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SALE PRICED ~~\$12,994~~ **\$259 mo**

THIS WEEK'S FEATURE!

2019 FORD FUSION SE 4 DOOR SEDAN



A great value, fun to drive, room for 5, full power options, Backup camera, Bluetooth and more. Just over 80,000 easy miles.

SALE PRICED ~~\$14,998~~ **\$249 mo**

TRUCKS

2020 RAM 1500 BIG HORN 4X4



Nice, one owner, off lease truck, 3.6 liter V6 engine, 8 speed automatic, full power options, tow pkg integrated brake controller, 31,857 miles.

SALE PRICED ~~\$29,997~~ **\$477 mo**

2018 TOYOTA TACOMA SRS CREW CAB 4X4



V6 engine, 37,000 miles, nice power options, Fully serviced, new tires too.

SALE PRICED ~~\$32,499~~ **\$518 mo**

2021 CHEVROLET SILVERADO LT 4X4 CREW CAB



All Star Edition, Cherry Red Tintcoat paint, 5.3L V8 engine, Trailer tow package, full power options, heated seats Apple / Android Car Play with large screen, Step Bars, Bed Liner, Walt Sicard Certified!

SALE PRICED ~~\$33,894~~ **\$651 mo**

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2022 CHEVROLET SILVERADO DOUBLE CAB 4X4



Just Arrived! One owner, off lease with just 11,300 miles, 2.7 L Turbo engine, Full power options, Apple / Android Car Play, Trailering package, Heavy Duty Suspension, & much more.

SALE PRICED ~~\$39,995~~ **\$767 mo**

2022 FORD F-150 XL 4X4



19,674 miles, Red & Ready, nice appointments includes tonneau cover. Factory warranty remaining.

SALE PRICED ~~\$30,994~~ **\$494 mo**

2021 CHEVROLET SILVERADO RST DOUBLE CAB 4X4 Z71



Top of the line truck, 6.2 V8, one owner, off lease, 23,825 miles, heated leather, trailer tow, Premium Audio, Hard Tonneau, Step Bars, Bed Rug, Apple/Android Car Play, new list \$56,155.

SALE PRICED ~~\$42,994~~ **\$667 mo**

2020 FORD RANGER LARIAT CREW CAB 4X4



63,659 miles, 2.3 L I4 EcoBoost with 10 speed automatic, heated seats, rear view camera, full power options, sprayed bed liner.

SALE PRICED ~~\$30,994~~ **\$595 mo**

JEEPS

2020 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LAREDO 4X4



44,540 miles, Sharp, off lease SUV, loaded with style, comfort and utility. One previous owner, Walt Sicard Certified.

SALE PRICED ~~\$26,997~~ **\$421 mo**

2020 JEEP WRANGLER UNLIMITED SPORT 5



22,270 miles, one owner, Clean Carfax, Hardtop, full power options, set up to easy tow behind a motorhome. Walt Sicard Certified.

SALE PRICED ~~\$34,994~~ **\$546 mo**

SUVs

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2022 SUBARU OUTBACK LIMITED AWD



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SALE PRICED ~~\$26,994~~ **\$428 mo**

2021 SUBARU OUTBACK PREMIUM AWD



Sharp one owner, off lease vehicle, well maintained, and well equipped.

SALE PRICED ~~\$21,994~~ **\$345 mo**

2021 CHEVROLET BLAZER LT



Cherry Red Tintcoat, 26,574 miles, 3.6L V6 9 speed trans, Remote start, Car Play, Heated Power seats, One owner, off lease.

SALE PRICED ~~\$27,394~~ **\$427 mo**

2021 CHEVROLET TAHOE LT 4X4



60,285 miles, One owner, off lease, heated leather 8 passenger seating, trailer tow, Bluetooth, Apple Android Car Play, and more.

SALE PRICED ~~\$46,494~~ **\$731 mo**

2019 CHEVROLET TAHOE LT 4X4



86970 miles, Black, Black heated leather, power buckets, Android Apple Car Play, Trailer tow Well maintained, Michelin tires.

SALE PRICED ~~\$35,994~~ **\$546 mo**

2021 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN LT 4 WHEEL DRIVE



8 passenger full size SUV with heated leather, nice power appointments, Trailer pkg, rearview camera, Bluetooth, One owner, Clean Carfax, & much more. Factory warranty remaining.

SALE PRICED ~~\$49,994~~ **\$710 mo**

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2022 CHEVROLET EQUINOX RS AWD



16,179 miles one owner, off lease, Summit White, Black heated leather, Adaptive Cruise, Advanced Safety, HD Surround Vision, Warranty remaining.

SALE PRICED ~~\$28,994~~ **\$453 mo**

2020 FORD EXPLORER LIMITED 4X4



3.2L Hybrid, 3 row seating with center buckets, heated leather front & back, heated steering wheel, SYNC 3, Navigation & much more.

SALE PRICED ~~\$31,998~~ **\$499 mo**

2022 CHEVROLET EXPRESS 2500 WORK VAN



Super clean and well serviced, new tires, and ready to go to work. 106,336 miles. Walt Sicard Certified.

SALE PRICED ~~\$27,994~~ **\$439 mo**

2022 KIA SOUL X-LINE



21,343 miles, Gravity Gray, Full power features, Apple/Android Car Play, Navigation, One owner, sport rack, factory warranty remaining.

SALE PRICED ~~\$20,988~~ **\$327 mo**

2020 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SE



101,825 miles on this one owner van, previous corporate lease, 7 passenger seating, serviced and ready.

SALE PRICED ~~\$17,994~~ **\$281 mo**

2020 BUICK ENVISION ESSENCE



28969 miles, one owner, off lease, heated leather interior, Apple, Android Car Play, Rear view camera & much more. Factory warranty remaining.

SALE PRICED ~~\$25,974~~ **\$405 mo**

2022 CHRYSLER PACIFICA TOURING I



Price Reduced! Ceramic Gray Clear coat paint with Black Alloy heated Leather Interior, 7 passenger stow-n-go seating, full power features with rear camera, Bluetooth, Car Play and more.

SALE PRICED ~~\$25,977~~ **\$405 mo**

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Was \$17,955 Now \$16,994 **\$265 per month** (per month)

2022 Haul-About Panther 6x12 With Ramp



Top of the line model, LED lighting, Rustproofed, 12" on center frame, 6'6" interior height, Screwless exterior

Sale Priced \$4,988 **\$121 per month** (per month)

2023 Haul-About 7x14 Cougar Tandem 3500# Axles



7000# GVWR, V nose, Rear Ramp, Cougar pkg with 2-scoop wall vents, 4-1200# Floor D-Rings, LED interior light with wall switch and Ceiling Liner, upgraded 318" plywood walls too!

Was \$17,549 Now \$6,900 **\$179 per month** (per month)

2022 Haul-About Leopard 8.5 x16 Tandem Axle



Round Top, Landscape pkg, 60" triple tube tongue, 10,000#GVWR with 5200# axles. Heavy duty rear ramp & more.

Was \$10,970 Now \$9,900 **\$194 per month** (per month)

2022 Haul-About Leopard 6x12 Tandem Axle



Charcoal Gray, LED lighting, 7000# GVWR, Leopard package with 2-scoop wall vents, 4-1200# Floor D-Rings, LED interior light with wall switch and Ceiling Liner

Was \$17,946 Now \$6,900 **\$135 per month** (per month)

Payments computed with 10% of sales price plus tax, title, license and documentation fees paid as down payment. Interest rates and terms are computed as follows with Model year vehicles 2019 and newer financed for 75 months @ 8.59%, Model years 2017 through 2018 - 75 months @ 9.24% 2016 and Older model year vehicles 60 or 48 months @ 10.29% Enclosed Trailers 60 months @ 10.9%, Annual percentage rate financing.

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2024 Winter Sports

BANGOR VIKINGS

Varsity Girls Basketball

Varsity Girls fall to Hartford

From Coach Witkowski • March 1, 2024

The Lady Vikings lead for a good part of the game, and like they have all season, have made great strides, but fell to Hartford 35 to 46.

With most conference wins since 2017-18. Vikings still have work to be done, and will continue to work hard to bring home a district title next.

Jaelynn Little- 12 points
Madison Marfia-8 points
K'Liyana O'Steen-7 points

Varsity Girls team much improved

From Coach Witkowski • March 7, 2024

Vikings played hard from start to finish but struggled from outside the paint shooting 1-22, and struggled from the free throw line, falling to Hartford 44 to 18.

Improvement from the start of the season until the end made it a joy to coach them. I consistently got comments from coaches from other teams on how much they improved. We thank our seniors, Liz, Cadence, Naiara, and Lesli for the work. We look forward to a great month of June summer basketball.

Liz Ogrodny- 4 points, 5 rebounds
Madison Marfia- 5 rebounds
Cadence Mitchell- 4 steals
Jaelynn Little- 4 steals



JV Girls Basketball

Big win for JV Girls at Hartford

From Coach Littlefield • March 1, 2024

Proud is an understatement. Tonight the JV Lady Vikings played a tough game to secure our final win of the season defeating Hartford with a score of 33-17. Leading the Lady Vikes was Madison Lennox with 11 points and 4 steals, Captain, Izzy Horvath with 7 points and 3 rebounds, and Captain, Ariana Pearce with 6 points. Special shout out to Amara Gallegos who chipped in 7 rebounds!

We have worked so hard this season and it showed tonight. We may not have won a lot of games, but the growth of each player was tremendous. The JV Lady Vikings finished the season with a record of 4 wins with 11 losses. Go Bangor!

More than just a game

Inspirational quotes from the world of sports

"The minute you get away from fundamentals – whether it's proper technique, work ethic or mental preparation – the bottom can fall out of your game, your schoolwork, your job, whatever you're doing."

Michael Jordan

"The only way to prove that you're a good sport is to lose."

Ernie Banks

"Today I will do what others won't, so tomorrow I can accomplish what others can't."

Jerry Rice

"It's not the will to win that matters—everyone has that. It's the will to prepare to win that matters."

Paul "Bear" Bryant

BANGOR VIKINGS



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Lois Ann Harris

Age 88 of Bloomingdale



Passed away Tuesday, February 27, 2024 in Sebring, Florida surrounded by her family. Lois was born May 7, 1935 in Chicago, daughter of the late Walter and Florence Dahms and lived the past 71 years in the Bloomingdale area. Lois loved the Lord and had attended the Berlamont Church and was a long-time member of the Bloomingdale Christian Church and was very involved in many activities, committees, and events. She and her husband, Al, have been in the blueberry business for the last 40 years. Lois had also worked at the Bloomingdale Telephone Company and Merrifield Hardware. She and Al enjoyed camping, traveling and loved spending winters in Florida.

Surviving is her husband of 71 years, Al; her children, Ron Harris, Bryan (Dawn) Harris, Mark (Amy) Harris; 6 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, 2 sisters and 4 brothers.

The family met friends on Tuesday, March 5th at the Bloomingdale Christian Church. Interment will follow in Pecktown Cemetery, Bloomingdale. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to either the Bloomingdale Christian Church or Bloomingdale Christian Fellowship. Arrangements entrusted to the Bloomingdale Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home, www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com.

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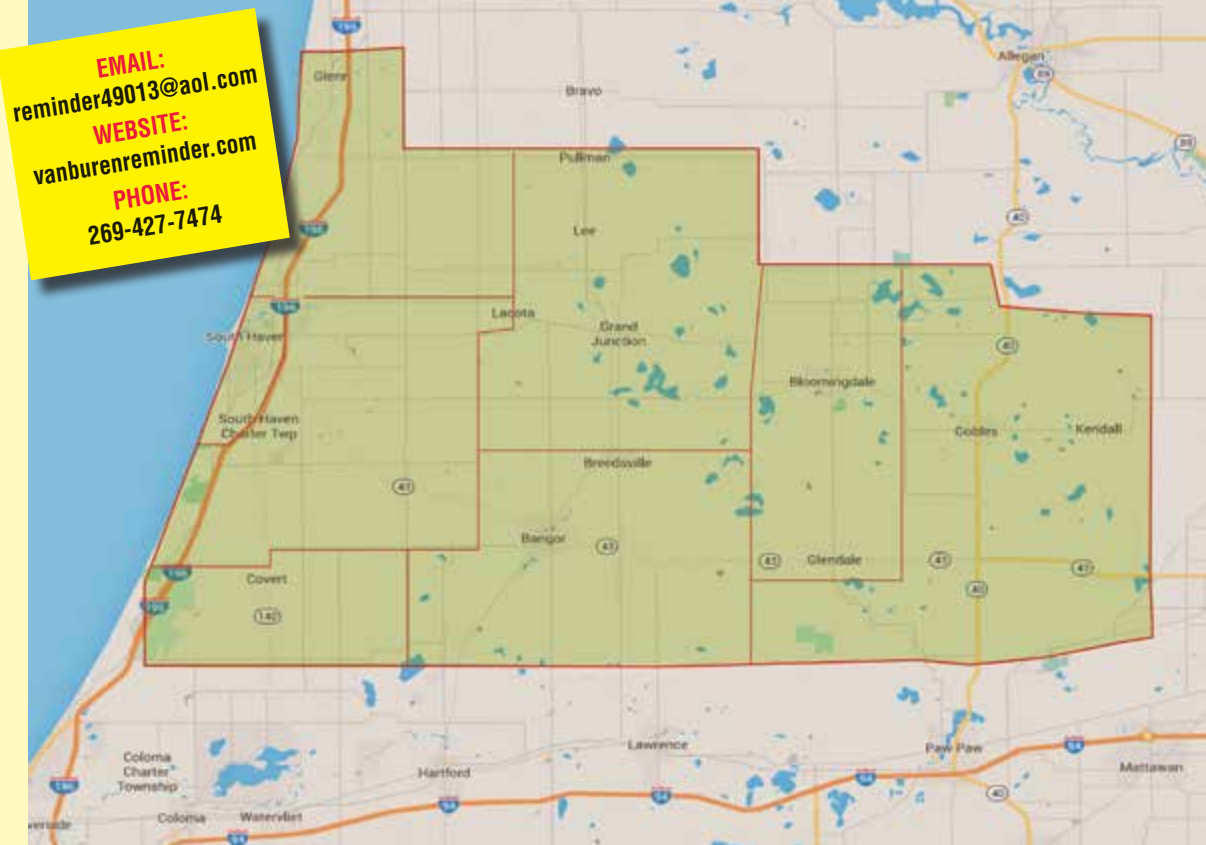
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"This ordinance shall be known and cited as the Bangor Tall Grass and Weed Ordinance and shall be applicable and in full force and effect from April 1st through October 31st of each year."

SECTION 5. Duty to Cut Grass
"The owner and/or occupants of land to which this ordinance applies shall not allow grass or weeds to grow over six inches (6") in height throughout the growing season, including grass and weeds in the right-of-way, and it shall be the duty of all owners and/or occupants of land located in Bangor City either to cut or otherwise destroy by lawful means all tall grass and weeds, as defined in this ordinance, which are growing upon said property, before they reach a seed-bearing stage, and to prevent said weeds from perpetuating themselves and from becoming a detriment to public health. On an undeveloped lot, tall grass and weeds must be cut back at a distance of at least thirty feet from the roadway so as to allow a clear line of site for any person using a sidewalk or roadway."

Residents may obtain a copy of the full ordinance by request to the Bangor City Clerk's office.
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NOTICE OF SPECIAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
The Arlington Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Section 4.34 Anti-Funneling on inland lakes on March 28th at 6:00 PM at the Arlington Township Hall. There will also be a general discussion on ordinances.

For questions or for persons in need of special accommodations, please contact Matt Butler At PC1@arlingtontownship.com or Clerk@arlingtontownship.com by 1:00 pm on the day of the meeting.
Georgette Peterson, Arlington Township Clerk

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Black History Month 2024

2024 Honorees: Dr's W.C. & Laverne Candy Askew, Founders of faith Evangelistic World Outreach Ministries) followed by Arise, Shine and Celebrate Black History 2024 Youth on the Rise Scholarship \$1,000.00 recipient Breanna Hall.



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Gobles Tiger Wrestling

Six Tigers win All-State Titles
Coach Erin Carlin: March 3, 2024

Gobles Tigers sent 7 wrestlers to the State Championships and returned with 6 All-State Wrestlers.

Jose Boger earned 8th Place at 106lbs; Finn Carlin earned 3rd Place at 120lbs; Devin Doorlag earned 8th Place at 120lbs; Trenton Mansfield earned 5th Place at 144lbs, Mason Mansfield earned 5th Place at 157lbs, and Eli DeYoung earned 5th Place at 190lbs.

In addition, Tigers Wrestling broke more school records last weekend. With 6 state placers they broke the previous school record of 2 Finn Carlin and Devin Doorlag's work mark the first time Tigers have earned two medals in the same weight class

Finn Carlin is the first Freshman Gobles Wrestler to earn a medal at the state championships.

Mason Mansfield's 12 Takedowns gives him the new school record of 123 Takedowns in a single season.



BACK ROW, FROM LEFT: Trenton Mansfield, Mason Mansfield, Coach Weldon, Eli DeYoung, Coach Carlin
FRONT ROW: Devin Doorlag, Jose Boge and Finn Carlin.



Devin Doorlag takes down opponent.



Finn Carlin (in blue) competes in state championship match.

ALL PHOTOS: Kathie Brown

Middle School Girls Basketball

Girls drop final game
Coach Marc Kline • Feb. 29, 2024

The 8th Grade Girls Basketball Team dropped to 4-7 with a loss at Fennville for their last game of the season.

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VAN BUREN COUNTY

FROM THE DESK OF THE PROSECUTOR

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Authorizations by category (not all inclusive):	
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Misdemeanor Assault	10
Assault with a Dangerous Weapon	1
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Child Abuse - All Degrees	4
Assault with Intent to Murder	0
Assault with Intent to Do Great Bodily Harm	0
Murder	0
Breaking and Entering/Home Invasion	11
Criminal Sexual Conduct - All Degrees	6
Child Sexually Abusive Material	0
Human Trafficking	2
Domestic Violence	
Misdemeanor	9
Felony	0
Fleeing and Eluding a Police Officer	5
Larceny	
Armed Robbery	0
Unarmed Robbery	0
Larceny/Retail Fraud - Misdemeanor	8
Larceny/Retail Fraud - Felony	3
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Uttering & Publishing	0
Unlawful Driving Away of a Vehicle/Unlawful Use	0
Receiving & Concealing Stolen Property	3
Operating while impaired/intoxicated	
Misdemeanor	13
Felony	1
Possession/Delivery of a controlled substance other than methamphetamine	10
Possession/Delivery of Methamphetamine	30
Weapons Charges	4

SHERIFF'S CORNER

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Dispatch received a call from family members in Arlington Township advising that they received information from their daughter's/sister's boyfriend she committed suicide. Uniform Response along with assistance from other agencies checked numerous places, forensic data, etc. It was ultimately found that the whole thing was fabricated. There was a lot of time and resources used in this case for several hours. We are glad the person in question is safe and sound with a good ending. A report is being sent to the prosecutor's office for review and charges.

Uniform Response took a complaint in Antwerp Township involving a contractor being paid to do work, and never done the complete job but took the money. The same contractor scammed other victims in the county in different townships doing the same thing as well as bouncing checks. The Prosecutors Office issued a Felony Warrant for his arrest. Uniform Response is actively looking for the individual from Keeler Township to arrest him on the warrant.

Uniform Response went to a residence in Geneva Township in the late hours after dark for a suspicious situation. The homeowner heard something outside and when investigating it, saw a figure out by the road. The subject/subjects in question were not located. Nothing was taken during the incident.

Uniform Response took a stolen 2009 Harley Davidson Sportster Motorcycle Black and Orange in color from Arlington Township. Unknown suspects entered through a fenced in area at a storage facility and broke into it where the motorcycle was being stored. Anyone with information regarding this is urged to call our office immediately.

Uniform Response arrested a 20-year-old Decatur Resident for Stalking. It was a warrant issued on a previous investigation, and when the Deputies went to arrest him, he fought with them. The suspect was put into custody and charged with that incident as well as the Stalking Warrant.

Our 911 Dispatch Director Tim McGee, Auxcomm Coordinator Michael Greis, and Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator Derek Weldon attended the 2024 Michigan Statewide Interoperable Communications Conference. This conference was paid for through Region 5 Homeland Security Funds. Our Emergency Management Coordinator Ray Hochsprung attended a FEMA Basic Public Information Officer Course held at the Ingham County Sheriff's Office. This is the last class that EM Hochsprung needs to get his Professional Emergency Management (PEM) Certificate. Congratulations to EM Hochsprung on this accomplishment.

A Felony Warrant was issued on a Hartford Man for Malicious Destruction of a Building-\$1,000 or more but less than \$20,000 which is a 5-year felony. The subject caused damage to our jail while being held here. Just so the public knows, we submit charges on individuals who damage our property such as this. Taxpayers should not and will not be covering damages for actions like this and the individual will be paying to get the damage fixed as well as being charged for the crime. This happens occasionally and they are held accountable.

Uniform Response assisted Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Office and a victim from Kalamazoo County with recovering stolen property in Waverly Township. The victim found their stolen property on Facebook. Uniform Response got all the needed information on the complaint then went to the residence in question to investigate it further and confirm it was the victims' items. The homeowner initially was not cooperating with Deputies but eventually did just prior to the search warrant being signed. The items were indeed the victims from Kalamazoo County. The items were turned back over to the victims, and a report will be sent to the Prosecutor for review on charges along with Kalamazoo's report.

Uniform Response handled a couple of Break-in's in Antwerp Township. Deputies were able to get a photo off a surveillance system of a suspect vehicle. Deputies were able to enhance the photo and get the license plate. Deputies followed up on the vehicle in question and located it at a residence in Plainwell. Inside the vehicle was several of the stolen items from the Break-in's. There are two suspects involved with these incidents. The male suspect is a Lawton Resident and is currently on Parole out of our county for prior Break-in's and Larcenies. A report will be forwarded to the Prosecutor for charges against those involved and the male in question is now lodged at our facility. This is an ongoing investigation to see if the suspects were involved in other Break-in's in South-west Michigan.

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Bloomingtondale 2024 Winter Sports CARDINALS

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Congratulations to Andreyra Robinson

Congratulations to Andreyra Robinson who signed on to play basketball at Kalamazoo Valley Community College next year. Andreyra made her decision official Friday afternoon at a signing ceremony in the high school auditorium. Good luck next year, Andreyra!



Winter Sports Awards Ceremony

The Winter Sports Awards Ceremony for middle and high school athletes and their families will take place, Wednesday, March 13th at 6:30 pm in the High School Auditorium.

Hall of Fame Ceremony

This year's Athletic Hall of Fame Ceremony will take place, Saturday, May 4th from 6 to 9 pm at The Silo in Allegan. This year's inductees include: Corinne Moragne (1987), Joe Long, Bill Weese, Blaine Douglas, and the 1963 Boys Basketball Team. Tickets are available at gofan.co

Varsity Girls Basketball

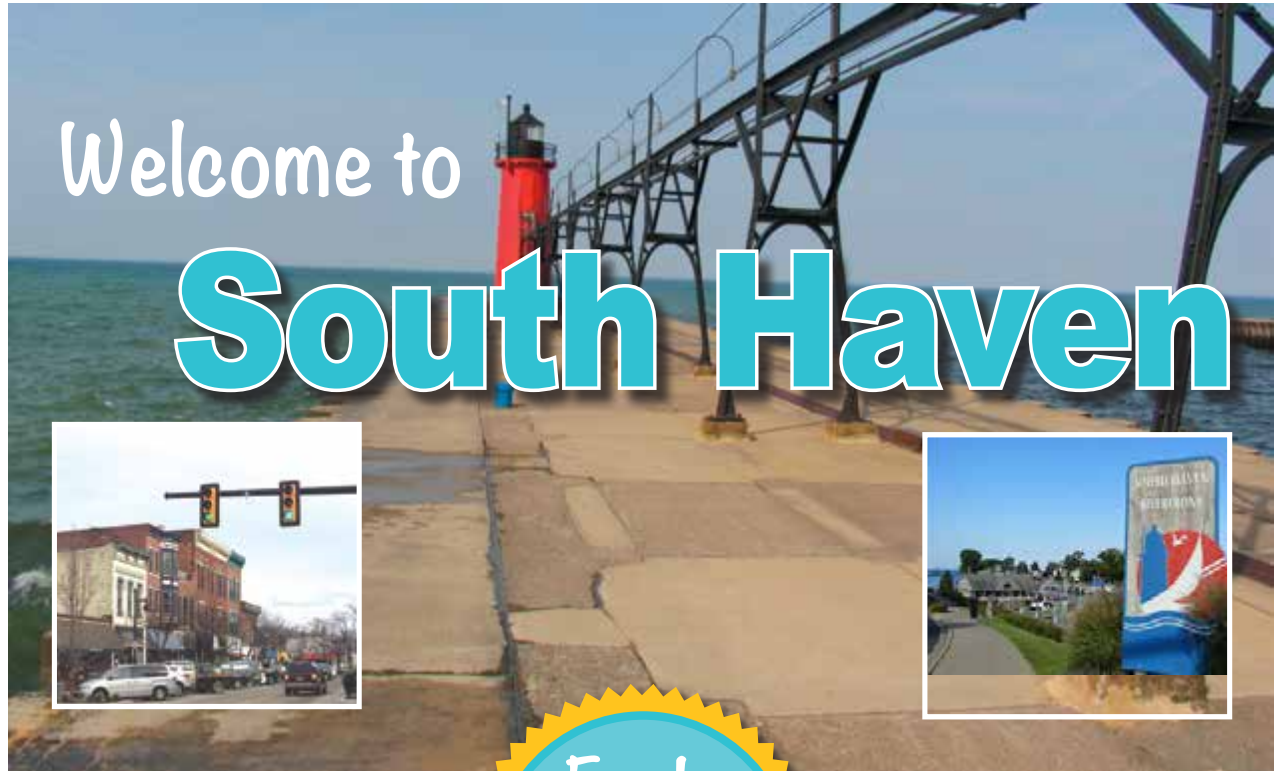
The Varsity Girls Basketball Team played in the MHSAA District Quarterfinals Monday night in Hartford against Coloma. The team started out slow and struggled to score baskets early on, but figured it out in the second half and pulled away to a decisive 57-34 victory over the Comets. Leading scorers for the Cardinals were Andreyra Robinson, Yulissa Perales and Gretchen Hutchins. Bloomingtondale advances to the District Semifinals where they will face a formidable opponent in defending district champions Watervliet.



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