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School district has two millage requests on November 3 ballot

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

The November 3 general election is an important one for Alcona Community Schools which has two millage proposals on the ballot – the only local issues for this election.

The millage requests come before voters as the school district is ready to retire the 1999 bond levy when the final payment is made in 2016. Alcona Community Schools Superintendent Shawn Thornton explained the 2015 summer tax collection concluded the commitment to pay off the construction of the middle school, community auditorium, bus garage, addition of a library at the elementary school and improvements to the athletic complex with a new track, football field and stadium and concessions stand. The original bond levy was for 1.7 mills in 1999.

“Over the course of time the district has had the opportunity to refinance so it could save taxpayers money by being able to levy a reduced amount,” Thornton said. “We are pretty excited about having it paid off on schedule. The big news is this tax will never be levied again. It improved the district and we are thankful for the community’s support of our students by providing them with really nice facilities to support their education.”

The two millage requests before voters in November are for operations of the district and to make much needed repairs to the district’s buildings, Thornton explained. “We are looking at the future and asking the community to continue supporting the district and our students,” she said. “Proposal I is a renewal – it is already in existence and is not a new tax. This request is for us to be able to continue operating – it represents 68 percent of the district’s budget.”

Proposal I is an operating millage renewal request for 18 mills on non-homestead property and a 2.5 mill Headlee override for five years (2016-2020). This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property – except principal residence and other property exempted by law – required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance and renews a millage that will expire with the 2015 tax levy. The remaining 2.5 mills is only available to be levied to

restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Headlee Amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will only be levied to the extent necessary to restore the reduction.

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~ Shawn Thornton, Superintendent
Alcona Community Schools

If approved, Proposal I will generate an estimated \$5,010,000 of the total school operating budget which is \$7,359,427, according to Thornton, which is 68 per-

cent of the total annual school district budget. “It is critical to understand how important this millage renewal is for the district. This is total local revenue and the school

district is dependent on it. The state does not make up that funding.”

Proposal II is for a Building and Site Sinking Fund tax levy – one mill for five years. This request will provide

money to pay for repairs and upgrade aging district facilities to make them usable and safe for students, Thornton said.

“It’s important for citizens to understand that 100 percent of the revenue collected in this levy will go to Alcona Community Schools and, the Michigan Department of Treasury has specific rules which require school districts to use only for repairs and upgrades of facilities,” Thornton said.

If approved, revenue generated by Proposal II would generate approximately \$490,000 per year for the district. The list of immediate repair and replacement items with estimated costs include:

High school roof – \$300,000; sewer/drainage repair – \$75,000; Elementary boilers – \$175,000; Elementary roof – \$225,000; elementary tile – \$200,000; door/lock replacement – \$200,000; electrical upgrades – \$100,000; security system upgrades – \$100,000; locker room renovations – \$125,000; locker renovations – \$75,000; baseboard molding – \$25,000; technology infrastructure upgrades – \$50,000; restroom renovation – \$150,000; energy upgrades – \$300,000.

Thornton explained repairs and upgrades – except for immediate situations – have taken a backseat during the

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Varsity football team rallies around young fan

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

What began as a small act of kindness turned into a moment of camaraderie which developed into a bond between one hard working boy and a team of compassionate varsity football players.

Michael Doidge Jr., a student at Alcona Elementary School, said it was an evening he won’t likely forget, nor will anyone else who witnessed the event.

The act of kindness was giving Doidge a Tigers jersey, and led to the entire Alcona varsity football team fist bumping with one of their greatest fans.

“His wheelchair doesn’t define who Michael is. He’s so much more than that. This isn’t about a handicap, it’s about his ability and strength to never give up. He has proved over and over he has what it takes to be an upstanding student at Alcona Elementary...”

~ Patti Byce, Athletic Coordinator
and Para Professional

“Actually this story began last year,” explained Patti Byce, athletic coordinator for Alcona Community Schools and para professional for Alcona Elementary. Byce worked with Doidge, who is in sixth grade and has cerebral palsy. As she worked with this boy who is full of optimism and has a goal to someday be a football running back, she made him a promise. If he worked very hard she would take him to an Alcona Tiger game and possibly get him a seat near the player’s bench.

Doidge is like many other boys his age. He does fairly well in school and he loves

sports. “Some basketball, but I especially love football. Always have since I was really little, before I can remember,” Doidge said. It was his grandpa Dan Rude, who got him watching football.

Doidge said his favorite high school team was the Alcona Tigers, favorite college team was Michigan State Spartans and his favorite National Football League was the Detroit Lions. He said he even watches indoor football.

Doidge’s knowledge of the game, his comprehension of every move and his excitement for the game separates him from the rest of his classmates. His mother, Ruth Doidge, said her son thinks,

eats, and sleeps football 24-hours a day, seven days a week. He truly loves the game and sometimes he sees the play before anyone else and can tell what went wrong and what they should have done to make the play better.

Despite being born with cerebral palsy, it’s Doidge’s enthusiasm for life and his charismatic smile people notice long before ever seeing the wheelchair he spends much of his time in. Byce said his determination and competitive nature leaves few people doubting his ability to not only be on the Tiger football team someday, but to succeed in everything he does in life.



Michael Doidge Jr. (center) with his father, Michael Doidge and Patti Byce watching the Alcona varsity football team from the sidelines during a home game. Photo by Kirk Walton.

“His wheelchair doesn’t define who Michael is. He’s so much more than that. This isn’t about a handicap, it’s about his ability and strength to never give up. He has proved over and over he has what it takes to be an upstanding student at Alcona Elementary. After enduring an extremely long surgery this past summer and still never giving up, I wasn’t about to go back on my promise to him,” Byce said.

Doidge’s mother explained it’s always been difficult for her son to walk since birth, but with the surgeries, physical therapy and his sheer determination, he is making some steps in the right direction with the use of a walker.

Byce talked to varsity coach Jason Somers about making good on her promise to Doidge. Somers agreed

without hesitation and asked the team captain, senior Noah Kenworthy, to pick out a jersey, present it to Doidge and invite him to the game.

Kenworthy said when he gave Doidge the jersey he told the boy if he worked hard enough he’d surely be a part of the team someday.

When Doidge got to the game he was given a team football to hold and a bell to ring when the Tiger’s scored a touchdown. Not only was Doidge welcomed, but Tiger Devan Mills, who really didn’t know anything about Doidge, saw him near the bench with the Alcona jersey on and gave him a friendly fist bump. “I just thought he was here sup-

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Obituaries



Kerrin Tesmer

Kerrin Tesmer, 54, of Harrisville, died on Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015 at home.

She was born October 23, 1960 to Kenneth O. and Judith Ann (Cummings) Richardson in Lincoln Park, Mich.

She worked in public accounting and was married to John Tesmer.

Mrs. Tesmer is survived by her husband, John; one daughter, Veronica Niezgoda; two sons, Ed Niezgoda and Ken Niezgoda; one granddaughter, Elliana Niezgoda; three sisters, Kristyne Lemerand, Karalyn Richardson, and Kasandra Carleton; her mother, Judith Richardson; and her mother-in-law, Sandra Wickens.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

Mildred LaForge

Mildred (Breest) LaForge, 89, formerly of Curran, died on Friday, Oct. 16, 2015 at Lincoln Haven in Lincoln.

She was born in Detroit, Mich. on January 5, 1926 to Edwin and Dorothy F. (Ames) Breest.

She married Lee LaForge in 1946 and went from being a city girl to the life of a farmer's wife when they moved to Curran where they ran the family farm. The LaForges also owned and operated a large poultry farm for many years.

The LaForges were foster parents to countless youth; and many nieces and nephews worked on the farm during the summer months, haying, milking cows, and gathering and "candling" eggs.

Mrs. LaForge worked at the MSU Cooperative Extension office, located in the Alcona County Courthouse, for more than 20 years, which she enjoyed.

She was very active in the Sunnyside United Methodist Church of Curran where she played piano, sang, attended Bible study, and was in charge of a knitted sweater program which provided many warm sweaters to refugee children.

She was an accomplished seamstress who made all of her own clothes. She also belonged to the Alcona Historical Society and was an avid collector who created unusual collections.

Mrs. LaForge is survived by her adopted daughter, Connie LaForge; one grandson, Jeffrey LaForge; three nieces, Gale Sarkella, Colleen Bayoff and Barbara Breest; three sisters-in-law, Jean DeJarlais, Florence LaForge and Delia Marsh; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Don Breest and her husband, Lee.

The family is planning a memorial service in the spring. Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Richard P. Shepard

Richard P. Shepard, 83, of Lincoln died on Monday, Oct. 12, 2015.

He was born June 17, 1932 to Pled and Fern (Pearson) Shepard in Detroit, Mich.

He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1949 to 1960 during the Korean War.

He was the previous owner of Smokey's Tavern in Hubbard Lake and Our Place Food and Spirits in Lincoln.

He served on the Alcona County Board of Commissioners for one term from 1997 to 2000. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Detroit, Mich., Fraternal Order of Eagles in Ossineke and the American Legion.

Mr. Shepard is survived by two daughters, Donna Dubay of Lapeer, Mich., and Julie Ferra of Los Angeles, Calif.; one son, Scott Shepard of Royal Oak, Mich.; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one sister, Donna Phaneuf of Florida.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Neil Shepard.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, Oct. 24 at 1 p.m. at Lakeview Cemetery, 920 Roosevelt Street in Howell, Mich.

Wilbur H. Wildfong

Wilbur H. Wildfong, 95 of Curran died at his home on Monday, Oct. 19, 2015.

He was born in Bay Port, Mich. on September 11, 1920 to Eli and Luella (Wilfong) Wildfong.

He worked three tours with the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) and he served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was wounded in the war and was awarded The Purple Heart. His tour included the Battle of the Bulge and the battle in the Ardennes Forest.

When he returned home, Mr. Wildfong continued to be active in the community he loved. He owned and operated Bill's Small Engine in Curran; farmed his own land; and was a caretaker of several hunting camps in the area.

Mr. Wildfong served as Mitchell Township Clerk for 34 years and he was a member of Mitchell Township Citizen's Watch. He was instrumental in the establishment of the Mitchell Township Fire Station in Curran, and organized bingo to support it.

He was a life member of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV); he was a member of the Alpena Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) No. 2496; the Alpena Moose Lodge; and the Masonic lodges in Alpena and Mio, Mich. His hobbies included hunting, fishing, music, playing the guitar, reading, gardening, and building bird houses.

Mr. Wildfong is survived by his wife, Betty, of Curran; one daughter, Connie (Terry) Brilinski; two sons, Wilbur D. (Anna) Wildfong and Eli (Patricia) Wildfong; nine grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one grandson, Bradley Brilinski; three brothers and one sister.

Visitation will be held Thursday, Oct. 22 from 1 to 4 p.m. and from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Lashley Funeral Home in Mio. There will be a Masonic service by the Mio Masonic Lodge No. 596 at 7 p.m. Visitation will continue on Friday, Oct. 23 from 10 a.m. until the funeral at 11 a.m. Pastor Brenda Klacking will officiate. Interment will follow at Flynn Valley Cemetery, Curran, with military honors by VFW Post No. 2496 of Alpena.

Memorial donations may be made to Heartland Hospice. Arrangements were made by Lashley Funeral Home, Mio.

Larry G. Duby

Larry George Duby, 76, of Lincoln, died on Sunday, Oct. 18, 2015 at his home.

He was born September 8, 1939 to George L. and Esther M. (Clark) Duby in Warren, Mich. He was raised in Oscoda.

After graduating from Oscoda High School, he served in the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Duby worked for Saginaw Steering Gear.

On December 22, 1972, he married Kathy Alexander in Saginaw, Mich. They were residents of Frankenmuth, Mich. until they retired to Lincoln in 1998. They spent winters in Naples, Fla.

He was a member of the Frankenmuth, Mich. and Lincoln Lions Clubs, and the Shriners. He enjoyed boating, hunting, and fishing, and was an excellent cook.

Mr. Duby is survived by his wife, Kathy; one daughter, Jacqueline (Jim) Zeimet; one son, Randy (Dianne) Duby; four grandchildren, Lilia Zeimet, Nicolas Zeimet and Dayne Zeimet and Ashton Duby; and one brother-in-law, Bob (Pat) Alexander.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln, A memorial service will be announced in the near future.

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Nighttime Listening
Nocturnal birds serve their purpose. They add to the ambiance that is night. What would an orchestra of crickets be without the steady call of a whip-poor-will? I will climb out of sleep to listen to a barred owl. Day or night, birds are great!

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Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	Oct. 11	75		52	0.00	5.3
Oct. 12	69	56	0.00	5.6	22	SW
Oct. 13	59	49	0.07	3.0	23	WSW
Oct. 14	55	41	0.00	1.8	16	N
Oct. 15	63	41	0.01	3.0	21	WSW
Oct. 16	49	33	0.00	2.3	22	N
Oct. 17	44	30	0.01	1.8	18	NNE

Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	2015	2014	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.09	0.85	0.55
Month of October	0.24	1.43	1.35
Year to Date	17.56	24.74	23.51

Climatological Observations taken by Stanley L. Darmofal at the Harrisville National Weather Service Coop Station located 1.8 miles NNE of Harrisville Post Office. Observations for each day are from midnight through 11:59 p.m. T=Trace (less than 0.005" Water Content.)



Calendar of Events



(Editor's Note: Entries for Calendar are always welcome. They will be published in chronological order as space allows. Entries should be turned in at least two weeks prior to the date of the event. Events sponsored by businesses or individuals to make a profit or governmental units for meeting notification are not eligible for this free public service. Sorry, bingo, garage sales, raffle ticket sales, or political campaigning information is not eligible.)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

A blood drive will be held from noon to 6 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring your Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive identification. For more information, call (989) 736-8879 or visit redcrossblood.org.

Sing a-long to the oldies with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Senior Center, 5039 Campbell Street. Call, (989) 736-8879 for details.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

My Brother's Hope will be accepting donations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). For more information, call (989) 335-3541.

Alcona Community Schools will host a question and answer session and a facility tour at 6 p.m. for community members who have questions about school proposals. Meet in the middle school lobby.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

Computers and Wi-Fi available for seniors from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

Exercise indoors, walk upstairs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Treadmill and exercise bike also available.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-4483.

The Pine River Van Etten Lake Watershed Coalition will meet at 10 a.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road. Everyone is welcome to attend.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call, (989) 724-6796 for details.

Enjoy popcorn and a movie at 12:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call, (989) 736-8879 for details.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

Sunrise Equestrian Sports will present an all discipline dressage schooling show at the Lucky Dog Ranch located at 2430 East Dewar Road in Harrisville at 9 a.m. The pub-

lic is invited to attend. For more information, call Mary Linton at (810) 338-0884 or Sue Schmitz at (989) 736-8447.

My Brother's Hope will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). For more information, call (989) 335-3541.

"Pink in the Rink" hockey game featuring the Alpena Flyers and the men's hockey league all stars will be held at 7 p.m. at Northern Lights Arena. A minimum donation of \$5 at the door. All proceeds will go to ARMC Cancer Center and the Alpena Flyers. For more information, call (989) 358-0652.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

New Life Lutheran Church is hosting their second annual Fall Music Festival from 2 to 4 p.m. There will be nine local Alcona and Alpena musicians playing old time music, classic country, songs from the Great American Song Book, show tunes and much more. There is no charge to attend this program. The church is located at 25 East Kirche In The Woods, six miles north of M-72 on Hubbard Lake Road.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

The Alcona County Republicans will meet at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall, 114 South Poor Farm Road.

The Alcona County Library Board will meet at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch, 312 West Main Street.

Computers and Wi-Fi available for seniors from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

Exercise indoors, walk upstairs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Treadmill and exercise bike also available.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Sing a-long to the oldies with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call, (989)

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Harrisville Township is seeking an interested person to serve on township Planning Commission. Please contact Roger Jamieson, township clerk at (989) 724-6388.

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Obituaries

William J. Mitchell

William J. Mitchell, 60, of Hubbard Lake died on Monday, Oct. 19, 2015 at the Alpena Regional Medical Center.

He was born May 12, 1955 to John and Leah (Schiedel) Mitchell in Royal Oak, Mich. He was raised in Clawson, Mich.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1973 to 1975.

Mr. Mitchell grew up spending summers on Hubbard Lake, and moved there permanently after retiring from General Motors Truck and Coach in 2008.

He was a member of the Hubbard Lake Improvement Association, the Hubbard Lake Citizens Watch, the Ossineke Eagles Aerie No. 3762, and the American Legion, Clawson Post No. 167.

Mr. Mitchell is survived by two sisters, Sharon Thompson of Spruce and Carol (Chuck) Miknis of Battle Creek, Mich.; one brother, John Mitchell of Clawson, Mich.; two nieces; and three nephews.

A memorial visitation will be held on Thursday, Oct. 22 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorials may be made to Friends Together.

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Local Notes

Away at School

Alyssa Miller of Oscoda recently graduated from Northern Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice.

ARA Farm Market

The ARA Farm Market is open Saturday, Oct. 24 in the Campbell Building on the Alcona County Fairgrounds in Lincoln from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Vendors accept Bridge cards and Project Fresh coupons and also offer Double Up Food Bucks on qualifying purchases. Available this week: Celery, arugula, sorrel, pumpkins, gourds, apples, leeks, onions, tomatoes, carrots, sweet and hot peppers, winter squashes, kale, tomatoes, spinach, lettuce, eggs, chicken, all cuts of grass-fed and grain-fed beef, honey, maple syrup, quick breads, pies, cookies, jams and jellies, baking mixes, flavored popcorn, handmade soaps, homemade laundry detergent, grapevine wreaths, and more. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

On Display at the Library

The Northeast Michigan Artists' Guild's juried art show, "Creative Eye," will be on display at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library beginning Wednesday, Oct. 28. Art of various media, including watercolors, pastels, oils, photographs, collages, monoprints and more will be judged by juror Anita Harmon. An awards ceremony and reception, open to the public, will be held at 1:15 p.m. that same day, hosted by the Friends of

the Library. Juried art will be on display during regular library hours through November 24. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Conservation Board Member

Kevin Perry of Glennie was elected to a four-year term on the Alcona Conservation District Board of Directors at the district's annual meeting on October 8. Perry replaces Bob Emerick of Harrisville whose term expired. Emerick chose not to seek reelection but will remain as an associate director. Perry was appointed as the district's secretary and treasurer. The Alcona Conservation District is a locally controlled entity of state government with the purpose of promoting sustainable natural resource land use decisions through technical assistance and education to private landowners and units of government within Alcona County.

Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at various times during the week at senior centers in Glennie, Greenbush and Lincoln. Anyone planning to attend a meal is asked to reserve a place by calling (989) 736-8879 by 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

- Monday, Oct. 26—Chicken and stuffing casserole, winter blend, tossed salad, and mixed fruit.
- Tuesday, Oct. 27—Cabbage rolls, red bliss potatoes, baby carrots, and pears.
- Wednesday, Oct. 28—Pork chop bake with sweet potatoes and apples, mixed vegetables, and pineapple.
- Thursday, Oct. 29—Herb chicken, wild rice, squash, and mixed fruit.
- Friday, Oct. 30—Beef tips in gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, three bean salad, and tropical fruit.

group of communities in Alcona County with updating their recreation plans. Alcona County, Caledonia Township, Harrisville Township and Alcona Township all have expired recreation plans and are working collaboratively to get them updated. A recreation plan contains future plans for all recreational facilities within these communities. Communities are required to have five-year Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) approved recreation plans in order to qualify for grant funding from the Michigan DNR.

The planning process incorporates a community participation element that encourages input from citizens. The four local units of government have chosen to work together to gather this public input in an online survey. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete as is available online on the following websites: alconacounty.com, caledoniatwp.net, alconatownship.com, and nemcog.org. or for a direct survey link see: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/alconaarearecreation>

For those without Internet access, the communities are encouraging citizens to visit the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library during its "Technology Tuesday" event every Tuesday from noon until 4:30 p.m. A staff person can assist people wishing to get online to take the survey during that time. Township and county officials are encouraging citizens in and around Alcona County to fill out and submit this survey because public input is a vital component of the future of the area and the public's opinion is highly valued.

Collage Class

"Get Crafty" will host a collage class on Monday, Nov. 2 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Instructor Ellen LaCross will show adults how to use painting and printmaking techniques to create a piece suitable for framing. All materials and light refreshments included for \$5 per person; must call (989) 724-6796 to register. There is a sample on display at the library.

Cooking with John

Interested adults are invited to Cooking with John on Monday, Nov. 9 from noon until 1:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Chef John Webster Jr. from Tait's Bill of Fare is back, this time cooking up a hearty autumn meal. Cost to attend is \$5 per person, which includes a light lunch and recipes. Those planning to attend must register and pay fee by November 4. Call (989) 724-6796.

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most recent difficult financial years the district has experienced. "The district spent almost \$200,000 on building and equipment repairs so

buildings were minimally usable. Each year we've tried to keep up with things, but with declining enrollment and decreased revenue... we are

at a point where this really needs to be addressed. I hope that community members understand these are our most immediate concerns," Thornton said.

"It's going to take several years to generate the money that is needed to address these concerns, but it will certainly bring older parts of our facility up to date with our newer facilities. The goal is to provide a safe, nice, educational environment. I'm hoping that the community is well informed about both proposals, has a thorough understanding about what the requests are for and take the opportunity to ask questions to clarify any confusion or misunderstandings," Thornton said.

In order to answer questions, the district has scheduled two dates where community members can ask questions and tour the district's facilities to see why the sinking fund tax levy is being requested - Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 6 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 10:30 a.m. Those planning to attend are asked to meet in the lobby of the middle school for both dates.

For more information about the two ballot proposals, see the district's website: www.alconaschools.net; call the district office at (989) 736-6212 or call school board members Mark Feldhiser at (989) 255-6324 or Gary Sims at (989) 335-3358.

Organizations **Organization Notes**

Harrisville Business Association

The Harrisville Business Association (HBA) meeting was held on Thursday, Oct. 8, and was called to order by Cheryl Peterson at 6:05 p.m. Present: Cheryl Peterson, Pat Bushey, John Boufford, Louis and Ginger Campbell, Bill and Billie Thompson, Judie Labadie, Joan Dwyer, Ed Foster, KiAnn Kruttlin and Linda Drean.

Old business: Cheryl has contacted Dan Leonard, from the State of Michigan, regarding a workshop with this association. The purpose of this workshop is to provide information and discussion of the options available to enhance business development in Harrisville.

Cheryl has been in contact with Leah McCullum, aide to U.S. Senator Gary Peters. She has expressed interest in meeting with this group. Cheryl will continue discussion with Ms. McCullum.

Discussion regarding the Discovery Tour taking place in October. A thank you ad will be put in the Alcona County Review, for those who were instrumental in developing this event locally and for those who helped with the downtown decorations. A request was made for businesses to help water the mums around their locations. Billie Thompson presented a bill for the decorations, however, the exact amount is still to be determined. She will settle with Judie and Pat.

Discussion again about cellular coverage in Harrisville. A petition will be available at the Review office and in local businesses, for citizens and visitors to sign, ex-

pressing their interest in having better coverage. Deadline will be the end of the year. Any business that did not get petitions to put out, please contact Cheryl at the Review office. Full petitions should be returned to the Review office or to Pat at Alcona Coffee.

New business: Discussion regarding the need for a Facebook page for Harrisville. Karen Winegart has expressed interest in developing a page. There are several sites, such as Inspiration Alcona, and the Happening Alcona page that might include our information. Ginger has started the HBA Facebook page and two or three people can be administrators to post items, photos et cetera.

Christmas decorations are being considered. Billie Thompson can obtain 24 small living pine trees, to place in the big flower pots to line Main Street. These could be lit along with the light poles. Louis will check the availability of power and Ginger will research the cost of LED lights. Judie plans to ask the city, Harrisville Lions and Lady Lions, Harrisville Arts Council and Inspiration Alcona for donations toward same. Mentioned was that there are trees lining the street also.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m. Next meeting November 12 at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. The meetings are open to business owners in the Harrisville area and interested citizens.

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Tigers take tumble against Trojans

By Kendra Cole
Football Writer

The Alcona varsity football team faced another tough loss against the Lake City Trojans last Friday. With snow falling and temperatures hovering at 30 degrees, the Tigers put up a good fight but fell to the Trojans 41-34.

Alcona kicked off to Lake City and the Trojans scored a touchdown right off the bat putting 7-0 on the scoreboard.

Brock Franklin carried the ball 53-yard into the end zone for the Tigers first touchdown along with a two point conversion to make the score

8-7.

Alex Stephenson, Ray Betz, and Noah Kenworthy put in work on the defensive end, but the Trojans marched their way to the end zone. With a score of 14-8, Trojans, the first quarter concluded.

The Trojans continued their offensive attack which ended with a touchdown at 9:01 in the second quarter to make the score 21-8. The Tigers managed to draw up a few good plays including a completed pass to Isaac Dubuque from Stephenson. However, Alcona was forced to punt and Lake City took advantage by scoring a touchdown. The score was 27-8 going into halftime.

Alcona struggled a little bit in the beginning of the second half by fumbling the kick off. The Trojans recovered and scored another touchdown. The extra point made it 34-8.

The Tigers kicked it into gear and scored their second touchdown of the night making it 34-14. Alcona man-

aged to take over on downs and Jack Hutchinson scored the next touchdown to close the deficit. With only 3:21 left in the third quarter, the Tigers needed to work some magic. Tim Hutchinson intercepted and the Tigers scored a touchdown from a pass to Dresden Parkinson with 13 seconds left.

With a score of 34-26 the Tigers were in their way for a come back.

T. Hutchinson scored a touchdown at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Stephenson completed the two-point conversion to tie the score at 34. The Trojans scored their next touchdown.

With only 2:07 remaining, the Tigers needed a touchdown and a two-point conversion to win the game. Hunter Sullivan worked his way down the field, but Alcona came short of the first down and the Trojans took over. Lake City got the win with a score of 41-34.

The Tigers play at home against the Mio Thunderbolts next Friday on homecoming night.

Bowling

Wednesday Nite Women's

October 14

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Ark Plumbing	81.5	98.5
Alcona Dredge	73	107
High game and series:	Lynn Gibson, 227 and 569.	
High handicap game and series:	Ruth Travis, 260 and 651.	

Early Bloomers

October 13

Buttercups	78	58
Daffodils	76	50
Marigolds	71	55
Bluebells	66	60
Mums	63.5	62.5
Rosebuds	59.5	66.5
Tigerlilies	45	60
Violets	24	81
High game and series:	Carla Travis, 187 and 513.	
High team game and series:	Marigolds, 322 and 544.	

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Roasting pumpkin seeds

Preheat oven to 300 degrees F. Toss 1 1/2 cups raw pumpkin seeds, 2 teaspoons melted butter and a pinch of salt in a bowl, mixing well. Spread the seeds in a single layer on a baking sheet and bake for about 45 minutes or until golden brown.

Source: Allrecipes.com — Brenda Weaver

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Social Security's Viagra benefit for kids

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Older Dad

Dear Older,

It's true. If you're retired and are still raising young children, there's a little-known Social Security benefit dubbed the "Viagra benefit," that can put some extra money in your family coffers.

Here's how it works. When you file for Social Security retirement benefits, each of your minor children can get money on your work record equaling half of what you would receive at full retirement age, which is currently 66. Even if you were to take a smaller benefit by claiming earlier, your kids will still get half of your full-retirement age amount.

To qualify, your kids - whether they're biological,

adopted or step children - must be unmarried and under age 18. Kids that are over 18 but still in high school, can collect too until they graduate or turn 19, whichever comes first. (Other rules apply to kids that are disabled.)

But that's not all.

Because you have one child that's only 13, your wife (if you're married) can collect Social Security benefits on your work record too. And it doesn't matter if she's just 40 years old. The minimum age requirements to collect retirement benefits (62) or survivor benefits (60) do not apply when it comes to collecting benefits as the caregiver of a young child. The spouse's benefit, which is also worth up to half of your benefit, will stop when your child turns 16.

But be aware that there are limits to the amount of money that can be paid to a family. The Social Security "family maximum payment"

is determined by a complex formula (see ssa.gov/oact/cola/familymax.html) and can range from 150 to 180 percent of your full retirement benefit amount. If the total exceeds that, each person's benefit, except yours, is cut proportionately until it equals the maximum.

Here's an example of how that's figured. Let's say, for example, that your full retirement age benefit is \$2,000. After doing the Social Security math computations that would make your family maximum benefit \$3,500.

Subtract your \$2,000 benefit from the \$3,500 family maximum benefit, which leaves \$1,500. That's the monthly amount that can be split between your two children - \$750 each. If your wife wants in on it too, the individual checks are smaller, at \$500 a piece, but the family amount is the same.

One other benefit boosting strategy you should know



Savvy Senior

about that's relevant here is "file and suspend." If you're still working and would like to wait, say to age 67 or even 70 to start claiming your own benefits, you can file and suspend starting at full retirement age 66.

This option gives you the ability to start monthly payments for your minor children and wife, but suspend your own benefit so you can collect a larger amount later. Your benefit will increase by eight percent per year for every year you delay collecting your retirement benefit up until age 70. That means your retirement benefit at age 70

will be 132 percent of what it would have been if he had collected at age 66.

You should also know that minor children can collect Social Security benefits based on the earnings of a parent who is disabled or dead too.

To learn more, see the SSA publication (No. 05-10085) "Benefits For Children" at ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10085.pdf.

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Alcona nets second in Tawas volleyball tourney

By Hope Smith
Sportswriter

The Alcona varsity volleyball team had a busy week playing two North Star League games against Oscoda and Hillman and saw tournament action on Saturday, Oct. 17 in Tawas where the Lady Tigers competed against athletes from Tawas, Hale, AuGres-Sims, Oscoda and Ogemaw Heights high schools.

Throughout the day teams played the best of two sets. In the first game Alcona split sets with Tawas 25-18, 28-26. Momentum soon shifted in favor of Alcona as the Lady Tigers shut down teams from Hale 25-10, 25-17; AuGres-Sims 25-12, 25-17; Oscoda 25-9, 25-6; and Ogemaw Heights 25-19 and 25-14 to cinch first place in pool play.

"I am so proud of the girls! They battled all day and came out first in pool play with nine wins and one loss. Our communication and ability to cover the court fueled our offense. We played consistently on the net and did a nice job making our opponents work. It was a solid team effort," said coach Kristi Miller.

Alcona went toe-to-toe with the Lady Braves in the cham-

pionship game, but Tawas came out on top 28-27, 25-18 and 25-13. The Lady Tigers finished the day 10-3 overall in tournament play. Alcona's Kendra LaFave hit the mark offensively with 25 aces. Sierra Forsythe powered down 27 kills. Sam Zerbst kept the ball alive with 40 digs. Sydney Pierce timed 18 blocks and Keilee Elmer set up the team for 122 assists for the day.

On October 15 Alcona traveled to Hillman High School for a North Star League match up. It was a battle to the very end with the Lady Tigers clawing their way back to secure the victory over Hillman in five sets.

In the first set, Alcona took control early with a 12-1 lead and cruised to a 25-16 win. The second set was more of the same and Alcona picked up the 25-16 victory. Hillman proved they weren't going away easily in the third and fourth sets and came back to steal the 25-17 and 25-23 win.

Alcona went to work in the fifth and final set of the night. The Lady Tigers never slowed down and took the 15-10 victory over Hillman.

Forsythe showed her strength with 13 kills; Pierce jumped in with eight blocks; and sophomores Brittany Decker, Elmer and LaFave each dialed up five aces while Zerbst hit the floor for 26 digs.

The Lady Tigers went up against the Oscoda Owls on October 13. Alcona worked together both offensively and defensively to secure a 25-18 win in the first set and 25-22 win in the second. Oscoda came back in the third to snap up the 25-14 win. Both teams battled for position in the fourth set but the Lady Tigers pulled together to win 25-21 over the Owls.

"It was a big week for us. Against Oscoda, we came out strong offensively and demonstrated solid teamwork," Miller said.

Elmer delivered four aces and 48 assists. Pierce hammered nine kills and two blocks. Zerbst picked up 23 digs and Forsythe slammed nine kills in the win.

Alcona played host to Fairview on Tuesday, Oct. 20 and will travel to Atlanta High School on Thursday, Oct. 22 for more volleyball action. The junior varsity contest starts at 6 p.m. followed by varsity matches at 7:30 p.m.

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American Life in Poetry

By Ted Kooser

U.S. Poet Laureate, 2004-2006

Amanda Strand is a poet living in Maryland. I like this poem for its simplicity, clarity and directness. No frills to decorate it, just the kind of straightforward accounting of an experience that Henry David Thoreau said he looked for in an author.

Father and Daughter

The wedding ring I took off myself,
 his wife wasn't up to it.
 I brought the nurse into the room
 in case he jumped or anything.
 "Can we turn his head?"
 He looks so uncomfortable."
 She looked straight at me,
 patiently waiting for it to sink in.

The snow fell.
 His truck in the barn,
 his boots by the door,
 flagpoles empty.
 It took a long time for the taxi to come.
 "Where to?" he said.
 "My father just died," I said.
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Northeast Lower Peninsula

October 15

• Cheboygan River: Had salmon but catch rates were still generally slow.

• Ocqueoc River: Salmon continue to be caught but the numbers are still low.

• Rogers City: Had just a couple of anglers as most have put their boats away. Those heading out reported plenty of bait fish but few predator fish. Lake trout season is closed but they did manage to catch a couple of steelhead, Atlantic salmon or some younger Chinook salmon. Try the top 40 feet of waters 50 to 120 feet deep.

• Alpena: Windy conditions have made it difficult for late season anglers. There should be steelhead, walleye and Atlantic salmon available. Try North Shore or out in front of the marina. Go with body baits for walleye and spoons up high for trout and salmon.

• Thunder Bay River: Had a few Chinook salmon but many were in rough shape. Most were caught very late at night when casting spoons or body baits. Anglers are now waiting for colder weather and the steelhead to show up.

• Harrisville: Had slow fishing in and around the harbor. Anglers targeting salmon, steelhead and walleye had limited success. Those fishing inside the harbor were floating spawn or casting spoons and body baits. Most fish were caught late evening on anything that glows. As

the water cools, look for steelhead to start making their way into the harbor and heading to the entrance of Mill Creek.

• Oscoda: Most anglers are pier fishing for trout and salmon. However, there are very few fish in the area. Look for steelhead to start making their way in as the water begins to cool.

• AuSable River: Only a few salmon were caught up near Foote Dam. Most anglers are using glow spoons and body baits in the early morning or very late at night.

• Houghton Lake: Anglers caught walleye and panfish while drifting leeches and crawlers.

• Lake St. Helen: Panfish were caught near the weed beds in deeper water.

• Tawas: Pier anglers are catching a few small perch and some walleye were taken in the evening by those casting lures. Near the old dock by the state police post, anglers were casting lead head jigs and lures for walleye.

• Tawas River: Anglers are getting a few Chinook salmon near the mouth.

• AuGres: When they can get out, boat anglers had some nice catches of perch off Point Lookout and Point AuGres in 35 feet. Some reported good smallmouth bass fishing. Try out near the Charity Islands.

• AuGres River: Those fishing the East Branch were surfcasting for steelhead near the Singing Bridge. Some are floating spawn.

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• *Letters should be no longer than 300 words.* Inappropriate content will be deleted and letters will run on a space available basis.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION Tuesday, November 3, 2015

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF ALCONA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, ALCONA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. to vote on the following proposals:

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Full text of ballot proposals may be obtained at the administrative office of Alcona Community Schools, 51 North Barlow Road, Lincoln, MI 48742-0249, telephone: (989) 736-6212 or by contacting your city or township clerk's office.

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Alcona Twp.	Fire	1.0000 mills	thru	2015
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	Roads	1.0000 mills	thru	2015
	Roads	0.5000 mills	thru	2017
Caledonia Twp.	Roads	0.9944 mills	thru	2015
	Fire	0.9944 mills	thru	2017
	Roads	0.5000 mills	thru	2019
Gustin Twp.	Fire	1.0000 mills	thru	2015
	Roads	1.9946 mills	thru	2015
Hawes Twp.	Roads	0.9432 mills	thru	2015
	Fire	0.9432 mills	thru	2015
	Roads	1.0000 mills	thru	2017
Haynes Twp.	Roads	1.0000 mills	thru	2016
Mikado Twp.	Fire	1.0000 mills	thru	2015
	Roads	2.0000 mills	thru	2017
Millen Twp.	Fire	1.0000 mills	thru	2016
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City of Harrisville	Water	1.5000 mills	thru	2029
	Bond Im	2.6000 mills	thru	2047
Alcona Schools	Non-Homestead	18.000 mills	thru	2015
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AMA ESD	Charter/Sp Ed	0.6425 mills	thru	N/A
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Cheryl Franks
Alcona County Treasurer

VOTING LOCATIONS

Alcona Township	Township Hall, 5576 N. US-23, Black River
Caledonia Township	Township Hall, 6461 Gillard Rd., Spruce
Gustin Township	Township Hall, 113 S. 2 nd St., Lincoln
Harrisville Township	Township Hall 114 S. Poor Farm Rd, Harrisville
Hawes Township	VFW Hall, 2120 W. Trask Lake Rd., Barton City
Haynes Township	Township Hall, 3930 E. McNeil Rd., Lincoln
Mikado Township	Township Hall, 2291 S. F-41, Mikado
Millen Township	F.O.E Hall, 671 Sanborn Rd., Barton City
Harrisville City	City Hall, 200 5 th Street, Harrisville

All polling place locations are accessible and voting instructions are available in alternative formats of audio and Braille.

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There will be a meeting of the Region 9 Rural Task Force at 10 a.m., Friday, November 6, 2015 at the Montmorency County Road Commission, located at 11445 M-32, Atlanta, Michigan.

The purpose of the meeting will be to review the regional 2016 – 2020 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) transportation projects utilizing Federal Surface Transportation Funds. The Region 9 Rural Task Force covers Alpena, Alcona, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle Counties. Interested persons are invited to attend to give public comment.

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porting us and we needed to show our appreciation for that," Mills said.

The rest of the team followed suit and Doidge's smile grew bigger and brighter with every fist bump he received from team members. The display of kindness left many who witnessed the event awestruck with pride and a little teary eyed that a team of teenage football players could have that much heart.

Coach Somers said it was true confirmation he was on the right course in guiding his team to be compassionate leaders. "It was a great reciprocal moment. No one told them to do this. This meant something to the team. It wasn't done for show. I'm not always sure the messages I teach get through. These are good kids. It's more than just a football game. It's life. It's respect for others and themselves. Football is just a game; it's nice to win but the important stuff -- will carry with them throughout life. Being kind is huge," Somers said.

Doidge's father, Michael Doidge Sr., attended the game with his son and kept Doidge



Eleven-year-old Michael Doidge Jr. (right) is making some progress after a lengthy surgery this summer. His para professional from Alcona Elementary school, Patti Byce (center) said she saw the boy's determination to never give up and made him a promise to take him to an Alcona Tiger football game. Doidge's mother, Ruth Doidge, (left) said her son was born with cerebral palsy, but despite that, he hopes to someday be on the football team. Photo by Mary Weber.

in the best seat of the house by running his wheelchair up and down the sidelines during the game.

Doidge said the only thing that could have made the evening better was for the Tigers to win that night. But the fact the Tiger's didn't win,

despite having a pretty good season, only made him want to play even more. "I just wanted to say, 'put me in coach,' I was ready," Doidge said.

The Alcona Tigers are looking to earn a spot in the playoffs if they win their home-



The Alcona High School Tiger varsity football team rallies around their biggest fan. (Front row, from left) Lucas Wise, Tristan Gordy, Tim Hutchinson, Brock Franklin, Michael Doidge Jr., Ray Betz, Cody Schram, Jack Hutchinson, Tyler Sytek, Garrett Somers, (back row) Coach George Schrader, Coach Terry Franklin, Devon Mills, Trevor Schrader, Issac Dubuque, Dakota Oke, Noah Kenworthy, Alex Stephenson, Dresden Parkinson, Jaden Bartz and Coach Jason Somers. Photo by Mary Weber.

coming game on Friday, Oct. 23 against Mio High School. They also look forward to Doidge being near the bench cheering them on.

The game begins at 7 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$1 for students. The high school is located at the corner of Barlow Road and M-72 in Lincoln.

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Thunder Bay Audubon Society celebrates 50th anniversary

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

More than 50 years ago, a small group of like-minded individuals wanted to help birds in northeast Michigan. They were especially concerned about the bald eagle and osprey whose numbers were plummeting at the time and were in grave danger of becoming extinct.

A few years later, in 1965 that group became an official Audubon chapter and has been meeting monthly with the goal of being vigilant in the protection of birds.

The group's vision is to promote interest in native birds and wildlife because of their economic, cultural and recreational value, to conserve the wildlife and natural beauty of the area and to cooperate with other organizations which work for the true conservation of natural resources.

Last week the Thunder Bay Audubon Society (TBAS) celebrated its 50th anniversary of keeping steadfast in its mission with a celebration at the Besser Museum in Alpena. The club is a sponsor of Besser Museum's natural wildlife exhibit located in the lower level of the museum.

There were plenty of speakers who shared the history of the club and photographs of rare birds sighted by club members including a rufous hummingbird; a hairy woodpecker with a two-inch long bill; a ruddy turnstone, which showed up one January day and member Jane St. Onge had to feed a sardine every day to keep him going through the winter until he could head south; European goldfinch; and a whooping crane nicknamed "Wing Nut" because it flew all over the state of Michigan one year with a group of sand hill cranes. Members who saw the bird said she looked odd because she was so white and much taller than the sand hills.

Although the club meets in the Alpena area, its membership includes many who



The Thunder Bay Audubon Society celebrates its 50th anniversary at the Besser Museum in Alpena. (Front row, from left) president Linda Klemens; Debbie O'Dell, charter member since 1965; (back row) Arnie Pokorzynski, chairman of bird house building; Bill Grigg, rare bird chairman and bird bander; Craig Klemens, treasurer; and Karen Tetzlaff, secretary. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

live in the Alcona County area, including its president, Linda Klemens who lives in Hubbard Lake.

Klemens explained TBAS owns more than 7,000 acres of bottomland under Fletcher Pond and 80 acres of wetlands on its shoreline. The club also owns the Emily "Min" Hunt Nature Preserve, Hill's Sanctuary, part of Cow Island in the Thunder Bay River and eight plus acres on Long Lake Creek. She said the properties, which were given to the club, are ideal nature preserves because the parcels are not saleable and cannot be developed for building.

Through the years the club has been guided by and included many notable bird activists and enthusiasts such as Sergej Postupalsky, an ornithologist and wildlife biologist whose interest and knowledge of bald eagles, hawks and osprey heightened the club's awareness to their plight and care and guided them to build 19 platforms for osprey nests on Fletcher Pond.

Every year since Postupalsky has given guided tours for the members of

TBAS on pontoon boats sharing his 91 years of knowledge and excitement of the birds.

Other notable members include Ron Smith, and the late O.B. Eustis and Allen "Val" Valentine, the club founder.

Ron Smith is a skilled wood carver who has gained international recognition with his lifelike carvings of birds which have even been displayed in the White House. Klemens said Smith was also the newsletter editor for TBAS for over 30 years. Smith and his wife, Sharon, live in Texas and conduct guided tours at the World Birding Center there.

O.B. Eustis, a widely respected environmentalist, was a member for many years and wrote a nature column for the Alpena News called "Obe's Diary." He also wrote one book, "Notes from the North Country."

Allen Valentine was very active with many organizations in the community including the United Fund, Boy's Club and was on the board of directors for the Alpena Kiwanis Club. But according to Klemens, his deep

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SNOW PLOW BIDS WANTED

Lincoln United Methodist is soliciting bids for snow removal (plow) of the parking lot and driveway plus clearing sidewalks for fall 2015 and winter 2016. The church is located at 101 First Street in Lincoln. Bidders must be licensed and insured. To be considered, bids must be received no later than Friday, November 6, 2015. For questions and details contact Nancy at 736-6545.

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est interest was with TBAS where he helped organize the club. "He was president, field trip chairman and sat on the board of directors of Michigan Audubon. He especially enjoyed field work and started mist netting during spring migration at North Point over 50 years ago," Klemens said.

Mist netting is used by ornithologists to capture wild birds for banding and other research projects.

TBAS makes annual donations to environmental groups with similar goals and has donated to the Alpena River Center, Huron Pines (Kirtland's Warbler program), Friends Groups for Rockport,

Negwegon and Thompson Harbor state parks, Michigan Nature Association, Northeast Michigan Great Lakes Stewardship, Whitefish Point Bird Observatory, Tawas Point Birding Festival, National Audubon Society, Wildlife Recovery Association, Alpena County Library, Hawk Watch and the Sunrise Coast Birding Trail.

The club's next meeting will be November 11 at the Northeast Michigan Community Foundation conference room in Alpena. The Hubbard Lake Christmas Bird Count will be held December 17. The Alpena Christmas Bird Count will be held December

19. Klemens said field observers and feeder watchers are always needed in assigned areas. She invited members of the public to join the fun by calling her at (989) 727-4703 or to e-mail Grigg at wngrigg@hotmail.com.

New members are welcome to join the club, annual dues are: \$6 for an individual, \$10 for a family and a lifetime membership is \$100. All memberships expire on December 31. Make checks payable to Thunder Bay Audubon Society and mail check to Craig Klemens, treasurer, 6239 Bennett Road, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747.



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Miscellaneous	8	Dog/Animal	7
Traffic	6	Alarm	4
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Harassment/Threats/Stalking	2	Patrol Check	3
Open Door	3	Operating While Intoxicated	1
Civil	3	Assault & Battery	2
Fraud/Embezzlement	1	Breaking & Entering	2
Personal Injury Accident	2	Larceny	3
Missing Person	1	Fire	2
Juvenile	1	Suspicious Events	5
Gunshots Heard	1	Criminal Sexual Conduct	1

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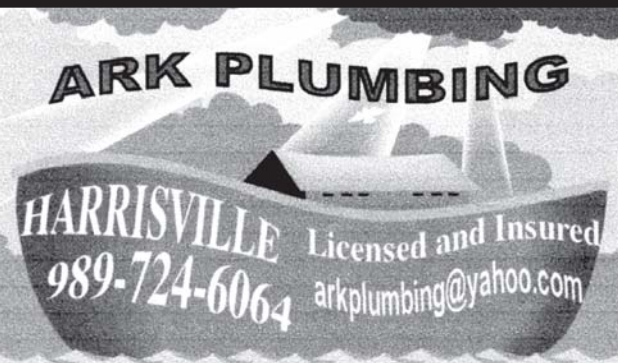
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736-8879 for details.

The Harrisville Lady Lions will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the Red Rooster, 2330 US-23 in Greenbush. To register, call (989) 724-5143.

**WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 28**

A reception will be held at 1:15 p.m. for the Northeast Michigan Artist Guild at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Refreshments will be served.

Sing a-long to the oldies with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Senior Center, 5039 Campbell Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for de-

tails.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will

meet from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

Legacy on Glass, a traveling exhibit featuring the book "Iosco County 1892-1904: The Photography of Ard G. Emery" will be on display from

3 to 7 p.m. at Robert J. Parks Library, 6010 North Skeel Avenue in Oscoda. This event is free and everyone is welcome to attend.

Alcona Community Schools will host a question and answer session and a facility tour at 10:30 a.m. for community members who have questions about school proposals. Meet in the middle school lobby.

The GM Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees will hold their monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Sanctuary Inn, 1000 US-23 North in Alpena. Guest speaker will be Kathleen J. Dunckel, M.D. Reservations and payment in advance. Contact Chuck Griffin, (989) 727-3350 or Don Cattleberry, (989) 354-5504.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

A book sale will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Exercise indoors, walk upstairs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Treadmill and exercise bike also available.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-4483.

St. Joseph Health System will host their annual "Girls Night Out" women's education forum from 5 to 8 p.m. at the East Tawas Community Center, 760 Newman Street. Guest speakers include Dr. Tressa Gardner and Dr. Jaya Sankaran. Cost of the program is \$20 and pre-registration is requested. Call (989) 362-9404 for details.

A Halloween chicken dinner will be held at 6 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5037 East Campbell Road. Wear your scary Halloween hat to join the fun. Dinner and refreshments are \$9, reservations required. The public is welcome to attend. Call Sharon at (989) 724-5216. This event is sponsored by the Greenbush Chamber of Commerce.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

A book sale will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

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Worship 9 a.m.
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Sunday School & Adult Bible Class at 11 a.m.
Pastor Joseph Llewellyn • (989) 727-2496

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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• Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m. 4257 State Rd. Glennie
Sunday morning service 11 a.m. (989)735-3771.
Sunday evening service 6 p.m. Pastor Elmer Ash.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.





Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



Local and Personal

October, 21, 1915 - Mrs. Jos. Herr and daughter Helen were over Sunday visitors in Curtis.

A marriage license has been issued for May Robison and William Hawes, both of Barton City.

The sophomores of the high school are issuing invitations for a party to be given in the City Auditorium next Thursday evening.

Upwards of forty ladies met at the home of Mrs. Wm. McGillis in Gustin last week and organized an auxiliary body for work in the Mikado R. C. church.

Mrs. E. Potts is representing Huron Rebecca Lodge at the Grand Lodge in session at Bay City. Mrs. Potts expects to visit in Flint and Detroit before returning home.

The ladies of the M.E. church enjoyed a liberal patronage at their chicken pie supper Tuesday evening. The supper was excellent and the proceeds was gratifying.

A large flock of quail visited town Wednesday morning and for a time the court house grounds and nearby yards (SIC) were alive with the birds and their "Bob-White" calls echoed continuously.

A large delegation from Harrisville attended the chicken supper at Haynes Presbyterian church Friday evening. The supper met with deserved success and netted a neat balance to the church treasury.

Mrs. Geo. Rutson, Worthy Matron of Lake Huron Chapter No. 104 O. E. S., attended the meeting of the Grand Chapter held last week in Battle Creek. She visited relatives in other parts of Southern Michigan before returning home.

Miss Sadie Yockey, Fred and Earl Yockey and their guests, the Misses Mae Manion of Alpena and Helen Raber of Detroit, were guests Tuesday evening at a duck supper served at the McNichol cottage, Van Etnan Lake.

A pleasant surprise party was tendered Mrs. Jas. Hamilton last Saturday evening, the occasion being her birthday. Although the visitors numbered twenty-three they had such a good time that they did not "skidoo" until a late hour.

County Clerk Barber has received a check for \$10 as second prize for the party driving the longest distance and bringing the largest number of people to attend the State Fair of 1915. Mr. Barber made the trip in his touring car, carrying five people. The distance traveled was 25½ miles one way.

A hand embroidered center piece is on sale by the Ladies Civic Improvement League at the S.B. Kahn & Co's. store.

Born Thursday, October 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Elmer of Haynes, a daughter.

Mrs. M. McLean has been under doctor's care for some-

time; she is improving.

Miss Jennie McGregor of Barton City was here Wednesday to prove up on a homestead. Supr. Edw. Burge and Stewart Clark were her witnesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McLeod and daughter, Violet, and Richard Carter, all of Detroit, returned home Monday, after spending ten days with Mr. and Mrs. M. McLean at Hillside Farm.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Ward Copley of Detroit arrived in

Harrisville Tuesday via auto and left immediately for Alpena County and Hubbard Lake. They encountered heavy roads due to the rains and, Mr. Copley, who by the way is a member of the state legislature from the first district, wants to know where all that waste sand land is that he has always supposed was up this way. He says he saw very little or none of the worthless lands with which this section of the state is credited.

Herbert J., infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Donaldson, died suddenly early Wednesday morning after a short illness from convulsions. The baby was seven months and thirteen days old and was an only child. The remains were taken to Lakeview, Mich., where the funeral will be held Friday.

Howard Kell has a valid claim for damages against a buck sheep which butted through his window, knocked dishes from his kitchen cabi-

net and threw a genuine scare into the whole family. Howard grabbed the obstreperous fellow by the wool, drew him out of the window where he had become fastened, and flung him off the walk. His buckship fell into a four foot hole and Howard had to call the neighbors to help get the animal out. Altogether, there was a lively half hour around the Kell domicile—with the window and Howard's temper all smashed to pieces.

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Alcona Review Weather Report

Oct. 21, 2015

Seven Day Forecast

WEDNESDAY
Few Showers
High: 61 Low: 46

THURSDAY
Mostly Sunny
High: 53 Low: 38

FRIDAY
Mostly Sunny
High: 49 Low: 39

SATURDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 55 Low: 44

SUNDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 51 Low: 38

MONDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 50 Low: 35

TUESDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 54 Low: 36

Today's Regional Map

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 50% chance of showers, high temperature of 61°, humidity of 82%. Southeast wind 5 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 77° set in 1979. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 30% chance of showers, overnight low of 46°. The record low for tonight is 23° set in 1974.

*Last Week's Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	72	56	57/37	0.00"
Tuesday	63	48	57/36	0.14"
Wednesday	57	42	57/36	0.01"
Thursday	63	41	56/36	0.13"
Friday	47	34	56/35	0.00"
Saturday	45	29	55/35	0.02"
Sunday	47	26	55/35	0.00"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	7:57 a.m.	6:38 p.m.	3:16 p.m.	12:44 a.m.
Thursday	7:58 a.m.	6:36 p.m.	3:55 p.m.	1:51 a.m.
Friday	7:59 a.m.	6:35 p.m.	4:31 p.m.	3:01 a.m.
Saturday	8:01 a.m.	6:33 p.m.	5:07 p.m.	4:14 a.m.
Sunday	8:02 a.m.	6:32 p.m.	5:42 p.m.	5:29 a.m.
Monday	8:03 a.m.	6:30 p.m.	6:19 p.m.	6:45 a.m.
Tuesday	8:05 a.m.	6:29 p.m.	6:59 p.m.	8:01 a.m.

Local UV Index

UV Index
0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 80° in Jacksonville, Ill. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with a few showers today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 89° in Punta Gorda, Fla. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 81° in Stampede Pass, Wash. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies with isolated thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 92° in Thermal, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	6:25 a.m.	6:12 p.m.
Venus	3:55 a.m.	>
Mars	4:17 a.m.	5:15 p.m.
Jupiter	4:10 a.m.	5:10 p.m.
Saturn	10:56 a.m.	8:21 p.m.
Uranus	6:12 p.m.	7:12 a.m.

Weather History

Oct. 21, 1934 - A severe windstorm lashed the northern Pacific Coast. In Washington state, the storm claimed the lives of 22 people and caused 1.7 million dollars in damage, mostly to timber. Winds, gusting to 87 mph at North Head, Wash., produced waves twenty feet high.

Weather Trivia

Which has higher wind speeds: An F5 Tornado or a Category 5 Hurricane?

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Answer: An F5 Tornado, which has winds between 261-318 mph.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - StarWatch 1000

This is my 1000th StarWatch, and I believe that a little history behind the column is in order. StarWatch began in 1996 when Allentown's Morning Call approached the Lehigh Valley Amateur Astronomical Society and asked for someone to write a weekly column. No one responded. I was contacted by the club's webmaster, Adam Jones, a former student of mine, who suggested that I might use the column to provide publicity for the Allentown School District Planetarium which I directed and which District officials were trying to close. This was the spark that ignited the column. I had already fought off four attempts to end the program, but the public had always rallied to my support. One of the compromises which kept the ASD Planetarium operational was my raising of the yearly capital to cover expenses, about \$10,000 per annum. It was difficult convincing the MC that they should bond with the Planetarium; but when I submitted 30 weeks worth of articles, they relaxed and the column began appearing daily in their Weather Section. Several years later, StarWatch was picked up by Accessweather.com, Inc. and began appearing in several dozen weekly newspapers scattered across the country. The liaison with the Morning Call was the most important factor which kept the ASD Planetarium running up through my retirement in 2010. When the MC ended its involvement in 2007, my contributions dropped by nearly 50 percent. The inside story from the MC's side was that I was being paid too much, but I had never received a dime of compensation, not even from The Accessweather folks who still continue to use the column. The real fun has been sending it into the Moravian College community where I am currently teaching astronomy, a local connection once again. How many more StarWatch articles does the future hold? One thousand was my goal back in '96, but I have no present reason to quit. My sincere thanks to everyone reading StarWatch! www.astronomy.org

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is the capital city of Australia?
2. **MOVIES:** Who won the 1961 Oscar for Best Supporting Actress in "West Side Story"?
3. **MUSIC:** Who is honored in the song "Candle in the Wind" by Elton John?
4. **HISTORY:** Who called Dec. 7, 1941, "a date which will live in infamy"?
5. **NATURAL WORLD:** What are the seeds of castor bean plants used to produce?
6. **LITERATURE:** Who wrote the novel "Barry Lyndon"?
7. **ENTERTAINERS:** What famous actor who once played James Bond also was a contestant in the 1950 Mr. Universe contest?
8. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** In "The Twelve Days of Christmas" carol, what present was sent on the 11th day?
9. **TELEVISION:** When did the award-winning kids' show "Sesame Street" go on the air?
10. **DISCOVERIES:** Who is credited with discovering quarks?

Answers: 1. Canberra; 2. Rita Moreno; 3. Marilyn Monroe; 4. Franklin Roosevelt, asking for a declaration of war after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; 5. Ricin, a toxic poison; 6. William Thackeray; 7. Sean Connery; 8. 11 pipers piping; 9. 1969; 10. Murray Gell-Mann (c) 2015 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

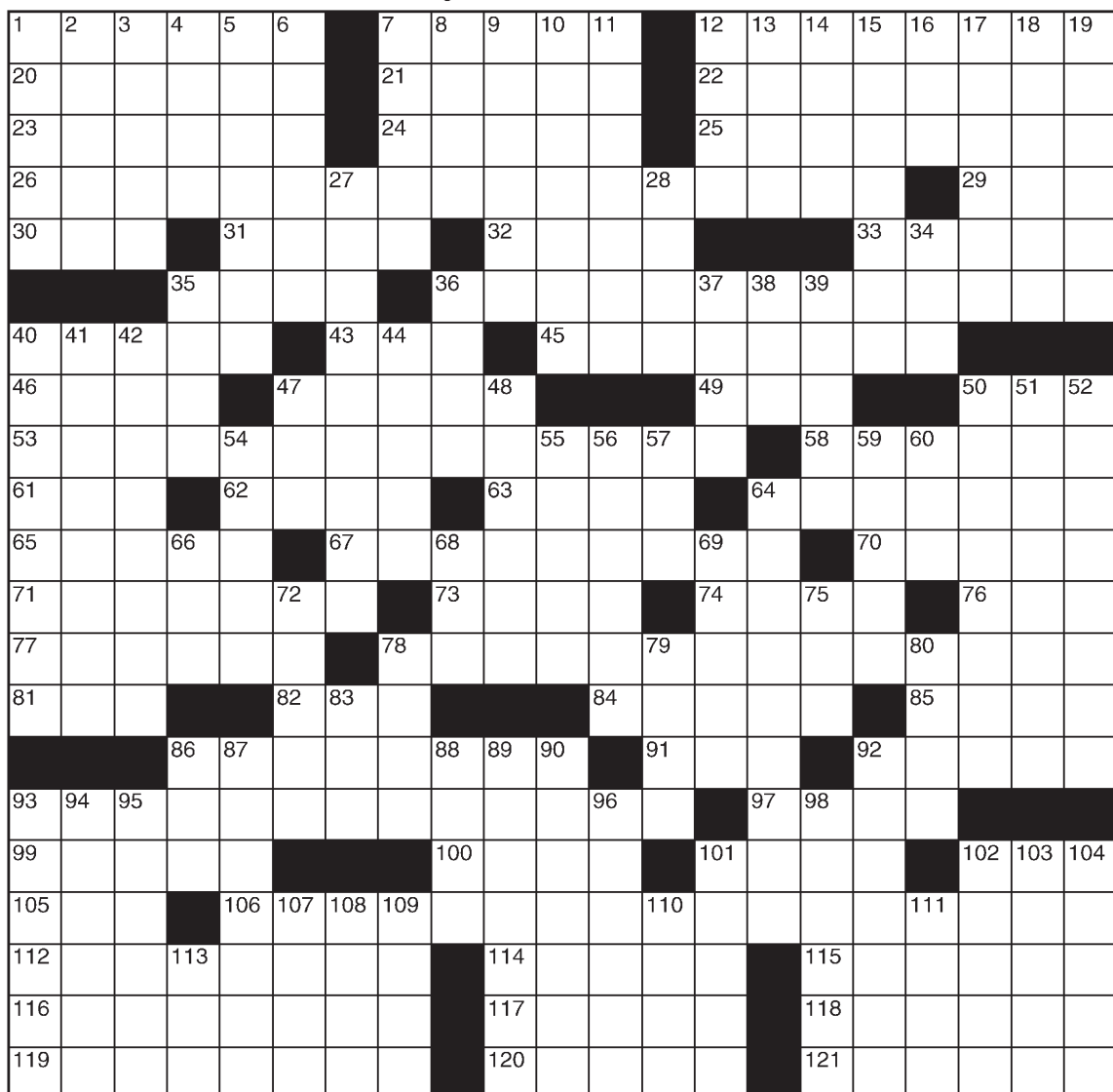
By The History Channel

- On Nov. 5, 1775, Gen. George Washington condemns his troops' planned celebration of the British anti-Catholic holiday, Guy Fawkes Night. Guy Fawkes had been charged with placing gunpowder under the Houses of Parliament to trigger a deadly explosion that would have killed King James I.
 - On Nov. 6, 1854, "the March king," John Philip Sousa, is born. The instantly recognizable sound of Sousa's timeless pieces -- such as "Stars And Stripes Forever" (1896) -- are well-known to many Americans, even if they don't know the names of the pieces.
 - On Nov. 4, 1928, Arnold Rothstein, New York's most notorious gambler, is shot and killed during a poker game in Manhattan. When policed asked the bleeding Rothstein who had shot him, he reportedly put his finger to his lips, keeping the gangsters' code of silence.
 - On Nov. 7, 1943, singer-songwriter Joni Mitchell is born in Canada. A bout with polio as a child had left Mitchell unable to form guitar chords with her left hand, so she experimented with non-standard tunings that would become part of her signature sound.
 - On Nov. 3, 1957, the Soviet Union launches the first animal into space -- a dog name Laika -- aboard the Sputnik 2 spacecraft. Laika survived for several days, kept alive by a sophisticated life-support system. She died after the batteries ran down.
 - On Nov. 2, 1960, a landmark obscenity case over "Lady Chatterley's Lover," by D.H. Lawrence, ends in the acquittal of Penguin Books. The publisher had been sued for obscenity in publishing an unexpurgated version of Lawrence's 1928 novel.
 - On Nov. 8, 1994, for the first time in 40 years, the Republican Party wins control of both the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate. The empowered GOP united under the "Contract with America," a 10-point legislative plan to reduce federal taxes, balance the budget and dismantle social welfare programs.
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Super Crossword

SCRAMBLING SPORTS TEAMS

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Mascara messes</p> <p>7 Cover girl Cheryl</p> <p>12 100%</p> <p>20 React to with loud laughter</p> <p>21 Exasperate</p> <p>22 Stirring to action</p> <p>23 Northern Spanish city</p> <p>24 Puerto — (San Juan native)</p> <p>25 Omaha locale</p> <p>26 Football team whose members wear stiff bracelets?</p> <p>29 Graceful shade tree</p> <p>30 Saloon cask</p> <p>31 Biz bigwigs</p> <p>32 "Fraid not"</p> <p>33 A triad</p> <p>35 "M*A*S*H" actor Jamie</p> <p>36 Baseball team whose members love barbecues?</p> <p>40 Authorized</p> <p>43 Spill-fighting gp.</p> <p>45 Tryouts</p> <p>46 Lab medium</p> | <p>47 Nonessential — acids</p> <p>49 Bond novelist Fleming</p> <p>50 Eggs in a lab</p> <p>53 Basketball team whose members have pet macaws?</p> <p>58 Country music's Tritt</p> <p>61 British music co.</p> <p>62 Rani's dress</p> <p>63 Yearn (for)</p> <p>64 Loan sharks</p> <p>65 Loathsome</p> <p>67 Long ribbons</p> <p>70 Strong suit fabric</p> <p>71 Augment</p> <p>73 Kind of sax</p> <p>74 Affirmative votes</p> <p>76 "— boom bah!"</p> <p>77 Stuff in sand or quartz</p> <p>78 Football team whose members collect perfume bottles?</p> <p>81 Verbalize</p> <p>82 La —, Bolivia</p> <p>84 Off-dunked treat</p> | <p>85 Hodgepodge</p> <p>86 Suspenseful sleuth story</p> <p>91 Popular fashion inits.</p> <p>92 Storm-finding system</p> <p>93 Basketball team whose members are always summarizing things?</p> <p>97 "Jurassic Park" dino</p> <p>99 Healer</p> <p>100 Tony winner</p> <p>101 Fit to be —</p> <p>102 Mani-pedi offerer</p> <p>105 Long, long —</p> <p>106 Baseball team whose members attend lots of bashes?</p> <p>112 2010 World Series MVP</p> <p>114 Milk</p> <p>115 Des — (Iowa's capital)</p> <p>116 Infallible</p> <p>117 Train base</p> <p>118 Free oneself</p> <p>119 Italicizes, e.g.</p> | <p>120 A-, C+, or F</p> <p>121 Cease and —</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Jarring blow</p> <p>2 Film</p> <p>3 Hoops great Patrick</p> <p>4 Baldwin with two Emmys</p> <p>5 Extreme</p> <p>6 Fruit-pitting device</p> <p>7 "— Theme" ("Gone With the Wind" tune)</p> <p>8 — for the long run</p> <p>9 Los Angeles district</p> <p>10 Be busy with</p> <p>11 Neural gap</p> <p>12 Orange drink</p> <p>13 City SSW of Moscow</p> <p>14 Not meant —</p> <p>15 Writer Zora Neale —</p> <p>16 Spanish "that"</p> <p>17 Stingy ones</p> <p>18 Short sock</p> <p>19 Annual event run by ESPN</p> <p>27 An absence of regret</p> <p>28 Keeps after taxes</p> <p>34 Is sick with</p> <p>35 Casino game</p> <p>36 Mandlikova of tennis</p> <p>37 Elevator name</p> <p>38 Gun owners' org.</p> <p>39 Shrimps</p> <p>40 Un-punctuality</p> <p>41 Narcissism</p> <p>42 In a gaudy manner</p> <p>44 Larklike bird</p> <p>47 "It comes — price"</p> <p>48 Creator of Big Brother</p> <p>50 Spoke too highly of</p> <p>51 Richmond locale</p> <p>52 Property appraisal pro</p> <p>54 Lance Bass' boy band</p> <p>55 Rodeo lasso</p> <p>56 Donny or Marie</p> <p>57 Part of BTW</p> <p>59 Baseball's Tony La —</p> <p>60 "People — talking"</p> <p>64 Valuable hint</p> <p>66 Mai —</p> <p>68 Slum rodent</p> <p>69 "— Hope" (bygone soap opera)</p> <p>72 Dinner fowl</p> <p>75 Flight stat</p> <p>78 Côte d'—</p> <p>79 — -R-U-s</p> <p>80 Soft-soap</p> <p>83 Toothpaste box inits.</p> <p>86 Golfer Michelle</p> <p>87 — Bazaar (magazine)</p> <p>88 Birds' bills</p> <p>89 Arctic chunk</p> <p>90 Set up in rows and columns</p> <p>92 Suitor's flower</p> <p>93 Flying son of Daedalus</p> <p>94 Ted of rock</p> <p>95 One buzzing</p> <p>96 Old Iran</p> <p>98 Juiced</p> <p>101 "— things happen"</p> <p>102 Peninsula of the Mideast</p> <p>103 Little chirps</p> <p>104 Advantage</p> <p>107 Spring bloom</p> <p>108 Fork feature</p> <p>109 Makes "it"</p> <p>110 Adorn richly</p> <p>111 Quirky habits</p> <p>113 Uno, due, —</p> |
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was noted 20th-century American poet Hart Crane who made the following sage observation: "One must be drenched in words, literally soaked in them, to have the right ones form themselves into the proper patterns at the right moment."
- You might be surprised to learn that people have been using carbon paper to make copies since way back in 1806.
- You probably know Edgar Rice Burroughs as the American author of the Tarzan novels, among many other adventure and science-fiction works. You may find it hard to picture him as a journalist flying on bombing runs in the Pacific theater -- especially at the age of 66. Burroughs was the oldest war correspondent of World War II.
- If you're planning to get into the business of dealing in building materials in Tennessee, you might want to note that in that state it is illegal to sell a hollow log.
- Collective nouns are fascinating. For instance, if you see a group of bullfinches, you can call it a bellowing; a group of flies is a business, a cloud or a swarm. You have a pitying of turtledoves and a hover of trout. A group of tigers can be an ambush or a streak; while a group of snails can be called a rout, a walk or an escargatoire.
- Those who study such things say that, on a per-capita basis, Canadians eat more doughnuts and more Kraft Mac and Cheese than citizens of any other country.
- Before he became famous as an author of horror, suspense and sci-fi, Stephen King worked as a high-school janitor.

Thought for the Day: "Be not too hasty to trust or admire the teachers of morality; they discourse like angels but they live like men." -- Samuel Johnson

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: L equals P

OSR YNOSRYNOZHNG SNF N
LRNCCP TGLRNCZIOZH SJVR. Z
LRHBJG PJT HJTFC HNCC ZO

"VZ ZG OSR IBP."

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Veterans Host

By Greddy Groves

Proposed act would hold VA's feet to the fire

Here's a real heartbreaker: Some 300,000 veterans have died before their claims at the Department of Veterans Affairs were even finished. The records were in a batch of 866,879 pending files, although it couldn't be determined if the veterans were seeking health care.

More than six million records were found classified as locked, for no apparent reason. Of those locked records, over 770,000 were found to be veterans who had applied for care, but because of the locked status, it couldn't be determined whether they got care. Many of the records had been filed as pending more than five years ago. One veteran's record had been pending for 14 years, another for nine years. At least 10,000 applications were dumped, without a reason being determined or documented.

It's a nightmare.

What we need is the VA Accountability Act of 2015. This bill, passed in the House of Representatives in July, would give some teeth to the ability of the VA to remove or demote employees "based on performance or misconduct,

and for other purposes."

The White House is against it, and even issued a threat to veto the legislation if it lands on the president's desk. *(One of the problems stated by the White House policy memo was that it would take away rights to appeal. However, the bill itself says that an employee will have the right to appeal.)*

The act would also give increased protection to whistleblowers and employees who speak up about wrongdoing. In too many cases, good employees at the VA (they're in the majority) fail to say anything because of retribution or the threat that they'll be fired, and they're stuck working for bad managers who hold axes over their heads.

Here's another grim factoid: govtrack.us gives the act only a 15 percent chance of being enacted.

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Super Crossword

Answers

SMEARS TIEGS TOTHEMAX
 HOWLAT ANNOY AROUSING
 OVIEDO RICAN NEBRASKA
 CINCINNATI BANGLES ELM
 KEG CEOS NOPE THREE
 FARR HOUSTON ROASTS
 LEGAL EPA TESTRUINS
 AGAR AMINO IAN OIVA
 TORONTO PARROTS TRAVIS
 EMI SARI WISH USURERS
 NASTY STREAMERS SERGE
 ENHANCE ALTO YEAS SIS
 SILICA ATLANTA FLA CONIS
 SAY PAZ DONUT OLLIO
 WHODUNIT YSL RADAR
 INDIANARECAPS TREX
 CURER BEBE TIED SPA
 AGO PITTSBURGH PARTIES
 RENTERIA ELSIE MOINES
 UNERRING RAILS ESCAPE
 STRESSES GRADE DESIST

CryptoQuip

answer

The mathematician had a really unrealistic hope. I reckon you could call it "pi in the sky."

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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	4		5				7	
7					9	3		

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★ ★

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BIDS WANTED

Alcona County Library is accepting bids for roofing at the Harrisville location. Requirements for bid are available at all library branches. Bids will be accepted until October 23, 2015 and will be awarded at the November 18, 2015 board meeting. Call Denise at (989) 724-6796 for more information or to have a request for proposal requirements faxed or e-mailed.

ALCONA TWP. SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township Board's October meeting was called to order by supervisor MacNeill at 7 p.m. with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: MacNeill, LaLonde, Gauthier, Mead and Bouchard. Motion to approve minutes; financial report; and bills to pass resolution concerning establishing a special assessment district for Pine Grove Subdivision; to hold a hearing concerning the creation of Pine Grove Sub special assessment district on November 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Alcona Township Hall; to accept the bid from Stout's Lawn Service for snow plowing; to advertise for bids for fencing project at the Black River Recreation Area; to change signature cards to Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union and Northland Area Federal Credit Union; to delete Roger Carlin's name and add Marlena MacNeill's name. Passed, all in favor.

Dawn LaLonde, clerk

This synopsis published prior to board approval.

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The regular Caledonia Township Board meeting on October 14 was called to order by supervisor Hubbard with pledge to the flag at 7 p.m. Present on the board: Hubbard, Thornton, Timm, Scott and Swinson. Also in attendance: Nancy Beck, zoning administrator; Tammy Fall, assessor; and eight citizens. Motions to approve agenda; minutes of September 9; to pay the bills; and to place treasurer's report on file were made.

Correspondence: MTA Alcona Chapter meeting October 20 at Hawes Township. MTA Alpena Chapter meeting October 19 at Maple Ridge Township. Planning commission: Gary Grove recommended one alternate member be appointed to the zoning board of appeals. Members worked on park tules and sign language for the Northend Park.

An online survey for our recreation master plan has been put on the township's web page for anyone interested in filling out. There was a tri-township meeting in Hawes where they discussed the Tri-township Master Plan. Motion for three planning commission members to partake in the MTA web cast course with fee and per diem paid for each. Zoning administrator: Continuing work with Sunrise Sanitation. Handled seven land use permits.

Park report: Phase II is complete and we have the permit to occupy. Dedication ceremony was held September 25. Unfinished business: DNR has application for sandbar buoys, waiting on list of signatures from residents to obtain a permit. Assessor gave her report stating the taxable values same as the end of March. Board of Review meets December 15. She suggested we get an alternate for the board of review.

New Business: Motion to appoint Rebecca Abend to the planning commission. Motion to approve branch library agreement with Alcona library board of trustees. Some discussion about Ordinance Section 6-4: Nonconforming lots and Section 9-3: Bed and breakfast facilities. Robert Smith will be filing for a special land use permit and wants to meet with the planning commission concerning a new cell tower in the township. Motion to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. All motions at the meeting were passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next meeting is November 4 - one week earlier than usual. Planning commission meets November 3.

Helen Timm, Clerk

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kenneth E. Grieve and Veronica P. Grieve, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., mortgagee, dated April 12, 2007, and recorded on April 16, 2007 in Liber 441 on page 26, and assigned by said mortgagee to Nationstar Mortgage LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ninety-two thousand four hundred two and 59/100 dollars

(\$92,402.59).

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 vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on November 4, 2015.

Said premises are situated in township of Hawes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the north 1/4 corner of Section 23, Town 27 North, Range 9 East; thence north 88 degrees 54 minutes 40 seconds west, along the north line of said Section, 525.69 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 1 degree 14 minutes 07 seconds west 1331.27 feet to a point on the south line of the northeast 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of said section; thence north 88 degrees 34 minutes 45 seconds west, along said south line, 327.87 feet; thence north 1 degree 14 minutes 07 seconds east 1329.37 feet to the north line of said section; thence south 88 degrees 54 minutes 40 seconds east, along said line, 327.87

feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel being a part of the northeast 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of Section 23, Town 27 North, Range 9 East.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: October 7, 2015
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File No. 453837F01
10-7, 10-14, 10-21, 10-28

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 15-5531 DE

Estate of Cornelius Hochdoerfer Date of birth: September 2, 1953 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Cornelius Hochdoerfer, died August 5, 2015.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Heidi Hampton, personal representative, or to both the probate court at P.O. Box 328, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: October 14, 2015
David H. Cook P40560
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Harrisville, Mich. 48740
(989) 724-5155
Heidi Hampton
8822 Radner Drive
Sterling Heights, Mich. 48314

HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township Board's monthly meeting was held October 13 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and two guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report given and reconciled with the clerk's office. Zoning administrator had six land use permits issued. Planning commission to have a public hearing on the recreation plan for the township sometime in February. Your township hall roof has been re-shingled for the first time since being built around 1950. Other improvements are also being made. Motion Young/Spitznagel: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Roger D. Jamieson
Township Clerk
Published prior to board approval.

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Mortgage sale - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dixie R. Kurlonko, a single person, Michael Kurlonko and, Alicia Kurlonko, husband and wife, mortgagors, to LaSalle Bank Midwest N.A., mortgagee, dated the 16th day of May, 2007 and recorded in the office of the register of Deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 21st day of May, 2007 in Liber 441 of Alcona County records, page 1,427. Said mortgage having been assigned to Bank of America, N.A. successor by merger to LaSalle Bank Midwest, N.A. on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Two hundred thirty-nine thousand two hundred seventy-three and 56/100 (\$239,273.56), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the state of Michigan in

such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of November, 2015 at 10 a.m. o'clock local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Mich. (that being the building where the circuit court for the county of Alcona is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 6.500 per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the township of Curtis, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: Lot 25 of Sunset Shores Subdivision, being part of Government Lot 2, Section 20, and Government Lot 1, Section 29, Township 25 North, Range 6 East,

Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan.

During the six months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale. Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the mortgagee or the mortgagee's attorney.

Dated: October 14, 2015
Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to LaSalle Bank Midwest, N.A., mortgagee
Fabrizio & Brook, P.C., Attorney for Bank of America, N.A. successor by merger to LaSalle Bank Midwest, N.A.
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10-14, 10-21, 10-28, 11-4

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Mortgage sale — Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gerald Orban, a single man, mortgagor, to First National Bank of America, mortgagee, dated February 7, 2007, and recorded February 14, 2007, in Liber 439, page 315, of Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice \$41,704.40, including interest at 10.950 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the state of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the

highest bidder, on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2015, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan.

Said premises are situated in the township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The north 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, T28N, R9E, except a parcel of land located on the SW corner of this legally described property being 200 feet on Barlow Road and being 250 feet in depth; and the south 1/2 of the south 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, T28N, R9E, c/k/a 5150 F-41 North, Black River, Mich. 48721

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale, unless the premises are determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, in

which case the redemption period shall be one month, or until the time to provide the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later.

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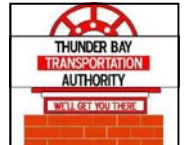
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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on October 12 at the city office. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by mayor pro tem Crick and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said. Present: Mayor pro tem Crick, clerk Pierce, council members: Kaiser, Luenberger, Sanderson and Thomas, attorney Cook and guests. Absent: Alderman Baird, treasurer Keerl, Mayor Dobis. Motion by Sanderson, support by Luenberger, to approve the minutes of September 14. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Luenberger, support by Thomas, to pay the bills in the amount of \$25,530.08. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor pro tem Crick shared the letter of regret from Paige Trisko, reporter from the Alpena News, of her resignation from the newspaper and her subsequent employment with the Alpena Community College's Student Support Services Center. City council wishes Paige the very best in her new endeavor. She did a wonderful job in her coverage of the Harrisville area.

Mayor pro tem Crick reported to council that all necessary letters of agreement of vacation of the streets of Spring and Grant have been received and processed. Motion by Sanderson, support by Luenberger, to pass Resolution No. 2015-04 to vacate that portion of Spring Street and Grant Street lying between Second and Third streets. Title to said vacated streets shall pass in accordance with Michigan Law to those owners of real property lying adjacent to the

centerline of said vacated streets. Five ayes: Crick, Luenberger, Thomas, Kaiser and Sanderson. Nays-zero. Motion carried. City council was asked to approve authorization of expenditures up to \$550, at the discretion of the city clerk, for Christmas decorations for the 2015 holiday season. Motion by Sanderson, support by Luenberger, to approve up to \$550 for the purchase of Christmas decorations for the 2015 holiday season. Motion carried: 5-0. Mayor pro tem Crick decrees and declares that the official hours for Halloween trick or treating, in the city, on Saturday, Oct. 31 will be 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Mayor pro tem Crick addressed the issue of delinquent water/sewer accounts which will be placed on tax bills. Motion by Thomas, support by Kaiser, for delinquent water/sewer accounts to be placed on tax bills. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor pro tem Crick discussed quote from Sunrise Fencing to replace damaged section of chain link fence at the harbor area. The quote is for \$550. Motion by Sanderson, support by Thomas, to accept bid of \$550 from Sunrise Fencing to replace damaged section of chain link fence at the harbor area. Motion carried: 5-0.

Reports: Mayor pro tem Crick addressed the issue of the process of city trees being cut without prior notice to the city.

The city would like to thank the Harrisville Business Association for the work and dedication which has gone into the fall decorations

which are displayed along Main Street and at the corners of Main Street and US-23. Well done to Billie Thompson and her crew. Clerk Pierce reported that absent voter applications and ballots are available at the city office for the November 3 school millage proposal election. Huron Pines field workers, along with conservationist Andrew Bebee, spent a day spraying the invasive Japanese knotweed which is growing within the city limits. Andrew reported there should be a significant change in the growth next year and that it will take several additional years of attention to bring the knotweed under control.

Tree Board: Chairman Crick reported that a meeting was held with members of Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the city tree board to assess a tree near the Craftmakers' Cabin and will determine which entity is liable in the cutting and disposing of the tree. The county will also be apprised of the issue. Fire Department: A new volunteer has been accepted on the fire department pending a current physical examination.

Comment cards: Becky Stoddard, a member of the Harrisville Lady Lions, informed council of the Lady Lions interest in renovating the playground area at the harbor. Councils last comments: None.

Motion to adjourn by Crick. Adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Next regularly scheduled city council meeting is Monday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. Published prior to council approval.

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MIKADO - Two bedroom home on 20 acres. Home was constructed in 2001. Would be a great property to have horses or other livestock. Two barns on property that need some work. Mostly open ground that could have crops or hay but there is a strip of woods at the back of property with good deer hunting. Home is in nice condition and features a vaulted ceiling in living room with a free standing wood stove for alternative heat. Small stream on property that would allow for a pond. 15-0045AR \$85,000



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'15 Ford Mustang



Stock #8182 **\$26,815**
Savings -2,815
\$24,000

Autumn Certified Pre-Owned Deals

'13 Ford F-150



Crew Cab, 4WD, V6 3.5L Stock #U4796 **SALE PRICE \$30,995***

'13 Edge SE



FWD, V6, 3.5L Stock #U4633 **SALE PRICE \$21,356***

'13 Focus SE



FWD, 2.0L Stock #U4734 **SALE PRICE \$15,428***

'11 Ford F-150



Crew Cab, 4WD, V6, 3.5L Stock #U4830 **SALE PRICE \$27,467***

'13 Escape SE



FWD, 1.6L Stock #U4782 **SALE PRICE \$21,888***

'14 Fusion SE



FWD, 2.0L Stock #P4803 **SALE PRICE \$19,471***

'13 Ford Explorer XLT



FWD, V6, 3.5L Stock #U4644 **SALE PRICE \$28,171***

'13 Edge SEL



FWD, V6, 3.5L Stock #U4717 **SALE PRICE \$24,084***

'14 Ford Mustang



RWD, V6, 3.7L Stock #U4724 **SALE PRICE \$22,444***

'13 Ford Focus SE



FWD 2.0L Stock #U4794 **SALE PRICE \$14,448***

'12 Escape Limited



FWD, 2.5L Stock #U4610 **SALE PRICE \$20,629***

'12 Fusion SE



FWD, 2.5L Stock #U4672 **SALE PRICE \$15,945***

All prices figured at A/Z Plan after rebate. Finance with Ford Credit for all rebates, plus tax, title, doc fees with qualified credit.