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New  
Year 2024

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Get your Kiwanis  
nuts for your New  
Years Eve party!

**GLADWIN COUNTY**  
These gourmet nuts are available at the Huntington Bank in Gladwin, Village Flowers, Ace Hardware, Burkhart-Presidio Agency, S&H Engraving and Edward Jones, and at Sugarbeet Blooms & Bridal, Create-it, Schumacher Agency and Huntington Bank in Beaverton. Proceeds from this fundraiser are used for the many service projects in the County. The support from the community is greatly appreciated.

Gladwin Winter  
Carnival slated

**GLADWIN**  
The Gladwin County Winter Carnival will be January 26 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus, 751 M-18, Gladwin. The event is free and will include activities such as family photos, face painting, haircuts, and more. For more information call Sarah McCurdy at 989-386-8644.

WEATHER		
Wed 27	42°/36°	
Thu 28	41°/35°	
Fri 29	40°/27°	
Sat 30	38°/28°	
Sun 31	35°/25°	
Mon 01	33°/27°	
Tue 02	38°/28°	

**PET OF THE WEEK**

To adopt this pet or any others please visit the Gladwin County Animal Shelter or call 426-4579



American Legion  
give Christmas  
gifts to veterans

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Pictured from left to right is American Legion Post 171 Commander Jim Volant, Service Officer Mike Perry, Cheryl Parmer from the West Branch Post, and Adjutant Dr. Rick Bratton.

**GLADWIN**  
On December 20, the Gladwin County American Legion Post 171 had the honor of presenting Christmas gifts and giving their thanks to Veterans at the following locations: The Brook of Gladwin, Gladwin Pines Nursing

and Rehabilitation Center, The Horizon Senior Living, and Gladwin Nursing & Rehab Community. "This was very rewarding and humbling. Many Veterans are forgotten and this is a special time of the year," said American Legion Post 171 Commander Jim Volant.

Jason Ash named Michigan Works!  
Alumni of the Year for Gladwin County

**GLADWIN COUNTY**  
Jason Ash is a young father with a bright future, thanks in part to his partnership with Michigan Works! Region 7B. Jason – along with five other alumni and one employer – was honored at a special dinner event at Riverwalk Place in Gladwin on Monday, Dec. 11. Jason joined Jobs for Michigan Graduates (JMG) at Beaverton High School as a Junior, working with Career Navigator Misty Johnson. He was expecting to become a father the following spring, and wanted to increase his skills and career readiness in anticipation of supporting a new family. Jason continued his participation with a summer work experience in 2022, before returning to school in the fall. He continued with JMG and graduated in the Spring of 2023. Having really enjoyed his work experience at T&J Automotive in Beaverton,



Pictured left to right are State Representative Mike Hoadley, Gladwin County Commissioner Karen Moore, Jason Ash, and Michigan Works! Region 7B Executive Director Mark L. Berdan.

and having completed basic automotive training through Career and Technical Education (CTE), Jason was eager to return to the employer as their full-time employee. Again, Michigan Works! Region 7B partnered with

Jason and T&J Automotive to complete an on-the-job training contract with Business Solutions Professional Matt Lang. Jason completed that on-the-job training, and was subsequently hired on as a full-time employee.

SEE JASON, A-3



Alli the Elf stopped by Beaverton Tavern to showcase her waitressing skills.

Beaverton's real life  
Elf on the Shelf

**BEAVERTON**  
The City of Beaverton has their own scout elf at Sugarbeet Blooms & Bridal, named Alli the Elf. Owner of Sugarbeet Blooms & Bridal, Kim Shea, said that Alli has given her team at the store the opportunity to share

their own elf on the shelf story with the Beaverton community. Shea and her daughters Kennedy Cripps and Clarity Gerow have owned Sugarbeet Blooms & Bridal since March of 2023. Shea explained that they started preparing for

SEE ELF, A-3



The new iron removal plant at the corner of 3rd and Brown streets in Beaverton began operating on November 20.

Iron removal plant in  
Beaverton began operations

**BEAVERTON**  
Around 80 to 90 thousand gallons of water in Beaverton is flowing through the new iron removal plant per day. On November 20, the iron removal plant, located on the corner of 3rd St. and Brown St. in Leo Ross Park, went into operation. The construction of the plant is 89 percent funded through federal grants and 11 percent funded through state grants. Securing funding sources for the construction of the plant was one of the biggest challenges in getting the plant operational. The task of the iron removal plant is to reduce the concentration of iron and iron-related impurities that oxidize and create rust in the water. Beaverton Department of Public

Works Supervisor Pat Stanley explained how the process of removing the iron from the water works. "The iron removal plant works by pushing the raw water from the wells through several layers of media, anthracite, a couple layers of different types of sand and then through a few different layers of stone. The iron clings to this media as it passes through," said Stanley. Stanley went on to share that the decrease in iron in the water will have bonus effects, adding life to appliances and fixtures as well. Stanley explained that it could take several months for all of the iron to be removed from the water, but residents should begin seeing cleaner water once the hydrants are flushed.

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