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Thunder Bay International Film Festival hits the big screen in northeast Michigan

For the fifth year in a row, the Friends of Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary are bringing the world of cinema to northeast Michigan. From Friday, Jan. 20 through Sunday, Jan. 29, residents and travelers to Alpena will be treated to some of the most impressive ocean and Great Lakes films from around the world, according to film festival coordinator Stephanie Gandulla.

She explained the festival screens more than 60 films, ranging in length from one minute to feature-length. Most of the films and events are scheduled at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center in downtown Alpena, with satellite events in Harrisville and Rogers City, Mich.

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Hunter Apsey and Katie Edwards are the Winterfest king and queen. They were crowned on Friday evening during the winter homecoming basketball games against Whittemore-Prescott. Apsey is the nephew of Monica Troy and Norman Apsey. Edwards is the daughter of Angela Bevan and Adam Edwards. Photo by Ben Murphy.



State Rep. Sue Allor takes a ceremonial oath of office on the House floor from Chief Justice Stephen Markman with family members, (from left) son, Brian Allor; daughter, Lindsay Babian; husband, Pat Allor; daughter, Caitlan Mistele; and son-in-law, Bob Mistele. Courtesy photo.

Allor takes House oath of office

State Representative Sue Allor was joined by her family on Wednesday, Jan. 11 for the first session day of the Michigan House of Representatives in the 99th Michigan Legislature, which included taking ceremonial and official oaths, meeting Gov. Rick Snyder and selecting her House seat.

"This is an exciting day, as we are getting underway to continue working to make Michigan better for all the people," said Allor, (R-Wolverine). "I'm looking forward to helping the residents of northern Michigan and the 106th House District. I encourage everyone to contact me with any issues, concerns or thoughts they have about our state or region."

Allor's Lansing office can be called at (517) 373-0833; by email at SueAllor@house.mi.gov; or mailing S-1485 House Office Building, P.O. Box 30014, Lansing, Mich. 48909.

She is assisted by office staff members Jesse Osmer and Paul Chatfield.

Osmer, who was a state rep candidate early in the 2016 election, grew up in Alpena County and is a 2001 Alpena High School graduate. Previously, he worked as deputy district director for U.S. Rep. Dan Benishek.

Chatfield is from Petoskey, Mich. and has lived in northern Michigan all his life. He completed most of his college education at Olivet Nazarene University, and graduated from Liberty University.

"I am certain we have a great team to serve the people of the 106th District with Jesse, Paul and myself ready to get to work," Allor said. "By working together with local residents, I'm sure we'll see real results we can be proud of."

Sixteen young ladies compete in Miss Sunrise Side competition

The Miss Sunrise Side Competition will be held on Saturday, Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. at Alcona High School in Lincoln. There are nine young

ladies competing for the title of Miss Sunrise Side and seven contestants vying for the title of Miss Sunrise Side Outstanding Teen.

Organizers of the event are impressed with the caliber of this year's contestants. "We are very pleased with the number of intelligent, ambitious and talented young women who have entered the competition," said Ann Kramer, executive director. "With the number of outstanding contestants, it will be a challenging task for the judges to choose the next Miss Sunrise Side and Miss Sunrise Side Outstanding Teen."

Contestants will compete in five phases of competition, including interview, talent, on stage question, evening wear and swimwear.

The winner of the Miss Sunrise Side Competition will be awarded \$1,000 in scholarship funds towards her college or graduate school education. In addition, she will receive a full year tuition free (two semesters, fall and winter 2017-2018) scholarship to Alpena Community College.

Another \$700 will be awarded to preliminary competition winners, runners-up and special award winners, such as talent.

The following contestants will be competing for the Miss Sunrise Side title:

- Jennifer Whipple is the

daughter of Tera and Robert Gould of Davison, Mich. and Bruce Whipple of Grand Blanc, Mich.

- Morgan Stewart is the daughter of Pat Stewart of Harrisville and the late Wesley Stewart.

- Emily Hansen is the daughter of Jessica Hansen-Ludwiczak of Alpena and Christopher Ewing of Ozark, Mo.

- Elizabeth Weiland is the daughter of Aimee Smith and Eric Weiland of Hillman, Mich.

- Ashley Flowers is the daughter of Susan and Rick Flowers of Oscoda.

- Kendra Rocha is the daughter of Colleen Rocha of Howell, Mich.

- Nicole Miller is the daughter of Michael and Lori Miller of Palmyra, Mich.

- Kayla Pingel is the daughter of Peggy and Karl Zinser of Farmington, Mich.

- Elizabeth Mulka is the daughter of Mitchell and Angela Mulka of Posen, Mich.

Contestants for Miss Sunrise Side Outstanding Teen:

- Elizabeth Wirth is the daughter of Kim Kaus Wirth and Robert Wirth of Ida, Mich.

- Hallie Ludwiczak is the daughter of Sara Richardson and Ryan Ludwiczak of Alpena.

- Alarie Hubert is the

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Obituary

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,
Russia hacked into our election to aid the candidate they preferred, Trump.

Trump is unconcerned. But shouldn't we be?

For those of us who remember, because of political differences, Russia has always been an adversary. In movies and real life, Russians were always the villains.

Vladimir Putin has now been their leader for 16 years by murdering or jailing his opponents. He is the richest man in the world by maneuvering Russian's economy to his benefit. All he lacks to be happy is to return Russia to its former powerful status.

Trump will be his ally in this quest. Gen. Mike Flynn was a commentator on Russian radio (a propaganda tool) and knows Putin. Trump has appointed Flynn as his top security advisor.

Rex Tillerson, CEO of Exxon, previously defied U.S. sanctions on Russia to make deals with their top leaders. He now has a deal with Putin, worth billions, that is on hold until sanctions are lifted. Trump has appointed him to be secretary of state, a job that directly lets Tillerson decide about such sanctions.

Donald Trump Jr. admitted, "Russians make up a pretty disproportionate cross-

section of... our assets." Trump is in business with the Russians, "hugely."

Lastly, Trump claims that Russia will help us defeat ISIS. Has ISIS even attacked Russia, causing them concern? Maybe once -- by two guys with "axes and guns" who stormed a police checkpoint -- according to Russia's propaganda machine.

Putin is not overly concerned about ISIS. But he is interested in increasing his power, and Donald Trump owes him.

Call Sen. John McCain and tell him you support the investigation he is launching into this mess. Republicans and Democrats together need to stop Russia's interference and influence on our government -- and stop Trump from letting it happen through his appointments.

Carol Medland
Alcona Township

Norma Redmond



Norma Redmond, 91, of Chula Vista, Calif., formerly of Glennie and Detroit, Mich. died on Friday, Jan. 6, 2017.

She was born June 8, 1925, in Detroit, Mich. to James and Lillian (McLaughlan) Waters.

Mrs. Redmond retired as an administrator in the Detroit Public Schools in 1981.

She belonged and worked within the United Methodist Church (UMC) in each of the cities she lived during her lifetime including, West Boulevard UMC, Cass UMC, Glennie UMC, Port Orange UMC, New Smyrna UMC and Chula Vista UMC. Mrs. Redmond shared in her husband's (Lewis Redmond) ministry for 28 years at Cass United Methodist Church in the inner city of Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Redmond is survived by five sons, James Redmond, Paul Redmond, John Redmond, Joe Redmond, and Richard Redmond; four daughters, Sidney Boyce, Diane Redmond, Marcia Sedge-

man, and Margaret Redmond-Squires; 19 grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her son, Robert Redmond in 1976.

The funeral was held on Monday, Jan. 16 at Hale United Methodist Church in Hale.

Arrangements were made with Buresh Funeral Homes Hale Chapel.

Writing Letters to the Editor

The Alcona County Review welcomes Letters to the Editor so readers can express their opinion or draw attention to issues.

- Letters to the editor must be signed with a first and last name and include an address, also a phone number where the author can be reached for confirmation or questions during regular business hours. *Unsigned letters will not be published.*

- Letters must address the editor -- not government, the community, organizations or the authors of previously published letters.

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

- This forum is not intended as a thank you section for groups and organizations. *Thank yous are considered personal messages and therefore advertising.*

Drop off letters to the Alcona County Review office at 111 Lake Street, Harrisville; mail to P.O. Box 548, Harrisville, Mich. 48740; or e-mail using plain text format to editor@alconareview.com.

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Film screenings are complemented by social events, educational activities, and opportunities to meet filmmakers. "If you're looking for something educational and entertaining to do in January in northeast Michigan, this is it," Gandulla said.

Features of the event include films from the San Francisco International Ocean Film Festival, a long-running, global festival of ocean-themed films, largely unavailable to the general public. Social events include Sanctuary Sneak Peek at the Thunder Bay Winery in downtown Alpena on Tuesday, Jan. 26 and three evening receptions throughout film festival week.

New this year, the Thunder Bay International Film Festival is going on the road. On Friday, Jan. 20, the Alcona County Library in Harrisville will host a selection of

films, and on Wednesday, Jan. 25, Presque Isle communities will join the fun and screen films at the historic Rogers City Theater.

Each satellite event is \$5 per person and includes a reception with opportunities to discuss films. "We are excited to work with communities to make this a regional event and expand the festival to include other sanctuary cities," Gandulla said.

Topics of the film festival include Great Lakes issues, shark conservation, deep sea exploration, lighthouse history, surfing, and much more. "Whether you're looking to spend just a few hours with us, or the entire week of film festival, there really is something for everyone," said Jeff Gray, sanctuary superintendent.

"The Thunder Bay International Film Festival is not only entertaining and enlight-

ening," said Mary Beth Stutzman, president of the Alpena Area Convention & Visitors Bureau. "But it is also a critical component in our increased understanding of the planet and how we are impacting our environment."

Thunder Bay International film Festival is an annual fundraiser for Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary, which encompasses 4,300 square miles in northwestern Lake Huron.

Designated in 2000, the sanctuary exists to preserve Great Lakes maritime heritage, including a significant collection of historic shipwrecks. Through innovative, accessible educational programs and community outreach, the sanctuary strives to protect our Great Lakes for future generations.

For detailed schedule and film information visit: http://www.thunderbayfriends.org/film_fest.htm.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2015-2016

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	Jan. 8	17		4	0.00	3.4
Jan. 9	27	15	0.00	6.8	28	SW
Jan. 10	41	25	0.32	15.2	42	SSW
Jan. 11	34	25	0.18	6.9	33	WSW
Jan. 12	26	17	0.04	2.4	18	NNE
Jan. 13	21	5	0.00	1.4	13	WNW
Jan. 14	30	7	0.00	1.8	13	W
Precipitation Summary (Inches) 2016/2017 Season						
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content			
Weekly Total	0.54	5.4	0.42			
January to Date	0.76	5.7	0.84			
Year/Season to Date	0.76	23.1	0.84			

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



Calendar of Events



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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

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.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

Zumba class at 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

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

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

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

"Free Range Crafts" will meet from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Bring crafts in progress, ideas and questions to share. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Join your 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.

Anyone interested in amateur radio emergency and public service communications is invited to attend the Alcona County Amateur Radio Group meeting at 6:30 p.m. at 2600 East M-72. Free refreshments will be served. Contact Stan Darmofal at (989) 724-5550 or visit www.alconaradio.org for more info.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

Storytime and craft for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from

10:15 to 11 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Thunder Bay International Film Festival will showcase some of the most impressive ocean and Great Lakes inspired films from around the world at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 6 to 9 p.m. Admission is \$5. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Learn the basics of genealogy from 10 a.m. to noon at Robert Parks Library in Oscoda. Three videos will be shown from the series "Discovering Your Roots: An Introduction to Genealogy" by John Phillip Colletta. Free and open to the public, no registration required. Sponsored by the Huron Shores Genealogical Society.

A euchre tournament will be held at the Greenbush Township Hall. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with play starting at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Sponsored by the Greenbush Historical Society.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

Play euchre at 1 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

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

The AuSable Valley Audubon will meet at 1 p.m. at the East Tawas Community Center, 760 Newman Street. Guest speaker will be James Renn, an archaeologist with extensive experience in excavating local artifacts, including snorkeling in the AuSable River.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

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 are welcome.

The Alcona County Library Board will meet at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch.

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.

General Motors Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees of Northeast Michigan will hold their monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Ramada Inn, 1000 US-23 North in Alpena. Guest speaker will be Mark Bayliss,

general manager of the Alpena Wal-Mart store. Reservations and payment in advance. Contact Chuck Griffin at (989) 727-3350 or Don Cattleberry at (989) 354-5504.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

Zumba class at 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

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

The Greenbush Chamber of Commerce will meet at the Greenbush Township Hall on Campbell Street. Refreshments at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Reservations required. Call Donna Roddy at (989) 739-2159 or Maggie Krause at (989) 724-5203. Guest speaker will be Denise Bearre from the Alcona County Library.

The Pine River Watershed Coalition will meet at 10 a.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall on Campbell Road in Greenbush. The public is welcome to attend.

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

Kindergarten: Unlimited openings
Grade 1: Closed
Grades 2-11: Unlimited openings
12th grade: Closed

Applications for limited seats available for second semester of the 2016-2017 school year will be accepted from January 9, 2017 to February 3, 2017. Applications received after February 3, 2017 cannot be accepted. Successful applicants will be notified of their acceptance and must be enrolled by February 3, 2017. Contact the building offices for enrollment procedures. For further information or an application, contact Alcona Community Schools, 51, N. Barlow Rd., P.O. Box 249, Lincoln, MI 48742 or call (989) 736-6212 or visit www.alconaschools.net.

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Ben Thomas (middle) shows off a check he and Dan O'Connor (right), Alcona High School principal, received from Dave Cook representing the Lincoln Lions. The check was for \$1,521 which the Lincoln Lions earned through a special poker fundraising night for the sole purpose of giving it to Thomas and the school as part of Thomas's make a difference project last year to bring music back to Alcona Community Schools. To date Thomas' campaign has earned \$12,000 to help pay for instruments for students who cannot afford to purchase them. Photo by Mary Weber.

Local Notes

Allor Holds Coffee Hours

State Rep. Sue Allor, (R-Wolverine) has scheduled coffee hours for Monday, Jan. 23 to begin monthly face-to-face meetings with residents in Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Presque Isle and Iosco counties. "I am looking forward to meeting one-on-one with individuals who would like to discuss issues or concerns they may have with state government, or just to have them take the opportunity to stop by and say 'hello' and share a cup of coffee," Allor said.

Allor's schedule for Monday, Jan. 23, is:

- Alpena - 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at Cabin Creek Coffee House, 201 N. Second Ave.
- Harrisville - 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at The Flour Garden, 105 S. State Street (US-23).
- East Tawas - 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. — Big Boy, 1222 E. US-23.

No appointment is necessary to attend the local office hours. People unable to attend the office hours can contact Allor at (517) 373-0833; by email at SueAllor@house.mi.gov; online at www.RepAllor.com; or by mailing S-1485 House Office Building, P.O. Box 30014, Lansing, Mich. 48909.

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, Jan. 23—Salisbury steak and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, and a banana.
- Tuesday, Jan. 24—Sweet and sour chicken over brown rice, Prince Charles blend, and mixed fruit.
- Wednesday, Jan. 25—Roasted pork, red bliss potato, broccoli, and pineapple.
- Thursday, Jan. 26—Baked spaghetti, carrot raisin salad, peach cobbler, and garlic toast.
- Friday, Jan. 27—Lemon pepper chicken, buttered noodles, peas and carrots, tossed salad, and mandarin oranges. (Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Senator's Office is Open

Sen. Jim Stamas' office is open and ready to meet the needs of constituents in the 36th Senate District. "As we kick off a new legislative session serving the hardworking people of the 36th District, my aim continues to be to provide you with the best service possible," said Stamas, (R-Midland). "We are here to help, and I encourage anyone who needs assistance or wants to share their viewpoint on state issues to stop by or contact me."

"In addition to keeping open an office in Lansing, my excellent staff and I are excited about continuing a regular series of office hours throughout the district and hearing directly from constituents about state and pocketbook issues."

The 36th District includes Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Gladwin, Iosco, Midland, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle counties.

For those visiting Lansing, Stamas' office is located in Room 5200 of the Connie B. Binsfeld Office Building, located at 201 Townsend St. in Lansing, across the street from the Michigan Capitol at the corner of Townsend and Allegan. Residents can contact Stamas' office toll-free at (855) 347-8036 or via email at SenJStamas@senate.michigan.gov. Residents may also visit Stamas' Senate website at www.SenatorJimStamas.com or send a letter via U.S. Mail. The mailing address is Senator Jim Stamas, P. O. Box 30036, Lansing, Mich. 48909.

United Way Grants

The United Way of Northeast Michigan (UWNM) is accepting applications for 2018 funding. Agencies/organizations must be non-profit and have a 501(c)(3) status from the IRS. Consideration will be given for funding programs of schools and governmental organizations as long as they are specific and discreet programs/projects and not covered by tax funds.

Consideration will also be given to religious organizations as long as they serve the general public and do not have religious implications of a sectarian nature. Agencies/organizations must provide human service programs/projects.

Applications can be requested by contacting United Way of Northeast Michigan at (989) 354-2221 or via email to gpstoppa@unitedway-nemi.org with the subject application. If applying for more than one program/project, a separate application for each program/project must be submitted.

Application(s) are due by 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 3, 2017. For more information contact, Germaine Stoppa, executive director of the United Way, at (989) 354-2221 or stop by the office at 701 Woodward Avenue, Alpena (the upper level of the Aplex).

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daughter of Kimberly and Brett Hubert of Bay City, Mich.

• Marissa Carson is the daughter of Darlene and Steve Carson of Highland, Mich.

• Rylie Dewely is the daughter of Tiffany Dewely of Grand Blanc, Mich.

• Mollie Rodenhouse is the daughter of Jason and Melanie Rodenhouse of Gowen, Mich.

• Emma Wright is the daughter of Jodi and Chris Wright of Otisville, Mich.

During her year of service, Miss Sunrise Side will attend parades, and functions throughout the Sunrise Side with opportunities to speak to government officials, business leaders, community groups and all types of citizens about her platform issue and encourage people to become involved in her cause. She will also be eligible to compete for the Miss Michi-

gan title in Muskegon, Mich. in June.

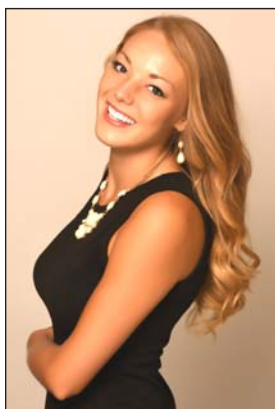
"I have truly enjoyed my year of service and am proud to have raised awareness for Dangers of Texting and Driving," said Kathleen Kramer, Miss Sunrise Side 2015. "I know that the leadership skills I have gained from this experience will help me as I continue my path towards becoming an emergency room physician. I would like to thank each and every person who opened their hearts to letting me share my story and teach new and seasoned drivers the dangers of texting while driving."

Ann Kramer explained the Miss Sunrise Side Program would not be possible without the support and sponsorship of local businesses who give graciously toward scholarship funds. "Thank you to all our sponsors and a special thank you to our VIP sponsors the Alpena Com-

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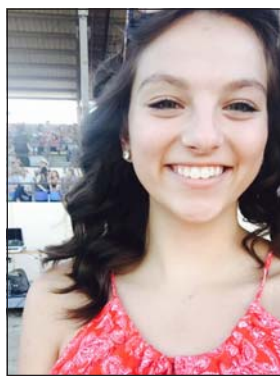
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Lady Tigers dominate W-P Cardinals

By Hope Smith
Sports Writer

The Alcona girls varsity basketball team played host to Whittemore-Prescott on Friday, Jan. 13 which gave the Lady Tigers the home court advantage.

Buckets from Taylor Livingston and Brittany Decker in the paint and Megan Grove and Rachel Warner from the perimeter pushed Alcona's lead to 21-9 by the end of the first quarter.

The battle ensued in the second quarter as both teams continued to push the ball up the court in effort to keep the score close but Alcona maintained a comfortable 32-17 lead heading into the halfway mark.

"We came right from the start and really took it to them and built a big lead.

Brittany and Taylor had a huge presence down low, both with double doubles again. We were also able to score enough from the outside to maintain balance," said coach Mark Feldhiser.

After the break the Lady Tigers kept the Lady Cardinals at bay as they tried to battle their way back into the game. Whittemore-Prescott managed to match Alcona bucket for bucket, but the score still favored the Lady Tigers 42-27 by the sound of the third quarter buzzer. In the fourth and final period,

In the last quarter, Alcona held strong while Whittemore-Prescott rallied again on offense eventually tying the score at 44. In the end, the Lady Tigers seized control of the ball to secure the hard fought 55-44 victory.

Decker led Alcona offensively with 22 points. Livingston put up 18 points, Grove added five points and Kendra LaFave delivered four points. Warner, Faith Wallenmaier and Jordan Joyce each added two points in the win.

"Whittemore-Prescott got hot in the fourth quarter and hit some shots to pull even with us, but we were able to rally back with an 11-0 run to put the game away. We had good contributions from everybody and really limited our turnovers," Feldhiser said.

Alcona played host to their North Star League (NSL) rivals the Hillman Lady Tigers on January 16 for a make-up game. The Lady Tigers will travel to Oscoda on Friday, Jan. 20 to take on another NSL competitor -- the Oscoda



Alcona's Taylor Livingston pushes the ball down the court during Friday's home win. Photo by Ben Murphy.

Alcona defense stifles W-P for Winterfest win

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

Some fresh defensive tactics led to a win for the Alcona boys varsity basketball team last Friday night. The Tigers, who have primarily run a man-to-man defense, switched things up to a 2-3 zone, helping them to a 49-41 Winterfest victory over Whittemore-Prescott.

"After just a few days of putting it in, it was huge for us," coach Toby Suttle said of the zone defense. "We really got much better defensively in this game because of it."

The Cardinals held an early 7-5 lead but a Devon Mills three-pointer put the Tigers ahead at 8-7 and the Tigers led 14-10 after the first quarter. Alcona managed to carry a seemingly healthy margin the rest of the way, leading by as much as 10 points a couple of times during the night.

"It was a good win for us," Suttle said. "This has been similar to last year, and, hopefully, we'll continue to get better as this year goes on too. I thought it was a big win for the kids, we needed a win after the Rogers City loss the week before."

Second quarter action saw Mills net another basket, this time on an offensive rebound and quick put-back at 17-12 and a put-back by Luke Loyer lifted the Tiger lead to 20-12.

The Cardinals stormed back to pull within 20-17, but a trey by Conner McCoy put the Tigers ahead 25-17, with the Tigers leading 27-20 at the half.

Antavious Mikazes kicked off the second half with points

in the paint on back-to-back trips down the court for a 31-20 lead. Mikazes picked up his fourth foul of the night after that, but still had a big impact on the game despite

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Tiger Luke Loyer goes in for two tough points during Friday's win. Photo by Ben Murphy.

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Help for seniors with bladder control problems

Dear Savvy Senior,
What are the best treatments recommended to help seniors with bladder control problems?

Leaking Linda

Dear Leaking,

Incontinence is very common in older adults. According to the Center for Disease Control, more than half of women and 30 percent of men ages 65 and older are affected by it. Fortunately, there are a wide variety of treatment options that can help, as well as a number of absorbent pads or underwear you could use for leakage protection.

Here's what you should know.

• If you leak unexpectedly (also known as stress incontinence) or sometimes have such a strong urge to urinate (urge incontinence) that you fear you won't make it to a bathroom in time, your first step is to make an appointment with your primary care doctor, or see a gynecologist, urologist, or urogynecologist.

A doctor can determine if a medication side effect or a condition like diabetes or a urinary-tract infection might be causing urine leakage. They can also set you up with a treatment plan. Depending on the reason or the type on incontinence you have, here are some common treatment options.

Non-drug therapies: There are a number of exercises, bladder training techniques and lifestyle strategies that should be the first line of treatment.

Kegel exercises (repeatedly tightening and relaxing the muscles that stop urine flow to strengthen them) are especially helpful for women with stress incontinence, or leaking when they laugh, cough, sneeze, lift heavy objects, or exercise.

Bladder training involves keeping a diary of urination and accidents, then slowly increasing the time between bathroom visits. It's most effective for those with urge incontinence.

There are also a number of lifestyle strategies that can help, such as cutting down on caffeinated and alcoholic drinks, which cause the kidneys to produce more urine. Getting sufficient fiber in your diet to keep yourself regular, because constipation can contribute to incontinence. Losing weight if appropriate, because excess weight puts pressure on the abdomen and bladder, and being overweight can also lead to Type 2 diabetes, which causes damage to the nerves that control the bladder. And if you smoke quit, because smoking leads to excess coughing which can cause urine leakage.

Medications: Several drugs are approved for urge incontinence (or overactive bladder), such as prescription mirabegron (Myrbetriq), oxybutynin (Ditropan XL and generic), solifenacin (Vesicare), and tolterodine (Detrol and generic).

While drug treatments are effective for many people, you also need to know that more



Savvy Senior

than half of those who take incontinence drugs stop within six months because of side effects including constipation, drowsiness, dry mouth, blurry vision, and dizziness.

Injections of Botox into the bladder muscle are also approved for this condition and may reduce the urge to urinate. This is usually prescribed to people only if other first line medications haven't been successful.

Medications should only be considered for those who continue to have bothersome symptoms despite having tried lifestyle changes and therapy exercises.

Electrical stimulation: Mild

electric shocks to nerves in the lower back or the pelvic area can stimulate and strengthen muscles that are involved in urination. This can help with both urge and stress incontinence, but it requires multiple treatments over many weeks.

Surgery: Several surgical procedures are available for stress incontinence. The most common is sling surgery, where strips of synthetic mesh are implanted to support the urethra. This surgery is very effective in most patients, but should be a last resort.

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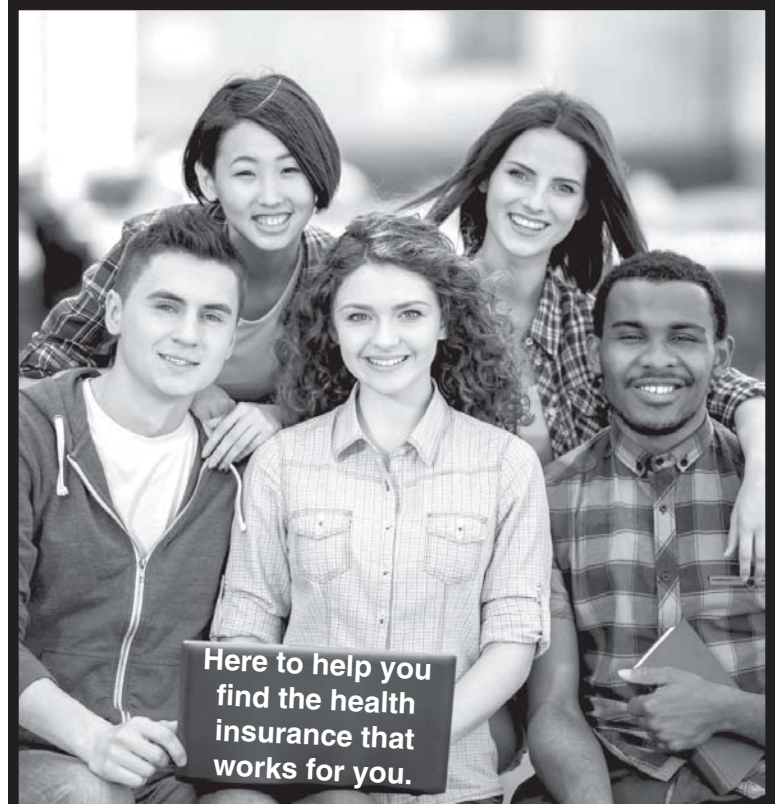
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Senior Winterfest court (from left) Mckenzie LaFave, Jake Gallagher, Katy Edwards, Cory Hoffman, Burghan Williams, Hunter Apsey, Taylor Sobect, Riley Somers, Brittany Decker, and Zack Faszczewski. Photo by Mary Weber.



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Winterfest Underclassman Court (from left) juniors, Kameesha Fuqua and Ying Zhang; freshmen, Annabelle Rowe and Kurt Niemetta; and sophomores, Abby Franklin and Antavius Mikazes. Photo by Mary Weber.

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having to sit out much of the third and fourth quarters. "Antavius was a bright spot offensively for us, he is just so much fun to coach," Suttle said. "He's been great, he's had 16 points the last three

games and he's only been playing about half the games due to foul trouble. He's really been coming along." A pair of three's by W-P leading scorer Azaiyah Bell trimmed Alcona's lead to 34-30 and 36-33 late in the third quarter, but a lay-up by Loyer and a free throw by Jordan Steiner gave some more cushion for the Tigers, giving them a 39-33 entering the fourth.

In the opening moments of the final frame, Alex Stephenson sliced his way through the middle of the paint and flipped the ball in the hoop for a 41-33 margin and a 16-footer from the left baseline by McCoy put the lead to 44-35.

After that, Steiner split a pair of free throws to make it a 10-point lead with just over five minutes left to play in the contest.

The Cardinals whittled the Tiger lead to 45-39 with two minutes left to play, but a pair of free throws by Steiner and another close-range bucket by Mikazes put it back to 10 at 49-39 with just 40 seconds left to play.

W-P added two harmless free throws with just seconds left to play, making the final 49-41.

Leading the way for the Tigers on offense was Mikazes with 16 points. Steiner added 11 points, McCoy and Mills were both good for eight. Loyer netted four points, Stephenson scored two and Damion Stewart added one.

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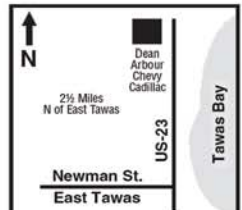
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"Obviously, plows cannot be everywhere at once, so a priority routing system has been developed with the roads with the highest traffic vol-

umes and problematic areas getting the highest priority," Campbell said.

He explained that this means US-23, a state highway carrying traffic through Alcona County and connecting with larger commercial areas and population centers both north and south, gets the very highest priority. US-23 is followed by M-72 and M-65, which are also state trunklines and carry large numbers of vehicles.

Next in line are the major county roads. Top priority is given to F-41, which spans the county from north to south, followed by F-30, which connects the county east and west. Spruce Road

carrying traffic to US-23 from the Spruce and Hubbard Lake areas and Hubbard Lake Road carrying traffic north of M-72 to Spruce Road are also given a higher priority because of the traffic volumes.

Early attention is also given to a steep grade on Bamfield Road west of Glennie. Once M-65 is plowed, because the truck servicing M-65 carries salt, which effectively melts snow and ice to create a bare surface, the driver from that route heads west on Bamfield Road to treat the hill just east of the AuSable River with salt helping to reduce the hazards this steep incline has been known to cause motorists.

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The hills on Mt. Maria Road west of Hubbard Lake Road and on Hill Street off Mt. Maria Road, serving the residents on the western side of

and the southern shore area of Hubbard Lake, respectively, are given priority because of the challenge the steep grades pose for motorists.

He explained that, in general, plow trucks are called to duty on county routes whenever there is four or more inches of snow. Additionally, plow trucks will be called to action when conditions are deemed hazardous due to weather conditions.

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Lady Tigers bowling team takes on Bobcats, Braves

The Alcona girls varsity bowling team competed in a double header on Saturday, Jan. 14. The first match was against John Glenn Bobcats at Monitor Lanes in Bay City, Mich. The Lady Tigers split the Baker games however, the Bobcats came out on top with a total of 356 to the Tigers 299. In the game event the Bobcats swept both games with a total of 1,677 to the Tigers 1,312. Final scoring: John Glenn 24 - Alcona 6. High game for the Bobcats went to Sally Pudvan with a 209 and the high for Alcona went to Courtney Jones with a 169.

In the second match the Lady Tigers took on the Tawas Braves at Bay Lanes in Bay City, Mich. The Braves swept both Baker games with a total of 260 to the Tigers 236 and split the team event with the Braves coming out on top with a total of 1,393 to the Tigers 1,303. Final scoring: Tawas 21 - Alcona 9. High game for Tawas went to Gretchen Fanslau with a 180 and the high for Alcona went to Katherine Edwards and Raegen Eller with a 169.

The next game for the Lady Tigers will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21 at Hi Skore Lanes in West Branch against the Whittemore-Prescott Cardinals.

(Submitted by Lynn Gibson, girls varsity bowling coach.)

Winter

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roads getting taken care of first. This means roads with low-traffic volumes, especially if a storm is heavy or lengthy, may not see service until the second or third day following a storm, according to Campbell.

Questions or concerns about snow plow routing or winter road maintenance issues, should be directed to the Alcona County Road Commission at 301 N. Lake Street, P.O. Box 40, Lincoln, Mich. 48742, by phone at (989) 736-8168 or by email at roads@alconacrc.com.

Aerial property photos available to public

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

The plotter, a machine used for printing large geographic information system (GIS) and Google Earth maps, is up and running at the county building and businesses and residents of Alcona County can purchase large scale aerial map photos.

The plotter was purchased for county use several years ago, and was housed in the building department. Over the years, however, its usage dwindled as no one was sure how to use the programs to run it.

Information technology director, John Hartley, was tasked with the job of making use of the plotter. He worked with Neco Tucker at Northeast Michigan County of Governments (NEMCOG) who performed the groundwork of

constructing shape files with property sites which were done by aerial photographs in 2006.

"The fly-overs were done leaf-off the trees so it shows a lot of the property detail. Google Earth photos are mostly leaf-on photos. The printed pieces available are 42 inches wide by however long a person needs them, within reason," Hartley said. Tucker emailed the mapping data to Hartley who put it into a program the county already used.

Pricing for the printed map photo are available at the county website, AlconaCounty.org by clicking on the right box of the home screen where it shows Alcona GIS Cost Schedule. Prices run from \$5 to \$108 and up, depending on what is needed and whether a black and white or color print is desired.

Hartley said any Alcona County resident can have their property lines printed in large scale. The photo maps are also used by assessors and real estate agents to give people a better idea of how a property is situated.

He explained the mapping photos are a generalized idea of where the property lines are but, if property owners want to know exactly where their property line is, they will need to get a survey.

Alcona County Commissioner Kathy Vichunas said the plotter wasn't being utilized and is hopeful this will kick-start a little funding to upgrade it in the future which would make it even easier for county employees, property owners, assessors and interested businesses to get necessary property information easily.

For more information about printed photos inside Alcona County, contact the Equalization department at (989) 724-9430.



Clean Those Feeders

Hey! How are those feeders? Growing sprouts? Moldy seed? Birds won't go near them? It may be time to give them a good cleaning with a nylon scrubbie and mild soap. Let them air dry completely, then refill. The birds will thank you for it.

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Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



The country editor

January 18, 1917 - If the publisher or the editor of the great metropolitan paper would know how the day of the country publisher is passed, let him read the following words from the Oakley (Kan.) Graphic.

"This newspaper business is a great game. Just in the midst of an obituary of a dear friend and when hot tears threaten to flow, there breaks through the office door the radiant face of the daddy of a

new boy. Tears and joy mingle in the same breath, and the giving and taking away of life are recorded on the same page.

"Before you have finished the obituary the breezy advance man for a comedy show pops in and asks you to write a scream for his Forty Fat Frolicksome Fairies and how joyous they are. Before you have done with the kind words about your departed friend the joy of the new baby

and finished the showman adv., a fellow sneaks in to ask you to suppress the story of the fight he was mixed up in. Then putting all the lace and trimmings on the bride's wedding gown, dressing the groom in conventional black and starting them off with congratulations and best wishes, you turn again to the tear side of life and write: 'But the stately ship moves on to the haven under the hill, and oh, for the touch of a

vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still.'

"Then comes a lull and the old typewriter is content to record the common place facts, knowing that just around the corner, and each awaiting his turn, stands Joy, Grief, Sorrow, Sarcasm, Wit and Laughter."

Small wonder, then, that the newspaper man brings to his business a devotion that is not found in any other walk of life. - Ex.

Apollo Concert Co. Here

January 27th

Said to be the Best Thing that Ever Came to Harrisville.


January 18, 1917 - If reports are true, it is doubtful if anything better in the musical line ever came to Harrisville, even during Chautauqua time, than the Apollo Concert Co., which appears here on Saturday evening, January 27th, as the second number of the Booster Club's entertainment course.

Not only are the newspaper notices of this company most flattering, and the assurances of the Lyceum Bureau the strongest, but high endorsement of their entertainment is reaching the committee from other sources. Only the other day a traveling man was telling Fred Yockey about an enterment he attended in a large town down in the state. He was very profuse in his praise of the "show," calling it the "best thing he had ever seen", before the conversation ended it developed that the traveling man was praising the Apollo company, and he was very much surprised to learn that a company of this class was coming to so small a town as Harrisville, and had to be "shown" before he would believe it. "Well," he said, "all I can say is that your people are due to receive a genuine treat."

Such endorsement is pleasing to the Boosters, who spared no expense to put on the very best talent obtainable for this course. In this connection, it might be said that the sale of season tickets for the course has not been as great as they hoped, in fact it is far below what it ought to be, and unless there is a large patronage of the remaining attractions they are bound to go down in their pockets to make up a deficit. The success or failure of this course will be a deciding factor in the question of putting on another entertainment course next winter. It is not too late yet for those who feel disposed to help out in this matter, for at \$1.50 for a season ticket the buyer would still get full value for his money, and at the same time help a worthy cause.


The admission price for the Apollo Company is 35¢; reserved seats, 50¢ and children 25¢. Holders of season tickets are, of course, entitled to reserved seat privileges. Seats will be on sale all next week at Kahn & Co.'s store.



See the last page of this paper for a picture of the company and a description of the remarkable instruments which they employ on the stage.



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Alcona Review Weather Report

Jan. 18, 2017

Seven Day Forecast

WEDNESDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 37 Low: 29

THURSDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 38 Low: 29

FRIDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 39 Low: 33

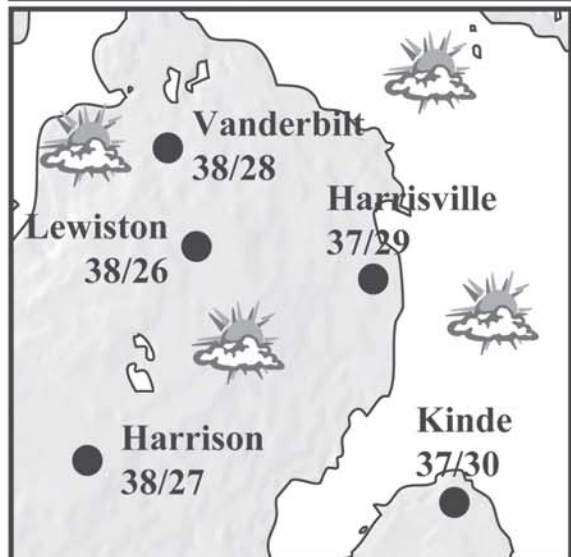
SATURDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 40 Low: 33

SUNDAY
Cloudy
High: 41 Low: 32

MONDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 39 Low: 28

TUESDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 35 Low: 21

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 37°, humidity of 70%. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 52° set in 1973. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 29°. The record low for tonight is -18° set in 1976. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 38°.

*Last Week's Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	25	15	26/10	0.00"
Tuesday	43	24	26/10	0.52"
Wednesday	35	23	26/10	0.24"
Thursday	24	17	26/10	0.25"
Friday	19	-5	26/10	0.00"
Saturday	30	-2	26/9	0.00"
Sunday	32	3	26/9	0.00"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Last	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	First
1/19	Wednesday	8:03 a.m.	5:23 p.m.	No Rise	11:30 a.m.	2/3
	Thursday	8:03 a.m.	5:25 p.m.	12:23 a.m.	11:57 a.m.	
	Friday	8:02 a.m.	5:26 p.m.	1:22 a.m.	12:26 p.m.	
	Saturday	8:01 a.m.	5:27 p.m.	2:20 a.m.	12:56 p.m.	
	Sunday	8:00 a.m.	5:29 p.m.	3:17 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	Full
1/27	Monday	7:59 a.m.	5:30 p.m.	4:13 a.m.	2:08 p.m.	2/10
	Tuesday	7:59 a.m.	5:32 p.m.	5:08 a.m.	2:51 p.m.	

Local UV Index

0-2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+

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 partly cloudy to cloudy skies with scattered rain and snow today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 66° in Patuxent River, Md. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today, scattered showers and thunderstorms Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 82° in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. The Northwest will see scattered rain and snow today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 55° in North Bend, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today, scattered rain Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 73° in Yuma, Ariz.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	6:30 a.m.	3:30 p.m.
Venus	10:06 a.m.	n/a
Mars	10:25 a.m.	10:05 p.m.
Jupiter	12:34 a.m.	11:39 a.m.
Saturn	5:42 a.m.	2:40 p.m.
Uranus	11:24 a.m.	12:33 a.m.

Weather History

Jan. 18, 1987 - A storm in the south central United States blanketed Oklahoma City with eight inches of snow, their highest total since 1948. Snowfall totals in Oklahoma reached up to 13 inches at Gage, with drifts five feet high.

Weather Trivia

Which type of thunderstorm is considered to be most dangerous?

Answer: Supercell

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Rock on, Orion!

The winter constellations are all ablaze during the next two months, and foremost on the list of any frosty evening is the Winter Group with its premier pattern, Orion the Hunter, nearly due south at 9 p.m. Most recognizable are his three bright belt stars in a close, straight, upward tilt: Mintaka (upper right), Alnilam (center), and Alnitak. In South America, they are called the Three Marys, but in reality, they are part of an association of very hot, young, super luminous stars that were born at the same time and live in the same stellar neighborhood. Above and to the belt's left is Betelgeuse, a red supergiant, the brightest star of its type in the sky, just about ready to go supernova. Its rival is Antares of Scorpius, a summer constellation. When Betelgeuse detonates, between now and perhaps a million years into the future, its brilliance will rival that of a gibbous moon, but seen as a pinpoint of light in the sky. To Betelgeuse's right is Bellatrix, another young, hot blue star, only 250 light years from the sun and recently born into the rich mix of gas and dust that populates the Orion region of space. Below Bellatrix is Rigel, the brightest blue supergiant star in the heavens. Rigel, at 860 light years distant, shines with a luminosity of 85,000 suns, and is the size of Mercury's orbit. Like most of the stars that compose the outline of the hunter, Rigel will probably go supernova in the next several million years. Left of Rigel is Saiph, another stellar powerhouse 720 light years distant, and radiating some 65,000 times the energy of the sun. While being dazzled by the bright stars of Orion's torso, do not forget to view his sword hanging below the belt stars. All three components are clusters of stars by themselves, but the most famous, the fuzzy "star" at the sword's center is the Orion Nebula. It represents the location of the youngest active region of stellar birth in the galaxy. Binoculars will easily show its nebular characteristics. Rock on, Orion! www.astronomy.org

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **MOVIES:** What animated movie featured "The Siamese Cat Song"?
2. **TELEVISION:** In the 1960s sitcom "Family Affair," what was the name of Buffy's doll?
3. **GEOGRAPHY:** Ardennes Forest in Belgium was the site of what major World War II battle?
4. **HISTORY:** What leading figure in America's Revolutionary War took the pseudonym "Poor Richard" in his earlier writing?
5. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the more common name for the flower whose scientific name is papaver somniferum?
6. **BUSINESS:** How long did the New Coke formula last after it was introduced in 1985?
7. **LITERATURE:** What mystery writer created the character of Kay Scarpetta, medical examiner?
8. **ASTRONOMY:** Where is the Lowell Observatory located?
9. **FOOD & DRINK:** What grated cheese is named for the capital of Italy?
10. **LANGUAGE:** What is a more common name for an apiarist?

Answers: 1. "Lady and the Tramp" 2. Mrs. Beasley 3. Battle of the Bulge 4. Benjamin Franklin 5. The opium poppy; 6. Less than three months; 7. Patricia Cornwell; 8. Flagstaff, Ariz.; 9. Romano; 10. Beekeeper (c) 2017 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Feb. 5, 1777, Georgia becomes the first state to abolish the inheritance practices of primogeniture and entail. Primogeniture ensured that the eldest son inherited the largest portion of his father's property. Entail guaranteed that an estate remain in the hands of only one male heir.
 - On Feb. 1, 1790, the Supreme Court of the United States meets for the first time, with Chief Justice John Jay of New York presiding. The Constitution granted the Supreme Court ultimate jurisdiction over all laws.
 - On Jan. 30, 1835, in the House chamber of the U.S. Capitol, President Andrew Jackson survives the first attempted assassination of a U.S. president. A man fired two pistols at Jackson at close range, but incredibly, both failed to discharge.
 - On Feb. 4, 1961, "The Misfits," starring Marilyn Monroe, Clark Gable and Montgomery Clift, is released. The film about four rootless losers trying to survive in the modern-day West was largely ignored until Gable and Monroe both died shortly after its release.
 - On Jan. 31, 1971, Apollo 14 is successfully launched from Cape Canaveral, Florida, on a manned mission to the moon. After suffering some initial problems in docking, astronauts Alan B. Shepard Jr. and Edgar D. Mitchell made the third U.S. moon landing on Feb. 5.
 - On Feb. 2, 1996, dancer, actor and choreographer Gene Kelly dies at age 83. Kelly graduated with a degree in economics during the Great Depression, but with finance jobs scarce, he got his start by working at a dancing school partly owned by his mother.
 - On Feb. 3, 2002, the New England Patriots stun the heavily favored St. Louis Rams, 20-17, for their first Super Bowl victory. Pats' kicker Adam Vinatieri made the winning 48-yard field goal as the clock expired.
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Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Ditz types</p> <p>9 Stains, as with blood</p> <p>16 Yearn (for)</p> <p>20 Hellish</p> <p>21 Powder from chili peppers</p> <p>22 Drive- —</p> <p>23 Meat-curing company?</p> <p>25 Look as though</p> <p>26 "— Fideles" (Yule carol)</p> <p>27 Inning divisions</p> <p>29 Form of jazz</p> <p>30 R&B singer with the 1965 hit "Hold What You've Got"</p> <p>33 Last time you'll ever pull into a garage?</p> <p>39 Gerund ending</p> <p>40 Angry music genre</p> <p>43 Placed (down)</p> <p>44 Tasting rich and sweet</p> <p>45 Messenger bringing news to cows?</p> <p>50 See 13-Down</p> | <p>51 "It's the end of —!"</p> <p>52 Lance of the O.J. trial</p> <p>53 Real bargain</p> <p>55 Observe</p> <p>58 "Let's hear it"</p> <p>60 Ger.'s home</p> <p>62 Stephen of "Citizen X"</p> <p>64 Craft of video games</p> <p>65 "The Catcher in the Rye" author's tune penner?</p> <p>71 Old crone</p> <p>74 Lav in a pub</p> <p>75 Build — (make one's home)</p> <p>76 Geller of psychic acts</p> <p>77 Lamb suckler</p> <p>78 Obsolete provider of stability?</p> <p>83 Slangy suffix with buck</p> <p>84 Vehicle-towing org.</p> <p>85 Cong. member</p> <p>86 Looked hard</p> <p>90 Turf again</p> <p>92 Division of Islam</p> <p>96 Trunk bone</p> <p>98 Very brief time</p> <p>99 Movable kayak fin</p> | <p>101 "You already know the answer is 'team spirit,' right?"</p> <p>104 Large arboreal snake</p> <p>107 Russian city</p> <p>108 Co. suit</p> <p>109 Paver's goo</p> <p>110 Shoes worn in the Sahara?</p> <p>113 In recent days</p> <p>116 "My life" book</p> <p>117 Eight, in German</p> <p>118 Practically</p> <p>121 Edison's middle name</p> <p>123 Piece from "The Domestic Oratorio"?</p> <p>131 NY Met, e.g.</p> <p>132 Came</p> <p>133 #1 Bruce Springsteen album of 1980</p> <p>134 Emmy winner</p> <p>135 Not unfeeling</p> <p>136 Blood vessel to the heart</p> | <p>2 — fix (stuck)</p> <p>3 Eagles' org.</p> <p>4 Insinuate</p> <p>5 Groom's counterpart</p> <p>6 Added on</p> <p>7 Dogs' jinglers</p> <p>8 ATM feature</p> <p>9 Cold dessert</p> <p>10 Scratch, e.g.</p> <p>11 Off — mile</p> <p>12 On Social Sec., say</p> <p>13 With 50-Across, workers' advocates, for short</p> <p>14 Sufficient</p> <p>15 Summoned</p> <p>16 "— true!"</p> <p>17 Nickname of Boston's locale</p> <p>18 Louisiana cuisine style</p> <p>19 Like camels</p> <p>24 Liveliness</p> <p>28 Bone-to-muscle joiner</p> <p>30 Holy war</p> <p>31 Bridge bid, briefly</p> <p>32 White heron</p> <p>34 Styled after</p> <p>35 Some vermin</p> <p>36 Chanteuse Eartha</p> <p>37 Sit in neutral</p> <p>38 Language for a Sherpa</p> <p>41 Me, to Gigi</p> | <p>42 Many a time</p> <p>46 Warlike god</p> <p>47 Refrain syllables</p> <p>48 Puma</p> <p>49 Be worthy of</p> <p>54 Boost</p> <p>56 Flight staff</p> <p>57 Tortoise rival</p> <p>59 Novelist Mario Vargas —</p> <p>61 Casino city</p> <p>63 "That's —!" (film-set cry)</p> <p>66 Greek I's</p> <p>67 Sleep cycle part</p> <p>68 Old fast fliers, briefly</p> <p>69 People who aren't you</p> <p>70 Meet, as the challenge</p> <p>71 I-beam relative</p> <p>72 River in Switzerland</p> <p>73 Gives short shrift to</p> <p>79 "Well, — here!"</p> <p>80 Man-goat god</p> <p>81 Computer of the 1940s</p> <p>82 N. Mex., before 1912</p> <p>87 Calf catcher</p> <p>88 Showiness</p> <p>89 Plow maker</p> | <p>91 "Smash" star</p> <p>Messing</p> <p>93 A noble gas</p> <p>94 Egghead</p> <p>95 Brain gain</p> <p>97 "Farewell!"</p> <p>100 Entrapments in lies, e.g.</p> <p>102 In bad health</p> <p>103 Small aquatic rail</p> <p>104 Financial co. for which the Boston Celtics' arena is named</p> <p>105 Comic Charles Nelson —</p> <p>106 On dry land</p> <p>111 Done to — (well-cooked)</p> <p>112 NBC fixture since '75</p> <p>114 Plant life</p> <p>115 Tune's text</p> <p>119 1999 Ron Howard film</p> <p>120 Feel sore</p> <p>122 Noted coach Parseghian</p> <p>124 Family gal</p> <p>125 A Gabor</p> <p>126 Riled, with "up"</p> <p>127 Keats poem</p> <p>128 A Gardner</p> <p>129 O.T. book</p> <p>130 Pitching stat</p> |
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was American philosopher George Santayana who made the following sage observation: "Language is like money, without which specific relative values may well exist and be felt, but cannot be reduced to a common denominator."
- If you're like me, you find it hard to resist a good book, and their abundant availability presents a problem: Good books are being published faster than they can be read. This leads to an extensive TBR (to-be-read) list, much of which is stacked on the bedside tables of readers the world over. (The introduction of ebooks has only worsened the problem; now the books stack up with no visual reminder of how many there are.) I don't have a solution, but it may help to know that the Japanese have a word to describe this behavior. "Tsunodoku" means "the acquiring of reading materials followed by letting them pile up and subsequently never reading them."
- Polar bears can grow to be massive, weighing more than 2,000 pounds as adults. However, when they're born, polar bear cubs weigh no more than a pound.
- In January of 1914, the Ford Motor Company doubled workers' wages, to \$5 per day, stating, "We want those who have helped us to produce this great institution and are helping to maintain it to share our prosperity." Describing this unprecedented move, The Wall Street Journal opined "[Ford has] committed economic blunders, if not crimes." Confounding critics' expectations, Ford doubled its profits within two years.
- Religious scholars know that they'll find no mention of peanuts, cashews, pecans or macadamias in the Bible; the only nuts mentioned in that book are almonds and pistachios.

Thought for the Day: "The walls of books around him, dense with the past, formed a kind of insulation against the present world and its disasters." -- Ross Macdonald
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assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of sixty thousand two hundred eleven and 32/100 dollars (\$60,211.32). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on February 1, 2017.

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on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of four hundred ninety-nine thousand one hundred fifty and 42/100 dollars (\$499,150.42).

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Said premises are situated in township of Caledonia, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 8 and 9, Jennison Park Subdivision and Lots 36 and 37, Jennison Park Subdivision No. 1, Sec 14; T28N, R7E, recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, pages 39 and 71 respectively, Alcona County records.

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State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Publication of Notice of Hearing

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To all interested persons: Take notice: A hearing will be held on January 19, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at courthouse, Harrisville, Mich. before Judge Laura A. Frawley P39644 for the following purpose: Final name change hearing.

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HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly meeting was held January 10 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Newly elected trustee, Steve Healy, was appointed to chair the meeting in the absence of Supervisor Stone. He led the four board members and three guests in the "Pledge of Allegiance."

From the floor a representative from EMC gave a detailed plan of his company's insurance coverage for townships. Will share with the supervisor when he returns. County commissioner and ordinance enforcer gave their reports. Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report given and reconciled with the clerk's office. Discussed Michigan Township Association's meeting, workshops and conference and who would be attending. Young/Harvey: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m. Published prior to board approval.
Roger D. Jamieson
Clerk

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Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2016

Balance as of November 30, 2016	\$281,106.17
Revenue	\$ 46.28
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Disbursements:	
DDA Consultant	\$ 2,000.00
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ALCONA TWP. SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township's January board meeting was called to order with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: MacNeill, LaLonde, Gauthier, Mead, and Bouchard. Motions to approve minutes; financial report and bills as presented; to pay C&S Dust control for Woodland Road; to appoint Flora Yingling to the planning commission; to accept hall rental agreement as written; to amend current budget pertaining to the fire department new equipment line item; to draw up loan agreement between township and fire department for purchase of new trucks; to approve tri-township master plan draft for distribution; to sign agreement with Spicer Group for grant writing assistance; and to pay Skip Brown for snow removal in Scotts Sub. All motions passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval.

Dawn LaLonde
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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on January 9 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; and council members, Crick, Kaiser, Luenberger, Baird, Thomas, and Sanderson; attorney Cook; and guests. Motion by Kaiser, support by Luenberger, to approve the minutes of December 12, 2016. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Crick, support by Thomas, to pay the bills in the amount of \$20,738.94. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Dobis informed council about correspondence from the county concerning Oak Wilt Disease and the county's response to the problem. Motion by Crick, support by Baird, to confirm David Cook as city attorney. Motion carried 6-0. Oaths of office were administered to Alderman Ward I, Karen Sanderson; Alderman Ward II, James Kaiser; Alderman Ward III, Michael Baird; by attorney David Cook. Mayor Dobis, treasurer Keerl and clerk Pierce were sworn in at an earlier date. Motion by Baird, support by Sanderson, to set city council meeting times, at city hall, as the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Sanderson, support by Thomas, to appoint Joan Crick as mayor pro tem. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Crick, support by Baird, to appoint Marjory French as deputy clerk for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Luenberger, to appoint Sharon O'Callaghan as deputy treasurer for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Crick, support by Thomas, to appoint Jim Kaiser as street and sidewalk administrator for 2017. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Luenberger, support by Kaiser, to reconfirm clerk as city census administrator for 2017. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Crick, support by Baird, to confirm Karen Sanderson as chamber of commerce representative for 2017. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Crick, to confirm Jim Kaiser as FEMA representative for 2017. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Luenberger, support by Baird, to confirm Tom Keerl as web site coordinator for 2017. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger, to confirm appointments of Phil Stheiner, Ernie Andree and Mike Crick, to the tax board of review for the term ending December 31, 2017. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Crick, support by Baird, to appoint Terence Boucher and Mickey Higgins to the airport commission for the term ending December 31, 2019. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Crick, support by Luenberger, to appoint Dean Pierce to the tree board for term ending December 31, 2019.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Sanderson, to appoint Paul Dwyer and Michael Baird to the zoning board of appeals for term ending December 31, 2019.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Kaiser, to give clerk approval to advertise for the following vacancies to be filled: Plan-

ning Commission - one vacancy; board of appeals - one alternate vacancy; board of review - one alternate vacancy. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Sanderson, support by Crick, to reconfirm and accept the investment policy of 2016 as presented by the treasurer for 2017 using the following banks: Huron Community Bank, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, Northland Area Federal Credit Union, First Federal of Northern Michigan, and Chemical Bank. Motion carried: 6-0.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Crick, to accept Resolution No. 2017-1: Resolved whereas, the City of Harrisville periodically applies to the Michigan Department of Transportation, to construct, operate, use and/or maintain utilities or other facilities, or to conduct other activities, on, over, and under state highway right of way at various locations within and adjacent to its corporate limits, valid from January 1 through December 31 of the year the permit is issued for (2017). Motion carried: 6-0. Ayes: Crick, Luenberger, Kaiser, Baird, Thomas, Sanderson. Nays: Zero.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Crick, for approval for clerk to submit the MDOT Application for use of M-72 and US-23 for annual activities use permit for 2017. Motion carried 6-0.

Planning commission member Baird reported to council on additional signage amendments to the city zoning ordinance. Motion by Crick, support by Sanderson, to amend zoning ordinance with addition of signage appendix. Motion carried: 6-0.

Reports: Clerk Pierce reported the summer concert dates have been set for July 5, 12, 19, 26 and August 2. Voting, as determined by city council members, for the most festive holiday lighting in the city this season, with a Consumers Energy \$50 credit certificate to the winner, goes to: Beverly Johnson Owens of Fifth Street. Congratulations.

Harbor Commissioner Baird shared that the harbor commission has met with Edgewater Resources concerning the upcoming dock project and that phases I and II have been approved by the state. This is a \$2.4 million project which the city has met its cost share with in-kind funds.

Planning commissioner Baird reported that the next Planning Commission meeting will be in February and will receive input from the state concerning the Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) Program. County Commissioner Johnston updated council on county activities.

Comment cards: Wayne Gauthier shared with council needed updates to the Clark lift station and well houses. Council last comments: Alderman requested 2017 salaries for elected officials. Yearly: Mayor-\$10,708.80; treasurer-\$17,416.44; clerk-\$17,416.44; city council-\$75 per meeting.

Next City Council meeting February 13 at 7 p.m. Mayor Dobis moved meeting to be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.
 Published prior to council approval.

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP MINUTES

Greenbush Township Supervisor Lee Major opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance" on Tuesday, Jan. 10 at 7:05 p.m. at the township hall. Roll call was taken. Present: Supervisor Major, clerk D. Dailey, treasurer P. Dailey and trustee Parent. Absent: Trustee Sally Olin. Agenda: Motion D. Dailey/P. Dailey: To approve the agenda as written. All ayes, motion carried. Motion: D. Dailey/P. Dailey: To approve the minutes as written. All ayes, motion carried. No public comments.

Financial report: Treasurer P. Dailey: \$87,047.91 general fund; \$240,224.56 road fund; \$63,045.43 fire fund; \$34,664.44 Prince Drive; \$481.85 Kowalski Memorial Fund. Reported on revenues taken in; tax collection is going well; meeting on January 24 with the county on the new BS&A software. Motion D. Dailey/Parent: To approve the financial report and place on file for audit. All ayes, motion carried.

Presentation of bills: D. Dailey -- Payroll checks number 16814-16837 \$8,856.99; bills checks number 16838-16856 \$16,025.90 plus the E24 check \$1,135.98. Motion P. Dailey/Parent: To approve the bills as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Miscellaneous reports: Oscoda Wurtsmith Airport Authority -- D. Dailey was not able to attend, Carolyn Brummund reported Kevin Boyat was appointed chairman. County commissioner Brummund reported on the new county board assignments; more will be reported at February meeting. Meetings are first and third Wednesday at 10 a.m.; ambulance fees have been adjusted; county wide clean up on May 30, 2017; Spring Expo on first Saturday of May; Recycle on the second Saturday in May. Fire chief Franks: Two fire calls; six first responder calls; received a \$2,500 DNR grant for new backpacks and boots. Zoning and ordinance administrator Sutton:

Two permits; two complaints opened; two pending; 10 closed. Hall rental none. Assessor Schwickert ordered envelopes, requested stamps before postage goes up, one tribunal for January 20 was adjourned. GRAC closed.

Planning commission: Swanson -- resident was at meeting to express concerns about the new Verizon tower that is to go up in our township. Gary Kellan was present to show the approach pattern and height to assure the tower will not be a problem. Resident has also contacted the FCC, much discussion. Questioned date of publication for ordinance 3.8(11) changes.

Correspondence: Supervisor Major -- MTA meeting March 9, letter concerning hall rental. D. Dailey -- MTA meeting for February, northeast Michigan name and contact update information needed.

Pending business: Motion P. Dailey/D. Dailey: To approve resolution 2017.001 to appoint D. Dailey to be the township of Greenbush representative for the Oscoda Wurtsmith Airport Authority board. All ayes, resolution adopted. Motion D. Dailey/P. Dailey: To remove Sarah Travis as deputy clerk for the PNC and Huron Community bank accounts. All ayes, motion carried. Motion P. Dailey/Parent: To change Shannon Story from township clerk to deputy clerk on the PNC and Huron Community Bank accounts. All ayes, motion carried. Motion Parent/P. Dailey: To add D. Dailey as township clerk to the PNC and Huron Community Bank accounts. All ayes, motion carried.

New business: Motion D. Dailey/P. Dailey: To accept Charles L. Major's resignation from the township of Greenbush fire department. All ayes, motion carried. Some discussion. Motion D. Dailey/P. Dailey: To reinstate Charles L. Major to his former position on the township of Greenbush fire department along with his duties as supervisor. All ayes, motion carried. Set date for annual bud-

get workshop, February 17 at 5:30 p.m. Discuss township policies and practices; supervisor Major discussed the possible need for updated hall rental agreement and board policies, he would like to present new information to the board soon. Discuss drain issue in Timberlakes Subdivision -- clerk Dailey received information from the road commission that needs some research done on the split of costs and will report back next meeting.

Resolution for street lighting -- board decided to table the resolution until the lights listed were checked and reported if they are in working order or in place anymore, some discussion to add wording to the resolution to make sure complaints are taken care of in a timely manner.

Public comment: Commissioner questioned if letter had been received from the historical society and Cedar Lake Association, Supervisor Major replied yes -- need to have a representative for Cedar Lake Improvement Board, meetings do not start until April/May. Commissioner also thanked the Greenbush Fire Department first responders for such professionalism, kindness and consideration of a family matter. Lighting and maintenance issues at the township hall were discussed.

Many complaints about back roads in the winter and sand is not helping -- Cedar Lake road is not even plowed some of the times, fire department added to discussion that they are concerned about getting the fire truck to possible calls with the way our roads have been so far this season.

Motion P. Dailey/Parent: To adjourn at 8:20 p.m. All ayes, motion carried. David W. Dailey Clerk

Note: Published prior to board approval. Next regular meeting Tuesday, Feb. 14 at the Greenbush Township Hall.

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

Caledonia Township Board met January 11. Members present: Hubbard, Scott, Thornton, Swinson and Kerry. Also present Beck, zoning administrator, and two citizens.

Motions: To approve the agenda; December 2016 minutes; pay bills and place treasurer's report on file, per audit, were made. Correspondence: MTA workshops and PIE&G update roster.

The planning commission met January 9; voted in officers for 2017 -- chairman, Vichunas; vice chairman, Williams; secretary, Grove. Planning commission is preparing 2017 budget, bylaws adopted with revisions. Motion to have the Tri-Township master plan for approval for distribution on township website and library. Zoning administrator had four liquor inspections, one land use. Tower on Hickey Hill to start in June, working to get power to property.

Safe deposit box: Motion to add treasurer, deputy treasurer and clerk to signature card, and supervisor and clerk to the annuity card. Changed Frontier billing cycle to avoid late fees. Consumers Energy will be put on a budget plan to avoid late fees. Motion to have Klarich appointed to planning commission. Spruce window project was informed it's unlawful for the township to donate money or administer and assume liability for private grants.

Township budget workshop is February 14 at 5:30 p.m. Motion to have the clerk attend QVF workshop in February. Motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. All motions were passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next regular meeting February 8. Planning commission meets February 6.

Kerry Scott
 Clerk

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