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IN THE NEWS

Coffee with a Naturalist returns

Tecumseh Parks and Recreation is hosting the return of Coffee with a Naturalist, a natural discussion series that will focus on ecological topics connected to the Great Lakes area. Sessions will take place at the AJ Smith Recreation Center Community Room at 2 p.m. each Wednesday through March 25. Fees for the sessions are \$3 for non-residents and \$2 for city residents. No registration is required. For more information, call 423.5602.

Free 2020 city calendars highlight special events

The City of Tecumseh's 2020 calendars are now available at Tecumseh City Hall, Martin's Home Center, Tuckey's Big Boy and the Tecumseh Area Chamber of Commerce. The free calendar highlights city festivals, events, meetings and activities as well as recycling and trash pickup schedules.

Winter classes begin Jan. 18 at ACA

Adrian Center for the Arts, 1375 N. Main St., Adrian, has posted its course offerings for the 2020 winter season, which include classes in clay, glass, stained glass, metal sculpture, painting and drawing and print and fibers. Visit adriancenterforthearts.org for more information or call 517.759.3005.

Community chorus seeks members

Chiaroscuro, a community mens' chorus, is holding its January membership drive for men interested in singing this coming season. Guests will join in singing four-part men's choral selections so that they can experience the unique sound and camaraderie of a men's chorus. Open rehearsals/auditions will be held on Tuesdays, Jan. 14, 21 and 28, from 6:30-9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Adrian. For more information, visit ChiaroscuroEnsemble on Facebook or chiaroscuromenschorus.org.

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Project to add more living space downtown

■ City Council approves grant application for third-floor renovation of Union Block for loft apartments

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The last step in securing a \$240,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the Union Block building was taken Monday when Tecumseh City Council approved a resolution to submit the grant application to the Federal Government's CDBG program. Owner of the Union Block, Dan Meikle, first applied for the grant through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) in September 2017 with a proposal to renovate and construct four apartments on the building's third floor. One 1-bedroom unit and three 2-3 bedroom units are

planned on the third floor once used as a ballroom. The Union Block was built in the 1840s. The grant will bridge the gap between the construction cost, estimated at \$550,000, and the building's appraised value of \$786,000. Michigan Building and Restoration, of Lansing, won the contract for the project, which should be underway by mid-year, according to Meikle, although replacement of windows is scheduled to begin in February. Under guidelines of the CDBG, the apartments will be offered to low and middle income tenants with monthly rent ranging from \$560 to \$738, including utilities, for the first

year. Tenants with annual incomes of \$42,000 or less would qualify. Meikle, who developed the James Block at the northeast corner of Chicago Boulevard and Evans Street, adding six apartments to the second and third floors through the CDBG program, is modest about his downtown projects. "I am only a caretaker of these historic buildings. I embrace history, and I am excited to breathe new life into the 171-year-old Union Block," Meikle said. In a statement to the Herald, Tecumseh's Economic Development Department Director Jessica Sattler said, "Demand for housing in and around the



PHOTO BY JIM LINCOLN

The Union Block, 112 W. Chicago Blvd.

downtown area has increased significantly in the past few years and we are thrilled that Dan Meikle is helping meet that need through the Union Block RRC Project. The outcomes align perfectly with the city's Master Plan and will help ensure continued growth for our downtown community." The Union Block will continue to serve as the home for the Spotted Cow and Foundation Realty.



PHOTO BY JACKIE KOCH

Carolyn Vertin (l) and Jeanne Knight of the Tecumseh League of Women Voters display items similar to those that would have been used by suffragettes campaigning to give women the right to vote in the early 1900s.

League of Women Voters gears up for election year

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A local group of women dedicated to sharing information on voting is gearing up for this year's presidential primary and Election Day by planning several events meant to inform the public and promote the vote. The Tecumseh League of Women Voters is part of the larger League, which is nonpartisan, promoting democracy and encouraging voter participation. Carolyn Vertin is co-chair of the League with Jan Salsberry and is also in charge of local information for vote411.org, a website that shares helpful details on voting. She has been involved with the local chapter since its beginning in May 2017. "With that online voter guide, we contact all the candidates that are running for office, and applicable to the office they are running for, we ask a couple of questions," Vertin said. "If they don't answer, that speaks volumes."

She said the information helps voters evaluate candidates so they can determine whom they will cast their vote for. Jeanne Knight, treasurer, joined the group at the beginning of 2018. "We go into high schools and do presentations on democracy and voting, and we register seniors or juniors that will be 18 at the next election and will be able to vote," said Knight. "We want to go into senior centers and talk to seniors about voting and about the census." The group will be working with the City of Tecumseh and Lenawee County on the census to share information on why a census is important to the community. "It really brings funds back to our community," she said. Knight has done research on women from Lenawee County who were important in the fight to expand women's rights in the period between 1916 and the 1920s, as well

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11th Annual Ice Sculpture Festival set for Jan. 18-19

By JACKIE KOCH
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Downtown Tecumseh will be the place for winter festivities when the 11th Annual Ice Sculpture Festival returns to the city the weekend of January 18-19. The event, which involves months of planning by the city economic development department's Linda Hewlett, will have two full days of activity for all ages. Saturday activities will take place from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and will include ice sculpture carving demonstrations by Ice Creations on Chicago Boulevard and North and South Evans streets, and a Winter Warm-Up Beverage Walk that will offer free hot beverages at participating merchants. Fans of Disney's "Frozen" will have a chance to take photos with Elsa from noon to 1:30 p.m. at Martin's Home Center and with Olaf from 1-2 p.m. near Carpet on Wheels.

Two dueling ice sculpture carving competitions will take place Saturday in the early afternoon on South Evans Street, sponsored by Visit Lenawee. Bird lovers will be able to visit with a Great Horned Owl from Michigan Avian Experience, hosted by Sarah Gilmore, director of Tecumseh's Parks and Recreation Department from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday near the depot on the southeast block downtown. A crafty opportunity to "Make a Paper Snowflake" will take place Saturday from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. one block north of downtown at the Tecumseh District Library, 215 N. Ottawa St. Drop by the library to warm up by the fireplace and make some paper snowflakes.

The festival will continue Sunday from noon-4 p.m. with a Chocolate Walk, when attendees can visit various locations downtown for chocolate themed activities or specials. The Michigan Stilt Walker will make balloon animals for children, with the added excitement of fire juggling. The balloon animals are free, but tips are welcome. Both Saturday and Sunday will feature a make-it take-it craft for children as well as a warming station at the Tecumseh Chamber office at 132 W. Chicago Blvd., sponsored by Community Arts of Tecumseh, and Three Ravens Printing will have Ice Sculpture Festival hoodies and T-shirts for sale at Foundation Realty on the southwest block downtown. Area merchants will offer sales and specials, and local restaurants will be open for dining in between periods of strolling the downtown area to enjoy the sculptures. Also taking place both days will be lost arts demonstrations at the Rooftop Cafe at the British Pantry, 112 E. Chicago Blvd. Artisans will show old world talents, including homemade socks made by an antique sock knitting machine; a spinning wheel with homespun yarn and mittens, hats and scarves; a soap maker who creates goat's milk soaps and lotions; table runners, pillow cases, bags and totes made by a quilter; hand woven baskets made by the Lenawee Weavers, and more. Items will be available for purchase. Activities during the weekend include interactive snowmen selfie sculptures sponsored by TLC Community Credit

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Inner Space

By Jackie Koch

January, the longest month of winter, is typically cold, gray, and slow. Maybe it's slow because of that holiday rush the two months before. I think it's the natural process of our bodies and minds taking a huge break from being busy and stressed. A lot of people love Christmas, but many are glad the holiday season is over, too.

February is short and cute, with Valentine's Day, the holiday of love, right in the middle of it. Still cold, still gray, but the end of winter is looking ever more near, although it will be quite a while before those green blades of grass peek through the dull landscape. February is full of red, pink and white declarations of love. And of course, Groundhog Day is on February 2. Even if you don't believe a woodchuck in Pennsylvania can predict if we will have six more weeks of winter (we always do — spring doesn't officially start until the third week of March) you can always watch the film "Groundhog Day" and see Bill Murray repeat the same day over and over until he gets it right. I'm still wondering how much wood a woodchuck can chuck.

What do we do to get through the longest month of winter? We purge, for one thing. People all over are looking at their clutter or their closets and hauling things out to discard, sell or toss in bags to donate. Beds are being covered with clothing and cabinets are being emptied in a quest to have a fresh start with less.

I don't hear much about New Year's resolutions anymore, but I do know people who make lists of things they want to accomplish or change in the new year. I made my own list, which was full of ways to have a healthier, calmer, more fulfilling year, and if I am able to do even half the things on my list I will feel I've been successful. I already started by joining a gym at the beginning of December, and have been spending an hour working out every other day since. I have noticed that

since the first of the year there are quite a few people in the gym when I stop by after work, but in December I usually had the entire place to myself. I guess those people decided their health was important enough to put on their list of goals, too.

I would like to find a way to love January, to have something to look forward to instead of just waiting for the end of the month. Perhaps instead of being stuck in the mindset that January is bland and boring, I can embrace its gifts. Need more sleep? January with its early nights and dark mornings is perfect for slumber. Enjoy peace and quiet? Staying snugly inside the house instead of venturing out in the cold can help start a practice of meditation or quiet reflection. Love the written word? I can read a book while wrapped up in a warm throw, with a cat holding me in place.

I have to admit that January makes me want to change things, sometimes drastically. I make myself sleep on big decisions, remembering to take some deep breaths and wait — or maybe that big decision is just what I need to get out of my comfort zone. Comfort zones are cozy, but can be limiting. I know a young woman who made a quick decision to take a job out west and had nine days to gather herself and her things and move from Michigan to Colorado. She loves it there. We may not all have the ability to just pick up and move across the country, but we can change a habit in the blink of an eye as long as we make a dedicated decision to do so, and act on it. The acting is key.

For starters I vow to abstain from salty tortilla chips and eat more fruits and vegetables. I will go to bed earlier and start my day sooner. I will floss. I will cherish everyday beauty. I will write.

My hope for January is that it be full of homey warmth, contentment, and the joy of new steps. Perhaps loving January will bring that love back around. Seems true to me.

OBITUARIES



ETHEL M. GRITZMAKER
Ethel Marie (Johnston) Gritzmaker, age 93, formerly of Adrian, passed away Sunday, Dec. 1, 2019 in Fort Myers, Fla. She was born Novem-

ber 13, 1926 in Wauseon, Ohio to Virgie and Tressie Johnston. Ethel graduated from Adrian High School in 1944. On September 1, 1946 she married her beloved, Calvin Gritzmaker, and they were married for 72 years before he preceded her in death on October 28, 2018.

Ethel was a devoted farmer's wife and caring mother to her children. She also worked as a bank teller and accounting clerk. Ethel was a follower of Jesus Christ and a member of Raisin Valley Friends Church. Besides having a servant's heart for her family and local church, she worked alongside her hus-

band in disaster relief projects and doing mission work in Jamaica and Mexico. They spent many years traveling in their RV with SOWERS International, doing volunteer work for Christian camps across the United States.

Ethel was preceded in death by her husband, Calvin; brothers, Clare, Carl, Bryce, Harold, and Gerald Johnston; sisters, Ila Dickerson, Wilma Cousino, and Lois Matheny; grandsons, Todd Gritzmaker and Andrew Graves; and son-in-law, Ken Graves. She is survived by a son, Craig (Mary) Gritzmaker of Fort Myers, Fla., and daugh-

ters, Diane (David) Huszar of Galena, Ill., and Rosanne (Jerry) Briscoe of Kearney, Mo. Also surviving are two brothers, Harlen (Judy) Johnston of Tipton, and Russell (Joan) Johnston of Tecumseh. Ethel and Calvin were also blessed with 12 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren, and three great-great grandchildren.

A joint memorial service for Ethel and Calvin is planned for May 23, 2020 at 11 a.m., with visitation beginning at 10 a.m. at Raisin Valley Friends Church in Adrian. Arrangements entrusted to J. Gilbert Purse Funeral Home, Adrian, Mich.



DAVID T. SCHMIDT
David Tecumseh Schmidt, born as Carl David Schmidt,

age 78, of Tecumseh, passed away on January 4, 2020 at ProMedica Herrick Hospital. He was born January 31, 1941 in Tecumseh, to the late Herman and Alma Alice (Starkey) Schmidt.

David graduated from Tecumseh High School in 1959 and went on to proudly serve his country in the U.S. Navy AWACS. He received his bachelor degree from Siena Heights College in 1976 and his Masters in Social Work from the University of Michi-

gan in 1982. He was a member of the Tecumseh American Legion. David retired from General Motors Fisher Body and was the past president of the UAW Local 1341.

David is survived by two sisters, Mary Dunham and Suzanne Sober Francouer; six brothers, Bruce (Delores) Schmidt, Donald (Joy) Schmidt, Glenn (Jackie) Schmidt, Raymond (Linda) Schmidt, Keith (Kathy) Schmidt, and Harvey (Pat) Schmidt; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addi-

tion to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Herman and Howard.

A celebration of David's life will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 25, 2020 at the Tecumseh Chapel of Handler Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until the time of the service. Inurnment will be in Brookside Cemetery. Memorial contribution may be made to Fisher House of Michigan. Condolences may be offered to the family at handlerfuneralhomes.com.



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Residence program to take place at Michigan's Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park in the upper peninsula.

Artists sought for residence program at state park

Applications are being accepted for the Porcupine Mountains Artist-in-Residence Program for the 2020 spring, summer and fall and 2021 winter residencies.

The Artist-in-Residence Program is open to artists and artisans whose work can be influenced by the unique northern wilderness setting of Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park.

Located in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, Michigan's largest state park encompasses 25 miles of wave-washed shores, four inland lakes, entire river systems, countless waterfalls, enchanting wooded peaks, and an escarpment, which rises slowly from the edge of Lake Superior until it plummets abruptly into the Carp River valley.

Still, the park's most impres-

sive feature — and the reason for its creation — is the virgin forest of eastern hemlock and northern hardwoods and the variety of flora and fauna that it supports. Because of these attributes, the park is an ideal location to inspire creativity.

The Artist-in-Residence Program offers writers, composers and all visual and performing artists an opportunity to experience the natural beauty of the park and to express it through their art form. Each year a number of artists will be selected for residencies lasting a minimum of two weeks.

Artists will be given the use of a rustic cabin located on the Little Union River and, if requested, a three-night backcountry permit so that they may live in and explore the park's 60,000 acres of natural beauty, ranging from stunning vistas to 90 miles of rugged backcountry trails.

During their residency, artists will be asked to share their experiences with the public through demonstrations or talks. The artists are required to contribute an art piece representative of their stay.

Selection will be based on artistic integrity, ability to reside

in a wilderness environment, a willingness to donate a finished piece of art inspired by their stay in the Porcupine Mountains, and the artist's ability to relate and interpret the park through their art medium. The program is open to all art forms.

Applications must be received by Feb. 14, 2020. Selections will be announced by early April.

Application materials for the Porcupine Mountains Artist-in-Residence Program can be found at the Friends of the Parkies Web page at Porkies.org/Artist-in-Residence.

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COMMUNITY

Artists partner with high school students for 'Side-By-Side'

By JACKIE KOCH
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Eight Lenawee County high school students are benefiting from a mentorship program and are learning from seasoned artists through the Side-By-Side program facilitated by the Adrian Center for the Arts (ACA), which will culminate in an exhibit of their artworks this spring in the ACA's gallery. Students from Tecumseh, Britton Deerfield, Clinton, Onsted and Adrian have spent time learning techniques with their mentors since last fall.

According to Pi Benio, programming director for the ACA, the center's parent organization, Lenawee Council for the Visuals Arts (LCVA) organized exhibitions of K-12 student artists for many years before the ACA came into existence. The LCVA found that teachers were overwhelmed with teaching and preparing entries to the statewide art show, AP portfolios and shows at their home schools. The center's gallery committee wanted to find a way to support art teachers in Lenawee County.

The committee came up with an idea to support the best art students in Lenawee County with an intensive and advanced experience for gifted art students who aspire to a career in the visual arts, and launched Side-By-Side in fall 2018. "Each art teacher selects their top student, a high school junior or senior who is mentored by a ACA resident artist," Benio said. The student learns about the art practice and media of the resident artist through the mentorship in their studio at the ACA from the end of September, leading to a spring exhibition.

Local student/mentor artist matches for Side-By-Side 2019-2020 include Ilsiia Shakirova of Tecumseh High School with artist Jill Shaffer, Hannah Rhoades of Tecumseh High School with artist Jim Bundshuh, Autumn Snyder of Britton Deerfield High School with artist Mike Collins, and Sky Chandler of Clinton High School with artist Laura VanCamp.

Shaffer, a self-taught artist and director of two-dimensional art at the ACA, has created scores of stained glass windows

for Lenawee County churches and private homes, and paints, as well. "I have enjoyed the experience of working with Ilsiia and learning about her homeland, Russia," she said of her student match. "She is an exceptionally talented young lady." The pair is working in soft pastel, which Shaffer said is currently her medium of choice.

Shakirova has enjoyed the experience, as well. "I loved working with Jill. I am very grateful for this opportunity to learn from her. Pastels were new to me, I have done only two pieces before, so exploring this material under Jill's supervision has been a pleasure and a discovery of another type of art," she said, stating that she has focused on nature pieces such as sunsets, flowers and animals. "I want to pursue a career in art education, while doing personal art on the side."

Drawing and painting are the preferred media for Rhoades, but after being paired with Bundshuh she has taken a liking to creating sculpture through welding. "I've been able to learn a lot about welding. He also throws in some art history and plays great music in the studio," she said. "We did a sample project by throwing some small scraps together, and then I was taught about how to finish a metal art piece." She hopes to attend an art college and intends to explore her options for continuing with art.

A painter, Collins has helped Snyder learn to create abstract works. "It's very inspirational, it helps you step out of your comfort zone and try things you never would've thought to do on your own," Snyder said of the mentorship. "I always want to do something with art, whether I make a career out of it or not. There is something really relaxing about being able to sit down and create something that is really unique and personal." She most enjoys using paint and ink in her art, and said she started at a young age by tracing her toys onto notebook paper.

The ACA's clay studio has been the setting for the art pairing of Chandler, the student, and VanCamp, the mentor. "The experience has been fantastic as I've never worked with clay before. Every single thing

I learn is brand new," Chandler said, noting that Van Camp has been very helpful. "She allows for my imagination to wander and was extremely open to every idea I presented her with. It's been a great experience and I've learned so much over the past few months." The younger artist realized in seventh grade that art was her passion, and



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Tecumseh High School student Ilsiia Shakirova works on a soft pastel piece during her involvement with Side-By-Side, an art mentorship program through the Adrian Center for the Arts.

she said she has wanted to attend art school since she was 12.

The Side-By-Side exhibition will be held March 2 through April 9 in the gallery at 1375 N. Main St., Adrian, and each student and mentor pair will exhibit one mentor work alongside two to four student artist works completed during the mentorship period. An awards reception will be Sunday, March 15 from 2-4 p.m. Juror Ron Frenzen, former Tecumseh High School art teacher, will select the top art student in Lenawee County and that student will receive a \$500 cash prize.



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CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY — Pat and George Tyitye are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. The couple grew up together on the same street in Detroit and were married on January 9, 1960 at All Saints Church in Detroit. George served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1955 to 1959. He retired after 40 years as a railroad engineer for Norfolk Southern Railroad. They have two children, six granddaughters and three great grandsons. A celebration will be planned at a later date.

Open Grown School connects community with nature

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An idea that grew from four friends discussing nature and humans' connection to it has blossomed into a community-minded, naturalist-based school that operates on land between Brooklyn and Manchester.

Open Grown School, the brainchild of Silas Bialecki, Sarah Felder, Jeremy Siegrist and Colleen Perria, had its first stargazing class in March 2019 and since then has offered a plethora of events meant to educate, inform, and connect people to their environment.

"It started as my partner, Sarah and I talking about introducing educational programming out here in the Irish Hills. Last winter we were living with two of my co-workers and we all spent the winter kind of brainstorming on how we could bring nature-based educational opportunities to where we live," said Bialecki. He said he works with the others doing wildlife habitat restoration for private landowners, and the skills they have acquired in plant identification and other primitive and naturalist practices are what they began to base their classes on.

Most of the classes take place on close to 300 acres of property owned by Bialecki's family in the Irish Hills. They use the land as an outdoor classroom, and a cabin on the property serves as a space to warm up during wintertime while a pavilion provides space for classes.

The group was motivated to share their knowledge and skills after recognizing that many people have lost touch with nature and have few ways to interact with it. "We really wanted to help give people the tools to go outside and interact with the natural world, enjoy themselves and maybe get a little more out of it than just a relaxing walk. There is so much you can do just by stepping out your back door. There are plants you can eat, birds you can listen to," he said.

Bialecki practices primitive and traditional skills and is an avid naturalist, hunter,

fisherman and canoeist. Felder has a background in environmental education while Siegrist has been doing ecological land restoration over the last decade for Iron Creek Land Community, and Perria's background includes several years of vegetable farming in the Irish Hills and educating herself about the natural world.

As the school grows, they hope to bring in new instructors and teach additional skills. One class last June on vernal pools was led by an outside instructor, but otherwise the four have taken turns teaching topics such as foraging for wild edible roots and greens, primitive fire making, wild nut processing, winter tree identification, butterflies of Michigan, birding, stargazing, reawakening the senses, making cordage or rope from plants, and walks to find and identify wildflowers, see fall colors, and much more.

Classes are offered at no charge unless there are materials that need to be purchased, but the school welcomes freewill donations. Bialecki said they have been happy with the response to their offerings, although attendance varies widely for the new venture's gatherings. "We've had close to 30 people at one of our stargazing talks. That was the most successful. But then we've also had classes where nobody showed up except for the organizers," he said. "I generally assume that five to seven people are going to show up."

He said that learning primitive skills gives people a sense of accomplishment and can be empowering. "I teach a friction fire by bowdrill class and I think it's really amazing that I can go out into the woods and start a fire without needing anything manufactured. No matches, no lighter," he said. "Just having that knowledge and confidence goes a long way toward helping us be more proactive and confident in the modern world."

"Everything is so fast-paced," said Bialecki. "The more we can get people to slow down and pay attention to the world around them, it really is a sense of peace

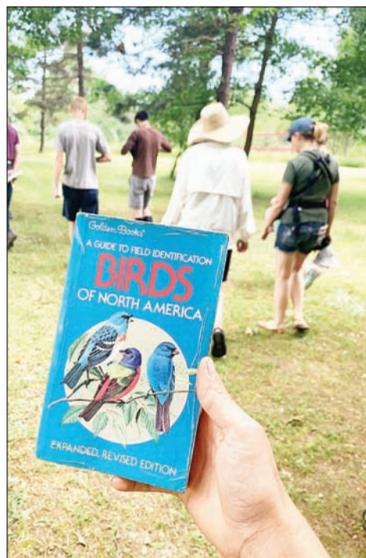


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Open Grown School in the Irish Hills has offered naturalist and primitive skills classes since March 2019, including this Birding 101 class last July, and will hold a Winter Birding Walk Saturday, Jan. 11.

that comes from just realizing how much is going on around us that isn't reliant on us at all. It's a humbling experience."

Upcoming events include a Winter Birding Walk Saturday, Jan. 11 from 10 a.m.-noon; a Friction Fire by Bowdrill class Saturday, Jan. 25 from 1-2 p.m.; Guided Stargazing Saturday, Jan. 25 from 8-9 p.m.; Hand-Stitching: Tools & Basics Saturday, Feb. 8 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. that will teach participants to make a sailmaker's palm thimble; Basics of Maple Sugaring Saturday, Feb. 29 from 10 a.m.-noon; and Introduction to Ecological Restoration Sunday, March 15, from noon-3 p.m.

For more information, visit opengrownschool.com or [Open Grown School on Facebook](http://OpenGrownSchool.org), or email opengrownschool@gmail.com.

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— Megan McGee



I stay busy and I go tanning. We're from here but we lived in New Mexico for six years, and when we moved back it was hard getting used to not having the sun.
— Tashina Wenn



I get in my four-wheel drive truck and drive around when there's a snowstorm.
— Patrick Hoffman



The time just seems to slip by no matter what month it is.
— John Schweitzer

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OPINION

The Selling of America: The Dramatic Increase of Foreign Owned Farm Lands

**This land is your land, this land is my land
From California, to the New York island
From the redwood forest, to the gulf stream waters
This land was made for you and me**

— **Woodie Guthrie**

According to a recent article in US News, May 28, 2019, nearly 30 million acres of U.S. farm land is now owned by foreign countries. These are quietly emerging facts disturbing to many Americans, particularly small and medium sized farmers.

Many states have no regulations to stop foreign countries from buying American farm lands. For example, Ohio and Texas have no restrictions, and approximately half a million acres of prime farmland have sold to foreign owned entities. In Ohio, this, in part, translates to 64,000 acres owned by companies from the Netherlands. The Midwest Center for Investigative Reporting Tool (<http://apps.investigatamidwest.org/afida/>) provides information by state, county and name regarding foreign owned lands. For example, Canada is top owner of American farm lands at 6.87 million acres, the Netherlands following at 4.87 million acres, Germany with 1.94 million acres, the United Kingdom at 1.7 million acres, Italy with 1.4 million acres and France with 1.04 million acres. And the number is increasing. In 1998, approximately 10 million acres of American farm land were foreign owned, compared to 27.3 million acres in 2014. In summary, 54.9 percent of American land under foreign ownership is forestland, 23.6 percent pastureland, and 21.5 percent cropland.

There are many reasons why foreign entities buy American lands. Reasons vary by investor. In northwest Ohio, for example, the Netherlands purchased 64,000 acres for the development of wind farms.

Their reason is cold hard cash. According to Stephen Raes, economic minister for the Netherlands embassy in Washington D.C., the Dutch nationalized pension is 130 percent the size of the nations' gross domestic product. In other words, profits from farmland investments go directly to support the pensions of that country.

In 2013, the Chinese purchased Smithfield Foods, a meat processing company, and immediately gained over 146,000 acres of American farmland. The goal of China's communist party authorities suggest specific strategies to invest in agriculture overseas is to gain greater control over oilseed and grain products, to create policies to support facilities, equipment and inputs for agricultural production, and to create large multinational grain-trading conglomerates. The revenues from these productions do not pass through the American commodities markets, but rather, flow through the foreign entities' own distribution channels, directly to the home country. As these conglomerates grow, and with the purchase of more American farm lands, China may not need to negotiate trade policy with future administrations, as they will own their own agricultural conglomerates and distribution channels. This is precisely how the Japanese car market penetrated the American automobile market in years past, buying up American distribution channels as a means of moving their vehicles through the American economy.

As small and medium farmers struggle to hold on to their farm

lands, they are an easy target for foreign investors. It will behoove state governments to begin evaluating their state regulations regarding the purchase of foreign purchased agricultural lands. By example, Iowa allows no foreign ownership of agricultural lands in their state. It will also benefit states to consider measures to support the small and medium sized farmer, rather than giving way to corporate farm organizations, who hold profit above the spirit of farming and land conservation. Surely, there are bi-partisan measures that can be undertaken to support an industry that is the food source for our country.

So what can be done? One important measure is to create an agricultural policy 'think tank' with the small to medium sized farmer squarely in focus to undertake long term planning for agriculture in the State of Michigan. Just as we do city and county planning and zoning, we should consider agricultural planning to assure the growth and survival for the smaller farmers in this country.

Another is to consider a concept similar to lobbyists so prevalent in governmental structure. The American small farmer is not necessarily a good salesperson for himself/herself, and our government does not appear to understand the science or the marketing of agriculture. It would be similar to selling a complex pharmaceutical product with no product knowledge. How do we expect our elected officials to negotiate good trade deals with limited knowledge of the agricultural community? Better communication is needed from farm to government, to 'sell' the importance of an agricultural economy to our country's leaders.

— **Deborah J. Comstock**
Adrian

DAR chapter hosting 'Prospective's Picnic'

If you have ancestors who served in the American Revolution either as a Continental Soldier or Militia Man, perhaps you have considered learning about or joining the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). But your relative didn't have to be on the front line. Other qualifications include Patriotic Service or Civil Service.

Please consider joining the Lucy Wolcott Barnum Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution

at the Historic Croswell House, 228 N. Broad St., Adrian Saturday, Feb. 1 from noon-2 p.m. to take a tour, have a simple lunch and learn about becoming a member of one of the most inclusive genealogical societies in the country. DAR boasts 185,000 members in 3,000 chapters across the United States and internationally. Any woman 18 years or older regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background, who can prove lineal de-

scend from a patriot of the American Revolution, is eligible for membership.

Please contact me at 419.360.7748 or ddushane@aol.com to reserve your spot.

— **Deborah Dushane, Regent**
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OPINION

From Senator Dale Zorn

Legislation would reduce opioid prescription abuse

The Michigan Senate unanimously approved my legislation to combat opioid abuse by requiring prescriptions for the drugs to be transmitted from the doctor to the pharmacy electronically.

The abuse of prescription and illegal opioids is the deadliest drug epidemic in American history, and we have seen the terrible impacts throughout the state and here in our local communities.

In 2017, the last year data is available, the number of opiate-related deaths reached a record high of 2,033. In the 10 years from 2007 to 2017, that number quadrupled.

I sponsored Public Act 252 of 2017 to require health providers and pharmacists to check a prescription database before prescribing painkillers and other powerful drugs. It has resulted in a 15% reduction in the number of dispensed opioid prescriptions in Michigan.

We are now taking the next step in the fight against illegal access to these harmful drugs.

Senate Bill 248 and SB 254 would require the electronic prescribing of prescription drugs in Michigan by January 1, 2021. My bill would apply to prescriptions for controlled substances containing opioids or benzodiazepines.

This reform is designed to help stop the state's opioid abuse problem by reducing fraudulent availability of these highly addictive drugs.

Estimates suggest that one in every 11 opioid abusers may have obtained drugs

through a fraudulent or forged paper prescription.

E-prescribing would end this type of prescription fraud, and it would also allow doctors to see how often patients are filling prescriptions for controlled substances — making it easier to spot potential abuse.

While improving overall patient safety and efficient access to necessary medications, requiring the use of electronic prescriptions would reduce the illegal supply of opioids through fraud and virtually eliminate “doctor shopping” — where someone acquires drugs from several different doctors.

It's time for Michigan to join other states with an e-prescribing requirement for controlled substances to help us stop abusers and drug dealers from using fraudulent prescriptions to get these dangerous drugs.

Requiring the use of e-prescriptions would greatly reduce the access to illegal opioids while still providing a safe and efficient way for patients to get needed pain medications.

E-prescribing offers us a simple way to improve patient service and combat our state's opioid crisis — in doing so, we can help save lives and make our state's future a little bit brighter.

— Sen. Dale Zorn, R-Ida, represents the 17th District, which includes Monroe and Lenawee counties.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS FROM 1A

LWV to host program at library

as help pass and ratify the 19th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. Those women include Jennie Law Hardy of Tecumseh, Mrs. Alma Tate of Clinton, Alice Angell of Adrian, Mrs. Charles Kirby of Hudson, Mrs. Hattie Mead of Morenci, and Mrs. Harrington Place of Blissfield, as well as Lola Trax, Isabel Tarwell, Mrs. Frank Dodge, Nellie Stow, and Ada Mumford.

“One of the things I discovered when I first started doing the suffragette research was that in Lenawee County Alice Angell was one of the first women business owners. In about 1918 she started organizing women,” said Knight.

By October 1918, 1,800 women had signed a petition urging men to vote for women's suffrage, and at the November election the amendment passed in Michigan. In June 1920 a group of women in Adrian formed a League of Women Voters group, and Angell served

as the county chair. The League's first meeting was held in the top floor auditorium of the Carnegie Library in Adrian, which is now the Lenawee Historical Museum. By the fall 1920 presidential election, more than 9,000 women in Lenawee County had registered to vote.

On Saturday, Jan. 18, the League will host “Stepping Into 2020 – Be Informed” at the Adrian District Library, 143 E. Maumee St., Adrian, starting at 1 p.m. The event will cover the 2020 Census, an update on redistricting in Michigan, and new voter rights and election information in the state.

On Wednesday, Jan. 22, the League will hold its monthly meeting in the same auditorium at the Lenawee Historical Museum where the first local League of Women Voters group began. The meet-and-greet will be open to the public and will take place from 4:30-6:30 p.m. The League will also pres-

ent “2020 Census: Count Us All” Monday, Feb. 3 at the Tecumseh District Library from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Members will share basic information about how the census is conducted, the role of the Census Bureau's staff, how to get the word out about the census, how to find information about the census and an explanation of federal laws regarding personal security.

Knight is involved with a celebration set for this year that will mark the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment that gave women the right to vote, and is working on an exhibit at the Lenawee Historical Museum to coincide with Women's History Month in March. She also hopes to have exhibits in local libraries, as well.

“Hopefully in the Memorial Day parade we're going to march in our suffragette outfits. It's going to be so fun,” she said.

FESTIVAL FROM 1A

Ice Sculpture Festival Jan 18-19

Union and the Tecumseh Central Business Association, putt-putt golf sponsored by the Tecumseh Central Business Association, corn hole game toss sponsored by Tecumseh Parks and Recreation and the Tecumseh Central Business Association, a bean bag toss and a tic-tac-toe activity. A scavenger hunt at participating merchants will challenge shoppers to find all the hidden items in order to enter a drawing for one of two \$25 Chamber Checks to be used at any participating chamber member.

Jessica Sattler, economic development director, said the event is labor intensive to plan, as it involves coordinating many people and merchants at various levels. “The event is led by City of Tecumseh's Marketing Coordinator, Linda Hewlett, who begins

planning the event in early November each year. In addition to Linda leading the event, the merchants and event sponsors are integral to its success,” she said. “There are several activities and events that take place throughout the weekend, and Linda is responsible for securing each activity, placing it in a time and location, and ensuring they have whatever materials they need.”

Sattler said that many of the sculptures are created ahead of time to ensure more complex designs. Customized colors and logos are planned and frozen into solid rectangular blocks of ice several days before carving and delivery. The sculptures are carved using multiple types of tools and techniques and are always completed freehand by the art-

ists at Ice Creations.

“The Annual Ice Sculpture Festival is an event that we look forward to all year. The sculptures are always so interesting and beautifully crafted and the entertainment and activities are a lot of fun for attendees of all ages,” she said. “I am so grateful to Linda Hewlett for her tireless efforts on this event and to all of our sponsors — we couldn't do any of this without them.”

“This year will be our largest event to date with 40 sculptures on display by the end of the day on Saturday,” said Hewlett. “We hope everyone will bring the whole family out for fun this two-day event.”

For more information on the Ice Sculpture Festival, call 424.6003.

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Tips from

League of Women Voters

TIP 1:

NOW WHAT?

Voters approved Proposal 3 in 2018 to bring sweeping changes to Michigan's Election Law. Did you know you can now:

- Register anytime
- Have early voting by absentee ballot

- Register to vote online
- Have automatic voter registration when you get or renew your Michigan Driver's License at the SOS offices

For more information contact your Secretary of State online(sos.gov), your local clerk's office, or attend an informational town hall meeting at the Adrian District Library on January 18th from 1-2:30 p.m..

TIP 2:

ATTENTION SNOW BIRDS!

If you have registered to vote by absentee ballot and want your ballot to count in the March Primary...make sure you have given your local clerk an actual address for your winter stay. Your ballot will not be forwarded to you but can be sent to an actual address.

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SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

- ♦ Chocolate Walk
- ♦ Michigan Still Walker ~ Balloon Animals

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1 Dies, 2 Hospitalized in Rooming House Fire

Fire, probably starting from a smoldering mattress dumped in a downstairs hallway, claimed one life early Tuesday morning and sent two others to Herrick Hospital.

Dead is George Ward, 68, retired Tecumseh Products employee. Rushed to the local hospital were John Stuart, who suffered a fractured ankle and first and second degree burns on his face and hands, and Oliver Davis, who was overcome by smoke and sustained a hand laceration.

Eighteen Tecumseh firemen answered the alarm about 3:44 a.m. Tuesday when flames broke out of windows and the roof of a rooming house at 121 S. Ottawa St. Local firemen were soon assisted by the Clinton department, which stayed for approximately two hours.

Last pumper to return here to the station arrived about 11 a.m., six hours after the alarm.

Firemen theorize that an occupant of the rooming house had a mattress catch fire and attempted to discard it by taking it from a back bedroom down the hallway towards the front door. Enroute, the mattress became entangled in a bicycle and was left smoldering.

Fire soon swept upwards through the old frame building, and when firemen here arrived, flames were through the roof and out most of the windows. Main section of the house was practically gutted, and a wing towards a laundromat and apartment dwelling sustained extensive damages.

One apartment was scorched by the blaze, but little damage was inflicted on the apartments

and none on the laundromat.

Firemen battled the blaze for over an hour and a half before they could enter the house. Mr. Ward was found by firemen George Ruhl and Lonal Bishop, face up in his upstairs bedroom. It's believed that he attempted to get out but was overcome by smoke and the intense heat.

Coroner from Hudson pronounced him dead shortly before 7 a.m., about an hour after the two firemen discovered him.

Stuart suffered his injuries after the searing heat forced him to jump from the second floor. Howard Baughey, another occupant, told firemen that he escaped from the second floor by scrambling onto the roof of the connecting wing, where he was able to reach the apartments and safety.

Firemen's ordeal was greater

due to the coldness. Temperature was just about zero, coldest day so far of the winter.

The rooming house was owned by Harvey Wilson.

Services for Mr. Ward will be held at the Dunn Funeral Home Thursday afternoon at 3:30, with the Rev. Paul Brantingham officiating.

George Ward was born on June 14, 1901 in Hillsdale and worked in the maintenance department of the Products until retiring on July 1, 1969. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge.

Survivors include a half-brother, Kenneth of Vicksburg; half-sister, Mrs. Glenn (Jeanette) Dentler, Three Rivers; a niece and nephew, and his former wife, Mrs. Hazel Ward.

Burial will be in Brookside Cemetery.

Fire Loss Is \$10,000

Fire, originating in a bathroom, extensively damaged the Walter Elwartowski home Wednesday of last week.

Dr. Elwartowski, local chiropractor, says damages to the building will be at least \$6,000

and damages to contents and furniture, approximately \$3,500 to \$4,000.

Tecumseh Fire Department's report blames the fire on electrical wiring. Firemen were at the scene for approximately two hours.

Letters to the Editor

To the editor:
Know your firemen and be proud of them as I am.

Last night we had a fire of such magnitude that we could have lost the entire corner. It was unfortunate we had one fatality. This man must have been dead by the time we reached the scene. We received the call at 3:42 a.m.

We were at the scene at 3:45 a.m. The entire second floor was engulfed in flames. It would have been impossible for anyone on this floor to have been still alive.

First reports were one man was still in the building.

Firemen battled their way up the stairs, but it was approximately 1 1/2 hours later before the body was found in the debris.

Many Tecumseh firemen, all with families, risked their lives

to bring this fire under control.

This determination, I feel, is above and beyond their obligations as firemen.

We asked for assistance from Clinton and their response was immediate. It was very much appreciated.

Next door to this building, almost to the point of being connected, was a laundromat, car wash and six apartments on the second floor. This building suffered only smoke damage and slight paint scorching due only to sheer determination by Tecumseh firemen.

Again, I say, a job well done to Tecumseh firemen, and to the citizens of Tecumseh fire district, I say know your Fire Department phone number. This can save precious minutes, and maybe your life.

Wallace MacGeorge
Fire Chief

Trickey Buys Van-Mer's

Charles Trickey, long time clothing representative, has purchased Van-Mer's Department Store from Chet and Goldie Merritt. Sale was effective Jan. 1.

New owner has 20 years experience in clothing lines, as a sales representative for Krolick Co., large nationally known clothier. He also has experience at the retail level and has operated a shop at Belleville for nearly two years.

Mr. Trickey, his wife Betty and three children, live at 9431 Tonneberger Dr. and have been residents of Tecumseh for the past 10 years.

He is a past state commander of AMVETS. Last February he was re-appointed to the state board of the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund by Gov. William Millken and is a member of the American Legion and VFW.

He is a member of the Tecumseh Country Club and is currently a candidate for the board of directors there.

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt, who started in the clothing business in Clinton in 1948, have operated the store here for 11 years. They plan a trip south for part of the winter.



NEW OWNER — Charles Trickey Jr. is the new owner of Van-Mer's Department Store, taking over officially on Jan. 1. Chet and Goldie Merritt operated the store here for 11 years.

Collector Quits Week Early

Modern Disposal's refuse contract with the city expired Wednesday of last week, Dec. 31, but city officials and many residents feel the Napoleon trash collector jumped the gun.

Many Modern Disposal sacks were not picked up, some left for over a week. This week Tecumseh's new collector, Maenard Weaver, picked up not only his sacks, but those left by Modern Disposal.

Three residents attended Council Monday night and voiced their criticism of the refuse service.

Mrs. Roberto Diaz, of 416 W. Logan St., complained of poor service and then told officials there were too many dogs running loose in her neighborhood. She said that she would tell the owners about their dogs, if she only knew who the owners were.

William E. Davis, 320 W. Brown St., inquired if Modern Disposal was bonded. When told the company was, he said the city should become hard-

nosed and force the company to fulfill its contract.

Mayor Harold Easton told him that the city is withholding a check for Modern Disposal and costs for picking up its sacks will be deducted from final payment.

Weaver has picked up the sacks and will be paid at the rate of 20¢ per sack.

Marvin L. Hurlburt, 607 Stacy St., told Council that Weaver was scheduled to pick up his refuse Monday, and that it was still there that evening.

City Manager Cal Zorn says that residents on S. Union St., from Cummins to Russell Rd., will be picked up on Thursdays, rather than on Mondays as previously scheduled. Residents will be notified by letter from city hall.

Mr. Zorn also said that Weaver will be collecting refuse as early as 7 a.m., making it necessary in most cases for residents to have their sacks out the night before.

Touch of the Past

1879

Sleighting is quite good and makes business boom.

There is talk of a telephone line between Ridgeway and Tecumseh.

1889

The fifth annual Christmas party was given in the opera house Christmas Eve.

Will Hayden and Will Bennett have purchased Garlinghouse Bros. livery business.

The bad blow Saturday night damaged several trees in the village.

There are now 1,119 volumes in the Tecumseh library.

1919

The Quaker Oats Co. entertained its employees and their families at a Christmas banquet in the Grange Hall.

L. P. Williamson is erecting a new garage at his home.

Born, Dec. 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dickinson, a daughter, Janet Fraser.

1929

Bert Gray is able to be about after several weeks illness.

1939

Employment at Tecumseh Products is expected to hit 700 during 1940 with a payroll of

\$800,000.

The government is ready to begin work on a new \$70,000 post office building as soon as a suitable site is secured.

1949

Tecumseh junior and senior high school students began class work in the new \$400,000 high school building Jan. 3.

1960

City Council was told that the Federal government has asked the city to build a post office at Adams Park, across from City Hall. Other 1960 objectives announced include a new bridge

over Evans Creek on N. Mau-mee St.

First baby born in 1960 at Herrick Memorial Hospital was a daughter, Pamela Jean, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Koons.

The annual Burning of the Greens ceremony was attended by nearly 200 Girl Scouts and leaders at the recreation field.

Tipton finally has its own post office building — a 24'x40' structure built by Mr. and Mrs. Grover Swarts. Mrs. Swarts is the town postmaster. It had previously been located in almost every building in Tipton since the post office was established there June 6, 1834.



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SPORTS

Indian wrestlers travel for Wyandotte Roosevelt Invite

On Saturday, Jan. 4 Tecumseh's varsity wrestling team traveled to Wyandotte for a very tough and competitive Wyandotte Roosevelt Invitational. "It was a large field of traditionally great wrestling programs and I was a bit concerned that it may be too much too soon for our younger wrestlers. However, we ended up taking fourth place out of 19 teams, and we could not have been happier! It's a long and early bus ride, and I was absolutely concerned about putting a young team that is in a rebuild, in a situation to be overpowered and risk losing some confidence," said Coach George Lesko.

"But after the first two rounds of wrestling these kids took care of any worry I had entering this event," Lesko said. "While many are still young and making mistakes, their passion to compete is infectious. I have to give a great deal of credit to our seniors who are becoming great leaders, and setting such a great example of persistence. I believe right now, the seniors we have in our line-up are

bringing back a tradition of toughness and hard work in both the practice room, and in competition."

The Indians were led by Victor Coscarelli, Lucas Petty, Nick Tincher, Olen Boatright, and Byron Tate. "These guys are veterans of the program, and they are leading by example. They are committed, and are certainly respected by the team and the coaching staff. Nine of the 14 wrestlers entered placed and earned medals in this event, and two were freshmen, one was a sophomore, and another, Deandre Blayer is a senior and only a first year wrestler," said Lesko.

"Deandre is a very strong and athletic kid, he lacks some wrestling experience, but his gifted ability makes him dangerous. He continues to get better."

Placing in this tournament were seniors Coscarelli, 135; Petty, 140; Tincher, 145; Boatright, 152; Blayer, 171; Tate 215; sophomore Brandon Rau, 160; and freshman Benny Solis, 103; and Josh Harkness, 112.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Tecumseh High School varsity wrestlers include, standing (l-r) Nick Tincher, Lucas Petty, Victor Coscarelli, Olen Boatright, Brandon Rau, and Deandre Blayer. Kneeling (l-r) are Benny Solis, Josh Harkness, and Byron Tate.

Lenawee United Hockey loses to Kalamazoo after sweeping Springfield

Special teams proved to be the undoing for Lenawee United Hockey in a 4-1 loss Saturday, Jan. 4 against Kalamazoo United at Adrian College's Arrington Ice Arena. Lenawee struck first on a goal from Seth Torres (Addison) with assists from Jake Benbow (Tecumseh) and Ana Benbow (Tecumseh) at 9:17 of the first period.

Things seemed to be on track for the home club until a five-minute major penalty was assessed to Matt DeVitto (Clinton) and it sparked Kalamazoo's effort. Two power-play goals within a 1:20 span from Jack Kirchensteiner and the visitors held a 2-1 lead after one period.

The middle period had a lot of back-and-forth until Kalamazoo picked up a big goal late. Jacob Felmeden collected his third goal of the season at 15:11 just seconds

after his release from a penalty and the visitors went up 3-1 after two periods.

Kalamazoo was the benefactor of three third period power-play opportunities and held Lenawee to just three shots in the final frame. The shots favored the visitors 25-15 for the game. Kalamazoo went 2-for-6 on their power-play chances and held Lenawee scoreless on all four of their man-advantages.

In an earlier matchup, Lenawee United snapped a four-game losing streak in resounding fashion on Saturday, Dec. 28 with a 9-0 win over the visiting Springfield, Ohio Blue Devils at Arrington Ice Arena.

Lenawee United fed off the energy of a large home crowd in storming out with three goals over the first 3:14 of the game. Tecumseh's Brian Gotham (3g, 3a) opened his six-point

night and the onslaught just 28 seconds into the game. Ana Benbow (Tecumseh) (2g, 1a) and Zeke Armstrong (Adrian) (2g, 3a) complimented Gotham on the team's top line and each had a pair of goals in the opening period. Matt DeVitto (Clinton) closed out the dominating period with a shorthanded goal and Lenawee had a commanding 6-0 lead at intermission.

In the middle frame, Logan DeVitto (Clinton) drilled home a power play goal just 29 seconds into the period, which was followed by two more Gotham goals and per MHSAA rules the clock was running for the remainder of the game based upon the goal differential.

Goaltender Keegan Reau (Tecumseh) turned aside each of the four shots he faced to earn his fourth shutout of the season.

Indian boys basketball fall to Blissfield

The Tecumseh high school varsity boys basketball team traveled to Blissfield on January 3 and came up short by the score of 50-33.

Coach Jamison Webster commented on the game. "After

we fell down 10-0 to start, we responded well. From that point on it was back and forth. Did a great job cutting it to nine, but the early deficit handicapped us from being able to be in position to win late."

Leading scorers for the Indians were Cormac Phelan with 11 points and Morrie Schmidt with 10. Leading Blissfield was Ty Wyman with 26 points.

The Indians will host Jonesville on January 13 at 7 p.m.

THS girls basketball adds two wins to record

The Tecumseh girls varsity basketball team won against Skyline on January 7, 61-32.

On January 3, the girls traveled to Blissfield and won 52-28.

Coach Jon Zajac commented

on the game. "Freshman Chesney Wilke was dominant, earning a double double with 11 points and 18 rebounds. Eva Alcock led the team with 16 points. Tecumseh's defense was the difference in the game

as they held the county's leading scorer to five points. Overall I couldn't have asked for a better effort from all seven players."

The team will be at Lincoln on January 14 at 7 p.m.

Tecumseh-Manchester gymnastics wins at South Central League meet

On Friday, Jan. 3 the Tecumseh-Manchester high school gymnastics team hosted Adrian in their first South Central Gymnastics League meet of the season and came out with a win. Tecumseh posted a team regional qualifying score of 122.2 to the Maples' 103.125.

Tecumseh freshman Jordyn

Wright swept all four events and all-around, posting an 8.65 on vault, 7.35 on bars, 8.325 on beam, 8.9 on floor and a 33.225 all-around.

Tecumseh senior Dani Macomber was second on vault (8.45) and second on floor (8.05).

Manchester freshman Emma

Taylor earned third on bars (6.575), second on beam (7.975), third on floor (7.85), and third all-around (30.4)

Tecumseh-Manchester's record is 2-0 for this season so far. The team will travel to Holt for their 12-team invitational on Saturday, Jan. 11 to compete next.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Saturday, Jan. 11 — Snowflake Tote Bags
Britton Library, 120 College Ave., Britton, from 11 a.m.-noon. Decorate tote bags with seasonally perfect and winter sparkly snowflakes. Registration is required; for those 18 and older. Info and signup: 451.2860.

Saturday, Jan. 11 — Maumee Street Music Jam
First Presbyterian Church, 156 E. Maumee St., Adrian, starting at 6 p.m. Acoustic music jam featuring dulcimers, guitars, banjo, bass, mandolin, whistle, accordion, fiddle, harmonica, marimba and more. Free. Snack bar will offer food for sale. Attendees are asked to use the east side door to the church. Info: Marilyn Mullins, 517.607.8085.

Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 11-12 — Model Railroad Open House
Blissfield Model Railroad Club, 109 E. Adrian St. (U.S. 223), Blissfield, from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Visitors will see the three-level railroad layout set in the 1950s-1960s era, which covers the C&O and Clinchfield Railroads in the Appalachian Mountains, Ohio and Kentucky region. There is no admission charge, but the nonprofit

club welcomes donations. Info: bmr.org, 486.0404 or contact Walt Trancygier at 734.552.4581.

Monday, Jan. 13 — Oh, My Aching Feet!
Weber Center on the campus of the Adrian Dominican Sisters' Motherhouse, 1257 E. Siena Heights Dr., Adrian, from 12:15-1 p.m. This Lunch and Learn event will be a presentation by Dr. Chip Arbanas, which will reveal secrets for participants to keep their feet happy and comfortable. Attendees are encouraged to bring their lunch. Beverages will be provided. Info: 266.4000.

Tuesday, Jan. 14 — Environmental Threats: Rashes, Poisonings and Envenomations
Hidden Lake Gardens, 6214 Monroe Rd., Tipton, starting at 10 a.m. Forest ecologist and physician assistant Robert Ayotte will discuss common toxic exposures such as skin rashes, toxic plant and mushroom ingestions, and animal envenomations that are endemic to the Great Lakes region, and how to treat them. The program is included with regular admission to HL.G. Info: 431-2060.

Tuesday, Jan. 14 — Crockpots 101: Preparing Healthy and Nutritious Meals
Tecumseh District Library from 7-8 p.m. Find out how to prepare nutritious, palatable, healthy recipes in a crockpot with author and registered dietician and nutritionist Zonya Foco. Explore food safety, settings, and purchasing the best crockpot for your cooking needs. Registration is required. Info: 423.2238.

Tuesday, Jan. 14 — Kiwanis Travel and Adventure Series
Tecumseh Center for the Arts starting at 7:30 p.m. The Kiwanis Club of Tecumseh will present "Bhutan: The Cloud Kingdom." High on the eastern shoulders of the tallest mountains in the world, The Himalayas, sits a tiny kingdom known as Bhutan. Bhutan broke away from Tibet in the 8th century and disappeared into the mists of her mountains. For 11 centuries it was closed to outsiders and nearly forgotten by the rest of the world. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased online at theca.org, by calling 423.6617, by visiting the TCA box office Tuesday-Friday between noon-5 p.m., or one hour before the show.

Wednesday, Jan. 15 — Chili Cook-Off and Tasting
Tecumseh Senior Center, 703 E. Chicago Blvd., from noon-1 p.m. Do you make the best chili around? What is your specialty? Is it five-alarm, white chicken, vegetarian, vegan or "real" chili (made without beans, so some would argue)? Anything goes for this contest, as long as it is your original chili recipe. Put yours to the test. Sponsored with Tecumseh Senior Center. Registration is required. Info: 423.2238.

Thursday, Jan. 16 — Morning Yoga
Hidden Lake Gardens, 6214 Monroe Rd., Tipton, starting at 9 a.m. Participants should bring a yoga mat for an indoor, active, multi-level vinyasa flow yoga class led by certified instructor Rita Adams. Focus on breath, alignment, and personal awareness. Modified to suit experienced as well as beginners. \$10 per person per session. Will also be held January 23 and 30. Info: 431-2060.

Thursday, Jan. 16 — Ivy Rehab for Kids
Lenawee District Library, 4459 W. U.S. 223, Adrian. Ivy Rehab for Kids, a new therapy center for children, will have a representative

at the library at 6 p.m. The program will provide information on the center, warning signs to watch for, the services available and much more. Info: 263.1011.

Thursday, Jan. 16 — Open Mic Night at Musgrove & Company
Musgrove & Company, 135 E. Chicago Blvd., from 7-9 p.m. An opportunity for local musicians, poets and other talented community members to showcase their skills in front of a friendly audience. Participants must be 16 years of age or older and performances cannot exceed five minutes. Artistic expression is encouraged, but all performances must avoid the use of vulgarity in language and actions. No endorsement of racism, sexism, violence or crime will be permitted. Sign up at the door that night; arrive early to ensure a spot on the list. Nonperformers are welcome to come and enjoy the local talent. Info: 423.2238.

Saturday, Jan. 18 — Stepping Into 2020 — Be Informed
Adrian District Library, 143 E. Maumee St., Adrian, starting at 1 p.m. The League of Women Voters of Ann Arbor Area, Tecumseh/Lenawee County Unit, will host this

event, which will cover the 2020 Census, an update on redistricting in Michigan, and new voter rights and election information in the state. Info: lwvtcumseh@gmail.com.

Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 18-19 — 11th Annual Ice Sculpture Festival
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Tuesday, Jan. 21 — Gardening with Plants from Biblical Times
Tecumseh District Library, 215 N. Ottawa St., from 7-8 pm. Discover the plants of the Bible that are able to grow in Midwestern gardens and landscapes today with Paul Pfeifer, managing director of Hidden Lake Gardens. The program will cover where various trees, shrubs, flowers, vines, and food-bearing plants of today are mentioned in the Bible as well as how these plants were used during Biblical times. Info: 423.2238.

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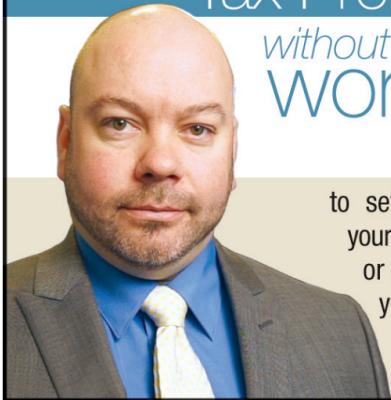
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Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judiciary act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Lenawee County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM on FEBRUARY 6, 2020. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information.

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John D. Sineveck, a married man, and Cheryl L. Sineveck, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 31, 2004 and recorded September 15, 2004 in Liber 2280, Page 840 Lenawee County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as successor-in-interest to all permitted successors and assigns of JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A., as Trustee, for certificateholders of Nomura Asset Acceptance Corporation, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-AR4, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Seventy-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Six and 91/100 Dollars (\$279,786.91), including interest at 4% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Lenawee County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on FEBRUARY 6, 2020.

Said premises are located in the Township of Woodstock, Lenawee County Michigan, and are described as:

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Center, LLC dba Veterans United Home Loans its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): PennyMac Loan Services, LLC Date of Mortgage Recording: June 9, 2017 Date of Mortgage on mortgage on the date of notice: \$143,500.61 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Palmyra, Lenawee County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot(s) 9 of Plat of Man-Nor Farms according to the plat thereof recorded in liber 9 of plats, page 23 of Lenawee County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judiciary Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: 01/02/2020 Potesivo & Associates, P.C. 312145 (01-02)(01-23) 1/29,16,23,2020

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose. MORTGAGE SALE – Anthony M. Eberhart, an unmarried man, granted a mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 29, 2018, and recorded on March 30, 2018, Liber 2560, on Page 994, and assigned by said mortgagee to Quicken Loans Inc., as assigned, Lenawee County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six and 79/100 Dollars (\$130,166.79). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Lenawee County Courthouse in Adrian, Michigan, at 10:00 AM, on January 30, 2020. Said premises are located in Lenawee County, Michigan and are described as: All that part of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 1, Town 7 South, Range 2 East, described as commencing on the South line of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section at a point located 380.2 feet East from the South 1/4 post of said Section; and running thence North 7 degrees 03 minutes West 507.4 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 7 degrees 03 minutes West 4.5 feet to the center line of a ditch; thence Southeasterly along the center line of the ditch; the meander line of which runs South 37 degrees 45 minutes East 227.14 feet from the first mentioned iron pipe to an iron pipe at an angle on the bank of said ditch; thence South 30 degrees 56 minutes East 156.27 feet to an iron pipe; thence leaving said meander line and crossing said ditch North 88 degrees 36 minutes East 23.21 feet to an iron pipe on the East bank of said ditch; thence South 27 degrees 23 minutes East 206.15 feet to the South line of said Section; thence South 88 degrees 27 minutes West along said Section: line 275.1 feet to the place of beginning. The redemption period will be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Quicken Loans Inc. Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr. Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 1405593 (01-02)(01-23) 1/29,16,23,2020

FORECLOSURE NOTICE IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICEMEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY NOW OR IN THE PRIOR TWELVE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE. Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Danielle Timm a married woman N/K/A Danielle Hamlett to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for GVC Mortgage, Inc., DBA Preferred Capital, Mortgagee, dated March 31, 2011, and recorded on April 12, 2011, in Liber 2422, Page 255, Lenawee County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by an Assignment of Mortgage dated August 09, 2019 and recorded August 12, 2019 in Liber 2584, Page 235, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Seventy-One and 01/100 (\$70,071.01) including interest at the rate of 5.25000% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Lenawee County, where the premises are sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on January 16, 2020 Said premises are situated in the Township of Franklin, Lenawee County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 19 and the North 20 feet of Lot 20, R.J. Law's North Shore Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 6 of plats, Page 1, Lenawee County Records; together with a non-exclusive easement over the North 34 feet of Lot 36, Kennedy, as recorded in Liber 4 of plats, Page 99, Lenawee County Records. Also, all that part of Lot 2, Government Survey of Fractional Section 7, Town 5 South Range 3 East, described as commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 19, Plat of R.J. Law's North Shore Subdivision and running thence South 85 degrees 07 minutes East 100.00 feet; thence South 4 degrees 53 minutes West 60.00 feet; thence North 85 degrees 07 minutes West 100.00 feet to the East line of Lot 20 of said plat; thence North 4 degrees 53 minutes East along the East line Lots 19 and 20, 60.0 feet to the place of beginning. Commonly known as: 87 PENTECOST HWY, ONSTED, MI 49265 If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: December 12, 2019 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 19M100548-1 (12-12)(01-02) 12/12,19,26;1/2,9,2020

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee for any reason. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, and the purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney. Notice is hereby given that the below mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the Circuit Court of Lenawee County at 10:00 a.m. on January 16, 2020. Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Michael R Fedorko, a single man Original Mortgagee; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee as nominee for Michigan Mutual, Inc., its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bank of America, N.A. Date of Mortgage: December 17, 2009 Date of Mortgage Recording: January 18, 2010 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$60,491.28 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Dover , Lenawee County, Michigan, and are described as: Land situated in Dover Township, Lenawee County, Michigan, being a part of the

East one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 1, Town 7 South, Range 2 East further described by Walter E. Frazier & Associates, Inc. Certified Boundary Survey (Job No. 0803046) as commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 1; thence North 01 degrees 36 minutes 10 seconds West 93.90 feet along the East line of Section 1 (centerline of Whig Highway) for a point of beginning; thence South 70 degrees 01 minutes 38 seconds West 297.13 feet; thence South 88 degrees 27 minutes 00 seconds West 261.64 feet along the South line section 1; thence North 01 degrees 36 minutes 10 seconds West 425.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 27 minutes 00 seconds East, 543.62 feet; thence South 01 degrees 36 minutes 10 seconds East 331.10 feet along said East line of Section 1 (centerline of Whig Highway) to the point of beginning. Subject to highway, easements, and restrictions of record. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judiciary Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: 12/19/2019 Potesivo & Associates, P.C. 311936 (12-19)(01-09) 12/19,26;1/2,9,2020

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Lenawee County, at 10:00 AM, on January 30, 2020:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Maurice P. Bohlik and Joann W. Bohlik, husband and wife

Original Mortgagee: Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, a Subsidiary of IndyMac Bank, F.S.B. Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust Date of Mortgage: March 30, 2006 Date of Mortgage Recording: April 14, 2006 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$103,613.76

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Medina, Lenawee County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the North 100.55 acres of the West 140.70 acres of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 19, Town 8 South, Range 1 East; thence North 344 feet; thence East 254 feet; thence North 344 feet; thence West 254 feet to the place of beginning.

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

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

This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: December 19, 2019 Trot Law, PC. 1404591 (12-19)(01-09) 12/19,26;1/2,9,2020

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE The Mortgage described below is in default: Mortgage (the "Mortgage") made by Pete's Hardware, LLC, as Mortgagor to United Bank & Trust, dated March 15, 2013, and recorded March 18, 2013, Liber 2463, Page 0724, Lenawee County Records, Lenawee County, Michigan and assigned as a matter of law to Old National Bank, NA, a national association, as successor by merger, with its address at One Main St., Evansville, Indiana 47708, as Mortgagee. The balance owing on the Mortgage is \$152,135.25 at the time of

this Notice. The Mortgage contains a power of sale and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity has been instituted to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part of the Mortgage. TAKE NOTICE that on January 30, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. local time, or any adjourned date thereafter, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, at the Lenawee County Courthouse located at 425 N Main Street, Adrian, MI. The Mortgagee will apply the sale proceeds to the debt secured by the Mortgage as stated above, plus interest on the amount due at the rate of the Prime Rate as published by the Wall Street Journal plus 2.75% per annum; all legal costs and expenses, including attorney fees allowed by law; and also any amount paid by the Mortgagee to protect its interest in the property. The property to be sold at foreclosure is all of that real estate situated in the City of Morenci, County of Lenawee, State of Michigan, described as: All that part of Lot 12 of the Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Morenci, described as commencing on the East line of North Street, 80 feet North of the Southwest corner of said Lot 12; thence East parallel with the North line of said Lot, 48 feet; thence North parallel with North Street 21 1/3 feet; thence West parallel with the first course 48 feet to the East line of North Street; thence South along the East line of said street 21 1/3 feet to the Place of Beginning; also, all that part of Lot 12 of the Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Morenci, described as commencing at the Southwest corner of said Lot 12; thence North along the East line of North Street, 80 feet; thence Easterly parallel with the North line of Main Street 48 feet; thence Southerly parallel with the East line of North Street, 80 feet to the North line of Main Street; thence Westerly along the North line of Main Street, 48 feet to the Place of Beginning; excepting therefrom a strip of land in the Southwest corner thereof, being 24 feet wide East and West, and 60 feet long North and South; also excepting therefrom any part of the above described land described as follows: a part of Lot 12 on the Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Morenci commencing 2 1/2 rods North of a stake standing in the center of the Indiana Road, it being also the center of the North and South Road; thence Northerly in the center of the said North and South Road 64 feet 8 inches; thence Easterly from the center of said road 57 feet; thence Southerly 64 feet and 8 inches; thence Westerly 57 feet to the Place of Beginning. Commonly known as: 148 Main Street, Morenci Michigan 49256 Tax Parcel Number: XM0-000-0123-00 The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to MCLA 600.3240(7). Mortgagor will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. December 19, 2019 Old National Bank, N.A. Mortgagee. PLUNKETT COONEY KELLI L. BAKER (P49960) Attorney for Mortgagee 333 Bridge Street NW, Suite 530 Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504 (616) 752-4624 (12-26)(01-23) 12/26;1/2,9,16,2020

MADDIN, HAUSER, ROTH & HELLER, P.C. 28400 Northwestern Highway, 2nd Floor Southfield, Michigan 48034 THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. MORTGAGE SALE--Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by CURTIS E. BALTZ, Mortgagor, to OLD NATIONAL BANK, successor by merger to UNITED BANK & TRUST, Mortgagee, dated March 13, 2009, and recorded on March 24, 2009, in Liber 2381, Page 111, Lenawee County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of December 19, 2019, the sum of One Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Four and 17/100 Dollars (\$148,664.17), including interest at .019444444 percent per day with a per diem rate of \$26.83 per day. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public auction to the highest bidder at the place of holding the circuit court within Lenawee County, Michigan, on Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., local time, or any adjourned date thereafter by posting a notice of adjournment before or at the time of said at the place where said sale is to be made. Said premises are situated in City of Adrian, Lenawee

County, Michigan, and are described as: All that part of Lots 5 and 6, Dean's Addition to West Adrian, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 30 of Deeds, Page 356, Lenawee County Records, described as commencing at a point in the East line of Springbrook Avenue located 515.21 feet North from the Northerly line of Maple Avenue, and running thence North 89 degrees 50 minutes East 200.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 28 minutes East 306.36 feet; thence South 61 degrees 57 minutes West 111.22 feet; thence South 32 degrees 32 minutes West 58.68 feet; thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes West 69.44 feet to the East line of Springbrook Avenue; thence North 0 degrees 28 minutes West along the East line of Springbrook Avenue 407 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. EXCEPTING AND RESERVING THEREFROM all that part of Lot 5 of Dean's Addition to West Adrian described as beginning at a point on the East line of Springbrook Avenue located 108.16 feet North from the Northerly line of Maple Avenue, and running thence North 0 degrees 28 minutes West along the East line of Springbrook Avenue 102.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 32 minutes East 118.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 28 minutes West 45.32 feet; thence South 61 degrees 57 minutes West 18.74 feet; thence South 32 degrees 32 minutes West 58.68 feet; thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes West 69.44 feet to the place of beginning. Tax Parcel No. XA0-100-0109-02 Commonly known as: 440 Springbrook Avenue, Adrian, MI 49221 The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale in accordance with MCLA 600.3201 et seq., the Mortgagor will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period in accordance with MCLA 600.3278. Dated: December 19, 2019 MADDIN, HAUSER, ROTH & HELLER, P.C. Julie Beth Teicher, Esq. Attorneys for Mortgagee 28400 Northwestern Highway, 2nd Floor Southfield, Michigan 48034 (248) 354-4030 ADDRESS FOR POSTING: 440 Springbrook Avenue Adrian, MI 49221 (12-19)(01-09) 12/19,26;1/2,9,2020

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose. MORTGAGE SALE – John R. Garza and Robbin R. Garza, husband and wife, granted a mortgage to The Huntington National Bank successor by merger to Sky Bank, Mortgagee, dated April 15, 2003, and recorded on April 16, 2003, Liber 2134, on Page 207, Lenawee County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Five Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Four and 16/100 Dollars (\$5,764.16). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Lenawee County Courthouse in Adrian, Michigan, at 10:00 AM, on January 16, 2020. Said premises are located in Lenawee County, Michigan and are described as: A strip of land of the uniform width of 39 1/2 feet from off and across the West side of Lot(s) 12, Block 3, A.J. Comstock's Eastern Addition No. 1 to the City of Adrian, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 30 of Plats, Page 785. The redemption period will be one year from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. The Huntington National Bank successor by merger to Sky Bank Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 1404664 (12-19)(01-09) 12/19,26;1/2,9,2020

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee for any reason. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, and the purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney. Notice is hereby given that the below mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the Circuit Court of Lenawee County at 10:00 a.m. on January 16, 2020. Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Michael R Fedorko, a single man Original Mortgagee; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee as nominee for Michigan Mutual, Inc., its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bank of America, N.A. Date of Mortgage: December 17, 2009 Date of Mortgage Recording: January 18, 2010 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$60,491.28 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Dover , Lenawee County, Michigan, and are described as: Land situated in Dover Township, Lenawee County, Michigan, being a part of the

East one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 1, Town 7 South, Range 2 East further described by Walter E. Frazier & Associates, Inc. Certified Boundary Survey (Job No. 0803046) as commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 1; thence North 01 degrees 36 minutes 10 seconds West 93.90 feet along the East line of Section 1 (centerline of Whig Highway) for a point of beginning; thence South 70 degrees 01 minutes 38 seconds West 297.13 feet; thence South 88 degrees 27 minutes 00 seconds West 261.64 feet along the South line section 1; thence North 01 degrees 36 minutes 10 seconds West 425.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 27 minutes 00 seconds East, 543.62 feet; thence South 01 degrees 36 minutes 10 seconds East 331.10 feet along said East line of Section 1 (centerline of Whig Highway) to the point of beginning. Subject to highway, easements, and restrictions of record. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judiciary Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: 12/19/2019 Potesivo & Associates, P.C. 311936 (12-19)(01-09) 12/19,26;1/2,9,2020

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Lenawee County, at 10:00 AM, on January 30, 2020:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Maurice P. Bohlik and Joann W. Bohlik, husband and wife

Original Mortgagee: Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, a Subsidiary of IndyMac Bank, F.S.B. Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust Date of Mortgage: March 30, 2006 Date of Mortgage Recording: April 14, 2006 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$103,613.76

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Medina, Lenawee County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the North 100.55 acres of the West 140.70 acres of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 19, Town 8 South, Range 1 East; thence North 344 feet; thence East 254 feet; thence North 344 feet; thence West 254 feet to the place of beginning.

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

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

This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: December 19, 2019 Trot Law, PC. 1404591 (12-19)(01-09) 12/19,26;1/2,9,2020

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CITY OF TECUMSEH COUNCIL MINUTES



CITY OF TECUMSEH COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 16, 2019 TECUMSEH CITY HALL 7:30 P.M.

The Tecumseh City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 16, 2019 at 7:30 PM at City Hall.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Roll call was taken as follows:

PRESENT: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Vicki Riddle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion to approve the December 16, 2019 Agenda of the regular meeting of City Council as presented.

Moved by Stephanie Harmon
Seconded by Vicki Riddle
Motion to approve the December 16, 2019 regular City Council Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

5. WELCOME GUESTS

6. PRESENTATIONS
6.1. Mayor Baker presented a Certificate of Recognition to Cameron Brehmer for his efforts in organizing and installing a gaga-ball pit at CalZorn Park.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT RE: ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

8. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

The Report of the City Manager includes information regarding:

8.1. Report of the City Manager
The Report of the City Manager included:

1) Economic Development - The City of Tecumseh has been RRC certified and to celebrate City will be hosting MEDC staff and state elected officials to an Open House on January 30, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at 106 E. Chicago Blvd.

Motion to accept and place on file the Report of the City Manager.

MOTION CARRIED

9. CONSENT AGENDA

9.1. Past Minutes of the Regular City Council

9.2. Report of the Fire Department for November

9.3. Report of the Police Department for November

9.4. Budget Report
Moved by Gary Fox
Seconded by Stephanie Harmon

Motion to accept, approve and adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Vicki Riddle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple
MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

10. OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1. December 16, 2019 List of Bills to be Paid (roll call)

Moved by Gary Naugle
Seconded by Stephanie Harmon

Motion to approve the December 16, 2019 List of Bills to be paid.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Vicki Riddle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

11.2. Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Second Quarter Budget Amendments (roll call)

Moved by Gary Naugle
Seconded by Ron Wimple

Motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Second Quarter Budget Amendments in the form of the attached resolution.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Vicki Riddle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

11.3. Purchase of Police Department Patrol Vehicle (roll call)

Mayor Baker commented on the money saved by utilizing the MiDeal program, specifically that this vehicle was listed at around \$39,000 and the City is purchasing it for just over \$26,000.

Moved by Gary Naugle
Seconded by Stephanie Harmon

Motion to approve the purchase of one (1) 2020 Dodge Charger Pursuit patrol vehicle from LaFontaine Dodge of Lansing, MI, through the State of Michigan/Macomb County Bid Program, in the amount of \$26,211.00 and to authorize the City Manager

to sign a purchase order for the same.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Vicki Riddle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

11.4. Authorization for Sale of Chip Sealing Equipment (roll call)

Moved by Stephanie Harmon
Seconded by Austin See

Motion to authorize the sale of the Tar Truck (Freightliner FL70), Chip Spreader (Rosco Hydrostatic Chip Spreader), and Rubber Tire Roller (Hyster C530A), in accordance with the City of Tecumseh Code Sec.2-389 Sale or Disposal of Property.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Vicki Riddle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

11.5. Approval of the Cooperative Services Agreement with the USDA Wildlife Services (roll call)

Comment and discussion took place on how many deer could be taken. City Manager Swallow responded commenting that the number is determined by the Agency and that the agreement before Council was to add a fourth night to the cull. He further commented that if the maximum number is met prior to the last evening then the Agreement can be sealed back to the original three nights at a reduced cost.

It was also noted that the meat taken from the cull would be donated to local organizations.

Moved by Gary Naugle
Seconded by Stephanie Harmon

Motion to authorize the City Manager to execute the USDA Wildlife Services Cooperative Services Agreement in the amount of \$10,845.62 to complete a deer cull; and further, to approve a budget increase of \$10,846 in line item 101-101.000-802.000 Contracted Services to complete the project.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

11.6. Renewal of Memorandum of Agreement with the Lenawee Co. Department on Aging for the Lease of Suite A in the Hayden-Ford Mill Building (roll call)

Moved by Stephanie Harmon
Seconded by Ron Wimple

Motion to approve Memorandum of Agreement with the Lenawee Co. Department on Aging for the lease of Suite A in the Hayden-Ford Mill Building; and authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

11.7. Resolution 16-19. Establishing Guidelines for Remote Access Participation in Public Meetings by Active Duty Military Members (roll call)

Moved by Gary Naugle
Seconded by Vicki Riddle

Motion to approve the attached resolution, establishing guidelines for remote access participation in public meetings by active duty

Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple
MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

11.8. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Appointment (roll call)

Moved by Stephanie Harmon
Seconded by Austin See

Motion to approve John Miller for a three-year term on the Parks and Rec Advisory Board beginning January 2020 and expiring January 2023.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Vicki Riddle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

11.9. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Appointment (roll call)

Moved by Stephanie Harmon
Seconded by Gary Fox

Motion to appoint/approve Randy Salisbury to serve on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board with a term beginning in January 2020 and expiring in January of 2023.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Vicki Riddle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

12. PUBLIC COMMENT RE: ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

City Manager Swallow requested his annual review take place on January 21st in closed session and requested that any changes Council would like to see to the evaluation form should be turned in to him or the Clerk.

13. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Baker commended the new Cemetery Superintendent, Tracey Roberts, on the immaculate condition of the cemetery.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ron Wimple
Seconded by Austin See
Motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Jackson L. Baker - Mayor
Tonya A. Miller - Clerk

485 of 2018.

Yes: Jack Baker, Council Member Gary Naugle, Council Member Vicki Riddle, Council Member Austin See, Council Member Gary Fox, Council Member Stephanie Harmon, and Council Member Ron Wimple

MOTION CARRIED
7-0 on a recorded vote

11.10. Approval of Special Event and Street Closure for the 11th Annual Ice Sculpture Festival 2020

Moved by Gary Fox
Seconded by Ron Wimple

Motion to approve the 2020 Ice Sculpture Festival Special Event and closure of South Evans St. from Chicago Blvd. to the entrance of the SW parking lot from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on Saturday, January 18, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED

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MOTION CARRIED

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Advertisement for Brady Sand & Gravel, Inc. featuring a list of materials like Cedar Mulch, Red Mulch, Fill Sand, etc., and contact information: 2978 Russell Rd. • Tecumseh • 423-4900.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP MINUTES

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP December 10, 2019

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor VanValkenburg who then led the flag pledge. Present: Supervisor Dan VanValkenburg, Clerk Sue Whitehead, Treasurer Terri Moore, Treasurers Mike Kelley and Gordy Whelan. Absent: None. The minutes were approved as presented.

1. OLD BUSINESS

None.

2. NEW BUSINESS

Township Assessor Max Griffin was present and requested the Board change vendors for printing the Assessment notices and Personal Property notices to KCI out of Grand Rapids.

dors. Griffin said it would allow him to have more control. The County Equalization uses Centron now for printing. The KCI proposal for assessment notices was \$1,200.68. Last year the Township paid the County \$1,037.81. The KCI proposal for personal property notices was \$367.50. Last year Griffin printed them himself for roughly \$100 and planned to do so again this year.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Karpo who resides on Wyman Road was present with assessing complaints. Karpo questioned the Assessor as to why his family farm that has been listed as AG for 65 years has now been reclassified as Residential. Karpo stated the homestead exemption was also removed. Roger Brooks was present and had concerns regarding his classification and the SEV of his property near the corner of Tipton Hwy and U.S. 12. The Board acknowledged there have been many complaints regarding assessing issues since the reassessment was completed. Assessor Griffin said certain issues would need to be addressed at the March Board of Review, and any correction of a homestead exemption would need to be addressed at the July Board of Review.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Sue Whitehead Franklin Township Clerk

from Co. Commissioner Wittenbach stating the remodeling of the old Courthouse is soon to begin.

The 2020 Census will be starting to gather information at the first of the year.

Sand Lake Fire Chief Mark Wilson said the department has received new radios that were paid for through the 911 fee.

4. MOTION CARRIED

Motion to approve the purchase of one (1) 2020 Dodge Charger Pursuit patrol vehicle from LaFontaine Dodge of Lansing, MI, through the State of Michigan/Macomb County Bid Program, in the amount of \$26,211.00 and to authorize the City Manager

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- Across
1 Cozy
5 Dublin-based air conditioner company
10 Fontaine filler
13 Red and blue
19 Sulk
20 Seriously flirt with
21 Matherhorn or Jungfrau
22 Mozart works
23 Informally formal entry announcement
24 Mozart works for 22-Across
26 "Friends" friend
27 "Friday I'm in Love" group
29 Google
30 Rival of J.H. and W.K. Kellogg
32 From bottom
33 Hiker's path
35 Hall with Oates
36 Clear (of)
39 Ambulance worker, briefly
40 Fromage hue
42 Unhappily unaccompanied
44 Holder of rays
46 Modernist's prefix
47 Google
49 Staff helper
50 Big finish
51 Intend
53 Bad sort whose second syllable is often dropped
55 Hart part
56 Incisively sarcastic
59 Intl. supporter of the arts
60 Metric wts.
61 "luego"
62 Enticed
64 Like some ancient Icelandic works
66 Strike caller
69 Bigeye or yellowfin
70 Appliance alert
72 Times and Herald, in NYC
74 21-year-old currency
75 Taro dish
76 U.S. org. chaired by the president
77 Aerosol targets
79 Eurasian range
81 Surveying partner of Dixon
83 Area
84 They may abut peninsulas
86 "Kim" author
88 Sool
91 Loses it
93 Incursion
94 Calendar listings
95 Search
96 Name after Paul or before Peter
98 Chicken source ... and product
101 Often perpendicular measure
102 Get to
104 Hindu princess
105 Conquistador's treasure
106 Significant period
107 The "Iliad" and the "Odyssey"
109 Like some cookies
111 Impish
113 Submit a new invoice to
115 No longer foiled by

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-115 indicating starting positions for clues.

- Down
1 In love
2 Off somewhere
3 Like many characters in 22-Across?
4 Insurance giant
5 Son of Odin
6 Rosie, notably
7 Consumed
8 Marilyn's birth name
9 Involve
10 Rabbit
11 Pub order
12 Fashion house employee?
13 "Row on row" blower in a classic poem
14 Belt firms?
15 Flying Clouds, e.g.
16 Like some court motions
17 Workplace with tests
18 Salem-to-Boise dir.
25 Some online forum posts?
28 Like an enthusiastic shrubbery salesperson?
31 Twisted
34 Bible book
35 Emulate Columbo
37 Many a map dot
38 Garment worker
41 Social activist Guinier
43 Good name for a Swedish soccer goalie?

- 45 Picnic invaders
48 Time piece
50 Muslim mendicant
52 Ga. winter hours
54 People
56 Sleuth Charlie known for aphorisms
57 Sighed lines
58 Jazz singer Laine
63 Unwanted piano key noise?
65 Gloaming
66 Niacin and protein, say?
67 Tidal influence
68 Send a text to
71 Borders
73 Span. title
78 Prominent noses
80 Nile serpents
82 Muhammad with gloves
83 Tirade
85 Horne or Headey
87 Goller's choice
88 Old historian of older Britain
89 One or more times
90 Witty exchange
92 Hibernia
97 South African liberator
99 Ornamental front ends
100 Surrendered amateur status
102 Feel sick
103 Revolutionary Hale
108 Michelangelo masterpiece
110 Puccini masterpiece
112 "Well, ___-dah!"
114 Part of Q.E.D.
115 Unctuous
117 "As ___ saying ..."
118 Entrepreneur-helping org.
119 Bruins legend
121 Shad spawn
122 Half a score

ANSWERS TO JANUARY 2, 2020

Grid of crossword puzzle answers for January 2, 2020.

FAITH

BAHA'I FAITH, Regular meetings, Tuesdays at 7 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m. Call for details, 605.0572. <http://users.tc3net.com/bfaith>.

BRIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH, 112 E. Church St., Clinton. Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Thursday Bible Study and MasterClub Kids Program 7 p.m. www.bridgebaptist.org

BRITTON CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN, 384 E. Chicago, Britton. Pastor Jim Schenck. Worship and Sunday School 10 a.m.

BRITTON BETHEL BAPTIST, 296 S. Main, Britton — 517.451.5415 Pastor Phil Devaney. Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Worship 10:45 a.m., Wed Midweek Service 6:30 p.m. — brittonbethelbaptistchurch@gmail.com.

BRITTON GRACE UNITED METHODIST, 9250 E. Monroe Rd., Pastor Ruth VanderSande. Worship 11 a.m. 517.451.8280.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 312 W. Chicago Blvd., Tecumseh. Breakfast 9:30 a.m.; Bible Class 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m. 423.6087. www.tcofc.info.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, 1001 N. Union St., Pastor Gary Miller. Contemporary Service 10:45 a.m.; Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Wednesday Services 6:45 p.m. 423.4960.

CLINTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD, 13080 Clinton Rd. Rev. Jim Patterson. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:45 and 6:30; Wednesday 7 p.m.

CLINTON BAPTIST CHURCH, 11555 Tecumseh-Clinton Rd. Pastor Jon Turner. Worship service at 11 a.m., Sunday School at 10 a.m. Connect (grades 6-12) Sunday 5 p.m., Wed. night Bible study and Team Kids (preschool-5th grade) at 6:30. 517.456.6053 or ClintonBaptistchurch@gmail.com.

CLINTON UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 300 Tecumseh Rd., Clinton. Rev. Diane White. 456.4363. Hymn Sing 9:45 a.m.; Worship and Church School 10 a.m.

CLINTON UNITED METHODIST, 10990 Tecumseh-Clinton Rd. Rev. Robert Blanchard. 456.4972. Worship and Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Missouri Synod, 9950 Ridge Hwy., Britton, 517.451.8148. Pastor Dave McCarty. Worship: Sunday, 10:30 a.m., Sunday school at 9 a.m. www.emmanuelontheridge.com.

COVENANT EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 5290 Milwaukee Rd., Tecumseh. Pastor Richard Mortimer. Two Sunday worship services, 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. 517.301.4602. www.TecumsehCove.org.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 211 W. Chicago Blvd. Rev. Cathi King. Worship service, Sunday 10:30 a.m. Sunday Adult Education 9 a.m. 423.3470. www.tecumsehfirstpres.org.

GATE OF GRACE MINISTRIES, 214 S. Maumee, Tecumseh. 517.215.8655. Pastors Brian and Denise Fath. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. www.gogm.org.

GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN, ELCA, corner of N. Evans and Brown St., Sunday Worship Service 9:30 a.m. One service only.

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH, M-50 at Carson Hwy., Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service 10:45 a.m.; Sunday evening service 6 p.m.; Wednesday evening service 7 p.m. www.gbcoftecumseh.org 431.2240.

GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN, WELS, 302 N. Maumee, Tecumseh. New Pastor William Finn. Bible Study 9 a.m. Worship Service Sunday 10 a.m. 423.3716.

GRACE POINT EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH, 4612 N. Adrian Hwy., Adrian 517.265.7997. Summer Services 10 a.m. only, August 4, 11, 18, 25 and September 1; Jr. and Sr. High Sunday 6-8 p.m. www.gracepointefc.org.



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MACON UNITED METHODIST, 11964 Macon Hwy., Pastor Ruth VanderSande. maconumc@frontier.com. www.maconumc.com. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Sunday School on last Sunday of month 8 a.m. Worship service 9:00 a.m.

NEWSONG COMMUNITY CHURCH, 5211 S. Occidental Hwy., Tecumseh. Contemporary Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor Tom Hawkins. 423.3676. www.comeinunity.org.

RAISIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 5867 Holloway Rd., Britton. Rev. Karen Zurkowski. Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

RIDGEWAY CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, 6886 Ridge Hwy. Reverend Kyle Boils. Worship 10:45 a.m., Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Eve Service 6 p.m., Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

RIVERBEND FRIENDS, 9500 Tecumseh-Clinton Hwy. Pastor Mike Dennis. Sunday Worship 11 a.m., River Kids 11 a.m. 423.3977. www.riverbendfriends.com

RIVER RAISIN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, meets at Christ-Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1232 W. Maumee St., Adrian. Dan Hall. Worship service Sundays, 11:30 a.m. 212.5035. Facebook: RRUUF.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH OF TECUMSEH, 6759 S. Occidental, Pastor Nathaniel Oregon, 918.902.9977. Saturday Worship 9:30 a.m., Sabbath School 11 a.m.

ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC ORATORY OF ST. ELIZABETH PARISH, 220 Brown St., Clinton, Rev. Daniel Wheeler. Sunday morning mass 9:15 a.m., confession begin 8:30 a.m.

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH, 506 N. Union St. Rev. Daniel Wheeler. Mass 5:00 p.m. Sat.; 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Sun. 517.423.2447 ext. 5.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 122 E. Church St., Clinton. 517.456.4828. Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. www.stjohnschurchclinton.org

ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 11646 Old Monroe Pike (M-50 at Cambridge Junction). 517.467.7855. Sunday Service at 10 a.m., Sunday School 10:15 a.m. www.stmichaelaa.org.

SOLID ROCK OF LENAWEЕ, (Apostolic Pentecostal), 810 Tecumseh Rd., Clinton, 456.9600. Pastor Tim Richmond. Sunday School and worship 11:30 a.m.; Thursday service 7 p.m. www.srconnect.com.

TECUMSEH ASSEMBLY OF GOD, Corner of Rogers and M-50. Pastor Tom March. Sunday Worship 10 a.m. www.tecumsehag.org.

THE POINT, 202 S. Van Buren St., Tecumseh. 517.797.9607. Ellis and Danielle Fortune, pastors. Sunday school 10 a.m., Sunday worship 11 a.m., Thursday service 7 p.m. www.pointcog.org.

TECUMSEH FREE WILL BAPTIST, 5876 Occidental Hwy. Brother Gene Hurley. 423.2214 or 313.439.3852. Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship and Junior Church 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening 5 p.m.; Wednesday 6 p.m.

TECUMSEH MISSIONARY BAPTIST, SBC Affiliated — 407 S. Occidental, Pastor Brian Jones. Worship Service 11 a.m., Evening Service 6 p.m. Church School 9:45 a.m., Wednesday Worship 7 p.m.

TECUMSEH UNITED METHODIST, 605 Bishop Reed. Pastor Mark A. Miller. Traditional Service 10 a.m. with Sunday School to follow. 423.2523, tumc@tc3net.com www.tecumsehucm.org.

TIPTON COMMUNITY CHURCH, 9240 N. Tipton Hwy. Pastor Eric Hickman. Worship 10 a.m. Bible Study 4 p.m. Wednesday. 517.431.2460. www.tiptoncommunitychurch.com.

WORD & WORSHIP FAMILY FELLOWSHIP, 28 Cairns St., Tecumseh 424.5943. Worship 10 a.m.

Inviting Words

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” — Jeremiah 29:11

FAITH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CLINTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 10990 Tecumseh-Clinton Rd., Clinton; Spaghetti Dinner, Thursday, Jan. 23, 4:30–7 p.m., spaghetti, soup, salad, garlic bread from Clinton Hometown Pizza and homemade desserts. Adults \$12, children 10 and under \$6. Dine in or take out available. Info: 456.4972.

TIPTON COMMUNITY CHURCH, 9240 Tipton Hwy., Tipton; God’s Helping Hands Dinner, January 11, 4:30-6:30 p.m., classic

meatloaf meal, mashed potatoes and sour cream, fresh broccoli salad, desserts and beverages. God’s Helping Hands Dinner, January 25, 4:30-6:30 p.m., hamburger, venison or white chicken chili, mixed green salad with choice of dressing, peaches with juice, desserts and beverages. God’s Helping Hands Dinner, February 8, 4:30-6:30 p.m., breakfast casserole or biscuits with sausage gravy, fresh fruit, desserts and beverages. Open and free to the

public. Donations kindly appreciated. Info: 431.2460.

ADRIAN REA LITERACY CENTER, 1257 E. Siena Heights Dr., Adrian; Tutors needed for adult learners ages 18 and up. No experience needed. Info: 264.7320

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