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HUNT millage will be on November ballot

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

The Alcona County Board of Commissioners has decided to put a millage request on the November ballot to support the Huron Undercover Narcotics Team (HUNT).

The board made the unanimous decision during the August 3 commission meeting after discussing the is-

sue weeks before and meeting with concerned citizens against HUNT and various police entities and officials who were in favor of the program.

The millage request will ask voters to levy a new millage not to exceed 0.15 mill (\$0.15 per thousand dollars) of taxable value of property in Alcona County for a four-year period generating \$110,395 in the first year.

According to Alcona County Sheriff Douglas Atchison, this millage request will pay for the salary of one Alcona County deputy to serve on HUNT -- which is an undercover multi-jurisdictional drug interdiction team that works within Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties.

Atchison explained HUNT has been in existence since 1991 and Alcona County had been involved with a deputy on the team from 1991 until 2012, when two millage renewal requests were denied by voters. It was voted down by 130 votes in the August primary election and by 753 votes in the November general election.

John Schlicker, of Gustin Township, opposes the millage and requested the board consider not letting the HUNT millage back on the ballot. Schlicker said the war on drugs turned out to be a war on people and the only thing HUNT can do with the opiate problem in Alcona County is to incarcerate the abuser which will not interrupt the supply. He felt it was not

justified to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars per year for what he believes is a proven failed drug war.

"Over a four-year period that's a half a million dollars. The senior center in this county could use air conditioning, the roads could use work, there is a lot of us tax payers who would rather spend money on that then to come and kick in our doors, ruin our families and steal our properties through asset forfeiture. It just isn't fair and it's unjust and I strongly encourage the board not to allow ballot access for this unregulated and unnecessary group they call HUNT. If the sheriff feels he cannot handle what minimal problem we have in this town, maybe he can fund it out of

his budget," Schlicker said.

Schlicker brought with him to the meeting Michigan Moms United founder Charmie Gholson, from Washtenaw and Livingston counties, who addressed the board with concerns of personal rights being violated due to civil forfeiture in a HUNT raid.

Gholson's father was a Washtenaw County deputy sheriff and felt it put her in a very unique position to call for criminal justice reforms.

According to Gholson the war on drugs is a failure because after 43 years it has not slowed the flow on drugs in society, it hadn't saved lives or kept drugs out of children's hands and that

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Meth debris found in Curtis Township

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

What began as a suspicious litter complaint turned into a methamphetamine investigation in Curtis Township last Friday.

According to a press release from the Alcona County Sheriff's Department, a citizen found a plastic bag "with what appeared to be batteries cut in half and an empty box of Sudafedrine on the side of the road." Deputy Leonard Franklin identified the batteries as being lithium and, coupled with the empty box of Sudafederine, determined the items were evidence of methamphetamine production.

During a search near the complainant's residence, Franklin located a trash bag that had been discarded on the side of the roadway with the remains of a methamphetamine lab.

Shortly after the items were identified, Sgt. Keith Myers contacted the detectives from the Huron Undercover Narcotics Team (HUNT) "due to their experience with methamphetamine investigations and the (recovery) of hazardous material left behind from its production."

The case is under investigation by HUNT and the Alcona County Sheriff's Department.

Youth demonstrate equestrian skills

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Horses and kids just seem to go together, maybe even more so in Alcona County. Owing a horse or taking horseback riding lessons teaches children many things and it's a lot of fun for a child to have a buddy they can ride who just happens to be six feet tall.

Horseback riding is good exercise for the body and the brain, it teaches responsibility, discipline, humility, and builds self-confidence. It can also help even the shyest of children become more outgoing.

Once again this year's Alcona County Fair will highlight youth who enjoy horses by having a youth horse show competition and a youth horse speed show competition.

There's a lot of positive aspects for youth who compete with horses, according to Matt Strickland of Spruce. Strickland has been an Alcona County Fair Board trustee for nine years and is in charge of the horse department at the fair.

"Owning a horse is a good way to keep kids busy. It teaches them a lot of responsibility. You've got to be there to take care of it. It also gives kids confidence. They are high atop an unpredictable animal so they have to pay attention all the time, which may help them drive a vehicle. You're not going to be riding a horse at full speed while texting on your phone," Strickland said.

Strickland has been working with horses for 53 years.



Cheyenne Appleton of Mikado with her horse, Sidney. Appleton will be showing her horse at this year's Alcona County Fair on Friday, Aug. 19 at 10 a.m. during the youth horse show. Photo by Mary Weber.

He was 10 years old when he started showing them at fairs through 4-H.

Horses require a great deal of time. Most youth work with their horses every day, some only once a week, because that's the only time they can get to the stable where the horse is boarded, but most in Alcona County stable their horses at home-based barns and work with them every day, according to Strickland.

He said many horse riders in Alcona County are self-taught or have learned about horsemanship through 4-H.

He explained there is a lot to learn about horses and by the time a child learns the bulk of what they need to, they are no longer in 4-H.

During the youth horse show and the youth speed show riders, ages 19 and under, will be judged on their equestrian skills according to age and competition class with an opportunity to place first through fifth in each class.

Also back this year will be payout for youth horse speed show contestants. Strickland

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Get dirty at the fair

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

This year the Alcona County Fair has something special for anyone who likes to get dirty and work up a sweat — literally.

This year the fair is offering a mud run on Saturday, Aug. 20, and despite the "guaranteed" mud, this first-ever event is going to be a good, clean, family-friendly challenge, according to organizers Aaron Healy, John Hartley and Nate Leeseberg.

They explained the mud run is set up over a two-mile course that begins and ends on the soccer field and goes through the woods with 15 obstacles and lots and lots of mud. There are several categories for anyone considering this unique challenge — individual male and female, family and team.

The course, which encompasses a portion of the "old" blind trail in the woods north and west of the track, was built this summer by organizers

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Obituaries



John Auerbach

John Auerbach, 67, of Lincoln died on Saturday, Aug. 6, 2016 in Detroit, Mich.

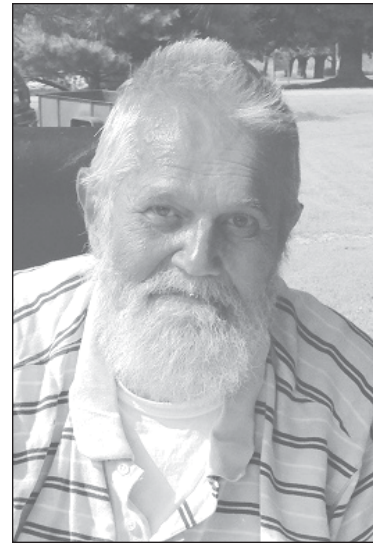
He was born July 4, 1949 to Karl and Julianna (Farkas) Auerbach in Germany.

Mr. Auerbach received a master's degree from Oakland University. He was employed as a manufacturing supervisor.

He enjoyed farming, tractors, animals and history.

Mr. Auerbach is survived by two brothers, Karl (Maria) Auerbach and Anton (Patricia) Auerbach; one sister, Irma Wimmer of Oscoda; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Stefan Auerbach.



A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements were handled by Sharp Funeral Home and Cremation Center in Flint, Mich.

Dewella J. Whitford

Dewella Jean Whitford, 74, of Glennie, died on Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2016 at McLaren Hospital in Flint, Mich.

She was born on April 3, 1942, to Stanley and Ruth (Everett) Frayer in Harrisville. She was raised in Mikado.

She married Larry Whitford on November 5, 1960, in Mikado.

Mrs. Whitford was a trustee on the Curtis Township Board for 12 years.

She was very involved in the community, especially through the women's softball league and as a Little League coach. She also loved to shoot pool.

Mrs. Whitford is survived by her husband, Larry; three sons, Evan Cecil (Lisa) Whitford of Glennie, Phillip Lee (Trudy) Whitford of Glennie, and Larry Todd (Kelly Graham) Whitford, of Oscoda; one daughter, Cinthia Ann Whitford of Glennie; and two grandchildren, Katherine (Mike) Spencer and Brooke Elizabeth Whitford.

She was preceded in death by six siblings.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, Aug. 20 at 11 a.m. at the Glennie United Methodist Church. The Rev. Charles Sheldon will officiate. Arrangements are being made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Claude J. Rickel

Claude Junior Rickel, 91, died on Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2016 at home.

He was born on August 1, 1925, to Clyde and Marjorie (Kimberlin) Rickel in Glennie, where he was raised.

He served in the United States Navy during World War II. He married Violet Joseph on September 8, 1949.

Mr. Rickel enjoyed woodworking, fishing, hunting and camping.

He was a member of the Glennie Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Mr. Rickel is survived by one daughter, Sharon (Rick) Dafeo of Harrisville; one son, Randy (Evelyn) Rickel of Cement City, MI; five grandchildren, Trina (Paul) Ferriby, Joshua (Helena) Rickel, Amy (Joe) Palmer, Erica (Rich) Snay, and Jen (Jerry) Lee; 12 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Kenneth Rickel and Wilbur (Christine) Rickel; and two sisters, Marcene (Richard) Bush and Irene (Victor) Kindell.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Violet, on October 30, 2001; one son, Brian Rickel; three sisters, Laura Bush, Ollie Mae Rickel, and Merle Rickel; and one brother, Raymond Rickel.

The funeral was held Monday, Aug. 15 at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln. The Rev. Josiah Hill officiated. Burial was in Maple Ridge Cemetery, Barton City. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.



Memorials



Arthur Thomas

There will be a memorial service for Arthur Thomas on Sunday, Aug. 21 at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Lincoln. Visitation will begin at 1 p.m.

Mr. Thomas died at home on July 5, 2016.



Serendipity

I heard from Jim C. in Orlando, who wanted to share that sunflower seed sprouted under his bird feeder, and sunflowers bloomed! He and his family think the sunflowers are a happy addition to their backyard garden. I'm sure the birds do, too.

E-mail: birdingbits@cfl.rr.com
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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2015-2016

Weekly Report

Miles Per Hour

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	High	Low				
Aug. 7	74	58	0.00	4.3	17	NE
Aug. 8	75	53	0.00	3.6	12	NE
Aug. 9	77	59	0.00	4.0	14	S
Aug. 10	84	63	0.00	2.9	16	SSW
Aug. 11	79	67	0.08	2.5	12	SSW
Aug. 12	79	69	0.06	4.6	16	WSW
Aug. 13	72	65	2.04	5.8	18	NNE

2015-16 Season Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	2016	2015	Normal
Weekly Total	2.18	0.28	0.83
August to Date	2.18	1.40	1.49
Year to Date	16.61	13.77	17.35

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.)

ing 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.

A blood drive will be held from noon to 6 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Donors are

asked to bring their Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive identification. For more information, visit redcrossblood.org or call (989) 736-8879.

Compete in water-themed games and celebrate the great lake at 10 a.m. and at 2 p.m. participate in a water balloon competition at the Harrisville State Park. Meet at the day use pavilion. A Recreation Passport is required for entry to the park. Call (989) 724-5126 for details.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

Join fellow comrades at the veteran's coffee hour from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville. All veterans are welcome.

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. First meeting is free. handicap accessible. For more information, call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-4483.

Alcona retirees will meet for a potluck lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring a dish to pass. All are welcome.

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

Needle crafters are mak-



Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

The Curtis Township Library, its library board, Friends of the Library and the library patrons wish to thank the registered voters of Curtis Township for passing the library millage renewal. The ballot proposal passed by a 69 percent to 31 percent margin.

This millage will generate approximately \$31,233 in funding. This will go a long way to support all the resources available at the Curtis Township Library. We appreciate your support.

Judy Kenyon,
Library Director
Curtis Township Library

To the Editor,

In 2012 we voted to not fund HUNT. Last week, our county commissioners voted to allow them ballot access in November.

I am disappointed as they did not review statistics presented to them from Michigan Moms United; statistics that prove these drug task force teams are targeting the end user in a failed attempt to stop the flow of drugs.

I asked the board and our sheriff if they could give me a number of either deaths or overdoses in Alcona County in the past four years, they could not. The war on drugs has turned into a war on the people.

Our tax dollars, to the tune of half a million dollars, could be used much more wisely. Maybe new senior building, parks and recreation, roads and infrastructure, education not incarceration. The real

problem, doctors writing scripts and not being held accountable. This leads to opioid addictions, and illegal drug activity. This is a nationwide health and human services issue, not a law enforcement issue.

Michigan has a program to monitor doctors writing prescriptions, MAPS. Support MAPS not HUNT.

These teams are a militaristic group that kick down doors and take property from the people, asset forfeiture. This is unfair, unjust and unconstitutional. It's time we stand up for our freedoms granted us by our forefathers, (written on hemp paper). I encourage everybody to vote no again. The drug war has failed, stop wasting money. Learn more how you can help end the insanity, visit milegalize.com. Peace not war.

John Schlicker
Lincoln

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Calendar of Events



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

Family movie matinee at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Enjoy a newly released DVD and theater-style popcorn. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Race through the wildlife obstacle course at 10 a.m. and learn about the shipwrecks in Lake Huron at 2 p.m. at Harrisville State Park. Meet at the day use pavilion. A Recreation Passport is required for entry to the park. Call (989) 724-5126 for details.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19
Frog Day 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. There will be froggy crafts, stories and treats.

Classic movie night at 5:45 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Free popcorn. Call (989) 724-6796 for details. Co-sponsored by Inspiration Alcona.

Compete in a leapfrog relay and frog games at 10 a.m. and at 2 p.m. play kickball at the Harrisville State Park. Meet at the day use pavilion. A Recreation Passport is required for entry to the park. Call (989) 724-5126 for details.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20
Art on the Porch, come and see how art is created with

demonstrations put on by local artists from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event will be held adjacent to the Dragonfly Art Gallery, 116 East Main Street in Harrisville. Call (989) 820-9614 for more information.

A euchre tournament hosted by the Greenbush Historical Society will be held at the Greenbush Township Hall on Campbell Road. Doors open at 5:30, play starts at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Participate in a sidewalk chalk art show at 10 a.m. and at 2 p.m. help build a huge sandcastle at the Harrisville State Park. Meet at the day use pavilion. A Recreation Passport is required for entry to the park. Call (989) 724-5126 for details.

MONDAY, AUGUST 22
The Alcona County Repub-

licans will meet at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall, 114 South Poor Farm Road.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

The Alcona County Commission On Aging board of directors will meet at 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

“Super Salad” program for teens and pre-teens at 2 p.m. at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library, 330 Traverse Bay Road. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

Sunrise Community Food Pantry will be open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church, 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Clients are asked to come only one time per month and must be present to receive food. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county of residence. Identification is required. For more information, call (989) 727-3606.

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.

The Alcona County Library Board will meet at 6 p.m. at the Lincoln branch, 330 Traverse Bay Road.

Ann Arbor Hands on Museum visits the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main street at 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to this free event. There will be an opportunity after the program for kids ages 10 through 18 to sign up for the Arzo trip on August 31. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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). Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

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.

There will be an invasive species program presented by Alcona Conservation District Forester Eric Brandon at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

A Monarch butterfly presentation and tagging will be held at 5 p.m. at the day use pavilion at Harrisville State Park. This 30 minute program will include what can be done to help the monarchs as they migrate to Mexico. Some children will have a chance to tag a butterfly, too! Call Frank at (989) 724-3056 for more information.

Alcona High School 1970 classmates and friends will hold a simple social gathering at 3 p.m. at Shotmakers in Harrisville. Contact Pam Idema at (989) 736-6245 or Ron Hoult at raceron1120@yahoo.com for more information. All other classes are invited to attend.

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA site (fairgrounds) in Lincoln. Call (989) 724-5077 for details.

Ossineke Eagles Aerie and Auxiliary will host a pig roast at 6848 North US-23 in Spruce. This fundraiser will benefit the Child Advocacy Center of Northeast Michigan. Cost is \$10 and serving will begin at 3 p.m. Call Betty Mayo at (989) 736-6232 or Ilene Imel at (989) 471-5533 for more information.

An open house will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. for Lynne Freitag at Dragonfly Art Gallery, 116 East Main Street in Harrisville. This artist creates hand crafted felt art pieces embellished with beads and intricate beaded jewelry. Call (989) 820-9614 for details.

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). Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

The Harrisville Lady Lions will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the Red Rooster, 3228 South US-23 in Greenbush. Call (989) 724-5143 or e-mail upnorthannie@charter.net for details.

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Alcona Elementary School provides a caring, nurturing environment for preschool through 6th grade students. In addition to a vibrant core curriculum supported by comprehensive technology opportunities, all students have access to a multi-tiered system of home and school support for both academics and behavior. Students have opportunities to participate in a variety of engaging learning experiences including access to a comprehensive media center, physical education, STEM, robotics, focused early intervention programs in grades K-3, on-site medical and behavioral health services in the school-based Tiger Clinic, 4-H Extension Activities, Service Squad, and Drama Club.

Alcona Community Schools proudly announces the following grade level openings for the 2016/2017 school year for School of Choice student enrollment:

**Kindergarten through 11th grade: Unlimited openings
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Local Notes

Frog Day Storytime

The Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library will be jumping on Friday, Aug. 19 at 10:15 a.m. during the annual Frog Day storytime and craft. Children of all ages are invited to hear a froggy story, make a froggy craft and eat froggy treats. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Classic Movie

Everyone is invited to a classic movie at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Friday, Aug. 19 at 5:45 p.m. This month's movie stars Cary Grant in a comedy classic about two old aunts who lure lonely geezers into their home with murder in mind. Everyone is welcome to this program co-sponsored by Inspiration Alcona and the Alcona County Library. Free popcorn and beverages. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

ARA Farm Market

The ARA Farm Market will be closed on Saturday, Aug. 20 due to the Alcona County Fair. Anyone looking for farm market items is encouraged to contact their favorite vendors directly. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

Class of 1970 Gathering

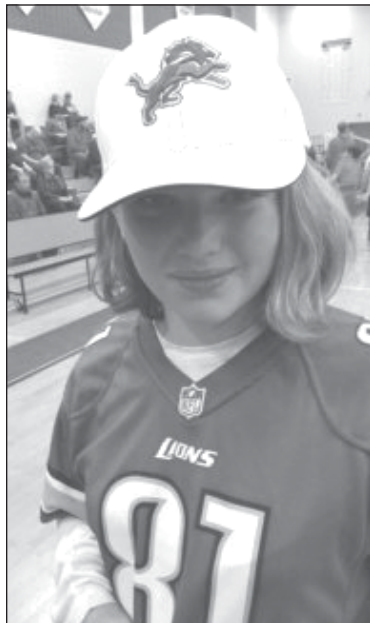
Alcona High School 1970 classmates and friends (other classes included) are invited to Shotmakers in Harrisville starting at 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27 for a simple social gathering. All are welcome to stop by and say "hi." Contact Pam Idema at (989) 736-6245 or Ron Hoult at raceron1120@yahoo.com for more information.

Play Like a Lion

Brooklyn Storey of Lincoln is one of 20 youth from across Michigan who will meet members of the Detroit Lions, the mascot Roary and members of the Lions youth programming staff as well as participate in on-field activities on Thursday, Aug. 18. She is a fifth-grader at Alcona Elementary and the daughter of Marcie and Joe Storey of Lincoln. Her friend, Riley Patterson of Lincoln, was invited to attend and participate with Storey for the event.

Storey earned her spot through Blue Cross' #MIKidsCan Play Like a Lion Contest, which encouraged parents and guardians to nominate kids who deserve to be recognized for their commitment to living a healthy, active lifestyle. Twenty winners were chosen by a panel of judges from more than 400 #MIKidsCan Champion of the Month nominations. These 20 #MIKidsCan Play Like a Lion winners will receive four game tickets, participation in a 60-minute on field workout with Lions trainers, a player meet-and-greet

and a spot in the fan tunnel, where Lions players rush onto the field prior to the game.



Brooklyn Storey

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, Aug. 22—Chicken mostaccioli, green beans, tossed salad, and pears.
 - Tuesday, Aug. 23—Meatloaf and gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, and tropical fruit.
 - Wednesday, Aug. 24—Breaded pork chop, baked potato, squash, and mixed fruit.
 - Thursday, Aug. 25—Chicken salad on flat bread, potato salad, and peaches.
 - Friday, Aug. 26—Pork tips in gravy, egg noodles, Prince Charles blend, and pineapple.
- (Friday meals served in Lincoln only. Greenbush closed on Thursday.)*

Super Salad Day

Teenagers and pre-teenagers are invited to prepare salads and homemade salad dressings with fresh local ingredients on Tuesday, Aug. 23 at 2 p.m. at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library. All ingredients and materials are supplied with support from a United Way of Northeast Michigan grant. Call (989) 724-6796 or (989)736-3388 for more information.

Hands-On Museum

Ann Arbor Hands-on Museum presents roller coaster workshop at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Wednesday, Aug. 24 at 1:30 p.m. Individuals of all ages are invited to learn the physics behind roller coasters and have a roller coaster race. In addition to the program, youth ages 10-18 will have an opportunity to sign up for part two of this program – a free visit to ARZO amusement park in Alpena, transportation included. This program is supported with a

grant from Dollar General Literacy Foundation and YALSA. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Helping Abused Kids

Ossineke Eagles Aerie and Auxiliary will hold a pig roast on Saturday, Aug. 27 to raise funds for the Child Advocacy Center of Northeast Michigan. There will be a special room in the Alcona Health Center located in Alpena for the evaluation of abused or neglected children. All proceeds from this pig roast will be used for the furnishing this room. In 2011 one in every 25 children were subject to abuse or neglect, this number has been on the rise since that time. Michigan is 50 percent higher than the national average. The menu will include pork, corn on the cob, potato salad, baked beans, cold slaw, roll and a cupcake. Cost is \$10. The aerie is located at 6848 North US-23 in Spruce. Serving will begin at 3 p.m. For more information contact, Betty Mayo at (989) 736-6232 or Ilene Imel at (989) 471-5533.

Genealogical Society

The Northeast Michigan Genealogical Society, in collaboration with the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library, will present 21st Century Tools for Genealogists, a day long workshop dedicated to new and innovative methods for genealogical research. Scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the the library, the workshop is \$20 and includes a box lunch. Registration deadline is September 1.

Featured speakers include genealogist Katherine Wilson, who will present "Little Known and Rarely Used Google Search Tips" and "Using Facebook to Break Down Genealogical Walls." Additionally, Kamila Mazurek's session, "It's All About Spit" will discuss the use of genetics in genealogy. Attendees will be eligible to win one of two DNA kits donated by Family Tree DNA and Ancestry.com and will receive a discount coupon for Family Tree DNA. For details and registration information can be found at www.facebook.com/GenealogicalSeminar21st/ or by calling (989) 916-5610.

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enforcing the drug war decreases public safety.

She gave crime statistics for Alcona County which she acknowledged getting from the Michigan State Police and said we live in "Mayberry RFD." "You have no murders in the last three years. For 2014 and 2015 you have 10 and 15 reported rapes and three arrests. That's less than a third arrest rate for rape. Assault you've got about 50 (2014) and 60 (2015) assaults reported and 25 arrests. Burglary you've got 57 (2014) and 38 (2015) incidents and only three arrests both years. But for controlled substance violations, drugs, you've got 35 incidents reported, 31 arrests. A 95 percent arrest rate for drugs in your tiny little community with the lowered violent crime arrest rates," Gholson said telling commissioners this community should instead have a fund to fight violent crime, but since we have none, to have weekly barbecues for veterans.

Schlicker said it was a health and human service issue, not a law enforcement issue. He urged the board to read the material, including an article in the Washington Post which Gholson provided for the board.

Alcona County Commissioner Kevin Boyat said the committee met with Schlicker and other concerned citizens a few weeks prior to the August 3 commission meeting and had a good ses-

sion sorting through the matter. "I believe the rest of the citizens of this county should have the right to say yes or no. Our board has recommended HUNT and our committee has recommended it be put back on the ballot, Boyat said.

"It's been said that it is a failed war on drugs and there isn't a drug problem in our county. I don't believe that. I know of plenty of issues with prescription pills and with heroin. There is an issue. If we were to say a failed war on drugs then why not say there is a failed war on poverty and get rid of all welfare reforms? We don't do that because we still think it's important to take care of people in need," said Craig Johnston, an Alcona County commissioner.

Johnston said he supported HUNT and explained the team's focus and the techniques, what's being used and what teams like HUNT are doing is different than it used to be. He said the problem in the county is not necessarily with marijuana, which was a much bigger issue four years ago.

"I'm in support of it simply because I do think there is a drug problem. Not necessarily a marijuana problem. It's with opiates, it's heroin and meth. There was a study which was written by Michigan State University which put HUNT on the top of the list of all teams in efficiency and being the most effective," Johnston said.

Commissioner Carolyn Brummond said in the past HUNT was instrumental in finding a man who stabbed and killed a local girl. Lt. Stuart Sharp, HUNT commander, agreed it was one of his team members who was first at the door. He said more recently HUNT was involved in a homicide investigation which led to a conviction with HUNT making a traffic stop and recovering a weapon and the suspect found in Alcona County.

Sharp explained HUNT works as a group of detectives and can work any type of crime at the request of any participating agency and went through special training to do so. He said they have helped in Alcona County on criminal sexual conduct cases and execution of search warrants and are multi-faceted to be available however

and whenever an agency calls for their service.

In regard to civil forfeiture, Sharp said HUNT can only take certain conveyance items which are used to move drugs. He explained that it is up to the county prosecutor to make the decision if there is going to be a hearing. "It's not a process where I have the right to take someone's stuff and they can never get it back because HUNT took it. It's a long, involved civil process," Sharp said.

Alcona County prosecuting attorney Thomas Weichel said whatever is seized has to have been used in the drug trade or purchased as a result from monies made in the drug trade, for instance, firearms used to protect a drug trade. He said they look at things with a fine tooth comb, understand the potential of civil rights issues, and every case is looked at individually.

Boyat said if HUNT could come in and take whatever they wanted that the commissioner's board meeting room would be full every two weeks with people complaining.

Weichel commended the board for putting HUNT back the ballot but conveyed his concerns with the board should the millage fail. "Everyone here understands the problems which this community faces. We have an obligation to make sure our citizens are safe and our kids are safe. The question I throw to you (commissioners) is do you have a contingency plan in place? You have to figure something out if this millage goes down," Weichel said.

According to Weichel, the sheriff clearly expressed he can't do what HUNT can do and it was Weichel's belief the board has an obligation to keep the community safe.

"I heard the last time, which, basically irritated me, that the millage failed because the people don't want it. They don't see what we see. The damage the drugs are doing to our community is incredible. I sat there with two little boys whose father overdosed on drugs and they watched as the EMS were trying to revive him..."

"We cannot survive as a community without these guys. I'm seeing what is happening to our community without a man on the team. We had a criminal enterprise being operated here by an individual from Detroit bringing heroin, cocaine, and crack sold a half a mile down the road. That kind of stuff we cannot live with. This community can't afford it. The cost to this community of drug abuse is immense... Please keep a thought process in mind of having a contingency plan so we can continue to have one of the best multijurisdictional teams in the state of Michigan working in our community. Unfortunately, it's not an option. It's a necessity," said Weichel.

The Alcona County Board of Commissioners meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. in the bottom floor of the Alcona County Courthouse.



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SENIOR LIFESTYLES

Medicare coverage for non-working spouses

Dear Savvy Senior,
Does Medicare cover spouses who have not worked? I have worked all my life, but my spouse worked only for a few years when we first got married but then quit to take care of our children fulltime. Will she be eligible for Medicare?
Inquiring Husband

Dear Inquiring,
There are plenty of couples in your situation when it comes to applying for Medicare. The answer generally is yes, your spouse can qualify for Medicare on your work record. Here's how it works. Medicare, the government health insurance program for older adults, covers more than 55 million Americans age 65 and older, as well as those younger that have a qualifying disability or have end-stage renal disease. To be eligible, you must have worked and paid Medicare taxes for at least 10 years to qualify for premium-free Medicare Part A hospital cov-

erage when you turn 65. If you qualify, then your non-working spouse will qualify too, based on your work record when she turns 65. Divorced spouses are also eligible if they were married at least 10 years and are single, as are surviving spouses who are single and who were married for at least nine months before their spouse died.

In addition to Part A, both you and your spouse would also qualify for Medicare Part B, which covers doctor's visits and other outpatient services, but requires a monthly premium, not a work history. The premium for most Part B beneficiaries in 2016 is \$104.90 per month, while new beneficiaries pay \$121.80/month and higher earning couples - those with incomes over \$170,000 per year - pay even more.

There are also a number of other caveats you should know about depending on your wife's age.

If your wife is older than

you, she can qualify for Medicare on your work record at age 65, even if you're not getting Medicare yourself, but you must be at least 62 years old. You also must have been married for at least one year for your wife to apply for Medicare on your work record.

If you are still working and your wife is covered by your employer's health insurance, she may want to enroll only in the premium-free Medicare Part A until you retire or your employer coverage ends. Part B - along with its premium - can be added later without penalty as long as your employer's group health plan is your "primary coverage." Check with your employers' human resources department to find out about this.

If your wife is more than three years older than you and has no health coverage, you can buy her Medicare Part A until you turn 62 and the premium-free benefit kicks in. The Part A monthly premium is \$411 in 2016.



Savvy Senior

If your wife is younger than you, she will need health insurance until she turns 65 and becomes eligible for Medicare. This may be through your employer if you are still working, through COBRA (see dol.gov/ebsa/publications/cobraemployee.html), or through the Health Insurance Marketplace (see healthcare.gov) or outside the marketplace through a private insurance company.

In addition to Medicare Part A and B, when you and your wife become Medicare eligible, each of you will also need to enroll in a Part D prescription drug plan if you don't have credible drug cov-

erage from your employer or union. And, you may want to purchase a Medicare supplemental (Medigap) policy too, to help pay for things that aren't covered by Medicare like copayments, coinsurance and deductibles. Or, you may want to consider an all-in-one Medicare Advantage plan.

For more information on Medicare choices and enrollment rules, visit Medicare.gov or call (800) 633-4227. You can also get help through your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see shiptacenter.org), which provides free Medicare counseling.

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explained for the last three years payout has been available through a donation by Crusecom Technology Consultants. First place payout will be \$15, sixth place payout will be \$5, with placements second through fifth payout varying according to place.

Strickland said Crusecom began donating the payout funds because many children who rode horses don't raise cattle to sell at the livestock market club and they didn't feel it was fair that horse kids received only a ribbon for their hard work.

Owning a horse isn't cheap. Strickland said purchasing a horse can cost anywhere from \$100 to thousands and thousands of dollars. He said most youth horses range from \$500 to \$1,000. Horses eat a lot too.

According to Strickland a horse will eat at least 200 bales of hay a year. Bales cost somewhere between \$3 and \$4 a bale, so that comes out to about \$700 plus dollars a year.

The care of horses is not cheap either. "They need worming every two to three months which costs \$10 to \$12 a tube and they need their Coggins test," Strickland said. A Coggins test is necessary to check if the horse has a serious equine virus called infectious anemia which is transmitted to horses by insects. The test runs about \$30 a year.

The costs he mentioned didn't reflect equipment such as tack, helmets for youth under 18, grooming supplies, shoeing, costs to stable a horse if the owner doesn't have a barn, and if the horse

needs vet care.

Cheyenne Appleton, an 18-year-old rider from Mikado, will be entering her horse, Sidney, in this year's youth horse show. She said she typically entered the youth speed show and always had a blast doing so. Due to her own setback with having had knee surgery and the fact that Sidney, an 11-year-old Morgan paint horse, is pregnant and due to foal next June, she is going to skip the speed competition.

Appleton has learned a lot about riding horses and has been riding in the Alcona County Fair since she was 11-years-old. She now shares equestrian advice with others and is teaching a 4-H friend, 15-year-old Nelson French how to show a horse. French will be making his

debut in the horse arena this year showing Sidney as well.

Appleton said there is a lot to know before going in the arena. "You have to know how to square your horse, the front feet have to be perfectly square with the back. You have to know how to back up, how to turn the horse away from you, how to halter, walk and trot. A lot of people have difficulty with trotting because horses are smart and can be stubborn," Appleton said.

She explained the best thing a rider can do is spend time with their horse because if the rider doesn't know their horse, they won't make a good team.

Spending time doesn't necessarily mean riding the horse. A lot of the time can be spent brushing, petting, and

playing with the horse. Appleton explained horses like to play hide and seek, tag and some even enjoy a good game of fetch.

The Alcona County Fair youth horse show will begin at 10 a.m. and the youth horse speed show will begin at 6 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 19 in the horse arena. An adult open horse show will begin at 10:30 a.m. and adult open horse speed show begins at 6 p.m. on the last day of the fair Saturday, August 20.

For more information about the fair, check out the Alcona County Fair Facebook page or visit the website at www.alconacountyfair.com. The fairground is located on Barlow Road in Lincoln, north of M-72, east of F-41.

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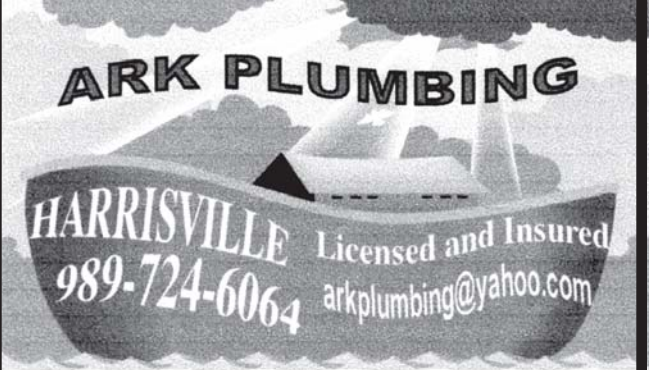
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Complaint Statistics

Car Deer	9	Property Damage Accident	3
Message/Well Being Check	4	Miscellaneous	5
Agency Assist	1	Dog/Animal Complaint	12
Traffic	11	Malicious Destr. of Property	2
Trespassing	1	Alarm	2
Drug Crimes	1	Littering	2
Domestic	1	911 Hang Up	2
Harassment/Threats/Stalking	1	Warrant Arrest	5
Civil	3	Neighbor Trouble	1
Be On the Lookout	2	Breaking & Entering	3
Medical	1	Personal Injury Accident	3
Assault & Battery	1	Driving Violations	1
Abandoned Vehicle	1	Larceny	4
Fraud	1	Lost/Found Property	2
Fire	2	Juvenile	2
Suspicious Events	6	Court Violations	1
Lost/Missing Person	1	Gun Shots	1
Meds/Drug Disposal	1	Criminal Sexual Conduct	1
Fireworks	1	Conservation Violation	1

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Alcona	5	Caledonia	9	Curtis	11
Greenbush	14	Gustin	7	Harrisville	18
Hawes	4	Haynes	6	Mikado	5
Millen	2	Mitchell	0		
City of Harrisville	7	Village of Lincoln	5		

Organizations
Organization Notes

Harrisville Business Association

The monthly meeting of the Harrisville Business Association (HBA) was called to order on Thursday, July 14 at 6:04 p.m. by Co-chairperson Pat Bushey. There were nine people in attendance: Judie Labadie, Pat Bushey, Judy MacNeill, Ginger Campbell, Louie Campbell, Edward Foster, Tony Haighty, Steve Arens, Mark K.

The business directory was distributed with a couple of changes. The treasury report was reviewed by Pat Bushey. The topic of treasurer was brought up by Judie Labadie. She believes the treasurer should be someone who can attend meetings and recommended Ed Foster to be appointed to the position. The attendees of the meeting voted to have Ed as treasurer. This has nothing to do with the job Ann Eddinger has been providing to HBA.

The HBA tri-fold has been distributed, but Pat still needs money from some of the businesses to cover expense of printing. Anyone who has not given him \$10, please stop by to see him.

Doug Cheek provided an update on cell phone tower coverage, he is still working with Verizon to see what can be done to get a tower added to Harrisville water tower.

A discussion was held on officers — group would like officers in place by January 2017.

Harrisville Customer Appreciation Days will be August 12 and 13. Hold these dates — big day for Harrisville. More information is forthcoming. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

The next meeting is Thursday, Aug. 11 at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

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4-H involvement is about more than raising animals for the fair

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Raising market animals is a big part of what brings local youth together during fair time.

Many not only work long hours to ensure they are confident in bringing their healthy market animal to auction, but also put in long hours making sure the market sale goes as smoothly as possible.

Matt MacMaster is one of those "do it all" kind of young men. At 15, the Harrisville resident is the president of the Alcona Junior Livestock Club, a member of the 4-H Archery Club, the 4-H HAM Radio Club, the Alcona County Amateur Radio Group, the 4-H Apple Hill Variety Club, a member of Alcona High School FFA, is on his high school golf team and will soon start college courses taught at Alcona High School when he begins his junior year this September.

Last year MacMaster was named the Junior 4-H Member of the year. Les Thomas, Michigan State University Extension 4-H coordinator for Alcona County, said MacMaster was chosen because of the amount of 4-H club experience he has and the amount of community service he has done voluntarily. "Through his 4-H experiences Matt has shown signs of leadership and will continue to learn and grow in our program," Thomas said.

MacMaster received his FCC technician level license in 2014. Through the Alcona County Amateur Radio Group, MacMaster has been working on his HAM radio skills as a volunteer during community events by directing traffic at the fireworks in Harrisville, the Black Bear Festival in Curran and helping with communications and the special events station during the Alcona County Fair.

The radio group also has field training in search and rescue exercises. According to MacMaster, these exercises are interesting as they practice emergency situations where the group tries



Matt MacMaster with his two lambs. He said lambs are his favorite farm animal because they are a very rewarding animal and great fun. Photos by Mary Weber.

to do its best to be prepared and ready should a real life emergency present itself.

MacMaster's love for farm animals came rather naturally as animals have been a part of his life since he was adopted into the MacMaster family as a baby. Both his parents, Dr. Jackie Fitzgerald and Dr. John MacMaster have a great interest in farm animals and both lead the 4-H Apple Hill Variety Club, a club known for producing beef and other varieties of meat.

For last year's fair MacMaster raised a cross breed Angus steer, two lambs and a pig. He sold his 1,250-pound steer during the annual market sale for \$4.50 per pound, his lambs went for about \$700.

He was unable to market his pig due to the animal having a prolapsed rectum which he shrugged off saying "Sometimes stuff happens out of your control. It's part of raising an animal."

As Alcona Junior Livestock Club president, MacMaster conducts meetings but said his main role as president is

listening to ideas. "It's a good learning experience. I enjoy listening to ideas and helping to direct conversational traffic. It's very cool to see how everyone talks and shares their ideas," he said.

MacMaster explained he wants everyone to enjoy the fair as much as possible and wants to make the market club as organized as he can whether that's by helping a peer, cleaning the fairgrounds, writing letters to past buyers or discussing things with Melissa June, Alcona Junior Livestock Club advisor.

Unsurprisingly, MacMaster's favorite part about fair time is the market sale where he says the whole community comes together to have a war of friendly competition. The market sale is held on Thursday during fair week when the public has an opportunity to purchase animals raised by 4-H and FFA youth through auction.

"It's great for the kids to get out there. It can be nerve racking for them to market an animal, that's a lot of people out there bidding and looking at their animal and how they handle it, but a successful sale can really raise their self-esteem and help them to be confident in themselves," MacMaster said.

He explained how the experience can lead to new friendships, "It's a great way to get people together and meet new people. I've had animals purchased by companies and businesses I really didn't know anything about or even that they existed. Now I know them and what they do," MacMaster said.

This year MacMaster will be trying to market a 1,200 pound 15-month old Angus mix steer named Mattemeo and two lambs named Jeb and Sheepadiah.

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and supporters. And, it's being watered down all week in preparation for Saturday's race which begins at 10 a.m. and will be held rain or shine.

This new event was born last winter when Healy and Leeseberg were planning the second sprint triathlon that made its debut last year. "The triathlon was finalized and after we got talking about (a mud run) we scraped the triathlon and started planning the mud run. It was a team decision."

"This provides more of an opportunity for participation and to bring families into it as part of the fair," Healy said. "We did view videos online and saw that teamwork is evident and, it looked like they were having fun."

Team challenges have been issued by several teams that

have registered already including two teams — the county building and sheriff's department.

"It's definitely unique," Leeseberg said. "From the videos that we saw, people were really getting into it — there were bridal parties, families... there were people in costumes — some dressed as super heroes. You don't have to do that, but you can."

Anyone who doesn't want to get into the mud can watch those that do. "When building the course we made plenty of room for spectators along the track," Leeseberg said. "Anyone who wants to follow along the entire course is welcome..."

"I think it will be comical to watch," Hartley said. "It looks like it will be a lot of fun to run." Hartley will be partici-

pating on a team from Alcona Fit Club.

Early registration is encouraged, however, registration on race day will begin around 8:30 a.m. Participants are welcome to walk the track in the morning before the race.

For more information and/or registration see the Facebook page Alcona-County Fair-MudRun or alconacountyfair.com. Cost is \$20 for adults, \$40 per family and \$80 per group, plus \$5 entry into the fair. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Volunteers are also needed the day of the race. Anyone interested is asked to send a private message through the Facebook page or contact Healy, Leeseberg or Hartley directly.



The two-mile Mud Run track begins and ends on the soccer field and includes 15 obstacles and lots of mud - guaranteed. *Courtesy graphic.*

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Raising lambs is MacMaster's preference as he has shown and marketed the animals ever since he was nine years old. He liked them because the animals are large, but not too large. "They are high strung and take more time, but they are a very rewarding animal and great fun," MacMaster said.

According to MacMaster his lambs also have nicknames: Houdini and Houdini Times 2,000, because of their ability to escape from their electric fenced area nearly every morning. He's not sure how they get out, hence the "Houdini" moniker, but the good thing is they are very easy to get back in their pen and usually come running

when they hear the squeaky gate open.

MacMaster explained that each handler wants to make his or her animal look as nice as possible when showing and they wear clothing which is subdued so the animal catches the judges eye before the handler. Brushing the animal in the opposite direction of their nap also helps to make the animals body stand out more, and may help in judging or marketing an animal.

Dealing with large farm animals can be difficult and MacMaster said sometimes a large animal can easily overpower the handler. "You have to be careful and gently calm them down. You need to have

the animal used to you so they don't feel the urge to get away from you," he said.

MacMaster's approach to calm his animals down is by being with them when they eat, brushing, talking and touching them to make them feel more comfortable. He also cautioned that handlers can sometimes spend too much time with their animals which can tire the animals out or make them irritable, especially if it's hot outside.

The Alpena Junior Livestock Club Market Sale will begin at 6 p.m. at the Joslin Arena on Thursday, Aug. 18. A free dinner for all who purchase market sale animals will follow the sale.



Matt MacMaster with his steer, Mattemeo, a 15 month old, 1,200 pound Angus mix that he will be marketing at the Alpena Junior Livestock Club Market Sale on Thursday.

**Planning for the cost of college
without breaking the bank**

(BPT) - College costs in the U.S. are on the rise.

According to the latest College Board survey, the average price tag for an in-state public college for the 2014-2015 academic year averaged \$23,410, and a private college averaged \$46,272. This is a three percent increase from the year before.

Another number on the rise is student loan debt. Nearly seven in 10 graduates from the class of 2013 took out institutional, state or federal loans, graduating with an average \$27,667 in debt.

"In our latest Merrill Edge Report, we found more than half of respondents are actively paying off debt to be stress-free in retirement, and we expect a notable portion may be for paying off student

loans, considering more than 40 million Americans are carrying them," said Aron Levine, head of Preferred Banking and Merrill Edge for Bank of America. "Borrowing is a great option to help offset costs, but relying on savings is cheaper factoring in interest. It's important to find a balance to ensure you're still working toward your future financial goals."

Here are a few strategies to get a head start on saving for college that can help avoid drowning in debt:

- Estimate costs: Tuition and fees take the lion's share of an individual's income, with annual costs rising at about six percent. Start comparing public, private, community and in and out-of-state schools to get a ballpark figure on cost, and then start to estimate how much is needed to invest based on the timeframe and budget. There are tools and resources online to help calculate these costs, and individuals can always consult a financial professional for further guidance.

- Start saving and investing now: With college costs on the rise, saving and investing now can pay off later. That's because starting early allows more time and oppor-

tunity for investments to grow - and can reduce the amount you have to borrow. Remember, it's never too soon or too late to start saving. Every dollar saved is one less needed to repay with interest, and automating savings and investments will help to make sure it's not forgotten.

- Consider a 529 plan: Whether investing for a child, grandchild or even yourself, 529 college savings plans are flexible, tax-advantaged accounts that allow the investor to make high contributions to help the recipient pay for college expenses. These funds aren't taxed as they grow - and no federal (and often state) taxes are applied to withdrawals used for qualified higher education expenses. It's also a great gift alternative for holidays, birthdays and special occasions.

- Borrow with care: While it's cheaper to save than borrow, student loans can be an important tool to help close any gaps between savings and the cost of tuition. If paying cash for college means skimping on another financial priority - like retirement savings - student loans can help. Some options allow the student or parent to begin pay-

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The Fairview High School Class of 1946 held its 70th reunion at Comins Hotel recently. Five members of the class (one classmate was unable to attend) out of 21 graduates were able to attend the reunion. (Front) Maryellen (Nolan) Bohringer, (back row, from left) Jean (LaForge) Dejarlais, Merlin Shantz, Lorraine (Startz) Arnold, and Elsie (Bugg) Bixel enjoyed visiting with each other. Martha (Bugg) Mendyka was unable to attend. *Courtesy photo.*

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(From left) Dylan and Misty Baker and Dawn Johnson of Natures Kingdom Wildlife Rehabilitation (NKWR) of Harrisville stand in front of one of three enclosures built by grant funds from the Binky Foundation. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

The rehab opened in the spring of last year and has helped many ill and orphaned animals become strong enough to be released back into the wild including turtles, raccoons, flying squirrels, and rabbits.

Two of three new enclosures have been built through donated funds from the Binky Foundation and provide room for larger animals such as deer, fox, coyote and wolf. For more information or to volunteer call NKWR at (989) 335-5786.



Trooper is recovering from being hit by a car. *Courtesy photo.*

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Fishing for northern pike in the summer heat

Northern pike are a fish species that can be especially difficult to catch during the hot summer months. Because these fish are opportunistic feeders they will take advantage of any chance to chow down. There are two things that can be done to increase success at catching northern pike this August.

- Understand northern pike habitats. These fish prefer cool water, spring beds, inlets and deep water so be on the lookout for them when you head out. Take a look at a lake map (paying close attention to areas with sharp drop-offs) of your chosen wa-

ter body and determine what parts of the lake you'll be most likely to find them in.

- Remember that northern pike are visual feeders so chose bait wisely. Large, willow leaf spinner baits work well in shallow water with lots of cover, as do surface baits. Large spoons can also be enticing and are great for use near weed edges. Northern pike can also be caught on live bait (such as suckers or large shiners).

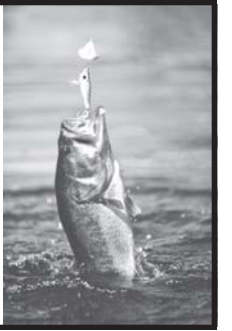
Northeast Lower Peninsula August 11

- Alpena: Fishing has been consistent most of the sum-

mer and lake trout have been the mainstay. Most anglers are heading out deep to the second "humps" past Thunder Bay Island or further. The Nordmere Wreck has also been holding a good number of fish. Spoons, spin-glos and wobble glows behind attractors are working well. Steelhead seem to be in the area in good numbers but suspended high in the water column. Planer boards, dipseys, lead core and sliders are keeping the bait where the steelhead are. There has been a late night walleye bite.

- Oscoda: Has a good number of lake trout and steel-

Northeast Michigan Fishing Report



head in the area. Early morning start in 90 to 100 feet of water and work your way out. Spread the baits top to bottom as most of the fish are suspended. Change up baits regularly as pink salmon and small Chinook are in the area.

You may have these fish on the line without tripping the release. Pier fishing has really started to pick up late in the evening. Channel cats are starting to come in around 10 pm and biting throughout the night.

- AuSable River: Has smallmouth bass in good numbers and sizes.

- Higgins Lake: Boat anglers continue to take lake trout in 80 to 125 feet. Most were caught along the bottom but a few were suspended and hitting on body baits, spoons and cowbells. Black and silver or blue and silver were the hot colors. Perch are deep in 40 to 60 feet. Those fishing first light may find some in shallow water. The lake is producing lots of rock bass which can be fun for the young anglers.

- Houghton Lake: Had good bluegill fishing especially along the weed beds on the south end and near the Middle Grounds. Worms and leeches were the ticket. Wall-eye fishing was hit-or-miss. Try the weed beds at dawn or dusk.

- Tawas: Boats trolling out to 70 feet caught a few wall-eye and steelhead on spoons. Pier fishing was summer-slow with only the odd rock bass or smallmouth caught.

- Tawas River: Shore anglers in the lower river caught a couple catfish, drum, rock bass or the odd pike.

- AuGres: The few boats still after walleye were fishing northeast of Big Charity Island or around the Steeples. A few fish were caught in 15 to 30 feet.

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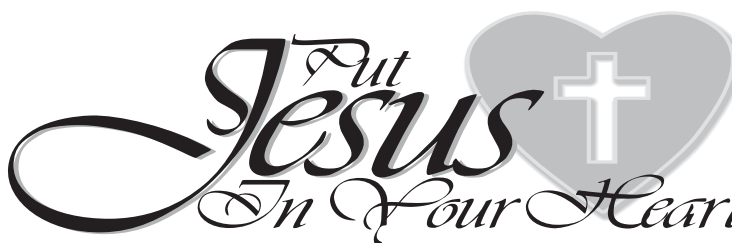
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College

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ing off the interest while they're still in college, so be sure to explore the different types of loans to find the one that's right for the situation.

- Balance college savings with other life priorities: Investing in your own or your children's education is a goal that should be set with other life priorities. Instead of tapping into a nest egg to cover tuition costs, consider all funding sources to avoid jeopardizing personal financial health, including financial aid, grants and scholarships. Seek the help of a financial professional to assist in balancing goals with finances.

For additional resources on how to better prepare for the cost of college, visit <https://www.merrilledge.com/college-savings>.



Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



A public menace

August 17, 1916 - One of the chief requisites for a successful summer resort is a fine sandy beach. This, Harrisville certainly has, and yet careful people are afraid to patronize the beach at the foot of Main street. Why?

"I don't go there," said one young lady. "A sewer carrying the refuse from the hotels empties into the lake a few feet from the dock. The pig pen which everyone can see from there smells to heaven, and the filth from it runs down to the water."

This statement naturally aroused the wonder and concern of the writer.

"Do you know," she asked one of the girls who habitually bathes there, "that a sewer runs into the lake near your beach?"

"O yes," she replied, "we know it, but that 's where all the young folks go and I want to be with the crowd."

I try to keep my mouth shut mostly and not let the water get into it much."

One day the writer, who had been in the habit of taking her daily dip half a mile further up the beach, decided to try the Main street location. Arriving at the dock her nose was greeted by a most unsavory odor from the pig pen, borne by a south wind to her nostrils. She plunged into

the lake, but the water did not seem as clean as it is further up the beach; the bottom felt slimy. A short swim was quite sufficient.

Now, can't these conditions be investigated and improved? Isn't such a state of affairs a menace to the health of the boys and girls who enjoy so much the swimming privileges? Isn't it from just such things that typhoid epidemics are developed.

Summer boarders and vacation spenders are begin-

ning to flock to Harrisville—there are many here now—there will be more during this month; there will be still more next summer if they are pleased and find the place healthful and refreshing.

Won't the city fathers of Harrisville do something about this. It is a serious matter.

(Written for the Women's Civic Improvement League by a Subscriber.)

Exciting runaway on Lake Street


Jos. Miller's Horse Runs Into a Tree and is Killed.

August 17, 1916 - Jos. Miller lost a horse Tuesday in a runaway on Lake street.

At the foot of Church street, the team driven by Russel Potts, broke away from the light wagon to which they were hitched and ran south, with the detached wagon following behind. Opposite F. A. Beede's office the team swerved into a maple tree eight or ten inches in diam-

eter and one of the horses struck its head hard enough to crack the tree through. The horse received injuries from which it died in a short time.

The wagon with its scared driver came trailing down street and brought up with a bang against a post. The tongue was broken but the wagon was not otherwise damaged.




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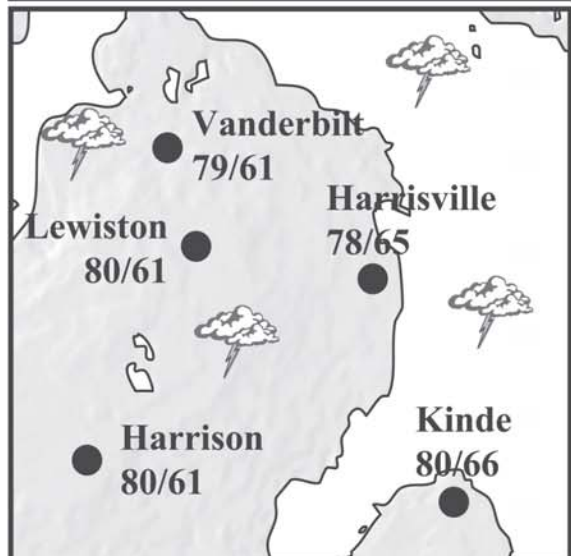
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Aug. 17, 2016

Seven Day Forecast

-  **WEDNESDAY**
T-storms Likely
High: 78 Low: 65
-  **THURSDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 79 Low: 63
-  **FRIDAY**
Sunny
High: 81 Low: 67
-  **SATURDAY**
T-storms Likely
High: 79 Low: 61
-  **SUNDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 74 Low: 58
-  **MONDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 74 Low: 55
-  **TUESDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 72 Low: 54

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a 60% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 78°, humidity of 88%. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 90° set in 1969. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 60% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 65°.

*Last Week's Almanac


Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	84	48	78/54	0.00"
Tuesday	90	49	78/54	0.00"
Wednesday	97	61	77/54	0.00"
Thursday	93	63	77/54	0.00"
Friday	84	67	77/54	0.01"
Saturday	72	67	77/54	0.57"
Sunday	83	63	77/53	0.00"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week


Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Full 8/18	Wednesday 6:39 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	8:07 p.m.	5:44 a.m.
Thursday 6:40 a.m.	8:32 p.m.	8:44 p.m.	6:52 a.m.	
Friday 6:41 a.m.	8:30 p.m.	9:19 p.m.	8:02 a.m.	
Saturday 6:43 a.m.	8:29 p.m.	9:53 p.m.	9:14 a.m.	
Last 8/24	Sunday 6:44 a.m.	8:27 p.m.	10:26 p.m.	10:26 a.m.
Monday 6:45 a.m.	8:25 p.m.	11:01 p.m.	11:38 a.m.	
Tuesday 6:46 a.m.	8:24 p.m.	11:39 p.m.	12:50 p.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 with isolated thunderstorms today, scattered thunderstorms Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 95° in Patuxent River, Md. The Southeast will see widespread thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 95° in Petersburg, Va. The Northwest will see mostly clear skies today, isolated showers Thursday, mostly clear skies Friday, with the highest temperature of 99° in Boise, Idaho. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 113° in Needles, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	9:09 a.m.	9:23 p.m.
Venus	8:21 a.m.	n/a
Mars	3:45 p.m.	12:23 a.m.
Jupiter	9:17 a.m.	9:45 p.m.
Saturn	3:43 p.m.	1:00 a.m.
Uranus	10:38 p.m.	11:57 a.m.

Weather History

Aug. 17, 1915 - A hurricane hit Galveston, Texas with wind gusts to 120 mph and a 12-foot storm surge. The storm claimed 275 lives, including 42 on Galveston Island, with most deaths due to drowning. Of 250 homes outside the seawall, just 10 percent were left standing.

Weather Trivia

When did the National Weather Service begin?

?

Answer: Feb. 7, 1870 with President Ulysses S. Grant.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Mass: A Weighty Concept

“So you want to become rich?” I query my class in this thought experiment. I have become so famous as an astronomy celebrity (I’m fascinated by Neil de Grasse Tyson) that Madame Tussauds in NYC wants to make two wax “dummies” of ME and showcase them in an upcoming exhibit that will be featured in space. One dummy will be constructed in a normal fashion while the other one will be a wax coating of me under solid gold. Both will look exactly like me and be encased in a genuine NASA spacesuit. You, as the 50 millionth visitor to a Madame Tussauds museum, will be trained and flown to the International Space Station, and learn how to spacewalk so that you can choose a “Gary A. Becker” to take home with you. Obviously, you want the gold GAB and so do your 237,000 new Facebook friends. The moment has finally arrived. You’re outside the ISS in your spacesuit, and the two GABs are side-by-side in tandem with the ISS. What experiment will you perform to insure that the gold GAB, worth 3.5 million dollars, is chosen? There’s silence in my classroom. Thirty seconds—a minute flashes by... A hand slowly rises amidst a sea of students with downward looking stares. I recognize her. “Push them equally,” she says. “The gold dummy will move away more slowly than the wax dummy.” That is exactly the experiment I would perform too. On Earth the gold dummy would weigh more than the wax dummy because gold is denser than wax and has a greater force exerted upon it by the Earth due to its gravity. Gold has more matter (mass) per unit volume than wax, but up in space the concept of weight is meaningless. Just put a scale under each of the dummies and they better read zero. Since the gold GAB has more mass, it also has more inertia, resistance to change. Equal forces applied to each dummy will produce less change of motion to the gold Gary A. Becker. “That’s got to be worth a free point,” I exclaim. Another happy student... Now, on to general relativity... www.astronomy.org

Well known farmer dead

August 17, 1916 - George H. Everett of Mikado Passet Away at 64 Years. George H. Everett, well known farmer citizen, died Saturday at his home a mile south of Mikado village, after an illness of several weeks from stomach trouble.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the Presbyterian church in Mikado. Rev. F. A. Andrews of Harrisville preached the funeral sermon and at the South Harrisville cemetery, officers and members of Alcona Lodge No. 292, of which the deceased was a member, performed the impressive burial service of the Masonic order.

George H. Everett was born Nov. 27, 1852, in Canada. In his late 'teens he came to Saginaw. Later he went to Niagra Falls, where on Dec. 17, 1875, he married Rebecca Burk, and soon after they came to Greenbush, this county. Thirty-five years ago they moved to the farm where Mr. Everett died. Mrs. Everett passed away six years ago last May.

There are six surviving children—Margaret Hattie, George, Henrietta, Harvey and Ethel, all of Mikado. There are also five brothers living in Canada and a sister in Buffalo, N. Y.

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **ADVERTISING:** The character of Elsie promoted which company's brands?
2. **ANATOMY:** What human organ contains special cell clusters called the islets of Langerhans?
3. **MOVIES:** What famous singer joined Mel Gibson as stars in the movie "Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome"?
4. **RELIGION:** In what country is the Shinto religion based?
5. **HISTORY:** When did the Suez Canal open to navigation?
6. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is the capital of British Columbia?
7. **AUTOMOBILES:** Which car company produces the Accord and the Civic?
8. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** The llama belongs in the same family as what other type of animal?
9. **LITERATURE:** Where was the novel "Anne of Green Gables" set?
10. **FAMOUS QUOTATIONS:** Which 19th-century American poet wrote the line, "A little madness in the spring is wholesome even for the king"?

Answers: 1. The Borden Dairy Co.; 2. Pancreas; 3. Tina Turner; 4. Japan; 5. 1869; 6. Victoria; 7. Honda; 8. Camel, also in the Camelidae family; 9. Prince Edward Island; 10. Emily Dickinson (c) 2016 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Sept. 4, 476 A.D., Romulus Augustus, the last emperor of the Western Roman Empire, is deposed by Odoacer, a German barbarian, who proclaims himself king of Italy. Although Roman rule continued in the East, it marked the end of the original Roman Empire.
- On Aug. 29, 1533, Atahualpa, the 13th and last emperor of the Incas, dies by strangulation at the hands of Francisco Pizarro's Spanish conquistadors. The execution of the last free reigning emperor ended 300 years of Inca civilization.
- On Aug. 31, 1897, Thomas Edison receives a patent for his movie camera, the Kinetograph, which used celluloid film. In 1898, Edison sued Biograph Pictures, claiming patent infringement. However, in 1902, the U.S. Court of Appeals ruled that Edison only owned rights to the sprocket system that moved perforated film through the camera.
- On Sept. 2, 1959, Henry Ford II introduces his company's newest car, the Falcon. The compact car was an overnight success. In just one day, dealers had snapped up every one of the 97,000 cars in the first production run.
- On Aug. 30, 1967, Thurgood Marshall becomes the first black American to be confirmed as a Supreme Court justice. He would serve for 24 years before retiring for health reasons, leaving a legacy of upholding the rights of the individual.
- On Sept. 3, 1982, Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak's US Festival opens in San Bernardino, California. Entertainment included The Police, The Kinks and Fleetwood Mac, along with games for the Atari Video Computer System. The Apple Macintosh was still 18 months away.
- On Sept. 1, 1998, the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 finally goes into effect. The law required that all cars and light trucks sold in the U.S. have air bags on both sides of the front seat.

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Super Crossword

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| ACROSS
1 Signal-enhancing audio equipment
9 Ukrainian port
15 Judge, during a case
20 Not digital, as a clock
21 Largest "little piggy"
22 As a result
23 Gave some merchandise an awful review?
25 Cultural values
26 Film's name, e.g.
27 Actress Wray
28 Winning tic-tac-toe line
29 Sans — (carefree)
30 Ancient Aegean region
31 Jazz band's job
32 Lowers a lady again while tangoring?
35 Yule libations
36 Election winners
37 Took a load off | 38 Alarm clocks, when going off
39 Fashions articles out of yarn incessantly?
45 Osaka cash
46 Partner of parks, briefly
47 City grid: Abbr.
48 Sac fly stat
49 "Of course, amigo!"
53 Spicy Korean cabbage
55 Data about unstimulating java?
58 Antares, e.g.
61 Edible hero
64 Roo's donkey pal
65 Never took off one's teal jumper?
71 Bushes' successors
72 D major's relative key
73 Sloop feature
74 Casual pants dug out of the earth?
78 Fly in Zambia
81 Granola bits
82 Most populous Idaho county | 83 Shar- — Jr.'s junior
86 Boise-to-Las Vegas dir.
89 Magazine devoted to razor sharpeners?
94 Weather map line
98 '80s sitcom
99 Name of 13 popes
100 Broad valley
101 Thorough way to steal someone's milk shake?
105 Hostile dog
106 Clingy wrap
107 Like wet weather
108 Bruins' Bobby
109 Lass
110 Months before Oct.
111 Make amends (for)
112 What makes thin sheets stick together?
117 Calculus pioneer Leonhard
118 Reciprocal
119 German
120 Lechers' looks
121 Get garbed | DOWN
1 Golf number
2 Evenly matched
3 Inviting to enter with a hand motion
4 Snobby sort
5 Missouri city
6 Film critic James
7 Strong java
8 Home aquarium inhabitant
9 Comply with
10 Make a hole
11 Self-love
12 Endured
13 "Ditto"
14 Fable figure
15 Saint-Saëns cello piece
16 Won back
17 Bury
18 Nissan Leaf, for one
19 Ingredients in plastics
24 Witch
30 Like pen smudges
31 Small Italian dumplings
32 Fans' shouts
33 Ordinal ending
34 Fin. neighbor
36 Bit of news
37 P.D. rank
40 Mumbai Mr.
41 Hoops Hall of Famer — Thomas
42 Poet's "before"
43 "Castle" ailer
44 By way of
49 Bully's retort
50 Twenty: Prefix
51 Houston baseball team, briefly
52 "— a Letter to My Love" (1981 drama)
53 Krispy — (doughnut shops)
54 Boiling
55 Slicer site
56 Store suffix with "two"
57 Extra charge
58 Replay mode
59 Bone of the lower leg
60 — -garde
62 Chinwags
63 "Smarter planet" co.
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68 "— then ..."
69 Canon line
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75 Stud locale
76 Hue and cry
77 Midday break
79 Bandleader Puente
80 Francis Drake's title
83 Aspirin unit
84 Santa's aide
86 Launching
87 Haile — (Rastafarian savior)
88 Site of delight
89 Workers cutting timber
90 La-la lead-in
91 "My Gal —"
92 Wail loudly
93 Kind of plug
94 Haifa locale
95 Figurine, e.g.
96 Yankee rival
97 Pennant
102 Nick of films
103 Like comics
104 Knight wear
105 GoPro, e.g.
106 Manage
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110 Comfy-cozy
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116 TV hosts |
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It's still not known who made the following sage observation: "Thousands of years ago, cats were worshipped as gods. Cats have never forgotten this."
- You probably won't be surprised to learn that 92 percent of teens say that they use social media -- the only question there is why the other 8 percent aren't using it. It is surprising, though, that, according to a recent survey, 54 percent of teens feel their teen years would be happier if social media didn't exist.
- This contentious election season is a good time to increase your vocabulary. Between now and Nov. 8, you may find ample opportunity to use the word "calumniate," which means "to maliciously make false statements about someone."
- President Lyndon B. Johnson owned four beagles while he was in the White House: Edgar, Freckles, Him and Her.
- In 2011, a Denver woman named Susan Cole went to great lengths to avoid jury duty. When she arrived at the courthouse -- with curlers, mismatched shoes and deliberately botched makeup -- she handed District Judge Anne Mansfield a sob story about domestic violence, military service and post-traumatic stress disorder. She was excused from jury duty, and if she'd been smart, that would've been the end of the matter. However, a few months later, a radio talk show's featured topic was avoiding jury duty, and Cole couldn't resist telling her story in detail. Unfortunately for her, Judge Mansfield also was listening, and Cole was charged with first-degree perjury.
- Sometimes a group of rabbits will get really excited and start to jump around wildly. When that happens, it's called a binky.

Thought for the Day: "Men rarely (if ever) managed to dream up a god superior to themselves. Most gods have the manners and morals of a spoiled child." -- Robert A. Heinlein
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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: Z equals J

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Veterans Host

By Freddy Groves

VA spends big for artwork

Consider this: \$1.2 million for a sculpture. That's how much the Department of Veterans Affairs has paid to put a chunk of rock in the courtyard of the Palo Alto Mental Health Center.

In the name of disclosure, it was actually \$482,960 for the rock itself and \$807,310 for groundwork around it. Granted, the rock was cut into squares and fitted back together, but still ... The tally for artwork spending at Palo Alto tops \$6 million at this point.

OpenTheBooks.com has investigated and determined how much the VA is spending on artwork.

Example: Quotations by Eleanor Roosevelt and Abe Lincoln, in Morse code, at-

tached to the side of the parking deck. But hey, it lights up. Cost: \$280,000.

Example: The new outpatient clinic in Anchorage snagged a glass sculpture for a mere \$100,000.

It appears that one Florida company has raked in over \$11 million over the years in various government contracts. One contract for artwork (\$55,000) was categorized as Miscellaneous Furniture and Fixtures.

Then there's the company in New Jersey with a \$3.75 million VA contract to provide a wide variety of items, including still cameras, fittings for ropes and cables ... and fur materials.

According to the OpenTheBooks.com website,

the artwork numbers are crawling up each year. A mere \$34,000 was spent in 2004. By 2010 it was up to \$1.7 million. In 2014 the expenditures had shot up to \$3.1 million. In 10 years, the tally comes to nearly \$20 million for artwork.

A show of hands: Which would you rather have, a timely appointment with decent care ... or a fancy chunk of rock outside the front door and glass doodads hanging in the lobby?

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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on August 8 at the city office. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Mayor Dobis and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said. Present: Mayor Dobis, treasurer Keerl, clerk Pierce, council members Kaiser, Crick, Baird, Sanderson and Thomas, city attorney Cook and guests. Absent: Luenberger.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Crick, to approve the minutes, with exception, to rescind and strike comments about flower pots on Main Street from the July 11 minutes. Motion carried 4-0. Abstain: 1.

Motion by Thomas, support by Crick to pay the bills in the amount of \$28,403.09. Motion carried: 5-0. Mayor Dobis shared correspondence from Casey Potts as to use of the upper harbor parking lot for a wedding reception next August, 2017. Details to be forthcoming. Mayor Dobis advised council of the update on the well monitoring contract with Golder Associates.

Mayor Dobis informed council as to the administrative and legal review of the fuel oil spill and the options available. Three options were made to council as to how to proceed. After much discussion a motion was made.

Motion by Thomas, support by Sanderson, to not pursue litigation for reimbursement due to the potential cost of said litigation. Ayes: 4 - Kaiser, Baird, Thomas, and Sanderson. Nay: 1 - Crick. Lynn VanderLinde updated council as to the progress of the historic Harrisville business district sign which is in the final draft stages of production. Lynn is asking permission to dedicate the sign on Saturday, Oct. 8 during US-23 discovery weekend. Motion by Baird, support by Crick, to dedicate business district sign on Saturday, Oct. 8. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Dobis advised council as to the millage levy for water/sewer for December (winter) taxes. The 2016 millage rate for the general fund will be 6.0032 mills. which is the maximum allowable by law. Water will be 1.5000 mills. and bond improvement will be 2.600 mills. which is the maximum allowable by law. These levies are subject to review as revenue figures become available. Council will be informed of any changes that need to be made. Motion by Sanderson, support by Crick, to accept the 2016 millage rates for the general fund, wa-

ter and bond improvement. Motion carried: 5-0.

Clerk Pierce reported that the Summer Concert Series was very successful. The budget is \$2,500. for the series, and a total of \$2,542.38 was collected through donations by the audience, the generous matching donation by the Harrisville Goodfellows and contributions by the Greenbush Chamber of Commerce, the Harrisville Lady Lions, and Judie and Paul Labadie. Many positive comments were received as to the variety and quality of entertainment this year. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped collect the weekly donations and a very special Thank You to Noreen Mendyka and her children, Mindy and Shane, who volunteered their time at every concert, seeing that popcorn and drinks were available for our guests. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to approve the 2017 concert series event. Motion carried: 5-0.

Reports: Mayor Dobis briefed on the status of the harbor project. A request from the Harbor Commission was discussed. Motion by Crick, support by Kaiser, to allow the mayor to sign a notice to proceed with Edgewater Resources. Motion carried: 5-0.

Clerk Pierce: The August 2 primary election saw 127 votes cast out of 384 registered voters.

Harbor commission: Michael Baird informed council that the harbor commission has paid the city the \$5,000 short term loan borrowed at the beginning of the boating season.

Planning commissioner Baird reports a property owner is waiting for resolution of a vacation request for property on 7th Street. Motion by Sanderson, support by Crick, to resolve city to vacate property in question. Ayes: 4 - Crick, Kaiser, Thomas, Sanderson. Abstain: 1 - Baird.

Comment card: Wayne Gauthier discussed this season's snow removal at his business.

Comment card: Mary Peterson commented on the fine job Jackie Trimmer has done with the plantings in the flower pots in the city.

Council last comments: Sanderson reported the Harrisville Business Association is hosting Customer Appreciation Days August 13-14 and the US-23 Discovery Tour will be October 8

Mayor Dobis moved meeting to be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. The next city council meeting is September 12 at 7 p.m. at city hall. Published prior to council approval.

HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The monthly Harrisville Township Board meeting was held August 9 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and eight guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." From the floor, a group inquired about the use of the hall on Wednesday night for a youth meeting. After a lengthy discussion, the board put off a decision until after a workshop meeting they will hold in two weeks.

Planning Commission Chairwoman Rebecca Stoddard updated the board on how the recreation plan was finalizing and that there was a resignation from a member. Also, she recommended two new persons to consider for positions on the planning commission. After some discussion a motion was made by Spitznagel/Young: To

accept the resignation of Connie Sysak from the planning commission. Motion carried. Jamieson/Young: To appoint Duane Dillard and Wayne Whitten to the planning commission. Motion carried. Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report given and reconciled with the clerk's office. Ordinance enforcer will issue citations if violations are not taken care of. Talked about painting the front of the hall, will look into getting bids. Schedule a workshop for Tuesday, Aug. 23 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Assessor reported a lot going on in his department and problems that arise. Young/Spitznagel: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Roger D. Jamieson
Township Clerk
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ROAD COMMISSION SYNOPSIS

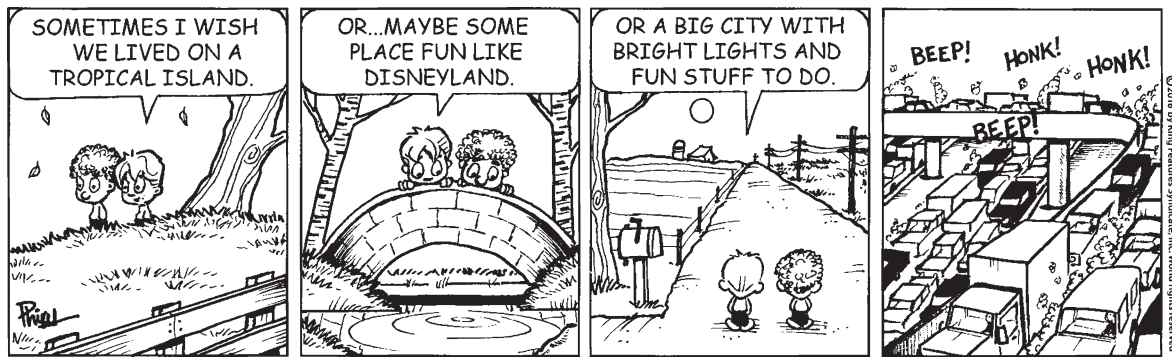
A regular meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission was held August 10 in Lincoln.

Motions were passed to: Approve the minutes of the July 13 meeting; to approve accounts paid July 27 in the amount of \$199,405.67; to pay open accounts in the amount of \$227,269.54; approve submittal of a ballot for the board of directors of the County Road Association self-insurance fund; approve road improvement agreements with Alcona Township and Caledonia

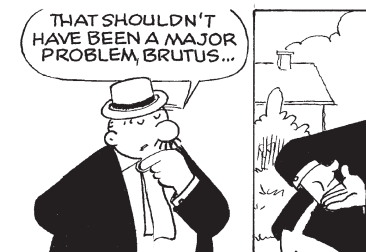
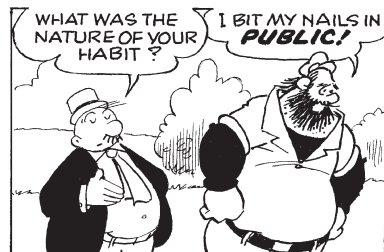
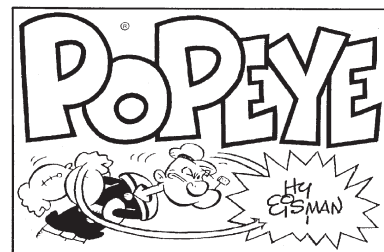
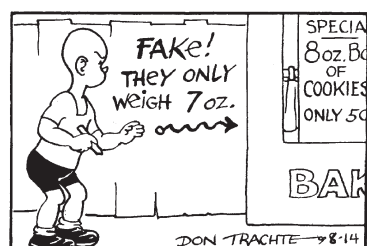
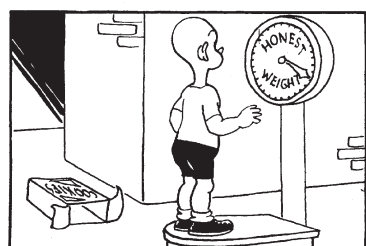
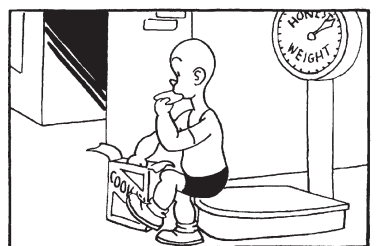
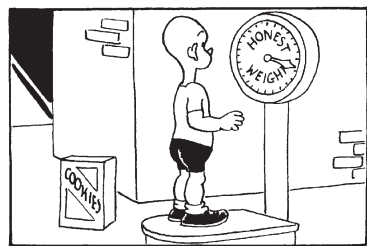
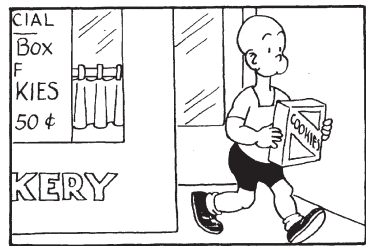
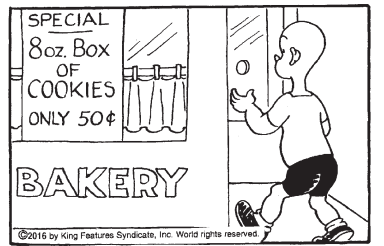
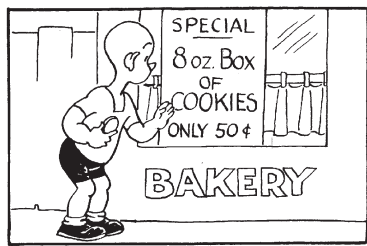
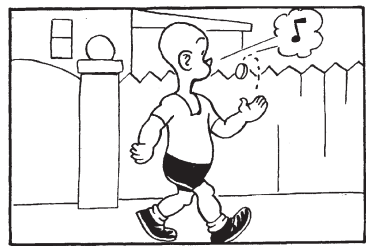
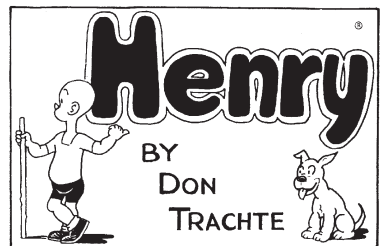
Township; to designate managing director as the voting delegate and the chairman as alternate for the Northern Association of Road Commissions annual conference; to approve the purchase of a pickup truck and a tractor/mower.

This synopsis published prior to board approval. Upon approval, complete minutes are available at alconacrc.com, by request via e-mail at roads@alconacrc.com, or by calling (989) 736-8168. The next regularly scheduled meeting is August 24 at 4 p.m. Meetings are open to the public.

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Alcona County circuit court case No. 16-2570-CH notice of judicial sale in pursuance and by virtue of judgment(s) and/or order(s) of foreclosure in the circuit court for the county of Alcona, state of Michigan, made and entered on the 21st day of June, 2016, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein CIT Bank, N.A. was the plaintiff and Helene E. Booker was the defendant.

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For more information, call (248) 642-2515.

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REUNION

Alcona High School 1970 classmates and friends (other classes included) are invited to Shotmakers in Harrisville at 3p.m.-? on August 27 for a simple social gathering. Contact Pam Idema at (989) 736-6245 or Ron Hoult at raceron1120@yahoo.com for more information.

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Position Available: Executive director. The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) is seeking an executive director to provide leadership to the board and staff in identifying and implementing strategic initiatives that expand CFNEM's capacity to serve the community. This position is specifically responsible for promoting and stimulating philanthropy in northeast Michigan; fostering a general public awareness and understanding of CFNEM; participating in and supporting the work of other community groups and agencies to advance common goals; implementing cooperative and joint efforts of local public and private organizations; and general oversight of all activities of CFNEM. Bachelor's degree required and five years of non-profit management preferred. Qualified candidates should forward a letter of introduction and resume to 100 North Ripley, Suite F, Alpena, Michigan 49707 or bfrantz@cfnem.org by no later than September 1, 2016.

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Estate of Ronald E. Beitler
 Date of birth: September 5, 1944
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Ronald E. Beitler, died July 20, 2016.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Michael R. Beitler, 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: August 12, 2016
 David H. Cook P40560
 5466 M-72
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740
 Michael R. Beitler
 874 West Faith Street
 Spruce, Mich. 48762

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 16-5630 DE

Estate of Charles Martin Rich, deceased.
 Date of birth: December 1, 1941
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Charles Martin Rich, died August 2, 2016.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Joyce Metz, personal representative, or to both the probate court at court-house, P.O. Box 328, 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.
 Date: August 9, 2016
 Robert K. Myles, P.C. P36055
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sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 24th day of August, 2016, at 10 a.m. said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Mich., Alcona County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the township of Harrisville, in the county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the county of Alcona, township of Harrisville, state of Michigan, is described as follows: Lots 8 and 9 of Birchwood Hills Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, pages 5-6, Alcona County records. Commonly known as: 1798 South Ellen Drive. Tax Parcel No.: 061-115-000-008-00, as to Lot 8 and Tax Parcel No.: 061-115-000-009-00, as to Lot 9.

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

Dated: July 27, 2016
By Foreclosing Attorneys
Attorney for Plaintiff
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S
Troy, Mich. 48084

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Said premises are situated in township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The north 1/2 of the

north 1/2 of the northwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4, Section 19, Township 28 North, Range 9 East. And part of the northwest 1/4 of southwest 1/4 Section 19, Township 28 North, Range 9 East, Described as commencing at the west 1/4 corner; thence south 328.88 feet along the west section line to the point of beginning of the parcel of land being described; thence south 55.93 feet; thence north 89 degrees east, 1315.34 feet to the 1/8 line; thence north 55.93 feet to the north line of the south 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the northwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4; thence south 89 degrees west, along said line, to the point of beginning.

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: August 10, 2016
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1302
Trott Law, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Hwy. Ste. 200
Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334-5422
File No. 463609F01
8-10, 8-17, 8-24, 8-31

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Heirs Decedent's Estate File No. 16-5630 DE

Estate of Charles Martin Rich, deceased. Date of birth: December 1, 1941.

To Bruce Rich and Lynn Rich: Notice of appointment of personal representative and admission of will to probate to Bruce Rich and Lynn Rich:

The decedent, Charles Martin Rich, who lived at 3045 Bert Street, South Branch, Mich. 48761, died August 2, 2016. Estate proceedings have been commenced with the Alcona County Probate Court located at County Building, 106 Fifth Street, P.O. Box 328, Harrisville, Mich. 48740, phone (989)724-9490. Joyce Metz has been appointed as personal representative of the estate and the Last Will and Testament of Charles Martin Rich dated January 1, 2008, has been admitted to probate.

Bruce Rich and Lynn Rich are hereby notified that they are heirs of the decedent but their addresses could not be ascertained after diligent inquiry. They are further notified that unless they contact Joyce Metz, appointed personal representative of the estate, the result of the administration may be to bar or affect their interest in the estate.

Date: August 10, 2016
Robert K. Myles, P.C. P36055
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- 12x16 Lower deck/ 8x23 Upper deck
- 1500 Sq Ft/ 3 Bedrooms, 1 1/2 Bath
- MLS# 1821348 \$199,900

ACERAGE

- 1371 & 1343 W. F-30, MIKADO
- 40 Acres, 2 Cabins, 2 car garage
- 2 Bedroom home with fireplace
- MLS# 1815203 \$98,000

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- 2642 E. MCTAGGART, MIKADO
- 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath/ Large Porch
- 1 Acre, 95 x 461 Lot
- Large living room, Eat in kitchen
- MLS# 1821291 \$22,500

DOWNTOWN

- 200 E. MAIN ST, HARRISVILLE
- 4 Bedrooms, 2 Baths/ Historic Home
- 3 Car Garage insulated
- MLS# 1813625 \$139,900

****REDUCED****

- 4160 CEDAR LAKE DR, GREENBUSH
- 100' Water frontage on Cedar Lake
- 2 Car Garage/ Wooded lot
- 3 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath/ Fireplace
- MLS# 1819839 \$139,900

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STEAL OF THE WEEK



Looking for that perfect little get away and still enjoy the quiet small town atmosphere? Located within the village limits of beautiful Lincoln this 3 bedroom 1 bath home has been well maintained. Home offers a stackable washer, dryer, stove, refrigerator, microwave, newer windows throughout. New flooring in kitchen and bath and nicely carpeted throughout the rest. New thermostat lets you monitor and control the central air and heat via an app you can install on your smart phone. A new well-pump and roof on the 2 car garage. Public access to Brownlee lake is a short walk away. A short bike ride or walk offers other amenities such as hardware, groceries, ice cream, library, pharmacy and park for kids. **\$65,000** 077-16-0110

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