in the foreseeable future. While the Fowlerville police sergeant is leaving the department this coming Friday, Sept. 28, after 28 years of service, he's not heading to the nearest fishing hole or otherwise deciding what to do with his free time. Instead, the following Monday he begins his duties as the new District Safety & Security Director at the Fowlerville Community Schools.

With Soli having been the school liaison officer since 1997, it was an easy choice for the school board and administration who decided to expand and enhance security at the district's four classroom buildings.

Along with the Director's position, there'll continue to be a school liaison officer who is a member of the Village police force, and also safety monitors at each of the four classroom buildings.

"I'll be focusing on the elementary schools, and the liaison officer will be working mostly at the high school and junior high," Soli said. "We're going to hire four people to be safety monitors, with one in each building. They'll be like security officers. I'm looking at retired police officers or someone with military experience to fill these positions, so they'll have that background, but also are good with kids.

"I'll do the training of the security staff and oversee the safety drills that are done with the students and staff," he added. "A lot of my effort at Smith and Kreeger will be preventive, encouraging students rather



Sgt. Jeff Soli shows the plaque he is receiving from the Village of Fowlerville in recognition of his 28 years with the police department, with much of that time spent as the school liaison officer. Soli is retiring from the department, but will be the new District Safety & Security Director at the school.

than just reacting.

"I'll be able to meet with more kids at a younger age that are getting into trouble or missing school and find out why. That's more difficult to do at the junior high and high school where the kids' behavior has become more ingrained."

Tony Coln, he noted, will be the new liaison officer.

"He's worked for our department for three years as a part-time officer and became full-time this past July," Soli said. "He has 12 years of experience in law

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Fowlerville Fall Fest taking place on Saturday, Oct. 1, at fairgrounds

The annual Fowlerville Fall Fest will be taking place at the Livingston Centre Historic Village, inside the Fowlerville Family Fairgrounds on Saturday, Oct. 1, from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Entrance fees: \$5.00 per person, with \$3.00 for children 10 and under; price includes parking.

There will be activities for the entire family: a Petting Zoo, a Bounce House, food vendors, arts and craft center, Barrel Train ride for children.

The Historic Village will be open all day, with committee members giving guided tours in some of Livingston County's oldest structures. The model train display inside the Pere Marquette Depot will delight people of all ages and a choir will be performing in the Green Church.

Also, there will be demonstrations of traditional arts around the Village including broom-making and blacksmithing. The open barn near the Village will hold many vendors and flea-marketers. Musicians, and Barbershop Quartets will be providing entertainment on the gazebo stage throughout the day.

This annual festival highlights the beginning of autumn in Livingston County while offering the opportunity to visit the Historic Village once again before winter. Its purpose is twofold: family fun for all ages and fund- and awareness-raising to continue restoration, preservation and maintenance of these enduring buildings, which date back to the earliest days of Livingston County.

Please contact Matt D. (517-294-6710) for more information.



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Ladies: Join us for a day with Priscilla Shirer

Family Impact Centers will be hosting an all-day event featuring the Bible teaching of Priscilla Shirer along with worship led by Anthony Evans. This event, entitled *Going Beyond*, will be held at **Family Impact Wellness Center**

(9430 W. Grand River, just west of Fowlerville)

Saturday - October 8th
 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The \$30 cost includes a delicious lunch and a special gift for every participant. Scholarships are available. Tell your friends and save the date! For more information or to sign up call Barb at 517-223-4428. **PLEASE REGISTER BY WEDNESDAY, OCT. 5TH.**

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Fowlerville police sergeant retiring, continued

enforcement.”

An important program Soli has conducted at the school for the past 20 years is drug prevention and detection, using a trained K-9 partner to detect the presence of illegal substances in lockers, cars parked in the lot, or in a student’s possession.

“We had two students overdose in 2002, so we got the canine,” he noted. “The program has worked. The number of drug-related issues at our school, compared to neighboring districts, is much lower. We do periodical sweeps, so the kids have learned not to bring an illegal substance to school.”

Soli said that he’ll continue this effort in his new role.

“It was tough for me to give that up, so we made a deal where I am buying ‘Hank’ from the department and will continue using him at the school,” he explained. “Hank is over seven years old and has a couple of years left for doing this kind of work, so we’ll keep using him.”

While the liaison assignment at the school has been his main priority, Soli worked as a patrol officer when classes were not in session. For the past three years, he’s taken on the additional duties of the department’s sergeant—second in command after the chief of police. It was the culmination of a career that began in 1994 when he saw an ad in the newspaper, seeking reserve officers and applied.

“I was working in the custodial department at Northville Public Schools and commuting from our rural home in Fowlerville,” he recalled. “The Village had just reinstated a local police department and the chief at that time was looking for extra help at special events. After joining, I became interested in becoming a police officer.”

To that end, he attended a training academy in Garden City in 1996 and, after completing the course, was hired as a patrol officer. The following year he took on the newly-created position with the school. “It was a perfect fit for me,” he said.

Soli noted that there have been “highs and lows” during the past 28 years, adding that being a liaison officer has been “about 80% positive,” while working the road is “about 80% negative.”

“That’s why I love my job and want to continue doing this,” he added.

At age 60, and with over a quarter-of-a-century of patrolling the Fowlerville school buildings and grounds behind him, he’s in a position of getting to know the kids whose parents were students during his earlier years on the job.

“That’s fun,” he said, adding that “Probably the major highlight for me is when I get a letter from someone who had gotten into trouble, thanking me for changing their life or pointing them in the right direction. That’s gratifying. Part of what I do is to build relationships with students and to create trust.

“I’ve tried to make Fowlerville Schools a safer and more secure place for the students and staff and, of course, that’s

what you do as a Village police officer for the residents,” Soli said. “With this new position and the extra personnel, that will continue to be our main purpose.”

A reception is being held at the Fowlerville Village offices on Monday, Oct. 3, from 3 to 5 p.m., honoring Sgt. Jeff Soli for his 28 years of service with the local police department. Well-wishers are invited to stop by.

VETLIFE Octoberfest pub crawl being held in Brighton on Oct. 1

Octoberfest is coming to downtown Brighton on Saturday, Oct. 1, from 12:00-5:00 pm. Join us for this charity pub crawl benefiting VETLIFE and its work to help area veterans.

“There are so many veterans throughout this state that do not even know what benefits are out there,” said VETLIFE co-founder Cortnie Parish. “Events like this pub crawl help fund our mission of connecting these veterans to available resources and assistance.”

Over 10 participating bars in downtown Brighton will be offering participants exclusive drink and food specials. Tickets are currently on sale for \$25/each and will go up to \$30/each starting next week. Group discounts are also available for a limited time to groups of four.

To purchase Octoberfest Charity Pub Crawl tickets visit: brightonpubcrawl.eventbrite.com

VETLIFE is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that offers a variety of resources, programs, and events to veterans and their families all at no cost.

To learn more visit: www.vetlifetoday.org or follow VETLIFE on Facebook and Instagram @vetlifetoday.

Livingston Fine Art Association meeting planned Sept. 27 at Howell church

The Livingston Fine Art Association monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept. 27, at the First Presbyterian Church, Howell. Doors open at 6:30pm, and the meeting begins at 7:00pm. Use the rear entrance under the green canopy.

“What’s So Great about Glass?” will be presented by Gail Weddington, a Southeast Michigan glass artist. Gail will describe the different forms of art glass to introduce people to the breadth of work that can be done with this medium. She will then show some of her own work and will explain some of the process involved with working with glass.

A short business meeting and a discussion of members artwork will follow.

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Caleb Jenkins Column



Leadership Virtues: A Lasting Difference

Over the last two months, we examined several philosophies and practicable virtues that contribute toward the makeup of a great leader. We began by discussing the need for a leader to embody good leadership virtues as part of his or her internal character, rather than simply maintaining a façade. We then reflected on humility, intellectual sympathy, moral courage, resilient decision making, addressing mistakes, and forming beneficial expectations mixed with grace. The covered topics are nowhere close to all encompassing, but I hope you find them beneficial despite their limitations. I also hope the themes serve as a springboard for deeper and broader self-analyses on leadership.

For the most part, the articles were introspective from the leader's perspective. Both through this series and in other columns, I tried to stress the fundamental element that leadership is about service and people. A good leader self-reflects in order to better serve the mission and support the people. Ultimately, introspection still has outward results, but the primary focus of the articles was undoubtedly on developing as an individual.

Now, I want to draw your attention to the next step, which is developing others as good leaders. You may be the best leader in the world, someone who inspires and blesses all around you. You make decisions with clarity and wisdom, and you leave a lasting positive impact on the world. That in itself is an admirable and challenging feat! Still, I cannot help but think of the many great leaders who were succeeded by incompetent or even bad

leaders.

In most circumstances, the argument can be made that a disappointing succession was beyond the previous leader's control for a myriad of reasons. I do not mean to imply we should be quick to pass judgment on those whose successors overwhelm us. The good leader's legacy is still intact, and we should appreciate his or her contributions and example. But a leader should also have an eye to the future. Who will carry the baton when the leader is gone? If you are that leader, have you invested in others and developed them to lead well?

We have addressed service to others extensively, and investing in people's personal and professional development is part of that service. Through your words and actions, show people what it means to be a good leader. To the best of your ability, set them up for success. Individuals are ultimately responsible for their own actions, and whether someone receives and applies your investment is beyond your control. This is not a call for critical micromanagers. Rather, it is a petition to invest in the next generation of leaders. Set the right example; provide proper advice; and make a lasting difference in the lives of those around you.

Virtual forums for candidates being prepared by League of Women Voters

The League of Women Voters of Livingston County is preparing to hold virtual forums for candidates in the MI House 48th, 49th and 50th District seats and the 22nd District Senate seat, in time for the absentee voter ballot arrival in late September.

In addition, the League has invited candidates for the Livingston County Board of Commissioners and the Brighton, Howell, Hartland, Pinckney and Fowlerville school districts to participate in candidate forums.

We have invited all candidates on the ballot to participate, and look forward to hearing those running for office speak to the issues affecting their future constituents. Local government affects the day-to-day lives of our community; we hope this voter education effort helps citizens learn more about the candidates who hope to earn their vote.

Recordings of the 2022 forums, once completed, will be available on the LWV web site: lwvlivingstonco.org, our [Our YouTube Channel](#) and on the [LWV's Facebook Page](#) through January, 2023. Our 2020 LWV Livingston County virtual forums, posted on-line, garnered over 3500 views, in addition to those who watched the events live-streamed. We anticipate significant public interest in 2022 general election videos.

The League will also launch our online voter guide www.VOTE411.org on September 28th, with candidate information, voter registration tools, polling place locations and other Election Day information. Candidates for all contested races in the 2022 general election have also been invited to participate in this informational online voter guide.

Card of Thanks

The staff and students at HT Smith Elementary would like to extend sincere thanks to the family and friends of Mrs. Marilyn Rambo. In reverence of Mrs. Rambo and in honor of her love for reading, family and community members donated to the HT Smith Library. With these kind donations new Christmas books (as Marilyn loved Christmas stories) will be purchased in her honor for the students to enjoy. We greatly appreciate the gracious and thoughtful generosity to ensure Mrs. Rambo's love of reading will live on in Fowlerville students.

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Fowlerville High School's "ATHLETES" OF THE WEEK



Jud Scott

Varsity Boys Soccer

Brayden Winters - Is a Senior Captain for the Varsity Boys Soccer Team and plays Defensive Midfielder. He has played Varsity for 2 years and has moved positions due to his ability to play wherever he is needed. He currently has 2 assists on the season with 0 goals. With his presence in the midfield he is one of the reasons that we are out scoring our opponents. In the classroom he is just as productive showing his teammates what it means to be a student/athlete.

Rogelio Rodriguez - Is a Junior Captain for the Varsity Boys Soccer Team and plays Forward. He is a quiet leader and shows others how a Fowlerville athlete should act on and off the pitch. He currently has 4 goals and is leading the team in assists with 4. Again, he will be one of the reasons that next year should be a good year for Fowlerville Soccer.

Ian Hartke - Is a Junior Captain for the Varsity Boys Soccer Team and plays Forward. He is a leader on the field and currently leads the team with 12 goals. As one of the voices for the team he pushes the team to do their best. He is one of the reasons that next year should be a breakout season for Fowlerville Soccer.

JUD'S FOOTBALL FORECAST

SATURDAY, SEPT. 24	Chicago <u>17</u> at NY Giants <u>21</u>
Maryland <u>17</u> at Univ. of Mich. <u>39</u>	Jacksonville <u>21</u> at Philadelphia <u>31</u>
Minnesota <u>28</u> at Mich. State <u>31</u>	NY Jets <u>10</u> at Pittsburgh <u>28</u>
THURSDAY, SEPT. 29	Buffalo <u>34</u> at Baltimore <u>31</u>
Miami <u>28</u> at Cincinnati <u>35</u>	LA Chargers <u>34</u> at Houston <u>17</u>
SUNDAY, OCT. 2	Arizona <u>28</u> at Carolina <u>21</u>
Seattle <u>17</u> at Detroit <u>31</u>	New England <u>27</u> at Green Bay <u>24</u>
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Cleveland <u>24</u> at Atlanta <u>21</u>	Kansas City <u>28</u> at Tampa Bay <u>34</u>
Washington <u>31</u> at Dallas <u>24</u>	MONDAY, OCT. 3
Tennessee <u>24</u> at Indianapolis <u>27</u>	LA Rams <u>21</u> at San Francisco <u>24</u>

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Facebook Storytime (Ages 2-8)

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Thursdays, Sept. 8 - Dec. 22 • 12:00pm

Homeschooling Cooperative (drop-in)

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My First Escape Room: Disney! (Ages 5-9) (registration required)

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Friday, Sept. 30 • 4:00pm, 4:30pm, 5:00pm, 5:30pm, 6:00pm

Saturday, Oct. 1 • 11:00am, 11:30am, 12:00pm, 12:30pm, 1:00pm

ADULTS

Yoga with Ellen Zezula from Simply Authentic (drop-in)

Lean into Yin Yoga at the library with soft stretches and yoga asanas, including a touch of meditative practice. No cost.

Mondays, 10:00am

Mondays, 6:00pm

Author Program: Marion Cornett (drop-in)

Join local historian and author, Marion Cornett, to discuss her newest published novel *She Wore a Hat in Prison*.

Thursday, Sept. 29 • 6:30pm

CRAFTING CORNER

Cozy Crafting by the Fireplace (drop-in)

Bring your own project or learn to knit and work on a beginner project

Oct. 3 • 3:00pm-5:00pm

LITERARY CORNER:

Adult Writers' Group (drop-in)

For patrons interested in creative writing and getting feedback on their latest poem or chapter.

Tuesdays • 2:30pm – 3:30pm

Monthly Book and Coffee (Traditional book club with coffee and dessert) (registration required)

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Sept. 26 *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah

TEENS

Tabletop Wednesday (drop-in)

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Wednesdays • 2:30pm-5:00pm

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For more information or to sign up, call Barb at 517-223-4428. To better help us prepare for the luncheon, please register by Wednesday, October 5th.

Fowlerville Varsity Boys Soccer Team splits pair of games

The Fowlerville Varsity Boys Soccer Team split a pair of games earlier this month.

The Gladiators lost to St. Johns 6-2. Scoring for the Glads was Ian Hartke with both goals. Rogelio Rodriguez had an assist. Owen Smith saved 12 shots.

The Gladiators traveled to Lansing Catholic and came away with a 3-2 win. Ian Hartke had a hat trick with Tanner Camps assisting on one goal and Rogelio Rodriguez assisting on the other 2 goals. Owen Smith had 9 saves and came up with some big saves near the end of the game.

Fowlerville Boy Scout Troop welcoming new members at Sept. 26 meeting

Troop 336 is having a 'Join Scouting' Night on Monday, Sept. 26, at 6:30 p.m at St. John's Lutheran of Fowlerville. FREE fishing pole to those who join in September! Boys ages 11-17 are eligible. Scouting offers Adventure, Citizenship, Leadership, Helping Others, Character Development. For questions go to beascout.org or call/text (517) 599-2113.

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Letter to the Editor

Two Dangerous and Deceptive Proposals

Whenever the 'left' cannot get their agendas through using the legislative process, they put thoughtless proposals willy-nilly on the ballot to change our state constitution. Proposal 3 attempts to put "reproductive freedom for all" into our constitution. Let me ask you a question: Do you want abortions to be legalized up to the point of birth, including partial birth abortion? If not, vote NO on proposal 3. Would you like your child to have an abortion, have sex change surgery, or take puberty blockers at any age without your knowledge, let alone your consent? If not, vote NO on proposal 3.

The Board of Canvassers rejected this proposal as "nonsense" but Gretchen Whitmer and Planned Parenthood went over their heads. Every law on the books concerning abortion, including safety and health regulations for clinics, would be overturned. Any licensed professional (not limited to doctors) could perform an abortion, and there would be immunity from prosecution for anyone doing it, no matter what the outcome for the mother. A baby who survives an

abortion attempt could be terminated afterwards. This is only part of the insanity. If enacted, this proposal would make Michigan the most pro-abortion state in the country.

Proposal 2, deceptively titled "promote the vote" would require 9 days of early voting, absentee ballots without any reason, and drop boxes in abundance. No state ID required so that illegals could vote. Outside groups could pour money into our elections (like "Zuckerbucks" in the last one) to sway the vote. Have we learned nothing? Post-election audits could only be conducted by state or local officials, denying citizens access to election records and potentially making it a crime to question election accuracy. I am sure you can see who is behind this proposal and why. We would never have another fair election.

Please think about these proposals long and hard and I believe you will agree with me. Vote NO on proposals 2 and 3!

Sandra Helzerman
Fowlerville

Letter to the Editor

Grateful for Medicare Changes

I am thrilled the President signed into law the Inflation Reduction Act that includes historic drug price reforms that will deliver relief to millions of Americans. These provisions allow Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices and implement other reforms that will meaningfully lower prices for Americans.

I have multiple meds for chronic migraines that are extremely expensive. I had to leave my job due to severe disability from migraines so my income is very limited. I was frequently thrown into the Medicare donut hole early each year and my drug expenses used up 1/2 of my total income.

This drug pricing legislation is historic for patients. For the first time, it allows Medicare to negotiate lower prices for some of the most expensive prescription drugs; institutes a cap on out-of-pocket costs for Medicare beneficiaries and limits annual price increases to stop price gouging by drug corporations. I will be less anxious about the cost of my meds with the \$2,000 annual cap.

Thank you to Democratic members of the House and Senate, and to President Biden for passing the historic Inflation Reduction Act - we are one step closer to patients like me being able to afford the medications we need.

Donna Gadbow
Brighton

Fowlerville author to discuss new book at library on Sept. 29th

Marion Cornett, a Fowlerville author, noted that her new book "She Wore a Hat in Prison" has a title that says a lot, but it doesn't tell the whole story. Please come and join her at the Fowlerville District Library this coming Thursday, September 29, 6:30 pm, to find out the true tale behind this highly-fictionalized novel.

"It is a bit shocking but definitely intriguing," Cornett said, adding that "I would love to see you there. Plus, there may be snacks involved!"

Marion Cornett is the author of 'The Fowlerville Chronicles', 'Through the Eyes of a Country Editor', and numerous other works.

Letter to the Editor

It has been well documented that public education in this country has been in a state of decline for the last 50 years and that decline has accelerated over the last 10. After attending several Fowlerville School Board meetings last year, I would categorize it as a threat to our National Security. All their gaslighting cannot hide the fact that well north of 50% of our juniors cannot read past a fourth-grade level. While attending an awards ceremony last September, I wondered who was going to receive an award for that.

The recent letter on 9-18-22 from Thomas Higby regarding Sandra Helzerman is by far the best reason, to date, I have seen to put her on the school board. I do not recall the 6-26-22 letter he referenced, although I'm sure I read it. I think the pendulum has swung so far toward depravity that a voice for rectitude is needed. Simply put, when it comes to the miseducation of our children (woke nonsense) maybe it's time to fight fire with fire. Education is on the ballot in November folks!

Respectfully,
David L. Davis
Fowlerville

Letter to the Editor

Diana Dombrowski is running as a nonpartisan for the Fowlerville School Board. She is the mom of 3 FHS graduates and an award-winning former teacher who will put kids, not politics, first. I am writing postcards to voters about Diana that say:

"Diana believes that children are more than just test scores. She has excellent experience to bring to our school board & will listen to all stakeholders. I know Diana will continue to be devoted to betterment of Fowlerville Public Schools which are a cornerstone of our great community. I hope you will please vote for Diana. Thanks so much!"

Cherie Mollison
Fowlerville

Fowlerville Varsity Volleyball Team loses pair of league games last week

The Fowlerville Varsity Volleyball team hosted CAAC Red foe Williamston on Monday, Sept. 14th. The girls lost 3-0 with scores of 14-25, 15-25, 18-25.

The Glads were led by sophomore Tommi Kleinschmidt with 14 digs and 6 kills. Also contributing to the offense was Meadow Browne with 4 kills while Ava Kuch and Ava Rajala added 3 kills each. Setter Morgan Thomas tallied 14 assists and 4 digs on the night. Defensively, Julia Johnson added 10 digs as well as 5 points and Kaitlyn Seiter contributed 9 digs. At the service line, Ava Campbell stepped in and earned 5 points.

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The Lady Glads Varsity Volleyball Team traveled to St. Johns on Wednesday, Sept. 21st and were swept by their CAAC Red opponent with scores of 15-25, 13-25, 5-25.

Despite strong defensive efforts from seniors Maggie Motz and Julia Johnson, the Glads were unable to slow down the Redwings offense. Other contributors throughout the night were Tommi Kleinschmidt, Morgan Thomas, Heidi Curd, and Kaitlyn Seiter.

Overall, the girls are 5-10-0 and have a quick turn around, hosting a quad with Byron, Perry, and Dansville on Thursday, Sept. 22.



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NOTICE TO CONWAY TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

Position available for Zoning Board of Appeals

The Conway Township Board of Trustees is currently looking to fill two openings on the Zoning Board of Appeals

The purpose of the Zoning Board of Appeals is to hear and decide on questions in administering the zoning ordinance. Receiving the variance applications and supporting documents and performing an on-site evaluation when needed to make a determination on the variance request.

The Zoning Board of Appeals meets on an as-needed basis.

The Conway Township Board will be looking to fill these positions at the next Board of Trustee meeting on October 18 at 7 p.m.

Conway Township Resident interested in applying for these positions should send a resume to Clerk P.O. Box 1157, Fowlerville MI 48836 or by email to clerk@conwaymi.gov.

Elizabeth Whitt
Conway Township Clerk
(8-28, 9-11 & 9-25-22)

Fowlerville High School News

OFFICE HOURS

Administration Offices 7:00 a.m.– 2:30 p.m.
 Building opens 6:45 a.m.

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

Parents/Guardians of Fowlerville High School seniors: We know that applying for financial aid can be a confusing process. To help, you are invited to attend a virtual financial aid presentation to learn more about financing education beyond high school. A financial aid specialist will provide general information able to be used no matter what college or university students plan to attend. Topics include the elements of financial aid, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), a variety of resources available including scholarships, and more! Please see the "News" section on the Fowlerville High School webpage for the sign-up link.

HOMECOMING INFORMATION

October 3-7 2022

Dress Up Days for the Week of Homecoming:

- Monday --- Athletes v. Mathletes
- Tuesday --- Color War
- Wednesday --- Country v. Country Club
- Thursday --- Throwback Thursday
- Friday --- PURPLE & GOLD DAY!

HOCO TAILGATE LUNCH IS BACK! Our amazing High School Cafeteria Staff will be bringing back our traditional Tailgate Lunch for Homecoming Friday! A special menu of freshly grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, and sides will be available **HOMECOMING FRIDAY ONLY! DON'T MISS OUT!**

Homecoming Dance Tickets will be sold September 28 - October 7 during all three lunches or from Ms. Thomas in room D-109. Tickets will be 15\$ each. **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.** If a student is bringing a guest from another school they need to have a **SIGNED GUEST PASS BEFORE** they can purchase their guest ticket.

Parade: The Homecoming Parade will take place October 7 beginning at 5:30 pm.

Everyone loves a pizza to have on hand when you need a quick dinner or snack after school. All you have to do is start shopping from the following link.....We are selling in order to earn money to help us have a great Senior Lock-in for the Class of 2023. To begin shopping see the FHS news section on the website.

Anyone wants to order **EASY DINNERS** for the Fall or Winter....delivered right to your doorstep by Fed Ex.

Thanks for considering ordering to support the Senior Lock in for the Class of 2023;

Class of 2023 will be looking for donations for the Senior Lock In Party.....email Ms. Steffee if you are interested or are able to make a donation. Items for gifts..... gift cards, gas cards, technology, Amazon cards, monetary donations

etc. etc. If your company would like to sponsor food or drinks for the party it would be greatly appreciated as well. Classes are struggling still due to the lack of fundraising time during Covid downtime. We so appreciate your support.

Students that are interested in organizing school-wide events should join the FHS YAC. The Youth Activation Club meets once per month to organize school-wide activities like our annual food drive, spirit week activities, tailgate party, and positive locker messages. We also organize after-school events such as trips to the Bowl-E-Drome, Rollerama, ZapZone, Animal Shelter, and the Imagine Theater in Hartland for a movie night! Looks great on resumes, builds leadership skills and community service hours! See Mrs. Connor if you are interested. B-101

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

Fowlerville Varsity Boys Tennis Team ties with Mason in recent match

The Fowlerville Varsity Boys Tennis Team tied with Mason 4-4 in an away match played on Thursday, Sept. 15

Singles

- 1 singles- Lucas Preston (M) beat Lucas Anderson 6-2 4-4 (Ret)
- 2 singles- Atticus Erbe (M) beat Cole Sova 5-2 2-6 7-6(5)
- 3 singles- Mason Munsell (F) beat Cooper Cross 6-1 2-6 6-2
- 4 singles-Ethan Rice (M) beat Ryder Lukasik 6-3 6-3

Doubles

- 1 dbls- Alex Jonas/Oliver Farmer (F) beat Sawyer Thomas/ Logan Forbes 7-5 7-6(5)
- 2 dbls- Andrew Stahle/Isaac Johnson (M) beat Griffin Gonzalez/Dillon Wieas 6-2 6-2
- 3 dbls- Mikey Hatfield/Ethan Way (F) beat Drew Perrault/ Ryan Barnhart 7-6(6) 3-6 6-4
- 4 dbls- Ben Furbin/Grant Wilkinson (F) beat Greyson Thomas/Colin Haynie 6-4 6-4

PUBLIC NOTICE

At its meeting on September 19, 2022, the Handy Township Board appropriated \$6,000.00 to the Fowlerville Senior Center, 203 N. Collins St., Fowlerville, MI, for the year 2022-2023 to help defray the Senior Center's operating costs and to assist the Center in providing services to senior citizens in Handy Township. The Center will provide a report to the Township at the end of the year indicating how the funds were spent.

Laura A. Eisele
 Handy Township Clerk
 (9-25-22 FNV)

Fowlerville Varsity Boys Tennis Team defeats Williamston 7-1

The Fowlerville Varsity Tennis Team won a league match at Williamston this past Wednesday, defeating the Hornets 7-1 **Singles:**

- No. 1 - Lucas Anderson, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Jameson Hurley, WILLIAMSTON , 2-6 , 6-2, 6-2
- No. 2 - Jacob McNew, WILLIAMSTON def. Cole Sova, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 6-4 , 5-7 , 6-2
- No. 3 - Mason Munsell, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Nathan Hicks, WILLIAMSTON , 6-2 , 5-7 , 6-2
- No. 4 - Ryder Lukasik, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Luke Harkema, WILLIAMSTON , 7-6 (6), 6-2

Doubles:

- No. 1 - Alex Jonas, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL - Oliver Farmer, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Ben Gorsline, WILLIAMSTON - Ben Smith, WILLIAMSTON , 6-4 , 6-3
- No. 2 - Griffin Gonzalez, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL - Dillon Wieas, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Jack Robke, WILLIAMSTON - Owen Masi, WILLIAMSTON , 7-5 , 2-6 , 6-4
- No. 3 - Mike Hatfield, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL - Ethan Way, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Adrian Eby, WILLIAMSTON - Seth Pennington, WILLIAMSTON , 6-4 , 6-4
- No. 4 - Ben Durbin, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL - Grant Wilkinson, FOWLERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL def. Liam Agnew, WILLIAMSTON - Keith Hanson, WILLIAMSTON , 6-0 , 6-3



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Conway Township Public Notice Township Cemetery Fall Clean-up

As a reminder, all items placed at the graves in all five of the Township Cemeteries per the ordinance were to be removed by October 1. Anything besides the permanent monument will be removed during fall clean-up. All items left at the gravesite will be removed. Grave blankets are allowed to be placed between November 1 and April 1. At that time, they need to be removed. No seasonal items may be placed until after May 1, according to the guidelines in the ordinance. Copies of the ordinance are available on the township website and in person at the township hall during regular business hours. The support of families who observe the cemetery rules is greatly appreciated.

Elizabeth Whitt
 Conway Township Clerk
 (9-18 & 9-25-22 FNV)

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Lyrics from long-ago songs still have meaning today

By Jace Arledge

I am a huge fan of Classic 60's rock. I mean you can tell by some of my articles where my genre of choice is. Recently, some songs have been coming up on the radio that really make me stop and think hard about the lyrics. And not just how good I feel when I am singing full blast driving down the road.

I want to share these songs with you today and see if you feel what I am talking about.

First, Three Dog Night have always been a favorite of mine and when they released "Easy to be Hard" in 1969 this had some heavy undertones that spoke to the times. Chuck Negron, the singer of this song, drones out these words in the very beginning:

*How can people be so heartless? How can people be so cruel? Easy to be hard Easy to be cold
How can people have no feeling? How can they ignore their friends? Easy to be proud Easy to say no*

These hit you right in the feels, don't they? I mean, the questions need answering even 53 years later. We see how society has become numb to those around each of our little

homes. It is a place of "what's in it for me" and less of a "How can I help." I mentioned before in another article that sympathy and empathy are two different emotions, with many of us having both, yet some of us having neither. These lyrics have a way of "waking up" our souls. Take a listen if you get the chance.

The next song I can remember singing on the bus ride home when I was in elementary school, around 1976. Us kids on the bus would just blare out the words and enjoy. Let's take a look:

*There's a reason for the sun-shining sky
And there's a reason why I'm feeling so high
Must be the season
When that love light shines all around us
Just let your love flow like a mountain stream
And let your love grow with the smallest of dreams
And let your love show and you'll know what I mean
It's the season
Let your love fly like a bird on a wing
And let your love bind you to all living things
And let your love shine and you'll know what I mean
That's the reason*

Again... grabs you in the mood!! It shows us that life is meant to be shared, enjoyed and celebrated.

Last is a classic song from 1967. Of course, I didn't hear this song until I was at least 4 or 5 (I have an older brother), but the words and meaning encompass our world even more so today... Sing along:

*All you need is love
All you need is love
All you need is love, love
Love is all you need
All you need is love
All you need is love
All you need is love, love
Love is all you need*

In such uncertain times as we live in these days, it's good to go back and listen to some of the classics, songs that were written during other times of turmoil and confusion. Doing so offers us some clarity.

See my friends, we aren't that different from each other. We all desire common things in our lives. Among these are:

1. love
2. friendship
3. understanding
4. acceptance
5. compassion
6. respect
7. safety
8. security

This is by no means a complete list, but I think you get where I am going. So friends, take this weekend/week to dig through the archives and see what gems you can pull out that had meaning in the past. I can guarantee that, in doing so, you will be transported back to those days where it meant a great deal in your life. Then, make the change for the better in whatever you need in your life.

I love, accept and respect you all!! Spread it!!
Stay Kind and Love Unconditionally
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Fowlerville Varsity Football Team 'rushes' to 33-14 victory over St. Johns

With nearly 300 yards gained on running plays, the Fowlerville Varsity Football Team 'rushed' to a 33-14 victory over St. Johns on Sept. 16.

The Glads set the tone early when Lorenzo Wojcik broke loose for a 52-yard scoring run early in the first quarter. Ian Hartke's PAT then made it 7-0.

Fowlerville added seven more points in the closing seconds of the stanza when Brady Hanna completed a pass to Will Shrader that went the distance for 58 yards. Hartke's point-after kick made it 14-0.

The end of the second period saw some offensive fireworks. St. Johns began the show when they culminated a drive with a five-yard TD run and PAT. The Glads responded three minutes later with Hanna crossing the goal line from one-yard out. With the PAT blocked, they now led 20-7. St. Johns followed that by scoring with 10 seconds left on a 21-yard touchdown pass and PAT.

The game was scoreless for much of the third quarter. That changed at the 3:15 mark when Blake Jopperi ran the ball in from six yards out. The two-point play was unsuccessful, leaving the score at 26-14.

Fowlerville struck paydirt again in the closing minutes of the game when Hanna connected with Caleb Shermoe for a 10-yard touchdown pass. Hartke's PAT kick gave the Glads their final point.

The Gladiators gained 404 yards in total offense, with 295 coming on the ground and 109 in the air. St. Johns had 191 total yards.

Wojcik made the most of his 8 carries, piling up 181 yards. Juopperi, meanwhile, had 74 yards on 16 runs and Hanna 30 yards on 11 rushes.

Hanna also completed 5 of 6 passes for 109 yards. Shrader caught one of those throws for 58 yards, while Evan Atkinson had two receptions for 26 yards.

On defense, Eric Miller had 3 solo tackles and 2 assists, Caleb Shermoe 3 solo tackles and 2 assists, Logan Koven one solo tackle and 5 assists, and Dylan Grossutti and Jaydn Devote each had 2 solo tackles and 3 assists.

Adam Aeschliman intercepted a St. Johns' pass and the Gladiator defense recovered a fumble.

The league win puts Fowlerville at 1-1 in the CAAC Red Division and 2-2 for the season.



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TO THE RESIDENTS OF HANDY TOWNSHIP

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Request submitted by Adam and Stefanie Michele for property located 9900 Amanda Dr, Fowlerville, MI 48836 (Parcel No. 4705-09-100-011) for a variance from the section 2.2(C)(4) Zoning Ordinance requirement to construct an accessory building approximately 2 feet from the east property line. The purpose of the accessory building is to store a boat and vehicle.

1. **Contact Information.** For those people who desire to contact members of the Zoning Board of Appeals to provide input or ask questions on the business that will come before the public body at the meeting, please contact Laura Eisele, Handy Township Clerk at 135 N. Grand Avenue, P.O. Box 189, Fowlerville, MI 48836 before four o'clock P.M. the day prior to the meeting. A copy of the variance application may be viewed at the Township Hall by appointment.

2. **Persons with Disabilities.** Persons with disabilities may participate in the meeting through the methods set forth in paragraph 2. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services in order to attend electronically should notify Laura Eisele, Township Clerk, at (517) 223-3228 within a reasonable time in advance of the meeting.

Dated: September 25, 2022

Thomas Couling
Handy Township Zoning Board of Appeals Secretary
135 N. Grand Ave, Fowlerville, MI 48836
(9-25-22 FNV)



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Michigan House Report

By Bob Bezotte,
47th District

I recently wrote about the state Natural Resources Commission's (NRC) decision to implement mandatory, extensive deer harvest reporting requirements that include criminal penalties for local hunters who fail to comply. I find

these reporting requirements completely unjust for hunters, and am actively working to rescind them.

Therefore, I want to highlight that we, as a Legislature, are already making progress in this fight. This week, I voted in favor of House Bill 6354, which would amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to specify that noncompliance with an order to reporting of a deer harvest or retention of a deer harvest confirmation number, which would currently be a misdemeanor with a fine of not less than \$200 or more than \$1,000, is reduced to a civil infraction with a fine of no more than \$150. HB 6354 passed the House with bipartisan support. While I ultimately urge the NRC to completely rescind any infractions for noncompliance, this is a great first step.

With an ever-increasing deer population, and a dwindling population of hunters, Michigan is facing a problem. The state has had to hire trained deer marksmen, and contract with veterinarians to sterilize deer in order to control the population. Hunting is one of Michigan's most historic and significant pastimes. To threaten hunters with jail time and fines for not being able to comply with imperious reporting

requirements is only going to continue driving hunters away from the sport, and Michigan altogether.

Further, sportsmen and women are typically deep in Michigan's vast, desolate forests while hunting, where internet or cellular connection are hard to come by. For the NRC to know this, and mandate hunters to report online everything about their harvest such as biological information of the deer, license type, harvest season, date and location, land ownership, weapon used, deer age, exact coordinates and more, is simply too much of an ask. Then, for the department to threaten hunters with fines for not complying with these exhaustive requirements is inexcusable.

I will continue to fight on behalf of Michigan's sportsmen and women. My colleagues and I in the Legislature are taking this matter very seriously, and making swift advancements. I will make sure to continue to keep you updated with this issue.

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



From left are Rotary President Brent Pietila, 2022 'Homemaker of the Year' Kayla Lehner and Hank Vaupel, a Rotary Club member who was a judge of the Homemaker Contest held during fair week.

2022 Homemaker of the Year speaks at Fowlerville Rotary Meeting

Kayla Lehner was the guest speaker at the Sept. 14th meeting of the Fowlerville Rotary Club. She is the 2022 Fowlerville Family Fair 'Homemaker of the Year'. Kayla, who resides with her husband and son on a hobby farm north of Howell, has her own photography business, Memories Restored and More by Kayla. She has also started selling her homegrown flowers at the Farmer's Market this year. She treated club members to some of her homemade, gluten-free cookies that she brought to the meeting.

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Showcasing the Michigan DNR

It's always the right time to show state's trails some TLC

By Jessica Holley-Roehrs

Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Every season brings new adventures on Michigan's trails – with almost 10,000 miles between off-road vehicle and snowmobile trails alone, plus thousands more miles of non-motorized trails. So, it follows that every season, our trails need some TLC from those who care most about not only the upcoming season, but about the long-term sustainability of the state's trails system and scramble areas.

Last spring, a large group of volunteers got together in the St. Helen Motorsport Area in Roscommon County to give a great example of just that – showing they care through action. Paul and Melanie Mulder, partnering with ORV and snowmobile trail maintenance groups, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' Adopt-a-Forest program and dedicated Jeep club volunteers, pulled off one of the most successful trail and forest cleanup events I've seen in my career with the DNR.

The Mulders, both Ferris State University employees, organized the cleanup event that brought together more than 100 Jeeps and other vehicles from at least seven different groups – all volunteers. In total, they cleaned up 31,000 pounds of trash, 208 tires and even a couple of old boats from the St. Helen trails and surrounding forest areas. The trash filled

three 30-yard dumpsters donated by the DNR's Adopt-a-Forest program.

Follow-up efforts included identifying locations of more abandoned boats and getting them into a test program for recycling fiberglass boats. From trail cleanup to a future partnership with the Michigan boating industry ... who knew?

These projects and many years of dedicated work on the ORV trails of the northeast and north-central Lower Peninsula earned the Mulders a Partners in Conservation Award. The Michigan Natural Resources Commission presents these DNR employee-nominated awards to individuals or organizations in recognition of their commitment to conservation, natural resource management and assisting the DNR in carrying out its mission.

I have had the pleasure of working out in the field with these two, and I learned firsthand about the hard work it takes to keep the trails in shape and cleaned up for the thousands of riders who enjoy those trails each season. Nice job, Paul and Melanie – we can't thank you enough!

Where to next?

Beginning this month, many of Michigan's 68 snowmobile trail maintenance organizations will hit the ground to clean up the trails and routes that we hope will be covered with snow in December. Why start so early, you ask? There's a lot to do!

Many miles of trail are shared with ORV users and will need to be graded one or more times before the ground freezes to ensure a smooth base for the groomers to pack the snow onto solidly. This time of year, the majority of snowmobile trails are overgrown and strewn with downed limbs, and oftentimes whole trees, that need to be cleared away. And yes, there are tires, trash and other waste. I've heard stories of mattresses, tents, refrigerators and even an old bathtub that needed to be removed from the trails, staging areas, parking lots and trailheads over the years.

But that's not all. The next step is to check each and every sign along the trail, making sure that it is still in place from last season, that it's not too faded or broken, that the pole is in good shape, and then replacing those that need it. Do you know that, in some parts of the state, every sign is put up at the beginning of the snowmobile season and then taken down at the end of the season?

In addition, when Dec. 1 rolls around, gates on private property will need to be opened, and "no trespassing" reminders will need to be posted to ensure that the property owners

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Fowlerville Police Report for the Village of Fowlerville Council Meeting for Monday, September 26, 2022

The Fowlerville Police Department responded to **623** calls for service over the past two-week reporting period.

Total citations issued during this two-week reporting period is **33** (parking and moving citations)

Officers Investigated the Following Types of Complaints:

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| • 15-Assist to EMS/FAFD | • 1-Abandoned vehicle |
| • 79-Area check | • 6-Admin duties |
| • 3-Animal complaint | • 1-Alarm |
| • 4-Assist other agency | • 2-Assault report |
| • 114-Building/property check | • 8- Citizen assist |
| • 15-Community policing | • 1-DHS referrals |
| • 4-Court Prosecutor activity | • 9-Follow up |
| • 2-Disturbance/trouble | • 18-Foot patrol |
| • 3- Domestic Verbal/Physical | • 1-Hazard |
| • 49- General Non Criminal | • 1-Juvenile complaint |
| • 1-K9 training | • 2-Larceny |
| • 17-Liquor investigation | • 1-MDOP |
| • 2-Meetings | • 1-Mental CMH |
| • 5-Message delivery | • 1-Missing person |
| • 1-Motorist assist | • 1-Open door |
| • 1-Operating while intoxicated | • 1-PDA |
| • 7-Ordinance investigation | • 2-Retail Fraud |
| • 4-Park/traffic complaint | • 2-Subpoena service |
| • 2-Patrol information | • 2-Suicidal subject |
| • 7- Suspicious Situations/Vehicle/Person | |
| • 39-Subdivision patrol | • 14-School events |
| • 69-Traffic details | • 101-Traffic stops |
| • 1-Trespassing, loitering | • 1-VCSA |
| • 5-Welfare checks | |

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

Assists to Other Agencies:

Officer Kuzdek was requested by Marquette County CPS to check the welfare of a child that was currently in Fowlerville. Officer Kuzdek checked the welfare and reported her findings to the requesting agency.

Sgt. Soli was requested by the Livingston County Sheriff Office to check the Fowlerville Schools for a missing child. The school reported the student was in class and was dropped off in the morning. Sgt. Soli reported his findings to the Deputy assigned to the case.

Officer Edmonds was requested to assist the Livingston County Sheriff Office with a suicidal subject who had a knife and was hiding in the woods just outside the Village. Officer Edmonds set up on a perimeter and a short time later the subject was located without incident and taken into protective custody.

Officer Duong and Officer McMahon were requested to assist the Livingston County Sheriff Office with a rollover UTV accident at a residence just outside the Village. Fowlerville Officers assisted with victims until additional County units arrived.

Additional Information:

The Fowlerville Rotary had another successful Dawn Patrol event. These types of events are great community events and is nice seeing so many community members attending and having a great time. Fowlerville has the best events in the area hands down (slightly biased ☺).

I attended the Christmas in the Ville pre-planning meeting. As I stated above we have the most amazing events and Christmas in the Ville is my personal favorite. The looks on the kids faces seeing all the floats, hot air balloons, and of course seeing Santa in the parade is priceless.

The Village had a very busy Saturday with the Luke Bryan concert at Kubiak Farms north of the Village and Hearse Fest at the Fowlerville Fairgrounds. As you can imagine, when 20,000 people are attending an event so close to the Village it makes for a lot of traffic. Congestion was intense before and after the concert. We had minimal issues given the scope of attendees at the concert. Hearse Fest also had a very nice crowd and a lot of people having a great time at the event per Officer Kuzdek who attended the event.

Sgt. Jeffrey Soli is retiring after 28 years of dedicated service to the Village of Fowlerville. He has worked in the Fowlerville School District as the School Resource Officer for over 26 years. His retirement date will be September 30, 2022. If you see Sgt. Soli around please remember to give him a hug and thank him for his many years of service to this great community ☺

Respectfully Submitted,
Chief John J. Tyler

Showcasing the Michigan DNR, continued

will allow us to use those sections of trail again in the years to come.

No matter which season or form of motorized recreation is your favorite, any time is the right time for you to volunteer a weekend of your time to the local ORV or snowmobile club where you live or where you ride.

For more information about how to contact any of the motorized trail maintenance organizations around the state, email me at HolleyJ1@Michigan.gov or find a listing of local clubs on the Michigan Snowmobile and ORV Association website.

If you're interested in nonmotorized trails volunteering, contact DNR state trails coordinator Tim Novak at NovakT8@Michigan.gov or get in touch with a local nonmotorized trail organization.

I hope to meet you some day – with boots, gloves, chain saws and trash bags – on the trail.

Find more information about Michigan trails, including maps and ways to support them, at Michigan.gov/DNRTrails.



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LIBRARY MILLAGE NEWS

On November 8th, the Fowlerville District Library (FDL) is seeking a renewal millage of 0.942 per \$1,000 taxable property value (equal to \$94.75/year for taxable value of \$100,000.) This renewal is a continuation of the rate taxpayers are already paying – there will be no increase in rate. This millage is used for all library operations.

WILL FDL CONTINUE TO OPERATE IF THE MILLAGE RENEWAL VOTE FAILS?



A "no" vote on Tuesday, November 8th would mean the library will not have the resources to continue offering the existing hours, staffing and service model.

In the 2021-22 Fiscal Year:

- 31,951 customer visits to the library
- \$663,721 saved by customers using the library
- 16,072 visits to FDL's website
- 22,773 physical items checked out
- 4,406 digital items downloaded
- 3,377 children attended programs
- 1,161 adults attended programs
- 279 teens attended programs

67% of the library's operating budget depends on this millage

The amount that will be collected in the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year from the millage renewal \$646,078

Aide from the traditional library materials, Fowlerville District Library has a comprehensive range of educational and recreational programs to suit many interests and all ages. FDL also offers a variety of items to check out from the Library of Things, as well as digital downloads and online resources.

VOTE YES





Don Marotta, shown here on his Owosso Road farm, has organized a Standardbred Horse Auction that is expected to have over 60 entries and will be held at the Fowlerville Fairgrounds on Thursday, Sept. 29th.

Standardbred Horse Auction being held at Fowlerville Fairgrounds on Sept. 29

By Steve Horton

Harness race horses are bought and sold all the time, but it's been 14 years since a large-scale Standardbred Horse Auction has been held in Michigan that brings buyers and sellers together in one location.

"The last one was at the Expo Center on the Michigan State University campus," noted Don Marotta.

That tradition will be revived on Thursday, Sept. 29, when an auction of standardbred horses takes place at the Fowlerville Fairgrounds.

Marotta, a local resident, is heading the event which is called the "Winner's Circle Speed Sale".

"This kind of sale used to take place every year in the state," he noted. "Our plan is to start doing so again. We've worked out a multi-year deal with the fair board to have the sale in Fowlerville on the fourth Thursday in September."

Marotta noted that Fowlerville is centrally located and offers easy access with the freeway. Also, the grounds feature a covered livestock arena with seating where the sale will take place, along with nearby barns that can accommodate the horses.

The bidding will start at noon, but a Tack & Equipment Auction will take place at 9 a.m. and then later in the morning the horses will be shown one-by-one in the arena with a brief description given about each of them.

At the time he printed the Sale Catalog and sent it to perspective buyers in early September, there were 55 horses listed. However, Marotta has added a few more since then and plans to take entries up until a few days before the sale, which means he expects even more horses.

"They are mostly yearlings" he noted. "The buyers will break them sometime after the sale and begin training them for racing as two-year-olds next year. But we have a few broodmares and a couple that are in foal, plus some horses that have already raced."

Most of the entries come from Michigan owners, but the sale is open to any and all sellers.

"We have a few horses coming from Ohio and Indiana," Marotta said.

Convenience is the selling point for the auction, itself.

"Auctions can get competitive," he said. "That helps the seller, but it also helps the buyers because they get a group of horses to look at and compare.

"The sales catalog has all of their pedigrees in it," Marotta pointed out. "It lists what their brothers and sisters have done and what their mother and father did. On our website, the sellers have put up videos that show the young horses in the fields and how they travel across the ground. This helps a buyer better evaluate their potential racing ability.

"We concentrated on reaching out to Michigan breeders for our first year, both because there are sales like this in neighboring states and because Michigan has not had a dedicated place to sell standardbreds for several years," he explained. "However, going forward, we hope to increase interest, both from sellers in the state as well as others from around the Midwest."

For those involved in harness racing, like Marotta, the industry has been in the doldrums over the past several years. This is due in large part to the competition from the casinos and now online betting for gambling dollars and cuts in state funding that support purse money.

Over time the number of parimutuel tracks in the state has dwindled to where only Northville Downs remains. In addition, the number of race meets held at the county fairs has declined over the years.

Correspondingly, the number of people involved in the industry—be they breeders, owners, trainers, or drivers—has gradually declined. Those left often travel to tracks in Ohio, Indiana, Chicago, and Canada to maintain their livelihood.

But that downward trend may be changing.

While the Northville track is expected to close in a couple of years due to having been purchased by a housing developer, the owners indicated that they plan to build another facility in Metro Detroit.

Another encouraging sign was the additional state money that boosted the purses for the colt stake races held at the fairs this summer, including Fowlerville. There are also bills in the Legislature that, Marotta said, would change the dynamics.

"There's one that, if it passes, would allow us to compete with Ohio and Indiana," he pointed out. "Also, it would attract investment dollars. Along with the owners of Northville indicating their plans to build another track, another investment group said they'd put up a track as well if the bill is passed."

This potential turn-around is one reason Marotta decided to organize this auction, adding that he has two partners.

"I wanted to bring in somebody who has actually worked in auctions, so one of my partners, who is from Michigan, has that background and the other one lives in Indiana and is a dear friend," he said.

Another reason is that Marotta sees this as part of an overall family involvement.

"I've been a driver, trainer and owner and right now am working as the starter in Ohio," he said. "My wife Kate has been a trainer her whole life, starting out with her dad (Larry Kane) who had race horses. We raise and train horses at our farm in Fowlerville and Kate drives them to tracks in Indiana and Ohio to compete.

"Recently, our son and daughter-in-law moved to Michigan," he added. "She was the farm manager for the biggest breeding farm in Indiana for 12 years, but they wanted to come home. So, last fall they sold their farm and moved here. They've started a breeding operation, part of it at our farm and at another place in Byron. So, the timing seemed right to do this."

For Marotta, who is 63, the auction is the latest chapter in a career that dates back to his teenage years.

"My dad and his brother had runners, but ended up with some harness race horses when they were trying to help out a friend," he noted. "They thought they'd bid up the price so he could make more money and ended up with his horses. Eventually, they sent me to work with Irving 'Baldy' Utter at his Fowlerville farm to learn how to train and drive harness horses."

United Way's Women United had 3,805 children read a book this summer at their 'Reading Trails'

By Anne Rennie,

United Way Executive Director

Livingston County United Way brings together a group of women who work to help our Community "Grow Great Kids!" Women United was formed in 2019 and over the last few years has focused on building 'Reading Trails' for the children in our Community. Each reading trail is made up of enlarged story pages and illustrations set into a series of weather proof signs along with mini activity instructions for the children to enjoy as they move from page to page. Once the children complete the walk, they will have read an entire book and learned some new facts!

This summer we added one new permanent trail in the county. Permanent trail locations were:

- Fowlerville Community Park in Fowlerville – Grady the Goose
- Genoa Township Hall Walking Trail in Brighton – Stranger in the Woods
- Settler's Park in Hartland- Buzzy the Bumblebee

These trails are installed the first week of May and removed by the end of September. Over these 22 weeks, we averaged 25 children a week at each trail. This means 1,650 children read a story this summer.

The women have also created four story boards for a moveable trail. Starting in April, they took the moveable trail to 10 events throughout the county and had 2,155 children read at one of these events

The Permanent 'Reading Trails' are sponsored by Hartland Insurance Agency, Katie Pikkarainen State Farm Insurance and Bank of Ann Arbor. Thank You for making a difference in our community!

If you have any questions about the 'Reading Trails' or Women United, please reach out to Anne Rennie at arennie@lcountedway.org or (810) 494-3000.

Later, the family owned Sports Creek Raceway and started the track in Muskegon, with Marotta involved in both of those business ventures.

While he is encouraged by the interest of sellers, Marotta is hopeful as well that the sale will draw a decent turnout of buyers.

"Based on the reaction I've gotten so far, I think we'll get a good number of buyers," he said. "I originally planned to print a thousand catalogs and send them to a list of potential buyers, but then I got about 300 requests so I upped my number to 1,500, and I think I'm going to run out of them."

"I think that we'll also have folks showing up who are interested in harness racing and want to see what's going on," he added.

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SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED MINUTES

September 15th, 2022

The regular meeting of the Iosco Township Board was held on Thursday, September 15, 2022, at 8:00 P.M. Members Present: Bonville, Dailey, Hardies, Miller, & Parker. The following action was taken: 1.) Motion to approve the agenda. 2.) 1st. Call to the Public: There were no requests to be heard from the public. 3.) Motion to adopt the Township Board Meeting minutes from August 18, 2022. 4.) Clerk's report. 5.) Treasurer's report. 6.) Motion to pay \$53,691.51 in Township bills. 7.) Recreation update was heard. 8.) The Fire Board update was heard. 9.) Planning Commission update was heard. 10.) The Assessor/ Zoning Administrator's report was heard. 11.) Motion to approve Midstates Recreation's quote for the purchase and installation of playground equipment for the Township Hall not to exceed \$30,000.00. 12.) Motion to require signage at all sites that require a public hearing except for those that are required by the Zoning Board of Appeals. 13.) Motion to table the discussion on the roof replacement until the quotes can be obtained. 14.) Motion to accept KW's proposal for phone service, on-call IT support, proactive security & monitoring, as well as anti-virus/anti-malware protection for the Township Hall. 15.) Motion to accept the submitted Motion by Landplan dated September 1st, 2022 for the conditional approval for Dollar General Special Land Use Application. 16.) Motion to approve the updated FOIA policy. 17.) Motion to have Supervisor Miller obtain quotes for the purchase of a standby generator for the Township Hall. 18.) 2nd Call to the Public- There were no requests to be heard from the public. 19.) Motion to adjourn at 9:53 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Dailey
Iosco Township Clerk
(9-25-22 FNV)

Silent Auction being held at the Webberville Library

Plan now for donating to the Friends of the Webberville Library Silent Auction fundraiser coming Nov. 1 through Nov. 22. We are asking for original artwork, homemade craft items, themed gift baskets, gift cards, event tickets and services from local businesses. We will accept donations October 24 through 29.

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Webberville Report



Webberville FFA hosting Chicken BBQ this Sunday, Sept. 25th at school

The Webberville FFA is hosting their 64th Annual Chicken BBQ this Sunday, Sept. 25th. Serving will begin at noon as a drive-through at the Football/Track Complex. Guests are

asked to enter from the front of the high school off Grand River and drive behind the school and exit on Pardee Road.

Meals are \$10 each and include half a chicken breast, chips, water, cookie, and side of applesauce. All proceeds go to support scholarships and opportunities for members of the Webberville FFA.

Williamston Theatre to kick off new season with premiere of ‘The Magnolia Ballet Part 1’

Williamston Theatre kicks off its 2022-2023 Season with a National New Play Network Rolling World Premiere of *The Magnolia Ballet Part 1* by Terry Guest. Performances for this Southern Gothic fable begin Thursday, October 13 and run through Sunday, November 6. Tickets are now on sale.

Ezekiel is a Black teenager with a secret. Every day he finds himself haunted by ghosts, ghosts that have plagued men in Georgia for generations, ghosts of racism, homophobia, and toxic masculinity. Ghosts that show up in the other men in his life, including his emotionally distant father. But when Ezekiel discovers a trove of forbidden love letters among his late grandfather's belongings, he has a realization: perhaps the only way to exorcise these multigenerational ghosts is to burn everything to the ground.

The Magnolia Ballet Part 1 melds high drama, dance, poetry, and spectacle to explore masculinity, racism, and the love between a queer kid and his father. (Contains mature content and language. Check our website for a note about trigger warnings.)

Performances will run on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 8:00PM and Sundays at 2:00PM. Starting October 22 there will be 3:00PM performances added to the remaining Saturdays of the run. The first four performances of the play--October 13 – 16—are Preview performances where audience members will have the opportunity to take part in the process of creating a show by participating in a talkback session with the director following each performance.

The Official Opening Night is Friday, October 21 at 8:00PM. The Conversation Sunday for *The Magnolia Ballet Part 1* is Sunday, October 30 immediately following the 2:00PM performance.

Tickets are Pay-What-You-Wish for the Preview on Thursday, October 13. Remaining Preview tickets are \$19.00. Starting Thursday, October 20 tickets are \$28.00 for Thursday evenings, \$37.00 for Friday and Saturday evenings and \$34.00 for Saturday and Sunday matinees. Senior citizens (65 and older) and members of the Military (active and retired) receive a \$2 discount on all tickets. Student tickets (with a valid student ID) are \$10 for all performances. Discounts are also available for groups of 10 or more (booked at least 1 week in advance through the Box Office).

Tickets can be purchased Tuesday - Friday from 12-6pm by calling (517) 655-SHOW (7469) or ordered on-line up until 1 hour prior to the performance by visiting our website www.williamstontheatre.org. There is a \$1 per ticket processing fee on all tickets. Payment is required at the time the reservation is made.

Williamston Theatre is continuing with the following Covid Safety Precautions:

--All patrons must always wear masks over their nose and mouth while inside the Williamston Theatre building.

--We do not use social distanced seating automatically. However, if you have need of social distanced seating, you must call the box office to purchase your tickets. There will be no added charge for this accommodation. Social distanced seating is not available with online reservations.

The theatre is located at 122 S. Putnam Street in downtown Williamston,

If patrons are experiencing any Covid symptoms on the day of the performance, they are asked to stay home and contact our box office to release their seat. Detailed information about the Williamston Theatre's Covid Safety Protocol is available on our website.

The Magnolia Ballet Part 1 is produced at Williamston Theatre as part of a National New Play Network Rolling World Premiere. Other Partner Theaters are Phoenix Theatre (Indiana) and Alleyway Theatre (New York). For more information, please visit nnpn.org.

This production is made possible in part by an award from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts with additional support from the Shubert Foundation. *The Magnolia Ballet Part 1* is a co-production with Plowshares Theatre in Detroit.

The Williamston Theatre is a not-for-profit, professional live theatre company, dedicated to producing plays that excite, engage, and entertain our audiences. The theatre opened its doors in 2006, is the winner of a 2014 National Theatre Company Grant from The American Theatre Wing and has received many regional awards including the 2008 Robert Busby Award for extraordinary overall contribution to theatre in the Greater Lansing Area.

Williamston Theatre patrons will find ample parking on the street and in several municipal lots throughout the city. The theatre is located in downtown Williamston (exit 117 off I-96) just south of Grand River Avenue. Additional information about the company and the 2022-2023 Season is available online at www.williamstontheatre.org or by calling (517) 655-SHOW (7469).

National Weather Service predicting a hotter, dryer than normal fall

By Genevieve Fox
Capital News Service

The National Weather Service predicts there's a 40% chance the temperatures will average above normal this fall in mid-Michigan.

Meteorologist William Marino said warming fall temperatures have become more common in recent years.

That's largely due to an ongoing La Niña, according to Marino, who is based in Grand Rapids.

That phenomenon allows for warm air to pass through the cool Pacific sea surface temperatures and enter North America.

Along with warmer fall temperatures predicted, low precipitation is also expected.

Jeffrey Andresen is the state climatologist for Michigan. He said roughly 30% of the state is experiencing some form of dryness, or even moderate drought.

With abnormal dryness, fall crops will reach maturity faster, lowering the quality of the crop, said Andresen, who is also a professor of meteorology/climatology in the Department of Geography, Environment and Spatial Sciences at Michigan State University.

"It's good to have warm soils and so forth for that crop to germinate, but we do need moisture," Andresen said.

To combat warming temperatures, Andresen said people should keep their eyes on long-term trends and plan as needed.

"We have to adapt to these changing long-term patterns," Andresen said.

Williamston's Farmers Market to highlight National Cooking Day

With fall just around the corner and the weather changing a bit, the Eastern Ingham Farmers Market in Williamston, invites visitors every Sunday from 10am to 2pm to McCormick Park's large parking lot, to stop by and shop. This Sunday, Sept. 25, the Market highlights *National Cooking Day*, encouraging visitors to buy from the bounty of fresh, locally-grown late summer and early fall fruits and vegetables.

The Market always welcomes new and returning visitors and volunteers, and it's easy to take care of much of the family's weekly shopping needs, stock-up for canning and preserving, while supporting local small businesses.

Over 20 vendors will be at the Market this Sunday, selling tomatoes! sweet corn! pumpkins, peas, beans, zucchini, butternut and all the other squashes, celery, eggplant, kale, fresh and dried herbs, micro-greens, all kinds of lettuce, carrots, beets, cheese, beef, pork, lamb, brats, chicken, eggs, melt-in-your-mouth pastries, bread and baked goods including gluten-free choices, amazing cookies, teas, kettle corn, lemonade, honey, canned food, canned salsa, canned sauces, prepared food, handmade jewelry, soap, human and doll clothing, candles, cut flowers, yard and garden decor, dish and hand towels, bowl holders and baked potato bags of all colors and fabrics, and so much more for your family, home and yard.

Michigan-returnable Bottles and Cans Collection occurs at every Market as a fundraiser for Sowing Growth, the non-profit that operates the Market. Load up your car and drop off your bottles and cans at the "Bottleground", any Sunday between 10am and 2pm. If your business collects bottles and cans, consider donating them. Special collections can be made directly at your business address during the week. Just call or email any member of the Sowing Growth Board of Directors (listed on the website: www.EasternInghamFarmersMarket.org) or contact the Market Manager Tom Cary to make arrangements for special pick-ups.

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

Plainfield United Methodist Church having 'Take Out' Chicken Dinner

Plainfield United Methodist Church is having a 'Take Out' Chicken Dinner on October 8th, from 5 pm until it's gone. It is free will donation. The address is 17845 M-36 in Plainfield Mi. Please come out for the supper.



NIESA Fire Report (Northeast Ingham Emergency Service Authority)

On Wednesday September 14, 2022 NIESA responded to three calls. Two were emergency medical calls, with one occurring in the Village of Webberville, and another in the City of Williamston. The third response was into Leroy Township for an electrical fire at a residence.

Thursday September 15, 2022 NIESA had seven calls. Six of the responses were emergency medical calls, with three occurring in Williamstown Township, two in Wheatfield Township and one in the City of Williamston. NIESA also responded to a vehicle accident in Leroy Township at the corner of M-52 and Grand River.

On Friday September 16, 2022 NIESA responded to six calls. All of the responses were emergency medical calls. Three of the calls occurred in Locke Township, two were in the City of Williamston, and one was in Williamstown Township.

Saturday September 17, 2022 NIESA had four calls. Again all of the responses were emergency medical calls, with one in Williamstown Township, one in Wheatfield Township, another in the City of Williamston, and the fourth in Leroy Township.

On Sunday September 18, 2022 NIESA responded to five calls. The calls were all emergency medical calls. Two of the responses were mutual aid ambulance in which NIESA assisted Stockbridge on one call, and Fowlerville on a second call. The remaining three responses were in the City of Williamston, Locke Township, and Leroy Township.

Monday September 19, 2022 NIESA had another five calls. Four of the responses were emergency medical calls, with three occurring in the City of Williamston, and one in Leroy Township. NIESA also responded into Leroy Township for down utility lines on Gramer Road.

On Tuesday September 20, 2022 NIESA responded to five calls. Four were emergency medical calls, with one occurring in Locke Township, one in the City of Williamston, one in Williamstown Township, and the fourth in the Village of Webberville. NIESA also responded to a utility pole arcing and sparking in Leroy Township.

Williamston Area Senior Center

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September 2022 Events

Please check our website www.williamstonseniorcenter.com or our Facebook for specific announcements of upcoming activities.

Monday, September 26th – Euchre 9am-Noon, Lunch with Red Cedar Lodge at Noon, Presentation by Pam Smith on Enhanced Fitness at 12:30pm, and Johnny Applesed Day!

Tuesday, September 27th – Euchre 9am-Noon, Crush a Can Day, Mind Games with the Library at 12:30pm, and Knitter Group 1pm-3pm

Wednesday, September 28th – Euchre 9am-Noon, Chair Exercise 12:30pm, and Needle Work Group 1pm-3pm

Thursday, September 29th – Euchre 9am-Noon, Matter of Balance 9:30am-11:30am, and lunch at noon with Brookdale of Meridian, and Author visit with Susan Frazier of "Picking Up Pieces" 12:30pm

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Savvy Senior Column

By Jim Miller

How the Inflation Reduction Act will lower your drug costs

Dear Savvy Senior,

What kind of changes can Medicare beneficiaries expect to see in the Inflation Reduction Act that was recently signed into law? I'm enrolled in original Medicare and have a Part D prescription drug plan but spent more than \$6,000 out-of-pocket last year on medications alone.

Overpaying Paul

Dear Paul,

The climate, tax and health care bill known as the Inflation Reduction Act that was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Biden last month includes significant improvements to the Medicare program that will kick-in over the next few years.

These changes will lower prescription drug prices for millions of seniors by allowing the government to negotiate drug prices for the first time and capping seniors' out-of-pocket drug costs at \$2,000 annually. Some other popular changes will include free vaccinations, lower insulin costs and expanded subsidies for lower income seniors.

Here is a breakdown of the changes to expect in Medicare and when they will roll out.

2023: Starting this January, all vaccines covered under Medicare Part D, including the shingles vaccine, will be free to beneficiaries. And the skyrocketing cost of insulin will be capped at \$35 per month. This will be a significant saving for the more than 3 million Medicare enrollees who currently use insulin to control their diabetes.

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Also starting next year, drug makers will be penalized in the form of "rebates" that they would be forced to pay to the government if they impose price increases that exceed general inflation.

2024: Cost sharing for catastrophic coverage in Part D will be eliminated. Under the current Part D benefit, once your out-of-pocket costs reach \$7,050 in 2022, you enter "catastrophic" coverage but are still responsible for 5 percent of your prescription drug costs, with no limit.

But in 2024, people with Part D coverage will no longer be responsible for any out-of-pocket drug costs once they enter catastrophic coverage. This is significant for seniors who use expensive medications for conditions like cancer or multiple sclerosis.

Also starting in 2024 through 2029, Part D premiums will not be allowed to grow faster than 6 percent per year.

And for lower income Medicare beneficiaries, eligibility for the Part D Low Income Subsidy (also known as Extra Help) will be expanded to 150 percent of the federal poverty level, from today's limit of 135 percent. This change will mean about 500,000 more seniors will qualify for financial assistance to help pay some or all of their prescription drug premiums and deductibles.

2025: One of the biggest cost reduction measures for Medicare beneficiaries will begin in 2025 when out-of-pocket spending on Part D prescription drugs will be capped at \$2,000 per year. This will be a major savings for the more than 1.5 million beneficiaries who currently spend more than \$2,000 out-of-pocket each year.

2026: When Medicare's Part D program was enacted in 2003, negotiating lower drug prices was forbidden. But because of the Inflation Reduction Act, starting in 2026 Medicare will be empowered to begin negotiating prices with drug companies for 10 of the most expensive drugs covered under Part D. In 2027 and 2028, 15 drugs would be eligible for negotiations and in 2029 and subsequent years, 20 drugs would be chosen.

And, in addition to all the Medicare improvements, the Inflation Reduction Act also extends the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) premium subsidies for three years that have helped millions of Americans gain coverage before they're eligible for Medicare.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

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Smith Elementary

School News

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IMPORTANT DATES:

- September 28- Student Picture Day
- September 30-PTC Popcorn Day
- September 30 to October 21 – PTC Pasta Fundraiser
- October 3 to 7 -Homecoming Spirit Week (Will post schedule soon)
- October 14 – NO SCHOOL – Teacher Professional Development
- October 17, 18 & 21 – K & 2nd Grade Hearing Screening With LCHD
- October 21 – Smile America DDS at Smith Elem
- October 24 to 26 – 1st Grade Vision Screening With LCHD
- October 27 – 1st grade Vision Rescreening Day With LCHD
- October 28- PTC Popcorn Day
- November 4 – Student Retake Picture Day
- November 7 to 9 – K & 2nd Grade Hearing Rescreening Days With LCHD

Smile Programs DDS /Michigan Dental Outreach – The Smile Program will be coming to Smith Elementary on October 21st. You should have received a sign up application in your child’s last Friday Folder, just complete the application and return to your child’s teacher or the Smith office as soon as possible. If you need another copy, please contact the office. Another option this year is to sign up with the online application at www.MySchoolDentist.com

PTC (Parent Teacher Club)-We are excited to announce a new fundraiser for our school. On Friday, September 30, students will bring home paperwork explaining the Fun Pasta fundraiser. Fun Pasta is a healthy fun pasta shaped like the holidays, sports, collegiate team logos, and more! The order and money are due October 21, 2022. Cash or checks made out to Fowlerville Schools with HT Smith PTC written in the memo line. You can also order online through this link <https://www.funpastafundraising.com/shop/ht-smith-elementary> or download the Fun Pasta Fundraising App from the Apple or Google stores. Further details will be on the announcement forms coming home Friday. **THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL!**

Geskus Student Picture Day – Student Picture Day is scheduled for September 28th. Packets should have come home in your child’s last Friday Folder. There is an option to order online with a credit card.

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

FYI- Each school building in the Fowlerville Community School District has a Child Study Team / Response to Intervention process in place, which is a vehicle for staff members to review student performance, concerns, and collaboratively develop interventions.

—Area Deaths—



Albert “Mike” Stock

Mike Stock held many titles. He was a brother, husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, uncle, cousin, mentor, and to all a friend. He was so loved by his family and friends, and he did not die alone because that is not the way he lived his life. He spent his final hours the night of September 16, 2022 celebrating his granddaughter’s wedding at the Henry Ford Museum amongst his family and friends. In the early hours of September 17, 2022, Mike passed away at the hospital due to heart failure at the age of 89 years old.

Mike was born March 15, 1933 in Cambridge, Ohio to Albert E. and Sarah Catherine Stock. After his father’s death in 1938, he was moved to the St. Vincent DePaul home of the Heinrich family in Webberville, Michigan. He remained with the Heinrich family for the remainder of his childhood until his graduation in 1951 from Fowlerville High School. He stayed with the Heinrichs during this time, helping with their farm and making lifelong relationships and memories. Following graduation, he moved to Detroit where he attended the Ford Motor Company Trade School and learned the trade of Tool and Die Engineering.

On February 8, 1958 he married the love of his life, Barbara Pipoly, at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Fowlerville, Michigan.

He was a tool and die maker for 10 years, and a plant/manufacturing engineer for 35 years. During the course of his career he worked for Utilex and Stanley Tools in Fowlerville and, after the plant closed, he went to work for Magnetek until he retired in 1998.

In addition to his work career, he was also very active in his community and church. He served in the Military 5th Army Engineers in 1957. He was a CCD teacher for 15 years for high school students at St. Agnes Church in addition to being a Lector for 45 years and Eucharistic Minister. He also served his community as a Fowlerville Board of Education member for 8 years, Village of Fowlerville Council trustee for 15 years, and was currently serving on the Planning Commission and had been doing so for 10 years.

He is survived by his wife Barbara (Pipoly) Stock of 64 years, daughter Barbara (Mike) Hart, son, Michael J. (Cris) Stock, grandchildren: Adam Stock, Emily (Nathan) Dummering, Mia Stock, Dr. Katherine (Glen) Hartman, and Michelle Hart, and great grandson, Lucas Michael Hartman. He is also survived by one brother, David “Tom” (Edna) Stock of McColl, South Carolina and many nieces and nephews.

Mike was an avid outdoorsman. He loved hunting, fishing, and boating. His favorite times were spent outdoors, no matter the season. He loved spending time with his family at his cottage in Indian River.

He was a selfless man that asked for nothing but gave everything. No person was a stranger and he could talk with anyone.

Visitation was held on Wednesday September 21, 2022 from 4 - 8pm with the rosary at 7pm at Herrmann Funeral Home. A funeral mass took place at 11am on Thursday September 22, 2022 with visitation from 10-11am prior to the mass at St. Agnes Parish in Fowlerville, MI

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CALENDAR OF KREEGER EVENTS

- 9-26-22 4th Grade A Group Art Club
- 9-27-22 4th Grade B Group Art Club
- 9-28-22 5th Grade Art Club
- 9-28-22 Last Day for Mumkin Flower Sale
- 9-29-22 3rd Grade Art Club A Group
- 9-30-22 3rd Grade Art Club B Group
- 10-3-22 4th Grade A Group Art Club
- 10-4-22 4th Grade B Group Art Club
- 10-5-22 5th Grade Art Club
- 10-5-22 **Student Count Day**

- 10-6-22 3rd Grade A Group Art Club
- 10-6-22 **Fall Picture Day – Kreeger** **Date Change
- 10-7-22 Homecoming
- 10-14-22 **NO SCHOOL** – Teacher Professional Development
- 10-14-22 Flower Pick Up Day – Details Coming Soon

ART CLUB

Art Club will start the week of **September 26, 2021** and runs through the beginning of January 2023. Notes were sent home with students regarding date and times for each group. Any questions please contact Mrs. Pisella at pisellaj@fowlervilleschools.org.

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KREEGER SPIRIT WEAR

Spirit Wear order forms were sent home with students. You can place orders all year using the following link: <https://brideausapparel.com/fundraisers/kreeger-elementary-fundraiser-2022/>

FALL MUMKIN FUNDRAISER

We have chosen Foertmeyer & Sons Greenhouse to help us raise our funds again this year. Flyers have been sent home with your children, all sales will need to be ordered ONLINE! Also, be on the lookout for communication from **fundraiseit**.

org including the link to order online. **ONLINE SALES ONLY**

Our Fall Mumkin Sale dates are as follows:

- Wednesday September 14th– Online store goes LIVE!
- Friday, September 28th– Online store closes.
- Friday, October 14th –Flower Delivery Day

Your flowers pick up time is from 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

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

Michigan DNR Fishing Tips—

Fall is a wonderful time to cast a line

Summer may be drawing to a close, but great fishing is far from over. Many anglers agree that fall is a wonderful time to cast a line as fish prepare for the colder months by ramping up their feeding efforts. Most target – and see much success pursuing – salmon, walleye, perch, panfish and bass.

Get ready to reel in some of these beauties at fall fishing hot spots across the state.

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



Fall Draw and Write Worksheet

Think about something you like to do during the fall season. Draw a picture and then write about it.



Describe the object

Write some adjectives on the line below each of the objects



leaves



pumpkin



acorn



apple



tree

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U.S. Congress Report

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

Bill to Expand Long-Term Care for Veterans

U.S. Rep. Elissa Slotkin (MI-08) has unveiled a new bipartisan bill to help senior veterans live more independently and cut

costs for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The Expanding Veterans' Options for Long Term Care Act would create a three year pilot program for eligible veterans to receive assisted living care paid for by the VA. The bill is co-led by Republicans Stephanie Bice (OK-05) and Bryan Steil (WI-01), and Democrats David Trone (MD-06) and Annie Kuster (NH-02).

A September 2021 report to Congress by the VA concluded that the number of veterans eligible for nursing home care is expected to rise by approximately 535% over the next 20 years. However, many of these veterans do not require the comprehensive care provided by nursing homes, and would be better served by assisted living, which would allow them to live more independently. Currently, the VA is barred from covering room and board at assisted living facilities.

VA coverage of assisted living care would also significantly cut costs for the department, as nursing home fees average nearly \$121,000 per year, while assisted living facilities cost only a little more than \$51,000 per year.

"When we send our men and women in uniform into harm's way, we make a solemn promise to take care of them when they return home, including in their later years," said Slotkin. "Our

bill is a bipartisan approach to make sure that our veterans have access to affordable, high quality care later in life. As an Army wife and step-mom, I'm pleased that this pilot program will lay the groundwork for veterans to live their lives independently and without undue financial stress."

Slotkin served alongside the U.S. military as a CIA officer on three tours in Iraq. As a member of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, she's been a longtime advocate for Michigan's veterans, having introduced the Veterans Burn Pits Exposure Recognition Act, which was signed into law as part of the Honoring Our PACT Act earlier this summer. The package will provide health insurance to an additional 3.5 million veterans suffering from the long-term effects of exposure to toxic burn pits.

The bill has been endorsed by a range of veteran service organizations, including Disabled American Veterans (DAV), National Association of State Veterans Homes (NASVH), Military Officers, Association of America (MOAA), Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA), Paralyzed Veterans of America's Associate (PVA), and the American Association of Retired People (AARP).

St. John's Lutheran Church welcomes community to events

Community Bible Study: 40 Days in the Word

Two sessions to choose from: Monday evenings beginning October 3 at 6:45 p.m. and Thursday mornings beginning October 6 at 10:00 a.m. Video and workbook materials will encourage. Registration required; please call 517.223.9108 and leave a message. \$10 workbook fee.

Euchre Night: Friday October 7 - 6:00 p.m. Sloppy Joe dinner. 6:45 p.m. the game begins! Save a spot for yourself by calling 517-223-9108.

Kid's Book Event: *When God Made You* by Matthew Paul Turner Saturday, October 8 at 11 a.m. With a mission to grow strong readers by grade three, the READ Team welcomes children and parents to read together, to ask questions and to engage conversation. Each household will take home a copy of the book from this FREE event. Save a space by calling 517-223-9108

Swiss Steak Dinner: Saturday, October 22

5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Come and enjoy a wonderful meal and fellowship. The menu includes Swiss Steak, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, cole slaw, dinner rolls and homemade desserts. \$12.00 per person. Call for tickets, 517-223-9108.

Randy & Marli Brown Worship Concert:

Sunday October 30 - 9:30 a.m. Join us for worship with wonderful music, God's Word and Holy Communion. A free-will offering for Randy and Marli will be received.

Trunk or Treat: Monday October 31 - Stop by our parking lot during Fowlerville's Trick or Treating hours.

Women's Retreat: Saturday November 19

9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. With a theme of "Fill Your Cup," women will be encouraged through Bible study, worship & music, a service project and lunch. Plenty of laughter and friendship building will round out the day. \$20 per person. Please call to register, 517-223-9108

You may also register for any of these events by e-mail, stjohnsfowlerville@yahoo.com or on our website, www.stjohnsfowlerville.org.

Village of Fowlerville Residents Notice of Zoning Board of Appeals

A meeting has been scheduled by the Village of Fowlerville Zoning Board of Appeals for Monday, October 10, 2022, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Village of Fowlerville Offices, 213 South Grand Avenue, Fowlerville, Michigan 48836 to consider the following:

Request from Jeff Griffin, for a variance to Section 623, 3.b., *The total area of all accessory buildings shall not exceed 50 percent of the gross floor area first floor living area of the principal dwelling on the lot or 660 square feet, whichever is less, for the property located at 418 E. Grand River Avenue.*

The public shall have the right to appear before the board and to express their views and opinions on the request. Written comments are welcomed and should be addressed to the Village Clerk. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Kathryn Rajala-Gutzki, Clerk/Manager
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Fowlerville Fire Department Report

September 15

5:58 p.m. Medical response on Fowlerville Rd in Conway Township.

8:08 p.m. Motor vehicle accident on Fowlerville Rd in Handy Township.

September 16

10:15 a.m. Medical response on N Gregory Rd in Handy Township.

12:32 p.m. Medical response on Bradley Rd in Iosco Township.

5:58 p.m. Medical response on W Grand River in Handy Township.

7:44 p.m. Medical response on Emerald Valley Loop in Handy Township.

September 17

12:12 p.m. Medical response on Cedar River Dr in the Village.

5:56 p.m. Medical response on S Truhn Rd in Iosco Township.

September 18

1:54 a.m. Personal injury accident on W Sharpe Rd in Handy Township.

2:05 p.m. Kitchen fire on S Grand Ave in the Village.

September 19

9:35 a.m. Medical response on Squirrel Run in Iosco Township.

4:10 p.m. Odor investigation on E Grand River in the Village.

September 20

3:10 a.m. Personal injury accident on Sherwood Rd in Conway Township.

10:51 a.m. Medical response on S Benjamin in the Village.

11:36 a.m. Electrical problem on E Grand River in the Village.

12:17 p.m. Medical response on North St in the Village.

2:51 p.m. Tree down on Lange Rd in Iosco Township.

3:06 p.m. Wire down on E Grand River in the Village.

3:49 p.m. Medical response on W Grand River in the Village.

5:51 p.m. Transformer problem on Van Buren Rd in Handy Township.

5:58 p.m. Lightning strike on W I96 and Nicholson Rd in Handy Township.

6:08 p.m. Carbon monoxide investigation on Cass River Dr in Handy Township.

10:43 p.m. Tree down on W Allen Rd in Conway Township.

September 21

3:43 a.m. Smoke alarm activation on W Fork River Dr in Handy Township.

7:30 a.m. Tree down on S Kane Rd in Iosco Township.

12:54 p.m. Carbon monoxide investigation on Fowlerville Rd in Handy Township.

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**From Unapproved Minutes
CONWAY TOWNSHIP
SYNOPSIS OF
BOARD MEETING
September 20, 2022
REGULAR MEETING**

Supervisor Grubb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

Present: Trustee Richard Hohenstein, Trustee George Pushies, Supervisor William Grubb, Clerk Elizabeth Whitt

Absent: Treasurer Debra Grubb

The following Motions and Resolutions were made:

1. Consent Agenda approved by roll call; motion approved.
2. Motion to approve the Board Meeting Agenda with amendments. Motion approved.
3. Motion to adopt the investment policy with revision Motion approved with amendments.
4. Motion to send Ordinance Officer Agreement to attorney. Motion approved.
5. Motion to adjust Planning Commission Secretary pay to \$105. Motion approved.
6. Drains at large – no action
7. Motion to amend standard private shared driveway agreement. Motion approved.
8. Motion to amend fee schedule. Motion approved.
9. Motion to amend Assessor Assistant's pay. Motion approved.
10. Motion we appoint Lucas Curd to ZBA. Motion approved.
11. Motion we appoint Elizabeth Whitt to the ZBA, pending legal review. Motion approved.
12. Motion to institute \$100 annual workwear allowance. Motion approved.
13. Resolution No 220920-01. Resolution passed.
14. Accessory structures ordinance amendment – tabled to next meeting
15. Amend land division ordinance – tabled to next meeting
16. Masterplan for commercial zoning – tabled to next meeting
17. Motion the Planning Commission approve the solar amendment and schedule public hearing. Motion approved.
18. Dawn Patrol – tabled to till next month

Elizabeth Whitt, Township Clerk
Gabi Bresett, Township Deputy Clerk
(9-25-22 FNV)