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Many participants enjoy the 4th Annual Alcona Safety Day held last Saturday at Alcona Elementary. Children and parents learned about safety from many organizations.

(Above) Larrissa Potts, 4, of Harrisville meets Michigan State Police Community Service Trooper Ashley Simpson from the Alcona post during safety day. She is accompanied by her mom, Raleigh Potts and brother, Brayden Potts, 5.

The event was sponsored by Alcona Health Center Tiger Extension, in collaboration with Child Abuse Neglect Prevention Alcona County (CANPAC),



Syrus Rauhauser, 4, of Lincoln gets experience and training on being a firefighter with Robert Janes of the Alcona Township Fire Department. Photos by Mary Weber.

Sentencing date set in school threat case

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Bond has been amended and a sentencing date has been set in the case of the school threat which transpired at the Alcona High School in March.

Alyssia R. Hancock, 18, of Spruce has been released from the Alcona County Jail on a \$50,000 personal recognition bond. She will be sentenced in 23rd Circuit Court on Tuesday, May 22 with a plea agreement.

Hancock was charged with false report or threat of ter-

rorism, a felony, and malicious destruction of a building, a misdemeanor, after a handwritten threat "to shoot the school up" was written on a restroom stall in the girls bathroom and found at approximately 2:50 p.m. Monday, March 26. The original bond was set at \$750,000 cash, surety, 10 percent.

Hancock pleaded guilty to the felony on April 18. The charge of malicious destruction of a building will be dismissed at sentencing according to the plea agreement.

Hancock was a junior at Alcona High School when the threat was written.

After meeting twice in closed session, the Alcona Community Schools Board of Education, voted 6-0, with one abstention, "to expel the student responsible for the threat," according to Dan O'Connor, superintendent.

He explained the board met in closed session because it was a disciplinary discussion regarding a student and did not release the name of the student in an open meeting.

The board reached its decision after "considering the required seven factors of discipline in compliance of state law," O'Connor said.

He explained that, "before suspending or expelling a pupil under section 1310, 1311(1), 1311(2), or 1311a, the board of a school district or intermediate school district or board of directors of a public school academy, or a superintendent, school principal, or other designee under section 1311(1), shall consider each of the following factors:

- The pupil's age.
- The pupil's disciplinary history.
- Whether the pupil is a student with a disability.
- The seriousness of the violation or behavior committed by the pupil.
- Whether the violation or behavior committed by the pupil threatened the safety of any pupil or staff member.
- Whether restorative practices will be used to address the violation or behavior committed by the pupil.
- Whether a lesser intervention would properly address the violation or behavior committed by the pupil.

More counselors needed in Michigan schools

By Casey Hull
Capital News Service

Michigan schools are experiencing increased threats of violence in the months following the school shooting in Parkland, Florida, when 19 students were killed.

The number of threats or acts of violence in schools is three times higher across the nation since February, according to the Educators School Safety Network, a non-profit that tracks media reports of violence. It regularly reports Michigan as being in the top 10 in the nation for such incidents.

Two shootings have occurred at Michigan schools since 2016.

In northern Michigan, police have investigated three potential threats at Traverse City West High School and

one at Petoskey High School since mid-February.

Two cases concerned friends who responded to a threat made by a classmate. None of the instances was found to be a credible threat of violence.

"I don't think the hypersensitivity to threats is a bad thing right now," said Doug Pratt, director of public affairs for the Michigan Education Association, the state's largest union of teachers and other school staff. "At the root cause of this are students who really need help," Pratt said. "We need to be able to provide the holistic education for a kid, and that includes taking care of their mental well-being."

In 2015, the Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District developed a crisis re-

sponse team of two social workers and nine psychologists to address the needs that its school often face.

"The crisis team offers training for all the local school districts and academies," said Carol Greilick, the district's assistant superintendent of special education. "Trauma and crisis are in the eyes of the beholder," Greilick said. "It may be a relatively simple thing, such as a student losing a family member, or it could be a school district losing a student or teacher."

In response to the sudden death of a teacher last year, the crisis team provided assistance. "The team worked with administrators in both districts to plan a response," Greilick said. "They set up counseling rooms, planned the script for informing stu-

dents and worked step by step through the response anticipating student needs, family needs and staff needs."

Addressing student concerns is more difficult with less staff, said Tamara Kolodziej, a guidance counselor at Petoskey High School.

The average ratio for K-12 schools in the United States is 482 students per counselor. In Michigan, which has seen a 25 percent decrease in school counselors since 2005, the ratio is 729 students for each counselor.

In response to concerns about school safety and student welfare, the Senate is considering a bill that would allocate an additional \$50 million towards hiring more guidance counselors, social

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Memorial

Phillip Sautter

There will be a memorial gathering for Phillip Sautter on Saturday, May 5 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Haynes Township Hall. He died on November 29, 2017.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,
Thank you Alcona County Road Commission for doing a good job brushing the ditch lines. The views at intersections are so much safer in Gustin Township.

Muriel Goddard
Gustin Township
Supervisor
Harrisville

To the Editor,
I have lived in Alcona County - Barton City for 49 years and have never seen our roads plowed so sloppy. It was stated the trucks have to go slow to keep from tearing up the shoulders, et cetera. Well, the guy who plowed Barton City plowed all roads here in the middle (one lane); and was flying and throwing big snowballs of ice and snow in our driveways and blocked mailboxes.

This driver needs to think with his head not his foot. It could be your parent or grandparent who has to clean the mailbox right-of-way or need an ambulance that can't get in. The people who have to be inconvenienced are mailperson, paper, propane delivery and ambulance.

Come on county workers have some consideration. Don't just drive - think!

Daisy Bradley
Barton City

Obituaries

Roselyn J. Krentz

Roselyn J. Krentz, 82, of Hubbard Lake, died on Friday, April 20, 2018 at home.

She was born August 26, 1935 to William and Ella (Krist) Hiske in Detroit, Mich. She was raised in Hubbard Lake, and has been a lifelong resident of the area.

On July 11, 1953, she married Pete Krentz in Wolf Creek, Mich.

Mrs. Krentz was a member of Hope Lutheran Church in Hubbard Lake, and spent Mondays quilting with the ladies there.

She enjoyed sewing and birdwatching. She loved gardening, tending to her flowers and vegetables.

Mrs. Krentz is survived by her husband, Pete; one daughter, Kristi Martin of Hubbard Lake; one son, Keith (Justine) Krentz of Hubbard Lake; five grandchildren, Kimberly Martin, Carly Martin, Cody (Miranda) Martin, Luke Krentz and Olivia Krentz; one sister, Carol Krentz; and one brother, Dennis Hiske.

She was preceded in death by one son-in-law, Jim Martin; one brother, William Hiske; and one brother-in-law, Al Krentz.

A memorial service was held Monday, April 23 at Hope Lutheran Church in Hubbard Lake. The Rev. Randy Conley officiated. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorial donations may be made to the Hubbard Lake Fire Department.

Paul A. Larson

Paul Aaron Larson 73, of Port Huron, Mich., formerly of Barton City, died on Sunday, March 11, 2018, at home.

He was born in Alpena, on January 22, 1945, to Carl and Mabel (Armstrong) Larson. He grew up in Hubbard Lake and had attended Alcona Community Schools.

He married Joan Ulch on June 30, 1964 in Spruce. She preceded him in death in 1999.

Mr. Larson worked in heavy repair for General Motors in Flint, Mich. for 32 years until he retired in 1995. He was a member of Union Local No. 598.

He married Beatrice Ward on August 22, 1987, next to Mill Creek at Yale City Park in Yale Mich.

Mr. Larson lived in Barton City for 30 years before moving to Port Huron, Mich. in 2017.

He loved campfires and enjoyed deer hunting and being in the woods.

Mr. Larson is survived by his wife, Beatrice; three daughters, Paula (John) Peters of Petoskey, Mich., Sandra Clark of Port Huron, Mich. and Tamera (Bill) Steinhaus of Port Huron, Mich.; one son, Todd (Sue) Larson of Livonia, Mich.; nine grandchildren, Robert Sugden, Mark Hawley, Anthony Larson, Sarah Hawley, Thomas John Shingler, Christian Larson, Alexis Clark, Melody Clark and Haley Clark; three great-grandchildren, Carly Janusch, Evelyn Sugden and Jason Shingler; one sister, Mary Pender of Spruce; and many nieces, and nephews.

He is preceded in death by one brother, Eric Larson.

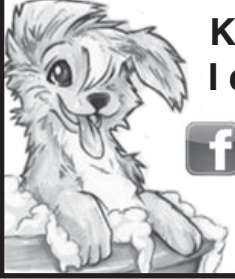
A graveside service will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 19 at Spruce Lutheran Cemetery in Spruce. A luncheon will follow from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Barton City Eagles hall in Barton City.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2018

Weekly Report

Miles Per Hour

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	High	Low				
April 15	32	26	0.80	23.7	40	ENE
April 16	36	25	0.39	5.3	21	ENE
April 17	37	24	0.04	3.0	19	NW
April 18	37	30	0.00	4.0	22	NNE
April 19	45	29	0.00	5.7	26	N
April 20	40	27	0.00	4.2	15	NNE
April 21	47	28	0.00	12.0	12	NNE

Precipitation Summary (Inches) for 2017-2018 Season

	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	1.23	5.9	0.56
April to Date	3.14	23.1	1.59
Year/Season to Date	7.32	66.3	6.83

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

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. Call (989) 727-3606 for details.

Little Lambs story and play time for children ages one to five and their caregivers will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 301 Church Street in Lincoln. Call (989) 724-6027 for details.

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

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 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 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch.

My Brother's Hope Free Store will be accepting dona-

tions 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, APRIL 26

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. First meeting is free, handicap accessible. For more information, call (989) 464-3526.

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.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

Little Lambs story and play time for children ages one to five and their caregivers, will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 301 Church Street in Lincoln. Call (989) 724-6027 for details.

Money Week Storytime and Craft at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 10:15 a.m. Children learn fun money-saving basics with a

representative from Huron Community Bank. Free book and gift. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

Alcona GospelFest will be held at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street. Practice with the ecumenical choir from noon to 5 p.m. A dinner prepared by the church will be served from 4:30 to 6:15 p.m. Community concert at 6:30 p.m. Donations accepted. A registration form and information for singers are available at inspirationalcona.org or call (989) 724-7902.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

My Brother's Hope Free Store 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.

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

The Langsford Men's Chorus will perform a concert at Trinity Episcopal Church in Alpena at 3 p.m. Enjoy a number of classical and contemporary selections, spirituals, folk songs, show tunes, and other pieces sure to stir the soul and spirit. For more information, visit, <http://langsfordmenschorus.org>.

TUESDAY, MAY 1

Play euchre at 12:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2

Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will hold their membership meeting at 11 a.m. at the Ramada Inn on North US-23 in Alpena. Lunch will be served at noon, cost is \$7.

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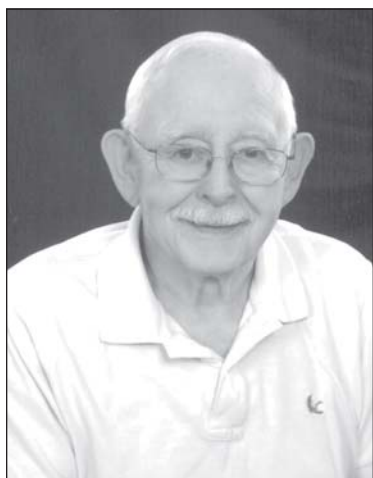
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Obituaries

Charles G. McLaughlin



Charles G. McLaughlin, 82, of Harrisville died on Friday, April 20, 2018 at home.

He was born August 20, 1935 to Charles E. and Eileen A. (Schell) McLaughlin in Clawson, Mich. He was raised in Detroit, Mich. and Berkely, Mich.

He served in the U.S. Navy.

He was a member of the Local 25 Heat and Frost Insulators.

On June 18, 1976, he married Clairellen Collom in Royal Oak. They were residents of Royal Oak, Mich. and Rochester Hills, Mich. before moving to Harrisville.

Mr. McLaughlin was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oscoda, and a former member of the Harrisville Lions Club.

He was active with the Alcona Humane Society and designed its shelter building. He enjoyed cooking and was an avid woodworker.

Mr. McLaughlin is survived by his wife Clairellen; three daughters, Kathleen (Fred Degasperin) McLaughlin of Warren Mich., Patricia Madding of Lapeer, Mich. and Karen Wendland of Grand Rapids, Mich.; two sons, David (Rose) McLaughlin of Ray Township, Mich. and Mark McLaughlin of Royal Oak, Mich.; three step-sons, John (Cindy) Carrico of Ellicott City, Md., Timothy (Valerie) Carrico of Stratham

N.H., Kevin Carrico of Royal Oak, Mich.; and one step-daughter, Laura (Rob Zaloga) Carrico of Sylvan Lake, Mich.; 22 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and his loyal companions, Daisy and Pumpkin.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Richard Dennis McLaughlin in 2013.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, May 5 at 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oscoda. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. Father Charles Donajkowski will officiate. Burial will be in Mt. Joy Cemetery in Haynes Township later in the spring.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorial donations may be made to the Alcona Humane Society or to Hospice of Michigan.

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 Practice starts at noon. Sign up at
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From 4:15 to 6:15, the church will serve
 a Soup and Sandwich dinner, with
 donations benefitting the church.

Presented by **Inspiration Alcona** with support from the
 Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.
 Donations accepted at the concert to offset costs.



Local Notes



Senior Menu

The following meals will be served during the week at 4 p.m. in Glennie at Lott Baptist Church; at 4:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center; and at 4:30 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall. No reservations are required at the Lincoln Senior Center, however call (989) 736-8879 by 7 a.m. for meals served in Glennie or Greenbush. No membership is required. Suggested donation of \$3 per meal is welcome.

- Monday, April 30—Chicken and stuffing casserole, winter blend, tossed salad, and mixed fruit.

- Tuesday, May 1—Roasted pork, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, applesauce, and corn bread.

- Wednesday, May 2—Fish almondine, buttered rotini, raspberry applesauce Jell-O, and pears.

- Thursday, May 3—Taco salad, baby carrots and dip, mandarin oranges, cake and ice cream.

- Friday, May 4—Smothered chicken, rice pilaf, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, and mixed fruit. (*Friday meals served in Lincoln only.*)

IRS Telephone Scam

The Michigan State Police Alpena Post would like to warn residents about an IRS scam that has surfaced again. According to MSP commu-

nity service trooper Ashley Simpson, the IRS will never attempt to call anyone to collect any back taxes owed. The fraudulent caller tries to make residents believe they have unpaid taxes. If the resident buys into the story of owed money for back taxes, the fraudulent caller advises the problem must be taken care of immediately or an agent will be at their home to arrest them.

"This IRS scam has been tried in northern Michigan time and time again. In the past, some people have fallen for it and lost thousands of dollars," Simpson said. "The callers are convincing and seem as if it is a real agent on the phone as they provide information that can be found on tax forms. The fraudulent caller will make it seem like they are reading it from your file, when they are really making up the information on the spot. If the IRS is trying to get ahold of you in regard to your taxes, they will do so by mail or in person."

She explained that many times the fraudulent IRS caller will tell the resident they owe a large sum of money and advise they need it immediately. Most times, the sum is so large the resident will not have access to that much and they tell the fraudulent caller this. The fraudulent caller will then negotiate an amount that will keep the resident from being arrested. When an amount is agreed on, the fraudulent caller will often request the payment in the form of gift cards.

According to Simpson, there is little the Michigan State Police Post in Alpena can do because, usually, the scammers are overseas or possibly out of state. She said the best thing residents can do is to report the scammers to the IRS at (800) 366-4484 or www.treasury.gov/tigta/contact_report_scam.shtml or complete a search of IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting. For additional informa-

tion, contact Simpson, at the Alpena Post at (989) 354-4101.

On Stage

The Shoreline Players will be opening the comedy "Wedding Belle" this weekend. "Wedding Belles" is the story of four garden-club ladies who meet a young girl who has come to their little Texas town to marry an infantryman before he ships off for World War II. The women impulsively decide to throw the girl an elaborate wedding, and their lives and friendships are thrown into turmoil as they race to accomplish the nuptials in one frenzied afternoon.

Cast in this Southern comedy that highlights the humor and tensions of lifelong friendships are veteran performers Renee Diener, Tina Wells and Leslea Witter. Joining them is a newcomer to the Shoreline stage, Teresa Nelson. Also, in the cast is Angelee Nelson and Alyssa Ratajczak, who are members of the Shoreline Players Youth Drama Association. Cameo appearances are made by Ashton Miller and Aaron Nelson. Eric Joseph is the stage manager. The Shoreline production is directed by Diane Teddy, working assistant director Renee Diener and is produced by Sue Miller.

The performance dates for Wedding Belles will be April 28, 29 and May 4, 5 and 6. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7 p.m. and Sunday matinees are at 2 p.m. General admission tickets will be available Gilbert's Drug Store in Oscoda and the theater box office for \$10. Student tickets are \$5 at the box office only.

The Shoreline Players Theater is located at 6000 N. Skeel Ave. in Oscoda, on the former Wurtsmith Air Force Base. For more information on this production or any upcoming Shoreline events you can go to www.shorelineplayers.org or call (989) 739-3586.



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Alcona softball will gain experience during season

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity softball team has a pretty even mix of youth and experience this spring. The Lady Tigers, who are off to an 0-2 start after losses to New Lothrop on April 13, have six team members with varsity experience and seven getting their first crack at the varsity game.

"We have a young team with lots of room to grow this year," head coach Chelsea Neuenfeldt said. "Everyone is working well together and willing to put in the time and effort to build skills in multiple positions. The attitude is very positive and it is a joy to work with this group of girls. They want to see just what they are capable of and willing to put forth the effort."

Returning from last year's team that finished .500 are seniors Abby Lobaugh (first base), Taylor Livingston (center field, pitcher), Lori Hayes (right field) and juniors Hailee Gordy (shortstop, catcher), Raegen Eller (pitcher, left field, second) and Cassidy Clemens (second base, third base, pitcher).

"Eller, Gordy and Livingston have all been strong so far," Neuenfeldt said. "Watching them as team players from previous years and in other sports together they are what you hope to see in team captains."

New to the team is junior Brianna Fogle and freshmen Rachel Hayes (right field), Ashlyn Gordy (left field, catcher), Olivia Krentz (second base, third base), Makala Mendyka (second base, third base), Ashlyn Abend (second base, right field) and Anna Loyer (shortstop, second base).

"This year the girls really wanted to focus on both personal and team goals," Neuenfeldt said. "They have started to build strong relationships that will be key to working together to continue to improve our skills. I have seen nothing but positivity out of this team so far and look forward to them growing together."

The Lady Tigers were scheduled to play at AuGres on Monday, play at Whittemore-Prescott on Thursday, April 26 and host Oscoda on Monday, April 30.

"We have been focusing a lot on position play, and overall techniques of a good team/player," Neuenfeldt said. "Some of the team goals are breaking a few of the school individual records and a strong positive the bond. We have always had a tough conference with Hillman and Rogers City at the top. It will be a good year for our team being so young to see what is out there and improve in areas and grow together."

Snyder/Clemens plan wedding

Charity Beth Snyder and Lyle Victor Clemens announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Garold and Velma Snyder of Mikado. She graduated from Oscoda High School in 1997. She is employed by Lincoln Haven Nursing Home.

The future groom is the son of Duane and Bonnie Stewart of Harrisville. He graduated from Alcona High School in 1999. He is employed by DD Farms.

A July 14, 2018 wedding is planned in Harrisville.



Charity Snyder and Lyle Clemens

Counselors

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workers and armed resource officers.

"Here at Petoskey we have two counselors for a thousand students," Kolodziej said. "We're lucky because they're going to be hiring another counselor next year. We've been down to two counselors for the last seven years."

Guidance counselors are responsible for "data maintenance, scheduling classes, transcripts, communicating with parents and staff — it's a lot for two people," she said. "Our biggest job is organizing testing," said Kolodziej.

Those obligations mean that counselors get less face time with students. "We each generally see 10 to 12 students in our office a day," Kolodziej said.

Kolodziej emphasized the difference between a guidance counselor and a licensed therapist.

Petoskey High School has a licensed therapist practicing on site. Therapy isn't free but having one on site provides easier access for students seeking mental health services.

Addressing student mental health needs will take adjustments on the part of schools. "We need to arm educators with smaller class sizes, more counselors and better security measures," the MEA's Pratt said.

Students are well aware that the potential for violence exists, Pratt said. "Even at a young age, you have elementary schools going through lockdown drills."

Teachers and counsellors are not the only ones who should be responsible for students' welfare, he said. The whole school system is responsible. "A classroom teacher's job is to help every student learn the material," Pratt said.

"We can't ask educators to do everything," Pratt said. "They need to be able to assess the situations, but they also need the resources to follow up."

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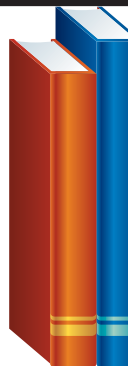
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Myrick memorial walk/run to raise money for scholarships

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

This June a young super hero mom, who once walked among the residents of Alcona County, will be remembered with a 5K (3.1 miles) walk/run. Donations earned from the event will go to sponsor two scholarships.

The Rosemary Myrick Memorial 5K Fun Run will be held on June 30.

Rosemary was a 2004 graduate from Alcona High School who loved running track, playing soccer and volleyball. In 2002, she helped her high school relay team take first place in the 800-meter relay at the Michigan High School Athletic Association Division 4 state finals.

After graduation, Rosemary put herself through college. She attended Ferris State University, then Northern Michigan University and Baker College, where she graduated with a degree in criminal justice. She was employed at Turning Point Youth Center in St. Johns, Mich., as a youth service worker.

According to Maria Minch, who was Rosemary's friend, Rosemary gave birth to a daughter, Adeline Plonsky, in 2015. Adeline was born at 26 weeks gestation. She was a micro-preemie weighing just one pound, 12 ounces at birth.

Rosemary spent months beside her daughter's crib at the neonatal intensive care unit at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing, Mich. Since the hospital was not close to where Rosemary lived, she often stayed at the Ronald McDonald House which offers free refuge to parents of seriously ill children in nearby hospitals.

Just 16 months after her daughter was born, Rosemary, who was 30, was killed in an automobile accident.



Rosemary Myrick, an athlete and graduate of Alcona High School, smiles with her daughter, Adeline Plonsky. Just a short time after this photo was taken in 2015, Myrick was killed in an automobile accident. *Courtesy photo.*

"She was my best friend. She grew up close to my house at the corner of Church and Lake in Harrisville. I know how much pain I have from losing Rosie. I see her family struggle with even more pain. Obviously, I can't take away their pain, but if I can create an event, for even a few hours, where they can have enjoyment in her memory, then that's worth everything to me," Minch said.

Minch is hoping to raise \$5,000 in donations which, after costs for the event are paid, will provide two \$2,000 scholarships. One will go to Rosemary's daughter, Adeline. The other will go to a college bound athlete from Alcona High School. Minch said if there are any funds left over they will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Lansing, Mich.

Remembering her friend's

zeal for life, Minch has many activities planned for the event, including a pancake lunch served by Chris Cakes of Clare, Mich.

Chris Cakes has been featured on the Food Network and has been recognized twice in the Guinness Book of World Records for the number of pancakes produced in a short time. "Chris Cakes adds humor in with serving its all-you-can-eat tasty cakes by adding some really fancy pancake flipping and flying. It's a lot of fun and people really enjoy it," Minch said. She explained sausage will also be served with the meal but will be limited to one or two links per registrant. There will also be lots of Tang to drink, which adds to the fun.

The walk/run will offer something for the whole family, from serious runners competing in an officially timed event to grandparents who want to take a stroll or parents pushing strollers. There is no additional cost for young children accompanying participants, however, only one meal ticket comes with each paid participant.

Minch hopes the entire community will participate either by walking, running, watching, eating or volunteering. "The walk/run will start at the Harrisville Harbor and go through the state park. It's a pretty walk. We have an 80-year-old registered for the walk, if an 80-year-old can do this, anybody can," Minch said.

The event kicks off at 10 a.m. with a kids' mile fun run for ages 5-13 at a cost of \$15 which includes a meal ticket, T-shirt and a participation award.

The 5K walk/run begins at 10:30 a.m. Registration online before April 30 is \$25, after May 1 the price goes to \$30. Price includes a meal ticket and T-shirt.

Lunch tickets, for those not wishing to participate in the walk, are available for \$7 prior to the event. According



Adeline Plonsky, now three years old. *Courtesy photo.*

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SENIOR LIFESTYLES

How to find great volunteer vacations

Dear Savvy Senior,
My husband and I are approaching retirement and are interested in learning more about volunteer vacations. Can you give us some information on this travel option, and refer us to some good organizations that offer these types of trips.

Love to Travel

Dear Love,

If you're looking to do more on your next vacation than relax in the sun or go sightseeing, volunteer vacations – also known as voluntourism – which combine travel and volunteer work, are a great alternative and a growing trend among retirees.

There are many organizations today that offer short-term volunteer vacation projects in the U.S. and abroad, lasting anywhere from a few days to a few weeks.

Common program themes include teaching English, working with children and teenagers, building and repairing homes and schools, and assisting with commu-

nity or environmental projects.

In addition, volunteer vacations also give travelers the opportunity to experience the culture more fully and connect with the local people – much different than your run-of-the-mill sightseeing vacation.

Most volunteer vacation groups accept singles, couples and families and you don't need to speak a foreign language. Costs usually range from around \$1,000 to \$3,000 per week, not including transportation to the country your site is in. Fees typically cover pre-trip orientation information, room and board, on-site training, ground transportation once you get there, the services of a project leader, and a contribution to the local community that covers material and services related to the project. And, if the organization running your trip is a nonprofit, the cost of your trip, including airfare, is probably tax-deductible.

While there are many organizations that offer volunteer

vacations, here are some good ones that attract a lot of retirees.

- **Global Volunteers (GlobalVolunteers.org):** A pioneer in global travel, this group tackles hunger, poverty and educational needs. It offers a variety of one, two and three-week service programs in 17 countries, including the U.S.

- **Earthwatch Institute (Earthwatch.org):** With an emphasis in environmental conservation and research, they offer dozens of one and two-week expeditions in countries all over the world.

- **Cross-Cultural Solutions (CrossCulturalSolutions.org):** Based in New Rochelle, NY, they focus on health, education, and economic volunteer opportunities in Central and South America, Europe, Asia and Africa.

- **Biosphere Expeditions (Biosphere-expeditions.org):** Offers wildlife conservation expeditions in 13 countries.

- **Habitat for Humanity (Habitat.org):** Offers international house-building trips through its Global Village Pro-



Savvy Senior

gram in more than 40 countries.

- **Sierra Club (Sierraclub.org):** This venerable environmental group sponsors dozens of service trips in the U.S. each year, with more projects offered through local chapters.

With so many different volunteer vacations to choose from, selecting one can be difficult. To help you decide, you need to think specifically about what you want. For example: Where you want to go and for how long? What types of work are you interested in doing? What kind of living situation and accommodations do you want? Do you want to volunteer alone or with a group? Do

you want a rural or urban placement? Also consider your age and health. Are you up to the task, or do you have any special needs that will need to be met?

Once you figure out what you want and spot a few volunteer vacations that interest you, ask the organization to send you information that describes the accommodations, the fees and what they cover including their refund policy, the work schedule and work details, and anything else you have questions about. Also, get a list of previous volunteers and call them.

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to Minch, purchasing advanced lunch tickets is recommended. She said there will be some available on the day of the event for \$9, but supply will be very limited. Lunch will be served at 11:45 to walk/run participants and at noon for additional public.

Participants are encouraged to wear Super Hero costumes and awards will be given to the best male, female and group of four wearing costumes. Awards will also be given to the top three runners in age categories and the best mens and womens overall run.

In addition to the walk/run and lunch, a drawing will be held which will include themed baskets, including one with autographed Detroit Lions gear.

Minch explained this is the first walk/run event she has ever planned and is learning more and more everyday about all it encompasses and

the cost to put on such an event.

"Donations are still needed. The \$25 registration fee is just to break even, by the time we pay for the T-shirt, meal ticket and other fees including insurance and permits that \$25 is gone. If we are going to be able to provide scholarships, we will need additional funds from the community. Anyone who wants to donate a themed basket for the raffle may do so. We will accept cash donations at the event and online donations can be made without registering to walk or run," Minch said.

For those who cannot make a financial or basket donations, Minch is looking for volunteers.

Minch, who has lost both of her parents, is the daughter of the late Alcona County Prosecutor, Eugene Malanyn. She decided that instead of sitting at home and being sad

about the losses she has faced, she would rather share good memories about her loved ones.

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For more information, to register or to make a donation visit www.rosies5K.org or Facebook the Rosie Myrick Memorial 5K Run/Walk page. To contact Minch directly, email info@rosies5k.org or call (989) 335-1515.

American Life in Poetry

By Ted Kooser

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This poem is by Stella Nesanovich, who lives in Lake Charles, La. At this time of great national division it's good to see a few people in a tire shop, coming together to share their common humanity. Her most recent book is *Colors of the River: Poems*, from Yellow Flag Press.

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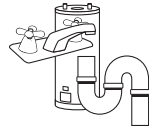
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 A legal description of the special assessment is on file with the Township Clerk, 4892 LaVergne Rd., Black River, MI 48721.
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Some highway maintenance in Michigan done by private firms

By Crystal Chen
Capital News Service
 Michigan's roads are rated D- this year by the newest American Society of Civil Engineers Infrastructure Report Card.

That's drawing attention to the fact that state and local transportation agencies are contracting with private firms for road maintenance rather than relying solely on public workers.

The report card rates 39 percent of Michigan's 120,000 miles of paved roadways in poor condition, 43 percent in fair condition and only 18 percent in good condition.

Road maintenance always has a funding shortage, and contracting out road maintenance to private companies could provide "a more cost-effective value for taxpayers," said Mark Christensen, the superintendent and manager of the Montcalm County Road Commission.

Road maintenance has to be a public-private partnership, Christensen said. "There are things we can do more efficiently as a public agency and there are things that can be done more efficiently by a private contractor," he said.

"Each road agency has to look at all options in the best interest of taxpayers," Christensen said. "Do a cost-ben-

efit analysis for what you are doing in your organization and outsource the work when it is in your best interest."

In Barry County, a high percentage - an estimated 74.2 percent of the road budget - passes through to vendors and contractors, according to Brad Lamberg, the managing director of the Barry County Road Commission.

The remaining budget is for the road commission employees who do snow removal, construction, maintenance, equipment repair, engineering and administration, Lamberg said.

"We use contractors where their cost is lower than us, and we try to use our own workforce when our cost is lower," he said. It's an effective way to help do certain services, Lamberg said, "but it's definitely not going to solve any road condition problem."

Rep. Triston Cole, R-Manicella, the chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, said in most cases, outsourcing to the private sector is going to result in a lower price and a better result for the expenditure of taxpayer dollars. "Anytime that you introduce a bid, or go out for bids in the private sector for this work, you are going to introduce competitiveness for the price," Cole said.

He explained the standards for the private sector and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) are the same. If the work isn't being done to the standards laid out in the bid, there will be problems with that contractor, and it's highly unlikely that contractor would be used again.

"Particularly, part of the contractors want to do the best jobs possible and exceed the criteria laid out in the bid, so they are considered in the next bid," Cole said.

For Cole, the challenge is to ensure that dollars going directly into roads are spent properly. But outsourcing of road maintenance services comes with other concerns.

According to Ken Moore, the president of the Michigan State Employees Association, MDOT employees are the most affected by contracting out. The union represents those workers.

"There are many negative consequences, which include unqualified staff, high turnover, lack of oversight, poor management, multiple scandals and escalating costs," Moore said by email. "Contracting out road maintenance to private companies would just be the latest privatization attempt in a long list of debacles."

Christensen said all road agencies need to build working relationships with the contractors that they work with. "It is our responsibility to make sure the contractor provides a quality service," he said. "As in any industry, there are private contractors that provide superior service, and some that don't."

In Allegan County, the only outsourced road maintenance is some snow plowing of subdivision roads. "We still apply salt and sand as needed with our own equipment," said Phil Kernodle, the maintenance superintendent of

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This *Emydoidea blandingii*, commonly known as Blanding's turtle is a welcome sight at the Weber residence in Mikado on April 23. According to Michigan State University Extension's rare species website, Blanding's turtles are a medium-sized turtle with black and yellowish spots and streaks. It has a dome-like elongated and smooth carapace (the top part of the shell), a long neck and a bright yellow chin and throat. Its head is dark brown or yellow spotted and they have a flat short rounded snout and notched upper jaw, giving the appearance of a permanent grin. Blanding's are a species of special concern and is listed under rare species. This turtle was a large adult with about an 11-inch carapace and his yellow spotted back was still covered with mud from digging out of his winter hibernation spot. It was the first turtle sighting of the year for Wilfred Weber, who calls these turtles "helmet heads" for their similarity to World War I army helmets. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

New poetry collection showcases beauty of northern Michigan

By Kate Habrel
Capital News Service

In his most recent book, poet Russell Thorburn imagines familiar characters from around the Upper Peninsula and beyond.

In "John Lennon on the Beach in the Upper Peninsula," Thorburn imagines the titled celebrity wading on the Lake Superior shoreline:

"Just the idea that John's here, his arms wrapped around his body, like some whaler whose ship went down, glows in me like fire."

A 2013 grassroots fundraising campaign earned Thorburn the unofficial title of the U.P.'s poet laureate. His recent book, "Somewhere We'll Leave the World," celebrates the joy of wandering. It's his seventh poetry collection.

His poems take readers on what Thorburn calls "parallel journeys" through nature and history. He uses familiar characters and personal experiences to call attention to the scenic beauty of northern Michigan.

"The Lake Superior shoreline is very unique, and I love walking along the water, especially in winter," said Thorburn, who lives in Marquette, Mich. "These characters, the environment, and my relationship within that environment created these poems."

John Lennon isn't the only famous name to appear in the book. Walt Whitman, Billy the Kid and Marilyn Monroe co-star in several poems. But celebrities aren't the only people featured in the book. Thorburn also connects the landscape with soldiers in the Civil War.

"Union soldiers came back here to heal," he said. "Quite often I read about people who

served in Iraq or Afghanistan — they take a wilderness walk. So I thought, well, this is kind of like a precursor to that."

Of course, Thorburn didn't completely ignore the view. Images of nature and animals often surface in his poetry. Foxes are a common sight—sometimes appearing in unusual places. From the poem "Chinese Restaurant:"

"She tells the animal he can eat only what's on the carryout menu: egg rolls, noodles.

She shows him a table in the corner, not understanding why a fox would want Chinese at this hour."

Several poems are based on events in Thorburn's life. It's those experiences that started his artistic career.

"It began much earlier when I was 18 or 19 in the Detroit area, and I had a garage band," Thorburn said. "Music was very big back in Detroit, so there's poems about that. And as a teenager and in my 20s, I wandered around. I hitchhiked. So a little bit of that spirit is in there too."

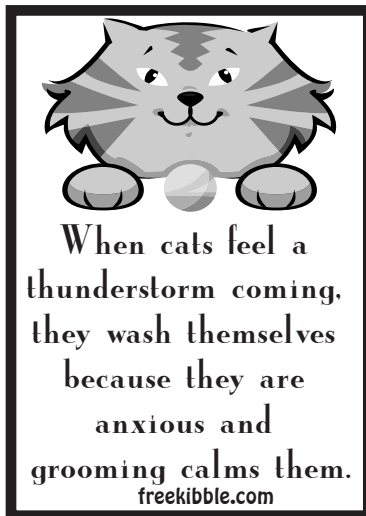
Thorburn includes several poems about his time in the Mojave National Preserve in San Bernardino County, California. He was a resident artist there in 2012, staying in a desert study center near Soda Lake.

There's a little bit of something for everyone in the collection—recognizable faces, natural beauty and musical turns of phrase. In the end, Thorburn's poetry insists that the journey is worth as much as the destination.

"I'm not trying to educate anybody, or teach," Thorburn said. "It's just to have the poem, and they're on the jour-

ney with me as a reader. I hope you get on the bus and go on this journey."

"Somewhere We'll Leave the World" is available from Wayne State University Press for \$16.99.



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Calendar of Events



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Bring a can of food for the needy. A representative from Blue Cross Blue Shield will attend the meeting. Call (989) 356-4959 or (989) 727-4089 for details.

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

Alcona woodcarvers will

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

Alcona County Baby Pantry will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Raphael Church, 2531 East F-30 in Mikado. Formula, diapers, toys, new and gently used shoes and clothing for residents of Alcona County with newborns through age four are eligible. Layettes are available in the eighth month.

THURSDAY, MAY 3
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.

Alcona retirees will meet for potluck lunch and to play bingo at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street at noon. Bring a dish to pass. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

FRIDAY, MAY 4

For all musicians and those who love listening to acoustic, here is a great way to enjoy folk and traditional

music. First Friday Folk will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street. There will be opportunities to play with other musicians, learn new and old music, sing songs or listen and join in. Inspiration Alcona will be providing refreshments, and everyone is welcome to come and share their music either by playing or singing. Songwriters are encouraged to attend and share their original music.

A soup and pie supper will be served from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

at Tri-Point Church of God, 500 South Brooke Street in Alpena. Cost is by donation of \$7 for adults, \$4 for children, and no charge for children ages five and under. Call (989) 356-2021 for details.

SATURDAY, MAY 5

Crafty art for kids will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Chosen Ranch Community Center located on the corner of Traverse Bay and Barlow roads in Lincoln. There will be two age groups; three to eight years old and nine to 15. Cost for supplies is \$8 for the younger group and \$10 older group. Parents are required to stay with their children during the crafting event. Call (989) 335-3308 or (989) 464-4766 for details.

SUNDAY, MAY 6

The Alcona Spring Into Summer Expo will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the ARA site (county fairgrounds) in Lincoln. The expo allows small businesses and organizations a place to show what they do. Cost is \$5 per table. Door prize drawings, free hot dogs and free parking. Contact Kevin at (989) 335-0307 or Bill at (989) 724-5077 for details.

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Highway

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the Allegan County Road Commission.

Kernodle said his concern is the level of service provided by the private sector, though the road commission does provide supervision. "We don't operate to make a profit, while private companies do. We operate with the goal to provide the best service to the road system," he said.

He doesn't believe outsourcing to private companies is the best way to solve problems related to a funding shortage and road maintenance. "Additional funding for improvements would help us improve the roads to good condition, which I feel is the way that best reflects taxpayer priorities," Kernodle said.

According to MDOT's five-year plan, \$8.2 billion, including routine maintenance, will be invested in the 2018-22 Highway Program, which focuses on preserving the road system through the repair and maintenance of roads and bridges.

In fiscal year 2018, MDOT will invest \$1.6 billion on highways, including \$317.6 million on routine maintenance, according to the plan.

Lamberg said the state waited too long between 1997 and 2017 to increase revenue for road agencies. "Increasing road funding significantly once every 20 years, rather than annually and gradually, promotes the poor results we have in Michigan," he said.

"That neglect destroyed too much of Michigan's infrastructure, and recent funding increases approved by the Legislature and governor aren't enough to catch up," he said.



Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



Sunday a long day for soldier who stays in camp

April 25, 1918

Camp Dix, New Jersey

Dear Folks:

Sunday again, our longest day. No work or formations save reveille at 6:30 A.M. and retreat at 5 P.M. The barracks too are almost deserted today which is easily explained as Thursday was pay day and every man who could get a pass is in Trenton, Philadelphia or New York.

Have just come from the depot where we often go on Sunday morning to see the wives, mothers, sisters and sweethearts come in of the lucky fellows whose homes are close by. When one of the boys does not show up promptly we are glad to act in their places as escorts to show their folks around, not to speak of getting their share of the home made spread. I have gotten to be an expert in spotting a chicken lunch. Last night I saw of bunch of 700

infantrymen coming from train, arrived from different cantonments in the middle west, probably some from Custer, with full equipment strapped on their backs, flags flying, music playing, but in few moments they were merged into the thousands already awaiting embarkation. It brings home to us strongly the fact that this war is still on and when in the still night we hear the dull tramp of marching thousands on their way to the transports, we realize our call is at hand. When the barracks door opens suddenly at such a time every heart stands still, mine does anyway.

I suppose Dad you have read in the papers regarding Companies A. B. and C. of our regiment now taking part in the great fight. Co. A. entirely missing and Co. B. getting back badly used up. When the casualty lists

reached here this morning and other news of comrades at the front, the barracks would not have been a desirable rest room for a "Boche". Good natured, jolly lads were changed for a time into a bunch of fretting, snarling tigers.

I suppose the farmers of old Alcona county are busy now. Here we are some weeks ahead; trees in blossom. We planted shrubbery and rose bushes and fixed up around our barracks, but we'll have to leave before we can enjoy the improved surroundings.

Have had the final inoculation before going. My arm was quite sore from the second being given before swelling from the first had gone, but it is all to the good now and I am all fit.

Must tell you an experience while on guard. Went on at 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 then off 4 hours and on 2 for 24 hours.

That night it rained like the dickens. While floundering along through the mud about midnight I spied a "rookie" coming along the side of a coal shed stopping at the end. I waited for him to round the corner. It was so quiet you could hear any thing you imagined; I could hear the rain drops coming. Stepping out I halted him with "hands up". His mitts went up so high I knew Uncle Sam had made a mistake in sending him here. He was intended for a fruit farm, as he could reach the highest branches of any apple tree. After making him mark time and doing right and left for a change I let him go. It helps to pass the long hours by. Half an hour later the next guard signalled to stand still, so I watched.

About a hundred chaps still in civilian dress were coming across the parade. Guard waited until they were

almost on him when "Halt!" Gosh you could hear it a mile away and sliding the bolt of his rifle back those guys "halted so suddenly they fell backwards. I have to laugh yet but the lieutenant in charge saluted, laughed and said "don't give these boys heart failure first thing." The quiet salute of an old head turns the tables and the joke is on the sentry. Am having trouble in writing this. The lads are making so much noise. I think I told you before we had a piano—a Philadelphia Club gave it to our barracks; one of the old fashioned Grands. It takes up a lot of room, but is sure musical. One of the fellows has taken off the top and put three large tin pans on the strings. Talk about Jazz, it is a whole band, with 60 fellows lustily singing. No wonder the captain just called to see what the riot meant. It makes life worth while, but a poor atmosphere in which to write home.

Am on the fire detail this month. A few nights ago we were called out. Eight of us "Buck Privates" dragged the hose cart half a mile and then it was only a test drill. Were we mad? Oh no! We hooked the hose up and were all ready, when the lieutenant of another squad, also there, called to his bunch "all ready", our corporal who was at the hydrant turned the water on. Of course not expecting it we were not holding hose tightly. The first thing the stream struck was the lieutenant, knocking him down and drenching him. We all got more or less wet, but as long as the water was hitting the officer we did not break our arms to get the water turned off.

Drill grows more interesting everyday. To our regular equipment has been added half a pup tent and pole. To drop into trenches and out again and over solid barriers 7 feet high, with full equipment. It may be a joke for the young lads, but a job for the older men. It sure is comical to see one fellow considerably over 200 and with a gait like a duck go down the parade at double quick. I think I told you my pal asked for a three day pass recently to go home to Boston. The Captain only smiled and said "Boy you will soon be a long way from home but I can't let you have a pass." We may get a furlough, but I do not expect it. However strange as it may seem to you. I am hanging on to my kale and if it comes will beat it for home in a hurry. I guess it all depends on the number of available transports whether we go soon or later overseas. But while we fully realize the seriousness of the adventure. All are eagerly looking forward to glimpse the old ship that will take us across.

Ask my friends to write.
Yours lovingly,
Clarence Cowie

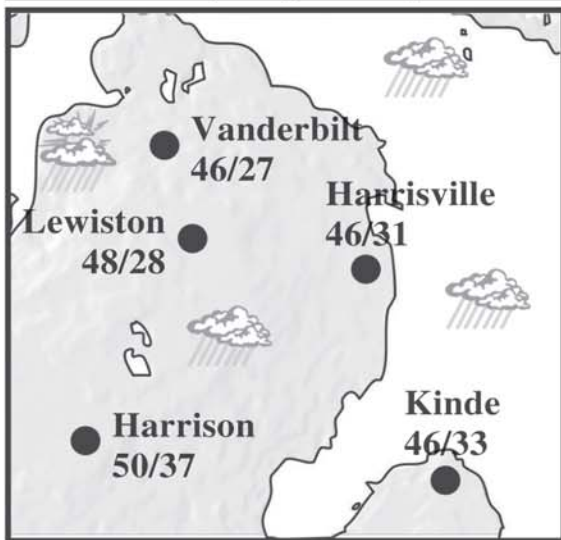
Alcona Review Weather Report

April 25, 2018

Seven Day Forecast

	WEDNESDAY Few Showers High: 46 Low: 31
	THURSDAY Few Showers High: 55 Low: 37
	FRIDAY Few Showers High: 48 Low: 35
	SATURDAY Partly Cloudy High: 46 Low: 33
	SUNDAY Partly Cloudy High: 53 Low: 40
	MONDAY Partly Cloudy High: 59 Low: 46
	TUESDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 62 Low: 49

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 70% chance of showers, high temperature of 46°, humidity of 65%. North wind 12 to 17 mph. The record high temperature for today is 90° set in 1990. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 65% chance of showers, overnight low of 31°. Northwest wind 8 to 12 mph.

*Last Week's Almanac

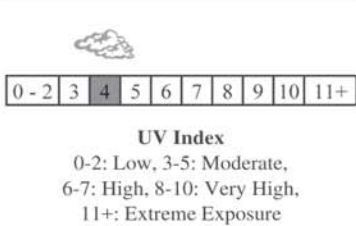
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Tuesday	35	25	53/32	0.19"
Wednesday	38	30	54/32	Trace
Thursday	45	29	54/32	0.00"
Friday	50	21	55/33	0.00"
Saturday	57	24	55/33	0.00"
Sunday	59	23	56/33	0.00"
Monday	56	24	56/34	0.00"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Full 4/29	6:32 a.m.	8:32 p.m.	3:45 p.m.	4:43 a.m.
Wednesday	6:31 a.m.	8:33 p.m.	4:55 p.m.	5:14 a.m.
Thursday	6:29 a.m.	8:35 p.m.	6:03 p.m.	5:43 a.m.
Friday	6:27 a.m.	8:36 p.m.	7:11 p.m.	6:11 a.m.
Saturday	6:26 a.m.	8:37 p.m.	8:17 p.m.	6:39 a.m.
Sunday	6:24 a.m.	8:38 p.m.	9:21 p.m.	7:09 a.m.
Monday	6:23 a.m.	8:40 p.m.	10:24 p.m.	7:41 a.m.
Tuesday				

Local UV Index



National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see partly to mostly cloudy skies through Friday with scattered rain, highest temperature of 67 in Waldorf, Md. The Southeast will experience partly to mostly cloudy skies through Thursday with scattered rain, partly cloudy skies Friday, highest temperature of 88 in Homestead, Fla. In the Northwest there will be mostly clear to partly cloudy skies through Friday with the highest temperature of 88 in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies through Friday with the highest temperature of 97 in Yuma, Ariz.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	5:47 a.m.	6:03 p.m.
Venus	7:41 a.m.	10:48 p.m.
Mars	2:25 a.m.	11:14 a.m.
Jupiter	9:33 p.m.	n/a
Saturn	1:31 a.m.	10:26 a.m.
Uranus	6:21 a.m.	7:51 p.m.

Weather History

April 25, 1988 - Thunderstorms racing at 65 mph produced large hail in Alabama and Georgia. Hail damage in Alabama was estimated at 50 million dollars, making it their worst weather disaster since Hurricane Frederick in 1979.

Weather Trivia

What are the horse latitudes?
?
Answer: They are areas where large high pressure centers keep winds very weak.
www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Draco: Never at Rest

One of my favorite constellations of the northern sky is Draco the Dragon. In late April its tail begins just under the bowl of the Big Dipper. The BD's scoop and handle are nearly at their culminating (highest) positions in the north at 10 p.m. Then Draco's tail curves downward over the cup of the Little Dipper and falls to the right of Polaris, the North Star. Following the sinuous tail of the Dragon is like trekking along on the winding Yellow Brick Road in the Wizard of Oz. The eye just seems to hop, skip, and tumble naturally from one star to another, but then there is a breakdown that occurs where the tail meets a small cadre of five faint stars that outline the tiny body of this fearsome sentinel. Where do you go from here? The secret during late April and early May is to look to the right and above the body stars to find an additional four luminaries that create a trapezoidal figure. That's the head of Draco. By connecting the star of the head that is closest to the star of the body, the picture of Dracotail, body, neck, and head is completed. Some people see Draco as a turtle, camel, alligator or a snake. Whatever works is fine; however, for well over two decades, Draco has been my mystery constellation when I instruct classes under the real or electronic sky. I simply outline Draco's stars without any comment and let my audiences guess at the pattern. Whether the group is composed of kindergarten kids or seniors, someone always, and I mean always, comes up with the dragon. There has never been a miss. Since Draco is a north circumpolar star pattern, it never sets, a fitting punishment for his lack of astuteness in guarding the Golden Apples of the Hesperides, Hera's wedding gift to Zeus. Hercules, with the assistance of dim-witted Atlas, stole them from right under Draco's nose causing Hera in a fit of rage to swing Draco by his tail skyward, to fall among the northern stars. Because he can never set, he is doomed to be ever vigilant, never to sleep, eat, or drink again, one unhappy and cranky beastie. www.astronomy.org

Kovels: Antiques and Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Spice bins can be found at house sales

Why not collect food-storage antiques? Food had to be specially prepared to last during the centuries before ice boxes and refrigerators. Long hours were spent smoking, pickling, drying and canning foods. Fresh fruits and vegetables were available only "in season." Ice boxes were used in the 19th and 20th centuries. A block of ice was cut from a frozen lake then wrapped and stored in a special zinc-lined box. It melted as it cooled, and the housewife had to empty the pan of melted ice water at least once a day.

The first electric refrigerator was made in 1911, and by 1923, Frigidaire was selling a home refrigerator. Early refrigerators used freon in the cooling process, but to keep the planet green, the chemical was outlawed in the 1990s. The refrigerator-freezer combination we use today was first sold in 1939. But spices still are used to store, flavor and preserve food.

Grocery stores of the 1890s sold spices from a large container, or later, the small-sized tins sometimes used today. A spice display was an important part of the store. A 36-inch-tall Pagoda-shaped spice bin with original paint sold at a Showtime auction in 2015. It was a six-sided tower that held ginger, cinnamon, mustard, cloves, allspice and pepper. The revolving tower had ornate lithographed labels on the tin sections. The rare antique sold for \$3,300.

If that is too big, look for the small (two-to three-inch)



A country store spice bin shaped like a Pagoda sold for \$3,300 because of its rarity, condition and size. The 3-foot-tall lithographed tin Pagoda held six different spices that were ladled into bags by the store clerk in about 1890.

tins that used to hold spices. The best have unusual graphics. Prices range from \$5 to \$25. They are still found at house sales, flea markets and online, but rarely at auctions because they are so inexpensive.

Q: I'm downsizing and want to sell my dining-room furniture. It's made of maple and is marked "A genuine Cushman Colonial Creation made in Bennington, Vermont." I have a table with two

leaves, hutch, six chairs and a wet sink. How much do you think I can get?

A: The H.T. Cushman Manufacturing Co. was in business in North Bennington, Vt. from 1892 to 1971, when it was bought by Green Mountain Furniture. The company was founded by Henry Theodore Cushman. The furniture probably won't sell in antiques sales, but a house or garage sale could be good. You should get about one-third the price of comparable new furniture if your set is in great condition.

Current Prices...

- Elvis Presley record, "All Shook Up," RCA, 45 RPM, 1957, \$10
- Folk-art birdhouse, wood, steep pitched roof, two windows and door, 21 x 21 inches, \$60.
- Toy sand pail, kids playing on beach, tin lithograph, Ohio Art Co., c. 1930, 6 1/2 inches, \$380.
- Wigwam Oats box, cardboard, Indian village, multicolor, 9 1/2 x 5 1/2 inches, \$775.

Tip: Don't use old home-canning jars to preserve food. The jars with wire bails, glass caps, zinc porcelain-lined caps or metal caps with rubber rings do not seal as well as the new two-piece vacuum-cap jars.

For more collecting news, tips and resources, visit www.Kovels.com

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Veterans Post

By Freddy Groves

New VA chief must hit ground running

David Shulkin is gone. No matter how he came to exit the building, whether he quit or was fired, he's gone.

Now the president has nominated his own personal physician to head the Department of Veterans Affairs.

No matter who ends up being the new VA Secretary, he will need to clean house. He should call a powwow with leadership in the VA Office of the Inspector General and ask for summaries on all of the VA regional medical facilities. If there are facilities that keep getting bad inspection reports, maybe that's where the first heads need to roll.

Non-management employees need to be given a voice. Whether it's a clerk who is instructed to fiddle with appointment times, or an accounting assistant who sees funny business with the numbers, they all need the means to point out what is wrong. Even if it's nothing more than a suggestion box read daily

by high-ups, the people down in the trenches need a way to make fixes without fearing for their jobs.

It was whistleblowers who first brought to light the serious problems at the Washington, D.C., VA Medical Center. I suspect they were nursing staff who couldn't properly care for the patients when supplies kept running out. Whistleblowers are our first line of defense when it comes to suffering shoddy care. They need to be encouraged to come forward more often.

The new secretary needs to send out a strong message from Day One that sneaky and entitled employees should head for the doors. That will include the secretary's personal staff.

Most of all, the new secretary needs to be personally sharp enough not to do things like accept freebie Wimbledon tickets and assume that no one will ever find out.

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Super Crossword

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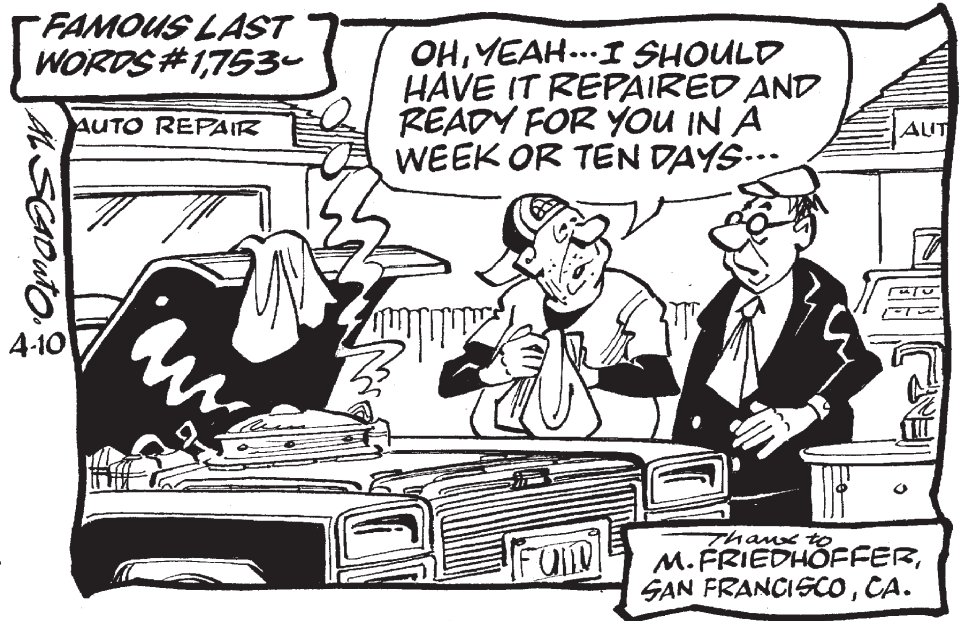
I believe one should never hitchhike after dark. You could say it's been my rule of thumb.

THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME

THE WAY IT IS - LADY LOGIC -

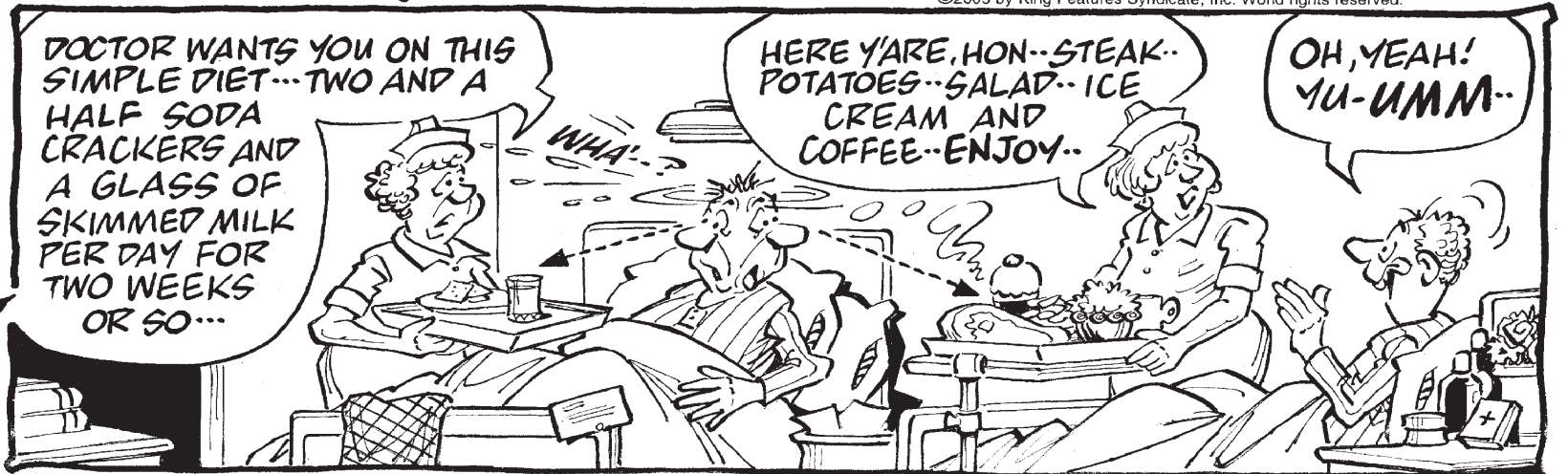


BY AL SCADUTO



HOSPITAL FUN and GAMES - YOUR HOSPITAL STAY IS BAD ENOUGH... THEN YOU GET THIS BIT OF GOOD NEWS...

Thank to SY PULASKI, CINCINNATI, OHIO



Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **INVENTIONS:** Who invented the first successful electric razor?
2. **U.S. STATES:** What is Ohio's official gemstone?
3. **GEOGRAPHY:** Where is the Griffith Observatory located?
4. **ORGANIZATIONS:** What volunteer organization celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2011?
5. **MEASUREMENTS:** How many gills are in a pint?
6. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president was the heaviest?
7. **LITERATURE:** Who popularized the term "The Jazz Age" in a book title?
8. **MUSIC:** Who had a 1961 hit with the song "Hit the Road Jack"?
9. **GEOLOGY:** The terms "carrara" and "calacatta" refer to what type of stone?
10. **PROVERBS:** What is the end of the proverb that begins, "What's good for the goose ..."?

Answers: 1. Jacob Schick; 2. Flint; 3. Los Angeles; 4. The Peace Corps; 5. Four; 6. William Taft weighed 332 pounds; 7. F. Scott Fitzgerald; 8. Ray Charles; 9. Marble; 10. "... is good for the gander." (c) 2018 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On April 30, 1933, Willie Nelson is born into a family of Texas musicians. He penned his first song at age 7. Years later he wrote "Funny How Time Slips Away," "Night Life" and the Patsy Cline classic "Crazy" all in one week.
 - On May 5, 1944, Bertha Benz, the wife of inventor Karl Benz and the first person to drive an automobile over a long distance, dies in Germany. In 1888, Bertha drove 65 miles to her mother's, over unpaved roads. She refueled the car with Ligroin, a detergent then used as fuel. When the car's fuel line clogged, she unclogged it using one of her hairpins.
 - On May 2, 1957, Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wisconsin) succumbs to illness exacerbated by alcoholism and dies at age 48. McCarthy had been a key figure in the anticommunist hysteria known as the "Red Scare" that engulfed the U.S. after World War II.
 - On May 1, 1963, despite running out of oxygen, James Whittaker of Redmond, Washington, becomes the first American to reach the summit of Mt. Everest, the tallest mountain in the world.
 - On May 4, 1977, British journalist David Frost interviews former President Richard Nixon. In the televised interview, Nixon admitted that he had not thought the White House tape recordings regarding the Watergate scandal would come out.
 - On May 3, 1980, 13-year-old Cari Lightner of Fair Oaks, California, is killed by a drunk driver while walking along a quiet road on her way to a church carnival. Cari's tragic death compelled her mother, Candy Lightner, to found the organization Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD).
 - On May 6, 2004, the familiar theme song ("I'll Be There For You" by the Rembrandts) heralds the final original episode of NBC's long-running comedy series "Friends." The show had debuted in 1994 and ran for 236 episodes.
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Super Crossword

CELEBRITY SPOONERISMS

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Former Delta rival</p> <p>4 Humane org. since 1866</p> <p>9 Shining</p> <p>14 Birds' beaks</p> <p>19 On top of, in verse</p> <p>20 Nerd relative</p> <p>21 City in Utah</p> <p>22 Bugged a lot</p> <p>23 Support a female donkey?</p> <p>25 All fired up</p> <p>26 Flag sewer Ross</p> <p>27 "Dies —" (Mass hymn)</p> <p>28 Squirmy</p> <p>30 "Listen up, warm-blooded animal!"</p> <p>32 More itty-bitty</p> <p>34 African country</p> <p>36 Disfigure</p> <p>37 Horror director Roth</p> <p>38 Open a new tavern?</p> <p>41 Magna — laude</p> <p>42 Baltique or Adriatique</p> <p>43 Units of bag thickness</p> | <p>44 "Bridge of Spies" actor Mark</p> <p>46 Core belief of orthopedic practice?</p> <p>48 Home to Pago Pago</p> <p>52 "Vesti la giubba," e.g.</p> <p>53 — Majesty the Queen</p> <p>54 IM-offering ISP</p> <p>55 Choose a wooden peg?</p> <p>57 Aromatic resins</p> <p>59 Chai or pekoe</p> <p>62 Pyle and Els</p> <p>63 Railcar walkways</p> <p>64 Sees</p> <p>66 Church call</p> <p>67 Makes a warden gentle?</p> <p>72 Australian avians</p> <p>73 Be the king</p> <p>75 Delillah duped him</p> <p>76 Rub down</p> <p>78 Sketch show since '75</p> <p>79 Estate of a winegrower</p> <p>81 Curly-furred cat's giggle?</p> | <p>84 The way, to Lao-tzu</p> <p>85 Undertake</p> <p>86 Thing to hum</p> <p>87 Wraith</p> <p>88 Descend upon a certain grainfield in droves?</p> <p>92 Circles around heavenly bodies</p> <p>94 Sails through</p> <p>95 Neither hide — hair</p> <p>96 Bad review</p> <p>97 Very tentative taste of food?</p> <p>102 Greek "H"</p> <p>103 Match unit</p> <p>104 Ballroom dance</p> <p>106 Dr. Seuss' real surname</p> <p>107 Pale people writing things quickly?</p> <p>110 Jetsons' dog</p> <p>113 Caffeine-laden nut</p> <p>114 Perrier rival</p> <p>115 Aristocratic</p> <p>117 Toast topper that's nifty?</p> <p>119 Tuscan town</p> <p>120 Bugs a lot</p> <p>121 Sporting site</p> <p>122 Big cat's lair</p> | <p>123 Stunning gun</p> <p>124 Cries out</p> <p>125 Cyclist, e.g.</p> <p>126 Before, in verse</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Way of being thrilled or torn</p> <p>2 What to do if the shoe fits</p> <p>3 Esoteric stuff</p> <p>4 Modifying word: Abbr.</p> <p>5 Really rely on</p> <p>6 100-Down's partner in magic</p> <p>7 Euro fraction</p> <p>8 Big gulf</p> <p>9 Orang, e.g.</p> <p>10 Minister Billy</p> <p>11 Boston airport</p> <p>12 Outranking</p> <p>13 Guys on the job site</p> <p>14 Elephant king of kiddie lit</p> <p>15 Agenda unit</p> <p>16 "Open up!"</p> <p>17 The Bunkers' "old" car</p> <p>18 Hair salon employee</p> <p>24 Actor Dullea</p> <p>29 Agave plant</p> | <p>31 Actress d'Abo</p> <p>33 Online brokerage</p> <p>35 Receivable</p> <p>39 What "there oughta be"</p> <p>40 Uncommon</p> <p>42 Choice bit</p> <p>43 Hollywood's Gibson</p> <p>45 Zippo</p> <p>46 Celebrity lawyer Melvin</p> <p>47 Mix, as salad</p> <p>48 Pickle units</p> <p>49 Flying guys</p> <p>50 "Chicago Hope" doctor</p> <p>51 Assenting to</p> <p>53 — impact on (effects)</p> <p>56 East, in Ulm</p> <p>57 Small jewel</p> <p>58 Suffix of enzymes</p> <p>59 V8 ingredient</p> <p>60 Musician's exercises</p> <p>61 Affirm</p> <p>63 Analyze</p> <p>65 Australian state capital</p> <p>68 — whole</p> <p>69 Subject</p> <p>70 Manicure aid</p> <p>71 Scoundrel</p> <p>74 University sports org.</p> <p>77 Tuna variety</p> <p>80 Wasp variety</p> | <p>81 1921 sci-fi play</p> <p>82 Sufficient, in verse</p> <p>83 TV "Warrior Princess"</p> <p>84 "Conan" network</p> <p>86 Pacific island country</p> <p>88 "My Little Chickadee" co-star</p> <p>89 Wife of Nero</p> <p>90 Head-hugging hats</p> <p>91 Mega Millions, e.g.</p> <p>92 Soup holder</p> <p>93 French forest region</p> <p>96 Soft shade</p> <p>98 Moped, e.g.</p> <p>99 "Tristan und —"</p> <p>100 6-Down's partner in magic</p> <p>101 Boosler of comedy</p> <p>103 Sub detector</p> <p>104 Quaver</p> <p>105 Actor Werner</p> <p>108 Tarzan's lady</p> <p>109 Author Wiesel</p> <p>111 Actress Polo</p> <p>112 Bog grass</p> <p>116 Slalom path</p> <p>118 Pickle holder</p> |
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was Hungarian psychiatrist Thomas Stephen Szasz who made the following sage observation: "If you talk to God, you are praying. If God talks to you, you have schizophrenia."
- That iconic symbol of the Old West, the Pony Express, was based on the mail system used throughout the Mongol Empire in the 13th century. However, the Mongol riders often covered 125 miles in a single day, which was faster than the best record held by a Pony Express rider.
- Someone with way too much spare time discovered that a quarter has 119 grooves on its edge.
- What's in a name? A great deal, it turns out, if you're talking about housing prices. Those who study such things say that a house on a "boulevard" is valued at over one-third more than the same house that has "street" in its address.
- Confectioner Milton Hershey suffered through founding two candy companies that ended in failure, then succeeded on his third attempt, and finally sold that company and used the proceeds to found the Hershey Company. After all his hard work, though, he seemed to be less interested in enjoying the fruits of his labors than in helping others. In 1909 he established the Hershey Industrial School for Orphaned Boys, and 10 years later he donated control of the company to a trust for the school. Today the institution is called the Milton Hershey School, and it continues to have a controlling interest in the candy company.
- Southern California has more cars than India has cows. If cows are sacred in India, what does that say about how Californians feel about their automobiles?

Thought for the Day: "Men are not against you; they are merely for themselves." -- Gene Fowler
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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: **G** equals **H**

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LEGAL NOTICE

Case No. 17-2861-CH
 Circuit Court Sale

In pursuance and by virtue of a judgment of the circuit court for the county of Alcona, state of Michigan, made and entered on November 21, 2017, PNC Bank, National Association successor by merger to National City Bank in a certain cause therein pending, wherein PNC Bank, National Association successor by merger to National City Bank was the plaintiff and Daniel R. Riso and the Northern Michigan Bail Bond Agency, LLC were the defendants.

Notice is hereby given that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at public venue, at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Mich., that being the place of holding the circuit court for Alcona County, on the 16th day of May A.D., 2018, at 10 a.m. o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, to-wit: All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the township of Haynes, county of Alcona, and state of Michigan, to-wit: Part of northeast 1/4 of northwest 1/4 Section 25, Township 27 North, Range 9 East, described as: Parcel C, commencing at northwest corner of said Section 25; thence south 88 deg. 36' east, along the north section line 1320.80 feet to the northwest corner of SD 40 acres; thence south 1 deg. 47' 57" west, along the west line of SD 40 acres, 630.93 feet to point of beginning; thence south 88 deg. 36' east, 1022.58 feet; thence south 4 deg. 46' 03" east, 317.30 feet; thence north 88 deg. 36' west, 1058.87 feet to a point on said west line; thence north 1 deg. 47' 57" east along said west line, 315.46 feet to point of beginning; together with and subject to the right of ingress and egress over and across a 75 foot easement as described on plat which will allow access to US-23 Highway, and also subject to a continuation of this 75 feet, easement running in a northerly direction over and across the west edge of captioned Parcel C which allows others access to Parcels A and B per plat. Commonly Known as: 1930 North US-23, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. Parcel Number: 080-025-200-015-00. This property may be redeemed during the six months following the sale.

Dated: March 28, 2018
 Alcona County, Deputy Sheriff Michael P. Herzoff (P-41662) Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48084 No. 10142960 3-28, 4-4, 4-11, 4-18, 4-25, 5-2, 5-9

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee for any reason. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, and the purchaser shall have no further recourse against the mortgagor, the mortgagee, or the mortgagee's attorney.

Notice is hereby given that the below mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court of Alcona County at 10 a.m. on May 2, 2018.

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Jimmie Bean and Delores Bean, husband and wife, original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Oak Street Mortgage LLC, its successors and assigns foreclosing assignee (if any): REO Trust 2017-RPL1 Date of Mortgage: July 28, 2006. Date of mortgage recording: August 17, 2006. Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$75,846.68.

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the township of Mikado, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing from a point 40 rods east of the southwest corner of the south one-half of the south one-half of the northwest one-quarter of Section 3, Township 25 North, Range 7 East; thence North 40 rods; thence east 12 rods; thence south 40 rods; thence west 12 rods to point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under 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. This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: April 4, 2018
 Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 111541 4-4, 4-11, 4-18, 4-25

HELP WANTED

Alcona Health Center - Dental is currently seeking a full-time Dental Assistant in our Oscoda location. Must possess high school diploma or GED. Certified Dental Assistant or Registered Dental Assistant with experience would be beneficial but not required. We will train the right candidate! Generous benefit package included. Please send a letter of interest and resume to:

AHC Dental Operations Manager,
 5671 N. Skeel Ave.,
 Oscoda, MI 48750.

Deadline to apply is: 4/30/18 EOE

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Tawas Village, an assisted living home, is currently seeking direct care workers for second and third shifts, full time and part time positions available. Applicants must pass a background check. If you are caring, dependable, and want to make a difference, then we want you! For immediate consideration apply in person at: 910 North Tawas Lake Road, East Tawas, Mich. 48730 or send your resume to tawasvillage@rlmgmt.com.

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Wanted logging chip truck driver. Five years trucking experience required. Work experience preferred but not necessary. Home nights and weekends plus benefits. Starting at \$15 - \$20 per hour depending on experience. Contact Jack Inman at Inman Forest Products (989) 370-0822.

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