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Snowmobile races come to Lincoln this weekend

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Quite often compared as NASCAR racing on ice, snowmobile racing is a flurry of speed, skilled driving, revving engines, snow, ice and a little luck, all of which will be on track this weekend in Lincoln.

Midwest International Racing Association (MIRA) will hold the two-day event at the ARA Site, on Barlow Road, Saturday, beginning at 8:25 a.m. and Sunday beginning at 10 a.m.

The day long races feature many heats which include hot laps, to make sure everything is all right with the sleds, class/sprint heats for super stock, stock and modified snowmobiles, Kitty Cat race, qualification laps and a 225-lap professional endurance (Pro Enduro) race of over 100 miles.

"I've been snowmobiling my whole life, but this is my third-year racing. I've been watching snowmobile racing since I was so little I used to have to sit on the center council of the truck to see over the dash board. I've been a fan a long time. It's almost identical to NASCAR only with snowmobiles on ice. With a few exceptions...we have no safety equipment like NASCAR drivers do, other than helmets. It's cold and it's fast, the sleds go about 100 miles per hour," said Luke Krentz.

Krentz is an 18-year-old graduate of Alcona High School. He will be racing for KMW racing #7 in the qualifying heats on Saturday and the Pro Enduro race on Sunday. This is his fourth and final race for this winter.

According to Krentz spectators watching will have great seats inside their warm vehicles on tiered deck parking around the track or they can stand outside their vehicles to take in the full volume of the roaring engines. He said just watching the sport is a wild experience.

Krentz is looking forward to racing in front of hometown spectators and said it will give him a lot of extra motivation. He said they typically look for weather about 30 degrees and this weekend looks prime for that.

Many sleds will be racing during the weekend event including vintage sleds older than 1976 and new sleds. "All brands race; Polaris, Artic Cats, Yamaha's and Skidoos," Kim Kirts, of MIRA said. Kirts is secretary/treasurer, is a spokesperson for MIRA and comes from a family of snowmobile racers.

She explained there were different classes of sleds and sizes of engines that race. The bigger the number usually means the faster the sled. Stock means the motors are the way they come from the factory. Super stock means the chassis have been changed to make the sled handle better, but the engines are still stock. "We race 440cc Champ sleds, F-500cc sleds and 660cc sleds. The Pro Enduro is our feature race and the sleds in that class are modified 600s," Kirts said.

One of the more popular

races is the Kitty Cat/120 program taking place at 10:45 on Sunday. Kitty Cat is where kids age three to 11 ride 120cc sleds during a race. The young drivers learn sportsmanship, what the flags mean and have a lot of fun in the process, Kirts explained.

On Saturday, sprint races, which are short three lap races, will have each racer going all out to finish in the top of their heat to qualify for their final race. A lap is equivalent to a half mile.

Finals are five lap races at all out speed, which according to Kirts, are fast and ex-

citing. "We also have three Mini Enduro races which are 15 to 50 laps with different size sleds going as fast as they can to get out and stay in front. These are longer than sprint races but not as long as the Enduro races. Sunday's Enduro race is more about making a sled last while going fast. They will change skis, adjust tracks and switch drivers during that race," Kirts said.

The racers come from all over Michigan, Minnesota and Canada, with many local racers, like Krentz from Hubbard Lake, Jake Gerow from

Oscoda on the #72 WG racing sled, Matt and John Hoos from Ossineke on #21 and Troy Dewald from AuGres, Mich., who is with the Cadarette Collision racing team of Alpena.

Before the Pro Enduro race on Sunday, starting at 12:15 p.m., spectators can meet the drivers, ask questions, see the sleds close up, and collect Hero Cards, which are like baseball cards. The green flag for the 225 lap Pro Enduro race waves at 1 p.m.

Kirts said that although they are not anticipating any

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Annual Backyard Bird Count seeks participants

The 21st annual Great Backyard Bird Count will take place February 16-19. Residents of Iosco and Alcona counties are encouraged to participate in this citizen science world-wide research project sponsored by Audubon, Bird Studies Canada, and Cornell Lab of Ornithology.

Information gathered will aid scientists in giving them

a global perspective on how the winter's snow and cold temperatures influence bird populations, where the winter finches and other irruptive species are, and will the late movements of many songbird and waterfowl species be as far north as they were in previous years? Furthermore, it will give a quick snapshot of where the birds are located just prior to the

spring migrations which begin in March for many species.

Last year 6,261 species were recorded globally with a total of 29,604,580 individuals recorded. "With the help of over 181, 643 checklists submitted, scientists were able to gain even more information on the current status and populations of various birds across the continents," stated Peggy Ridgway, local ambassador for the event. "Everyone's observations are important and valuable," she added.

According to Ridgway, there has been a tremendous influx (irruption) of pine siskins in the area. The small birds, usually residing in Canada, resemble American goldfinches, but have heavily streaked breasts. Often they can become very aggressive at the feeding stations where they consume huge amounts of thistle and sunflower seeds. "One individual in the Greenbush area reported at least 1,000 feeding daily dur-

ing the later part of December and all into January," Ridgway said. "Many still remain in our area and researchers are interested in their movements throughout the lower 48.

"Snowy owls were also sighted here this winter and what a treat for some folks to view first hand that magnificent arctic dweller," she said.

According to Ridgway, waterfowl have had to deal with completely frozen to partly open water areas throughout much of the winter. Consequently, their movements have been erratic and a bit unpredictable. However, with more open water lately, many ducks and swans have been seen along these open areas. "Those observations are also extremely important to document," said Ridgway.

She explained, people may count at their feeders, in their neighborhoods, the forests, along water corridors, or even while riding in the

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Water birds, like this bufflehead, have more open water lately than earlier in the winter. Photo courtesy of Roger Eriksson.

Filmmaker premieres adventure mini-series in Harrisville

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Combining a love of filmmaking with a love of nature, adventure and history in northeast Michigan has a young cinematography artist premiering a series of his short films in Harrisville.

Volume One of the Michigan Micro Adventures, produced, directed, filmed and edited by 24-year-old Alpena native, Zachary Irving, will premier on Friday, Feb. 23 at 5:45 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

Irving recently showed his cinematography talents at the library with the film, "Mindjimendamowin," which he filmed, edited and co-pro-

duced with Alcona resident, writer and director, Mary Ellen Jones, during the "On the Road" series of the Thunder Bay International Film Festival.

Michigan Micro Adventures, Volume One, is a four-part mini-series which will take its audience on an energetic journey of northeast Michigan through short ten-minute films. Although the real star of the series is northeast Michigan, Irving's father, Gary, and his younger brother, 18-year old, Ely, act as guides.

Irving said the adventure series began with a pilot he made with his father and brother in 2014. "I thought I

had lost the footage on a hard drive that broke. For a year I didn't even think about the series and then I found the footage. I gave it to my dad for Christmas and told him to submit it to Fresh Takes video contest which is part of the Alpena Community Visitors Bureau (CVB)," Irving said.

Irving entered three short films in the contest, but it was the micro-adventure film that won an honorable mention.

His mentors, Jones and Mary Beth Stutzman, president of the CVB, gave Irving the insight and inspiration to move forward with the series. Irving asked Stutzman

if the CVB would be a fiduciary for more episodes and was awarded a grant for the Volume One series.

The first short film of the evening will be "Paddle Albany Bay Shipwreck," in which Gary and Ely kayak from the southern point of the Presque Isle harbor to the southern bay of Lake Huron where the Albany Steamer sunk in 1853.

The ship is quite large, pristinely preserved in the cold, clear waters of the lake,

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 **Letter to the Editor**

To the Editor,
Alcona Humane Society would like to wish a very big thank you to Alcona County Review for publishing an article about our facility. It really means a lot to us to have donators and volunteers that are willing to stop by and get an update on our operations and hang out with the animals.

There has been many changes made in the last few years from new policies to new employees but the love and hope we have for our animals stays strong!

We gave the wrong information on the grant we re-

ceived in the article for our cat cages. Community Foundation of Northeast Michigan gave us the \$500 grant, not MDARD. Sorry for the mistake.

We are very grateful that we have supporters in this county as well as others. Our cat cages have been delivered and assembled and ready for spring when we get a lot of kittens.

Thank you again for publishing the article and to all supporting the Alcona Humane Society.

Jenna Richardson,
Manager
Alcona Humane Society

Viola Volpe Fangert

Viola Volpe Fangert died February 2, 2018. She was born on September 3, 1925 to James and Elsa Nash. Her early school years were spent in Linden, New Jersey.

Viola was the sister to James Nash, Elizabeth Clegg, Jean Frank, Joan Vandemark, and Gail Franscesco. She was the mother of Bonnie Boynton and Karen Richards and grandmother to Justin and Yale Boynton, Brooklin Swedberg, Siedah Quirk, and Iman and Mhondoro Richards, and three great granddaughters

Vi received her Masters in Education from Newark State College in Union, New Jersey. Her love of swimming led her to the YMCA where she taught classes and to the Senior Olympics where she participated as an athlete.

Her love of teaching brought her to Cranford and Woodruff Elementary School in Berkeley Heights, New Jersey where she became a cherished and respected educator for 18 years.

Viola and her husband Joseph spent ten summers directing Lohikan Camp in Lake Como, Pennsylvania. Vi and Joe retired to Palm Harbor, Florida, where they resided until his passing in 1993. During this time she was an active member in the United Methodist Church of Palm Harbor and of the "Synchrobelles" synchronized swimming team for twenty years.

In 1997 Vi married Robert Fangert and continued living in Palm Harbor at Highland Lakes and Coral Oakes and Greenbush, Michigan. In March 2017, Bob and Vi moved to Maine to be close to their family.

Vi's love of life and enthusiasm for adventure was a continuous inspiration to her family, friends, and students. A memorial of her life will be celebrated at a later time.

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 **Obituaries** 

Neal A. Gehring

Neal Allen Gehring, 73, died on Sunday, Jan. 4, 2018 in Royal Oak, Mich.

He was born August 30, 1944 to Lester and Jeannette (Wing) Gehring in Detroit, Mich.

On May 14, 1966 he married Barbara Gardner in Southfield, Mich.

Mr. Gehring had a bachelor of science degree in engineering. He was employed with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for 37 years and with NTH Consultants for seven years.

He was a chairman of the Harrisville Harbor Commission and coached baseball for several years. He enjoyed playing bridge and spending time with family.

Mr. Gehring is survived by his wife, Barbara; two sons, Jeffrey (Rhonda) Gehring of Harrisville and Jeremy (Tracey) Gehring of Greenbush; three grandchildren, Ella Gehring, Harrison Gehring and Evan Gehring; and one brother, Philip Gehring of Berea, Ohio.

A memorial service has already taken place.

Nora E. Somers

Nora E. Somers, 88, of Traverse City, Mich. died on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2018 at home.

She was born October 20, 1929 to Glenn and Mary (Thompson) Buchanan in Harrisville, where she was raised.

On June 10, 1950, she married James Somers in Harrisville, where they were long-time residents.

Mrs. Somers was a devoted homemaker and worked at the Alcona Seed Growers in Harrisville.

She was a member of the Harrisville United Methodist Church. She moved to Traverse City in 1997.

Mrs. Somers is survived by two daughters, Mary Skrceny of Swartz Creek, Mich. and Sheri (Gary) Barg of Traverse City, Mich.;

three sons, Gregory (Sandra) Somers of Traverse City, Mich., Robert Somers of Gaylord, Mich. and James (Julie) Somers of The Villages, Fla.;

five grandchildren, Gregory Somers Jr., Selena Brohl, Sarah Lawrence, Christopher Somers, and Erica Berry;

seven great-grandchildren, C.J. Rodebaugh, Mary Clare Rodebaugh, Ethan Rodebaugh, Ava Somers, Emma Somers, Olivia Lawrence, and John Lawrence;

and three sisters, Alice Hackman of Harbor Springs, Mich., Nancy (Roger) Silverthorn of Harrisville and Sandy (Bill) Ross of Oscoda.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James, on May 18, 2015; one son-in-law, Ronald Skrceny; and one sister, Betty Throop.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A celebration of life event will be announced at a later date. Interment will be in Springport Mausoleum, Harrisville.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Michigan, 10850 E. Traverse Highway No. 1155, Traverse City, Mich. 49684.

 **Vincent J. Kovacik Jr.**

Vincent J. Kovacik Jr., 74, of Mikado, died on Monday, Feb. 5, 2018.

He was born May 9, 1943 to Vincent and Elizabeth (Morris) Kovacik in Little Rock, Ark.

He served in the U. S. Marine Corps. He married Donna Smith in 1964.

He retired from General Motors Truck and Bus.

Mr. Kovacik is survived by his wife, Donna; one son, Curt (Denise) Kovacik; three daughters, Deborah (Richard) Mas-corro, Denise Delisle and Lisa (Mathew) Pruitt; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one sister, Ruth King; one brother, David Kovacik; and his beloved dog, Ellie.

He was preceded in death



by one brother, George Kovacik.

A funeral was held Saturday, Feb. 10 at St. Perpetua Catholic Church in Waterford, Mich.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2018

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
Feb. 4	25	-3	0.13	6.1	28	NNE
Feb. 5	20	-7	0.00	3.0	23	W
Feb. 6	21	3	0.00	2.0	15	NW
Feb. 7	23	6	0.00	1.6	14	N
Feb. 8	21	0	0.00	2.1	19	N
Feb. 9	21	2	0.01	2.5	16	SSW
Feb. 10	21	8	0.00	1.9	11	SW

Precipitation Summary (Inches) for 2017-2018 Season			
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.14	5.4	0.33
February to Date	0.21	2.9	0.48
Year/Season to Date	1.74	26.2	2.24

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, FEBRUARY 14

Read the paper, eat a muffin and enjoy coffee supplied by Alcona Coffee from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

Hate hearts and flowers? Think Cupid is stupid? Anyone who doesn't fall for this overrated Hallmark holiday; is invited to an Anti-Valentine's Day craft party from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. This is a program for ages 10 through 18. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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

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

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.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

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.

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.

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

"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.

Read the paper, eat a muffin and enjoy coffee supplied by Alcona Coffee from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

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

The Northeast Michigan Genealogical Society will meet in room 106 at Alpena Community College at 5:30 p.m. A free program entitled "Creating a Family Memory: will begin at 6 p.m. Learn how to take a pleasant memory of an ancestor, add a little history and bring the story to life. Call (989) 727-3394 for details.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

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

Read the paper, eat a muffin and enjoy coffee supplied by Alcona Coffee from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

The annual Special Olympics Michigan Law Enforcement Polar Plunge will take place at the Sandbar & Grill on Long Lake immediately following the parade of costumes at 1 p.m. The registration begins at noon and the fee is \$75. A standard breakfast buffet will also be available for a minimum of a \$5 donation from 8 to 11 a.m. All proceeds go to the polar plunge. Contact Trooper Ashley Simpson at (989) 354-4101 for details.

Northern Lights Arena in Alpena will host a hockey game between Detroit Red Wings Alumni Association and the Benjamin Builders All Stars at 3 p.m. Tickets for adults are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Children ages five through 12 are \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door. No admission charge for children four and younger. Call (989) 358-0652 for details.

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

Kid's Ice Fishing Tournament will be held on Jewell Lake in Barton City. This free event is for children and young adults aged 15 and under. Registration on the

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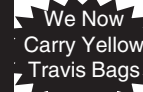


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Saturday, February 17

- 8:25 a.m. - Pro Enduro hot laps and qualifying
- 8:55 a.m. - Hot laps
- 9:55 a.m. - Stock 600 qualifying
- 10:45 a.m. - Sprint Class heats
- 12:45 p.m. - Five lap Sprint Finals
- 2 p.m. - Leaf 440 Super Stock
- 2:30 p.m. - Mod 600
- 3 p.m. - Stock 600

Sunday, February 18

- 10 a.m. - Pro Enduro hot laps and second round qualifying
- 10:45 a.m. - Kitty Cat / 120 Program
- 11:50 a.m. - Pro Enduro line up, plow track
- Noon - Sleds on track
- 12:15 p.m. - Meet the Drivers/Introductions
- 1 p.m. - Green flag. 225 laps
- 4 p.m. - Awards presentation to top three finishers on front straight away

Gates open up at 8 a.m. Parking available at the track. Sit in your vehicle and watch professional snowmobile racing all day long.



Local Notes



Classic Movie

Everyone is invited to a 1949 romantic comedy classic starring Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy on Friday, Feb. 16 at 5:45 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. This program cosponsored by Inspiration Alcona and the Alcona County Library. Free popcorn and beverages. For more information and movie title, call 989-724-6796.

Away at School

Brandon Ritchie, of Lincoln, was named to the dean's list at Grand Valley State University for the fall 2017 semester. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Winter Homecoming

Alcona Community Schools is celebrating Winterfest during the week of February 19-23 with some special events throughout the week (see www.alconaschools.net or Facebook for more details). The week culminates on Friday, Feb. 23 with several events that are open to the public.

The Alcona Tool Cats robotics team is having a Soup Dinner Fundraiser in the "old gym" at Alcona High School from 3-6 p.m. Students and friends of the robotics team will prepare many kinds of hot soup for this event. There

will also be desserts, bread, crackers, and rolls. The cost for dinner is \$5 per person. Students will be there to answer questions about the robotics team and there may be an appearance from 2018 robot. All proceeds from the dinner will help fund the building of the robot and competition expenses for the 2018 season. There will be drawings for prizes during the varsity games against Tawas that same night.

There will be back-to-back varsity games and a special event beginning at 6 p.m. Friday evening when the varsity girls basketball team takes on the Tawas Braves. A ceremony honoring the athletic coaching contributions of Joell (Johnson) Krejcarek, who coached at Alcona High School for 31 years, will take place at approximately 6:30 p.m. during the half time in the "new" gym at Alcona High School. The varsity boys game against Tawas will follow the girl's game at 7:30 p.m. and the Winterfest king and queen will be crowned at halftime of the boy's game.

On Saturday, Feb. 24 there will be an open house from 1-4 p.m. for Joell Krejcarek so former players and friends can visit with her and share memories.

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, Feb. 19—Fish almondine, red bliss potato, cauliflower, and peaches.

Tuesday, Feb. 20—Beef chop suey over brown rice, wax beans, tossed salad, and an orange.

Wednesday, Feb. 21—Baked chicken, buttered noodles, Brussels sprouts, pickled beets, and pears.

Thursday, Feb. 22—Meatloaf, baked potato, mixed vegetables, and Jell-O with fruit.

Friday, Feb. 23—Bourbon pork chop, buttered rotini, Prince Charles blend, tossed salad, and mixed fruit. (Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Volunteers Wanted

Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council is recruiting for fishing, higher education, tourism/recreation, maritime industry/business, and citizen-at-large members and alternates. Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council provides the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries with advice and recommendations on the management of Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary. The advisory council is composed of 15 members and 15 alternates. Five seats represent local community governments, and the other 10 represent facets of the sanctuary community. The council meets bimonthly, with informal coffees and lunches scheduled for non-meeting months. Working groups meet as needed. The 15 alternates also take an active role in council meetings as well as assist in carrying out many volunteer assignments throughout the year.

Applications are due by February 28, 2018. For more information, including a copy of the application, visit the Advisory Council Recruitment web page at: https://thunderbay.noaa.gov/management/advisory_council_recruitment.html, or contact Jean Prevo, Thunder Bay's Advisory Council coordinator, with questions. She can be reached by email at jean.prevo@noaa.gov or phone at (989) 884-6208.

Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council actively recruits for new members and alternates when positions are available. Check the website frequently for updates on how to help manage underwater treasures. Anyone interested in a position on the council or interested in the sanctuary is welcome to attend the next council meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 6 p.m. at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center in Alpena.

PUBLIC NOTICE 2018 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MIKADO TOWNSHIP MIKADO CIVIC CENTER 2291 S. F-41 Mikado, MI 48745

Tuesday, March 6 at 5:30 p.m. - Organizational Meeting
No appeals will be taken at this meeting.

Wednesday, March 14, 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Friday, March 16, 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Review will meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests, and to equalize the 2018 assessments. By Board Resolution, residents are able to protest by letter. Written protests should be mailed to:

Mikado Township Assessor,
2836 E. McNeil Rd., Lincoln, MI 48742
and MUST be received by March 13, 2018.

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COMMERCIAL	50.10	0.99800
INDUSTRIAL	N/A	N/A
RESIDENTIAL	49.81	1.00381
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DEVELOPMENT	N/A	N/A
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Alcona schools recognize Krejcarek for contribution to sports program

(Editor's Note: This story was originally published in the May 16, 2012 edition. It is being republished to coincide with special recognition event for Joell Krejcarek on February 23 during the halftime of the girls varsity basketball game which starts at 6 p.m. in the "new" gym at Alcona High School. She will be honored for her athletic coaching contributions during 31 years of coaching at Alcona. She started the basketball, track, volleyball, and softball athletic programs. During her career she won 392 games and led the 1979-80 team to the state semifinals. See Local Notes on page 4 for more details.)

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Any young woman who has played on any varsity team at Alcona High School has one person to thank for the opportunity - Joell Krejcarek.

It was Joell's foresight, planning and dedication that brought girls teams to Alcona High School and her pioneering spirit was recognized recently when she was inducted into the Upper Peninsula Sports Hall of Fame at the 41st Annual Induction Ceremony in Escanaba, Mich.

Joell, a professed "Yooper," was born in Marquette, Mich. and raised in Carlshend, Mich. She graduated from Gwinn High School in 1962 and received a bachelor's degree in physical education and science from Northern Michigan University in 1966.

She began her teaching career at Alcona High School in the fall of 1966. "I thought I was going to go back up north (eventually), but I got stuck - in a good way," Joell said.

"When I came here there were no sports for girls," she said. "That was my goal - to get them started."

Joell was met with no resistance when she approached the school board asking for approval and financing to start a girls basketball team. The 1967-68 school year saw the first girls varsity basketball team. "It was funny. When I started it, I didn't have any opposition.

It was like they didn't know why they hadn't been doing it."

"The next year I started track and the year after that I started softball and I coached all of them for a while until I realized I was crazy," Joell said. "I was fulfilling what I wanted to do as a kid, but never got to do. When I went to high school they

didn't have sports for girls."

A lack of formally organized teams didn't keep Joell from playing sports though. Her family was very active and played together and with neighborhood kids in their backyard. "My mom was a baseball nut. She really enjoyed sports," Joell said. "We had a nice big yard so we'd set up a track course or whatever...we played a lot of softball."

When she got older Joell formed teams and challenged "church teams, and anyone who would play us. We did a good job of creating our own sports."

When the then Tigerettes first stepped onto the basketball court - the rules were very different from what is played today. The team was part of a mini league and played against teams in the Houghton Lake area.

"When I started coaching, there were six players on the team, we played half court and we were only allowed one dribble. Three offensive players played on one side of the centerline and three defensive players on the other. You couldn't cross over the centerline. It was so different."

Eventually, players could have three dribbles and then a rover was allowed who could cross the centerline.

The games increased from eight the first year, to 10 the next and then it was 12 games in the season. "It took baby steps to get there," Joell said.

Everything changed for girls high school basketball in 1973, according to Joell, when rules were changed to match the boys - with five players on a full court and unlimited dribbling. "It was one set of rules for both teams," she said.

"We didn't have too many losing seasons - four total," Joell said modestly. The 1979 team went to the state final four, she explained. The teams during 1978 and 1979 had the best record with 22 and 23 wins in the season respectively. The other seasons weren't too bad either.

"We had great seasons," Joell said. "The kids worked hard."

One of the things she enjoyed was bonding with the players. Every summer Joell said she took team members to summer camp at her parent's cabin on Farmer's Lake near the Upper Peninsula town of Little Lake. They would practice on the courts at Northern and have fun in and around the cabin.

"It is a tiny cabin, so it was wall-to-wall kids. But, the



Joell Krejcarek following her induction in the U.P. Sports Hall of Fame in 2012.

bonding experience really makes a difference."

She retired in 1998 after teaching 32 years. Joell coached girls varsity basketball at Alcona High School for 31 years. She coached track for nine years and varsity softball for eight years. She also coached a middle school boys basketball team for seven years. "It was a nice change of pace. Very enjoyable," she said.

"Coaching was very fulfilling," Joell said. "I tried to quit once, but I couldn't do it. It just takes a lot of time - if you are going to do it right it takes a lot of time."

Joell and her husband, Don, live in Glennie. She is the former director of the Sprinkler Lake Education Center and the former president of the friends group that was involved in the center's operations.

She is active in the Harrisville United Methodist Church and enjoys hunting "deer, turkey, small game, coyote - whatever I can get an excuse to hunt."

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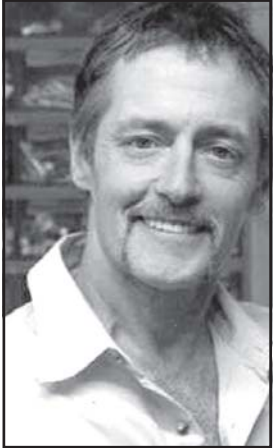
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Tigers put up fight in loss to ranked Hillman

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

Alcona may not have ended up on the winning side of the scoreboard last Thursday night, but its 47-42 home North Star League (NSL) loss was still a heck of a showing for the team against seventh ranked Hillman.

"It was a really good basketball game and Hillman was able to close it out at the end," said head coach Mark Feldhiser. "It was back-and-forth for 30 minutes but we had some trouble scoring at the end."

Hillman held a 9-6 lead after the first quarter, though Alcona knotted things up by the half, 16-16. Hillman out-scored Alcona 31-25 in the second half to escape with the win.

"I think that is probably as good as we have played this year, so that is a good thing to see as we get closer to tournament time," Feldhiser said. "Hillmans' experience in finishing off close games worked in their favor. I certainly am

not disappointed in our effort."

Taylor Livingston led the way for Alcona with 12 points. Megan Grove netted 11 and Faith Wallenmaier scored 10.

On Monday, Feb. 5 the Tigers lost a road NSL game in Rogers City, 43-27.

Alcona hung around for most of the night, down just 14-12 after one and 21-15 at the half. The Lady Hurons used a 15-6 scoring edge in the third quarter to take control of the game, giving them-

selves a 36-21 lead entering the fourth.

Leading the way for the Tigers in the loss was Livingston with 15 points; Gordy chipped in with nine.

Alcona (9-7 overall, 7-5 NSL) played at home with Whittemore-Prescott on Monday and makes the trip to Whittemore-Prescott on Monday, Feb. 19 in a make-up game. The Tigers play again Friday, Feb. 23 at home against Tawas at homecoming.

Alcona boys split games with Hillman, Rogers City

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

Things didn't align for the Alcona varsity boys basketball team in its bid to upset eighth ranked Hillman last Friday night. As a result, Alcona, playing at undefeated Hillman, came up on the losing end, 75-60.

"Everyone knows if you play Hillman and you turn the ball over too much, you're not going to win, it's as simple as that," said head coach Ryan Bilbey. "The boys did play very hard and we went on some runs in the second half but it just wasn't enough.

Antavius Mikazes had a strong opening quarter, netting six of the Tigers' 11 points as Alcona trailed just 14-11 after one.

In the second quarter, Conner McCoy buried a three and finished with five points and Luke Loyer added four, with Hillman only extending its lead to 30-26 at the half.

Hillman erupted in the third quarter to take control of the game. Alcona did get a pair of threes by Alex Stephenson in the fourth quarter and six points from Mikazes, but it couldn't get back into it down the stretch.

"Hillman did what Hillman does, apply pressure and make three-pointers," Bilbey said. "I think they made four threes late in the game off of our turnovers and you're just not going to win if you let them do that to you."

Leading the way in the loss was Mikazes; Stephenson had 14 points; Jordan Steiner had 12; McCoy had 10; Loyer

finished with five points and Devon Mills had two.

On Tuesday, Feb. 6 the Tigers hosted Rogers City in a NSL contest, picking up a convincing 53-30 victory.

"It was definitely a tale of two games compared to when we played at Rogers City a week earlier," Bilbey said. "The boys worked very hard defensively, took care of the basketball and made good decisions for most of the night. When we play that hard, we're a totally different team."

Steiner had a nine point first quarter to help Alcona get off to a fast start; it was leading 19-7 after one. Mills and McCoy hit a three-pointer each in the second period, giving the Tigers a 32-15 lead at the half.

The Tigers finished the night with a 12-8 edge in the third quarter and had more than enough to hang on for the win in the fourth.

"Jordan played great offensively and defensively, which is key to our success," Bilbey said. "All my seniors showed leadership. McCoy played a fantastic game, like I know he's capable of doing every game. Rogers City played very hard both times we played them. Their coach has them working hard all four quarters and that is key."

Finishing with 13 points was McCoy and Steiner. Stephenson had eight points and Mills, Loyer and Hunter Clark made four points apiece.

Alcona (9-6 overall, 7-5 NSL) was in Whittemore-Prescott on Tuesday; hosts Oscoda on Friday, Feb. 16 and hosts Tawas on Friday, Feb. 23 for homecoming.

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ALCONA	R	49.40%	48.51%	49.91%	49.96%	None	None	50.00%
	M	1.0000	1.0307	1.0000	1.0000	~	~	1.0000
CALEDONIA	R	51.89%	48.98%	49.56%	49.57%	None	None	50.00%
	M	0.9635	1.0208	1.0000	1.0000	~	~	1.0000
CURTIS	R	49.00%	47.95%	49.99%	50.07%	None	None	50.00%
	M	1.0000	1.0427	1.0000	0.9986	~	~	1.0000
GREENBUSH	R	52.30%	49.78%	47.54%	48.14%	None	None	50.00%
	M	0.9560	1.0000	1.0517	1.0386	~	~	1.0000
GUSTIN	R	50.64%	51.02%	50.53%	49.91%	None	None	50.00%
	M	0.9873	0.9800	0.9895	1.0000	~	~	1.0000
HARRISVILLE	R	52.31%	49.06%	49.71%	49.56%	None	None	50.00%
	M	0.9558	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	~	~	1.0000
HAWES	R	49.41%	49.05%	52.69%	47.69%	None	None	50.00%
	M	1.0000	1.0000	0.9489	1.0484	~	~	1.0000
HAYNES	R	51.02%	49.06%	None	46.35%	None	None	50.00%
	M	0.9800	1.0000	~	1.0787	~	~	1.0000
MIKADO	R	49.49%	50.10%	None	49.81%	None	None	50.00%
	M	1.0000	0.9980	~	1.0000	~	~	1.0000
MILLEN	R	50.14%	49.71%	None	47.09%	None	None	50.00%
	M	0.9972	1.0000	~	1.0618	~	~	1.0000
MITCHELL	R	50.63%	47.25%	50.74%	47.47%	None	None	50.00%
	M	0.9875	1.0582	0.9854	1.0533	~	~	1.0000
City of HARRISVILLE	R	None	51.17%	51.54%	48.88%	None	None	50.00%
	M	~	0.9771	0.9701	1.0229	~	~	1.0000

R=Ratio: Average Ratio of Assessed Value to Market Value

M=Multiplier: Multiplier (Equalization Factor) necessary to raise or lower Assessed Value to Equalized Value

Equalized Value: Fifty percent (50%) of Market Value

BOARDS OF REVIEW: Dates, Time, & Location of March Meetings are to be published.

Prepared and published in accordance with Act. No. 165 of 1971 being Section 211.34a of Michigan General Property Tax Law

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Troy M. Somers, Director
Alcona County Equalization Department

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Bird

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SENIOR LIFESTYLES

Income tax filing requirements for retirees

Dear Savvy Senior,
What are the IRS income tax filing requirements for seniors this year? I didn't file a tax return the past two years because my income was below the filing requirements, but I got a part-time job late last year, so I'm wondering if I'm required to file this year.

Part-time Retiree

Dear Part-time,
Whether or not you are required to file a federal income tax return this year will depend on how much you earned last year (in 2017), and the source of that income, as well as your age and filing status.

Here's a rundown of this tax season's (2017) IRS tax filing requirement thresholds. For most people, this is pretty straightforward. If your 2017 gross income - which includes all taxable income, not counting your Social Security benefits, unless you are married and filing separately - was below the threshold for your filing status and age,

you probably won't have to file. But if it's over, you will.

- Single: \$10,400 (\$11,950 if you're 65 or older by January 1, 2018).
- Married filing jointly: \$20,800 (\$22,050 if you or your spouse is 65 or older; or \$23,300 if you're both over 65).
- Married filing separately: \$4,050 at any age.
- Head of household: \$13,400 (\$14,950 if age 65 or older).
- Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child: \$16,750 (\$18,000 if age 65 or older).

To get a detailed breakdown on federal filing requirements, along with information on taxable and nontaxable income, call the IRS at (800) 829-3676 and ask them to mail you a free copy of the "Tax Guide for Seniors" (publication 554), or see IRS.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p554.pdf.

There are other financial situations that can require you to file a tax return, even if your gross income falls below the IRS filing require-

ment. For example, if you had earnings from self-employment in 2017 of \$400 or more, or if you're receiving Social Security benefits and half your benefits plus all other income, including tax-exempt interest, exceeds \$25,000 (or \$32,000 if you are married filing jointly), you'll probably need to file.

To figure this out, the IRS offers an interactive tax assistant tool on their website that asks a series of questions that will help you determine if you're required to file, or if you should file because you're due a refund. It takes less than 15 minutes to complete.

You can access this tool at IRS.gov/filing - click on the "Do I Need to File?" button. Or, you can get assistance over the phone by calling the IRS helpline at (800) 829-1040. You can also get face-to-face help at a Taxpayer Assistance Center. See IRS.gov/localcontacts or call (800) 829-1040 to locate a center near you.



Savvy Senior

Even if you're not required to file a federal tax return this year, don't assume that you're also excused from filing state income taxes. The rules for your state might be very different. Check with your state tax agency before concluding that you're entirely in the clear. For links to state tax agencies see Taxadmin.org/state-tax-agencies.

If you find that you do need to file a tax return this year, you can get help through the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (or TCE) program. Sponsored by the IRS, TEC provides free tax preparation and counseling to

middle and low-income taxpayers, age 60 and older. Call (800) 906-9887 or visit IRS.treasury.gov/free-taxprep to locate a service near you.

Also check with AARP, a participant in the TCE program that provides free tax preparation at around 5,000 sites nationwide. To locate an AARP Tax-Aide site call (888) 227-7669 or visit AARP.org/findtaxhelp. You don't have to be an AARP member to use this service.

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Alcona native keynotes farm conference

More than five dozen farmers, future farmers and prospective farmers attended the first annual Alcona Regional Farm Conference February 10, at Lost Lake Woods Club. With 16 speakers and 11 vendors as part of the group, total attendance was 92.

Keynote speaker Kristine Ranger addressed issues of the farming lifestyle and the dedication it takes to succeed. Ranger, a Harrisville native, has been an agricultural advocate, educator and advisor for more than 25 years.

Breakout sessions included information about financing and finding help, but the most popular of these were the success stories told by local farmers.

One guest commented, "Makes me wish I was 30 years old again with lots of time and energy to start a

business, but I was thrilled to see all the young people in attendance. Gives me hope for the sustainability of Alcona County."

Breakfast and lunch were prepared almost 80 percent from local foods, with about half of the local content coming from Alcona County growers. A spicy butternut squash soup, beef pasties from Kathy's Pasties and an apple crisp made up the lunch menu.

Inspiration Alcona's committee Farm to Fork Alcona continues its focus on local food with a public meeting to form a farmers advisory group at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20 at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. The advisory group will help the Farm to Fork Alcona committee focus on the best ways to help the local agricultural community.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of February 5-11, 2018

96 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 4 Arrests; 2 Warrant Arrests; 1 Domestic; 1 Operate While Intoxicated; 10 Traffic Tickets Issued.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	3	Traffic/Traffic Stop	34
Medical	23	Warrant Arrest	2
Property Damage Accident	4	Personal Injury Accident	2
Animal/Dog	2	Assist	3
Miscellaneous	1	911 Hang Up	1
Alarm	4	Suspicious Event	1
Neighbor Trouble	1	Domestic	4
Threats	1	Trespass	1
Stalking	1	Larceny	1
Pornography	1	Civil	1
Open Door	1	Child Neglect	1
Gun Shots	1	Operate While Intoxicated	1

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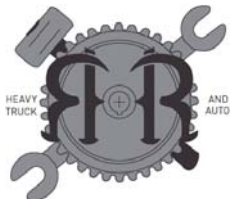


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and from the air, dwarfs the two tiny yellow kayaks above it. The difference in size between the two kayaks and the wreck was so dramatic, Irving chose a photograph of it for his Michigan Micro Adventure posters.

Irving explained there is quite a bit of aerial photography in the film, which he and Nick Stephen from Aerial Alpena, flew drones to capture.

"Explore Rockport Recreation Area" is the second film in the series and has Gary and Ely biking through the area to view the quarry and sink holes of Rockport.

Again, on bicycle, the third film will have Gary and Ely traveling the North Eastern State Trail, starting in Alpena. "It's a 71-mile bike ride up to Cheboygan, but we just show a few features of some of the cool places along the trail. We go through an area where the Metz fire burned in the 1920," Irving said.

According to Irving, the Metz fire began in Millersburg gaining momentum on its way to Metz, where it destroyed the entire town. Some people died during the event when a train they were on hit warped rails caused from the fire and went off track. The

fire burned through Metz to Presque Isle only to be stopped by the lake. Irving is a descendant of Metz residents. And, over the years he has heard stories that his great-grandparents carried out the Bible and cross from the town's church to save it from the fire.

The fourth and final film of the evening is "Hike Mystery Valley" will visit twin sink holes. "It's a really cool area off the road by Sunken Lake. There is a ridge where you can hike in between the sink holes and look down into them. There is two miles of trails and down the road is Mystery Valley, through the Karst Preserve. A guided map trail takes hikers back to 12-foot-deep earth cracks which run along the tree line into the woods," Irving said.

After each film, Irving and some of his film crew, will be on hand to explain how the film was made, what interested them the most about it and answer questions.

He said about 15 people worked on the Micro-adventure films, many of them younger filmmakers who Irving mentors including his brother, who aspires to be an actor, and young cinematog-



Cinematographer Zachary Irving shows off a poster for his mini-series Michigan Micro Adventures, Volume One. Photo by Mary Weber.

raphers such as 16-year-old Alpena High School student, Jack MacDonald.

MacDonald recently won the student competition and the people's choice award for his film on what sanctuary means to him at this year's Thunder Bay International Film Festival. "Jack really helped me a lot with the micro-adventures. His attitude towards this project was electrifying, and amazing," Irving said.

Irving said he grew to love filmmaking in high school and upon graduation worked for the summer as a cameraman at WBKB, a television station in Alpena, before getting an associate degree in applied science studying cinematography through the Tribeca Flashpoint Media Arts Academy in Chicago, Ill.

He will be taking his Michigan Micro Adventures, Volume One, on the road to other areas of the state with a plan to put the mini-series adventure DVD, along with other merchandise such as T-shirts, hats and posters in every tourist store across the state.

He is looking for sponsorships and grants to work on volume two of the series with hopes to improve his equipment and mentor more young filmmakers.

In addition to the micro adventures, Irving is working on podcasts where he interviews, records and films live sessions with local musicians, and other musicians who pass through the northeast Michigan area.

Irving was proud that all music used in his micro adventure film was played by local Alpena musicians:

Charles Madison, Rich Rider, Conor Larkin and Chris Chrzan.

"My mind has been opened to possibilities I've never thought I could conceive. When you get to that point it's amazing what you can create with that confidence. I want to see other people get that," Irving said.

"I enjoy working with my family, it's been really good working with my Dad and Ely. I want to keep younger artists in rural areas working and thriving. I like showing them the potential they can create from small ideas, like kayaking over a shipwreck."

He was pleased Alcona County viewers would be the first to see all four films and said his mother, Kelly (Grandy) Irving lives in Harrisville and her parents were from Alcona County.

The Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library is located at 312 W. Main Street (M-72), just west of US-23. Free popcorn will be available. For more information on Irving Entertainment, LLC, visit his website at michiganmicroadventures.com or michiganbasementtapes.com.

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Racing

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women drivers during the races in Lincoln, at one time between 1980 and 2000 there were women drivers and in the 1990s they had a women's class race.

Kirts got involved in the sport because her family raced MIRA. Her dad, Larry Williams, and uncles started and won the MIRA Triple Crown their first-year racing. Her brother started racing when he was five years old and still races. "My sons started racing in the Kitty Kat Olympics 20 years ago and now my three-year-old grandson is racing. It's a family tradition. All snowmobile racers are like family and will help each other. We want to beat each other on the track (fairly), not because a sled broke down. My dad always said, 'I'll help you all I can, until you beat me,'" Kirts said.

Currently, the Cadarette Collision team from Alpena are in the points lead for the season with the Tommie Bauer Racing and Country-side Motorsports teams right behind them.

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Lady Tiger bowlers finish in third for season

The Alcona varsity girls bowling team competed Saturday, Feb. 10 at Hi Skore Lanes in West Branch, Mich.

The first match was against Bay City All Saints. The Lady Tigers split the Baker games with a total of 274 to 271 and the Lady Tiger swept both games with a total of 1,398 to 1,299. Final scoring Alcona 22, All Saints 8. High game for the Lady Tigers was Courtney Jones with a 190 and the high for the Cougars was Jannah LaBean with a 182.

In the second match the Lady Tigers took on Charlton Heston High School. The Lady Tigers split the Baker games with a total of 247 to 247 and lost the team games 1,314 to 1,285. Final scoring Patriots 21, Alcona 9. High game for Alcona was Raegen Eller with a 164 and Amber Badelementi scored 166 in the high game for Charlton Heston.

The Lady Tigers finished

the regular season in third place. They will travel to Bay Lanes in Bay City, Mich. on February 17 to compete in the Conference Singles Tournament.



(From left) Courtney Jones, Isabella Bates, Emily Hoffman, Raegen Eller, Melayne Odell. *Courtesy photo.*

Tiger bowlers finish season strong against Bay City

The Alcona varsity boys bowling team traveled to Hi Skore Lanes in West Branch, Mich. on Saturday, Feb. 10. The team had two matches against the Bay City All Saints and a position round for the last team match in league's season.

In the first Baker game, Brenden Hudgins, Jason Sweet, Ethan Brandt, Alex Harmon and Kyle Harder, rotated for one game in which the Tigers won 155 to 135. In the second Baker game Justin Smigelski took Hudgins'

spot; the Tigers won 158 to 115. The Tigers scored of 10 points

In the first set of individual games Smigelski won 123 to 93. Sweet won 122 to 85. Brandt won 156 to 132. Harmon won 155 to 143 and Harder won 185 to 150. In the second individual game, Hudgins won 169 to 77. Sweet lost 143 to 140. Brandt won 160 to 108. Harmon won 199 to 192 and Harder won 174 to 117. The Tigers won the match 29 to 1.

In the position match the

Tigers were in fourth place and were matched against Ogemaw Heights. In the first Baker game Sweet, Hudgins, Brandt, Harmon and Harder won 200 to 191. They went on and won the second Baker game 219 to 183. The Tigers won all 10 points for the Baker games.

In the first individual games Sweet lost 169-252; won 157-126; Brandt won 199-167; Harmon won 207 - 194; and Harder won 226-201. The Tigers won eight out of nine points for a total of 18

points and secured the match win.

In the second games Sweet lost 169-144; Hudgins lost 212-164; Brandt lost 221-156; Harmon lost 201-176 and Harder lost 203-148.

The Tigers are tied for second place with Whittemore-Prescott, but the Tigers placed third with a lower total pin fall for the season.

On Saturday, Feb. 17 they will be competing in the individual tournament at 1 p.m. at Bay Lanes in Bay City, Mich.

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Honor Roll

Krystal Belanger, Jerzey Brown, Chloe Bunton, Sophia Chessor, Blaire Dellar, Amanda DeSouza, Katelyn Dewey, Jack Goldstrom, Hayden Johnston, Marc Kirchner, Connor Makimaa, Logan Patterson, Samuel Prince, Jaydon Siebert, Savannah Wright, and Logan Zuchowski.

Eighth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll

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kota Stevenson, and Hannah Tanner.

Honor Roll

Alexis Anderson, Leah Brown, Michael Doidge Jr., Kaden Goldberg, Jesslyn Harris, Cayden Hendrix, Jasmine Magalski, Gabrielle Nedwash, Samantha Nordstrom, Natalie O'Dea, Braylin Roe, Trenton Schnabel, Makenna Seminoff, Karlee Stewart, Elizabeth Stoley, Ashton Tracy, Matthew Turpen, Gavin Walker, Brooke Whitford, David Williams, Lucas Witham, Sierra Wright, and Avery Wrobel.

Alcona High School Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Alcona High School Principal's List and Honor Roll for the first semester.

Ninth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll

Ashlyn Abend, Lily Bilbey, Taylor Clark, Carlie Forsythe, Delaney Forsythe, Gabriel Froehner, Kaysea Gleason, Janae Kierzek, Olivia Krentz, Rachel Layton, Cecelia Spears, Zachary Stephenson, and Hunter Winter.

Honor Roll

Grace Atkinson, Monroe Baldwin, Christopher Barnes, Travis Buurma, Emily Decker, Kaitlyn Gleason, Ashlyn Gordy, Camaron Harris, Rachel Hayes, Elizabeth Henderson, William Jones, Caleb Kamischke, Anna Loyer, Dawson Martindale, Vincent Mendyka, Ellie Milles, Ethan Nedwash-Long, Karen Sharboneau, Victoria Skuse, Chad Stadler, and Joel Steiner.

Tenth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll

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Eleventh Grade

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Youth Advisory Council identifies top issues affecting local youth

Stress, depression and mental health, self-esteem and teenage substance abuse top the list of issues the youth of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties feel are affecting their peers, according to a recent assessment conducted among youth in those communities.

The Northeast Michigan Youth Advisory Council (NEMYAC) recently completed a Youth Needs Assessment Survey, gathering the opinions on the known issues affecting youth. NEMYAC is a youth philanthropy program through the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) which teaches young people the importance of philanthropy, and helps them develop leadership skills through grantmaking and community service.

Every three years, Youth Advisory Councils, or YACs, throughout Michigan are required to survey their fellow youth to gain insight into the issues the youth feel are the most pressing for their local communities. The final results of the survey are used to guide the council's grantmaking for the next three years to address those issues.

Grants from the Northeast Michigan Youth Advisory Council are awarded through the Kellogg Youth Endowment Fund at the Community Foundation.

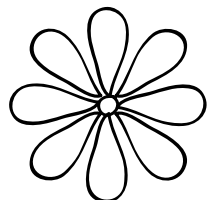
"The survey results really help our NEMYAC members to focus their grant dollars where they are needed most," said Alpena County YAC Advisor Tom Stoppa. "They show what is really impacting our kids today."

Stoppa said that "stress issues" climbed from seventh place in 2015 to become the top issue teenagers believe they are facing today.

"Stress jumped to the top spot, and mental health and teen substance abuse continue to need our attention," Stoppa said. "These subjects seem to be symptoms of the general need in our commu-

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NOTICE
 The Alcona Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for the fiscal year 2018-19 at the Alcona Township Hall at 5576 US-23 on Tuesday, March 13, 2017 during the regular monthly meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. **The proposed tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject to this hearing.** A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the clerk's office. Please call 989-471-2948.

2018 Board of Review Notice
Gustin Township
 Gustin Township Hall
 313 S. Second Street
 Lincoln, MI 48742
 2018 Board of Review Meeting Schedule
 Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.
 Organizational Meeting
 No Appeals will taken at this meeting.
Monday, March 12, 2018, 1:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 13, 2018, 1:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Review will meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests, and to equalize the 2018 assessments. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 12, 2018. The tentative ratios and estimated multipliers provided by the Alcona Equalization Department for each class of real property and personal property for 2017 are as follows:

	Real Property	Personal Property
Agriculture	50.64%	N/A
Commercial	51.02%	50%
Industrial	50.53%	50%
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Weather factors for winter walleye fishing

Walleye are a popular target of ice anglers with many jigging for this aggressive species. But weather can play an important role in catching them.

While anglers might not be able to notice the wind whipping outside their shanty, walleye under the ice notice it. When the wind shifts it impacts things under the water, including the current and silt. This might mean an angler needs to change locations on the ice to find what they're looking for.

Fish are very sensitive to air pressure and when it's consistent fish can be very active. But if the pressure drops anglers will see a decline in bites.

Along with pressure there are changes in activity thanks to temperature. Many anglers gravitate to their favorite spots on warmer days, only to find not much activity under the ice. Temperature drops affect the air pressure which turns many species off.

Check out the Michigan Fish and How to Catch Them website for even more information on fishing for walleye.

Northeast Lower Peninsula

• **Black Lake:** Anglers need to be cautious near the river mouths, any pressure cracks and old spearing holes especially after the lake sturgeon season. Fishing slowed. Walleye anglers jigging minnows in 15 to 20 feet had little luck. Those that were caught ranged 18 to 21 inches. A few pike up to 36 inches were caught in 15 feet.

• **Higgins Lake:** Those spearing pike have done well including one fish that was 46 inches. Lake trout anglers are using trout minnows in 80 to 100 feet or deeper. Some nice perch were caught in 15 to 50 feet around the Main Island but anglers need to keep moving around to find them.

Smelt were caught in 30 to 50 feet off the North State Park, Big Creek, the west launch and to the south of it. A few rainbow trout were taken on wigglers in a foot of water near the Conference Center.

• **Houghton Lake:** Anglers still need to stay clear of a large pressure crack in the East Bay which runs from

Northeast Michigan

Fishing Report



the canal on the west side of the East Bay and shoots northeast. Anglers can fish inside the East Bay but do not try to cross over into the main body of the lake as the pressure crack had opened up and could be hard to see especially with the snow cover. There is also a pressure crack at the entrance to the North Bay so use caution.

The bite has been up and down depending on the weather. Pike are still being caught. More walleye were still caught after 4 p.m. and

were hitting on jigging spoons or rapalas tipped with blues. Orange and glow were still the hot colors. If the walleye and bluegills are not hitting on minnows, try wigglers.

• **Tawas:** Some lake trout and walleye were caught around the artificial reef in northern Tawas Bay. Some perch were caught in 15 to 20 feet in the same area. This was the only area where we didn't get reports of bad pressure cracks, but that doesn't mean there aren't any out there. Caution needs to be used.

Black Lake sturgeon season harvest results

The 2018 sturgeon harvest season on Black Lake (in the northern tip of the Lower Peninsula) ended after two and a half hours Saturday, Feb. 3, with seven fish being harvested.

According to officials from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the fishing season, which included spearing or hook-and-line fishing, was scheduled to run February 3 to February 7, or until the harvest quota had been reached.

The allocation of sturgeon for Black Lake this year was seven fish, although DNR officials set a harvest quota of six fish.

There were 426 registered anglers on the ice this season, up from 332 the year before. Most anglers registered at the pre-registration held Friday, Feb. 2, which continues to allow for a much more streamlined process. Anglers of all ages and genders participated, including a good number of supervised youth.

According to the DNR, the first four sturgeon were harvested before 8:30 a.m. after an 8 a.m. start. The first fish

was a 58-inch female that weighed 45 pounds, while fish number two was a 41-inch female that weighed 16 pounds. Fish three was the largest fish of the season, a 72-inch female that weighed 99 pounds. Fish four was a 56-inch male that weighed 36 pounds. The fifth fish was a 69-inch female that weighed 73 pounds. The sixth fish was a 53-inch male that weighed 31 pounds, and the final fish was a 64-inch female that weighed 66 pounds.

Four of the seven fish taken had been captured before by Michigan State University and DNR sturgeon researchers during spring spawning runs in the Black River. For example, the 69-inch female was originally captured and tagged in the Black River during the 2003 spawning run. She was recaptured during spawning runs in 2006, 2010 and 2013. The largest fish captured this year also was captured in the 2008, 2012 and 2016 spawning runs, essentially spawning every four years.

The sturgeon fishing hotline indicating the season was closed was updated at 10:23 a.m., which officially closed the season. In addition, signal cannons, mortar rounds, fireworks and sirens were used to indicate the season's end within minutes of the final fish being harvested.

DNR law enforcement officials and other department personnel were embedded in the on-ice fishing communities and were able to quickly report harvested fish this year, as well as to quickly contact all lake sturgeon anglers on the ice and close the season.

"The unlimited entry fishery paired with a significant on-ice presence of DNR personnel allows for greater participation by anglers while protecting the population of

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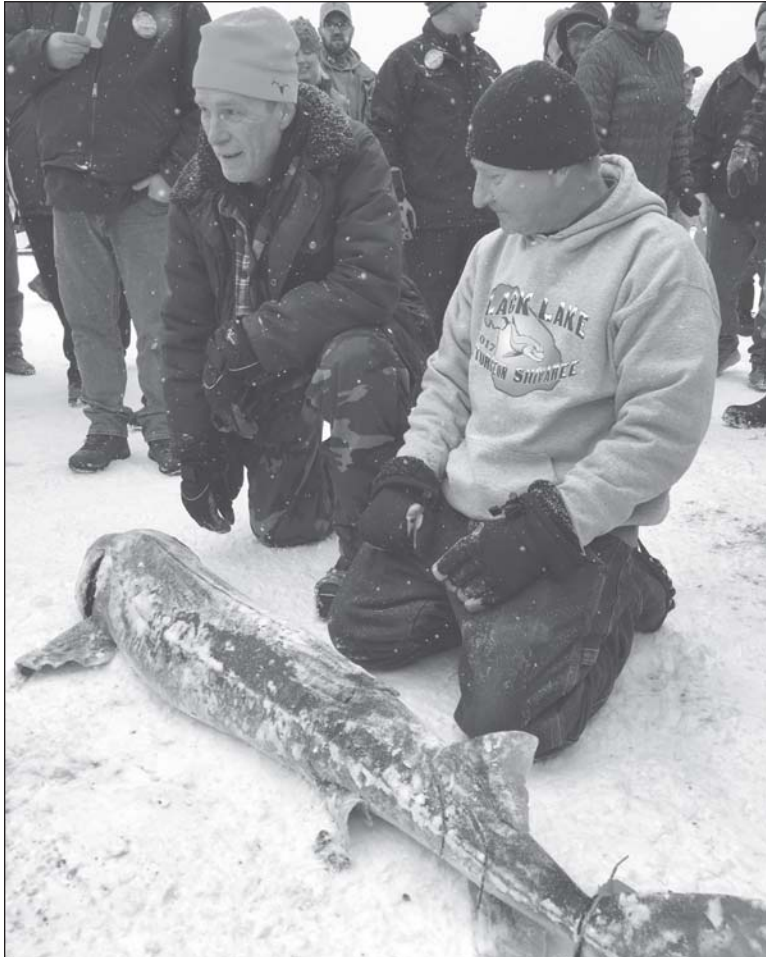
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lake sturgeon in Black Lake from overharvest," said DNR fisheries biologist Tim Cwalinski. "It was deemed another successful season for angler participation, fish harvest, quick response times, and from a safety perspective."

In addition, the Black Lake Sturgeon Shivaree event, sponsored by many local groups, was held on the ice and offered a festive environment for the public.

Rehabilitation of lake sturgeon in the Cheboygan River watershed is a cooperative effort involving the DNR, the Black Lake Chapter of Sturgeon For Tomorrow, Michigan State University, Tower-Kleber Limited Partnership, the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

For more information on sturgeon in Michigan, visit michigan.gov/sturgeon



Anglers sit with a lake sturgeon caught during the 2018 Black Lake season

HAYNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Haynes Township will hold its annual budget meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at the Haynes Township Hall, 3930 E. McNeil Rd. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this meeting.** Regular meeting to follow at 7:00.
Sharon Schefferly
Haynes Township Clerk

NOTICE

The Curtis Township Board of Trustees will hold their second budget hearing on Thursday, March 8th, 2018 at 5 p.m. at the Curtis Township Offices, 4875 F-30, Glennie, Michigan. The Curtis Township Board will also be holding their Truth and Taxation Hearing at this time. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be the subject of this hearing.** Copies of the 2018-2019 proposed budget may be picked up at the Clerk's office after Friday, March 2 2018.
Teresa J. Perkins, Clerk
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Study shows state's economy becoming more competitive

By Casey Hull

Capital News Service

The Michigan economy has taken leaps forward in the last six years, according to a new report to the House and Senate Competitiveness committees.

The study by Timothy Nash of Northwood University's McNair Center for the Advancement of Free Enterprise and Entrepreneurship in Midland uses a variety of analysis points to determine how Michigan's economy has grown in comparison to other states in the Great Lakes region and the rest of the country.

From 2000 to 2010, the study found Michigan to rank 47th in state competitiveness. Over the last six years, Michigan moved into ninth place.

"I think that it's good timing relative to the State of the State," said Rep. Jim Lilly, vice-chair of the House committee. "Improvements in income growth, the regulatory environment, tax and debt. I think these are all things we can be proud of, but I also think the report showed areas to improve."

The report highlights that Michigan is the highest-cost state for automobile insurance, an average of \$2,394 per year.

That's a cost that Rep. Jason Sheppard said he hopes can be addressed by a package of bills that would repeal Michigan's no fault auto insurance system.

Auto insurance premiums decreased by 35 percent in Colorado after that state switched from no-fault auto insurance to a tort system that would work through the courts, Sheppard said.

Nash also cited Michigan's competitive business and corporate tax rates as an important factor in attracting

new businesses and retaining the state's workforce.

"Yes, we've cut taxes drastically, yet we aren't the most competitive," said Rep. Abdullah Hammoud, a member of the House committee. "These tax incentive packages are constantly being brought up, and I think it was basically highlighted by the Amazon situation that this isn't the end all be all," he said.

Hammoud critiqued the absence of value placed on public transit and infrastructure in the report. A lack of public transportation was a primary reason Amazon gave late last year for not selecting Detroit as a potential lo-

cation for its new headquarters.

Nash told lawmakers that Michigan has one of the highest growth rates for per capita income in the nation. But Rep. Erika Geiss, another committee member, said it's important to differentiate the growth rate among Michigan's economic classes, "especially when we have a lot of members in our communities in both our rural and urban settings whose income is at or below the poverty level.

"When we start talking about those numbers, we can start talking about improving our economic outlook for residents," she said Geiss.

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The City of Harrisville and the Harrisville Harbor Commission are requesting bids for reconstructing portions of the fixed and floating dockage systems within Harrisville Harbor. Sealed Bids will be received until 1:00 p.m. EST, February 23, 2018 at the Harrisville Harbor Office, 1 East Harbor Lane, Harrisville, Michigan 48740. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on Wednesday, February 14th at 11:00 a.m. EST at the harbor office. Contract Documents are available through the office of Edgewater Resources, LLC. Hard copies are available for a non-refundable fee of \$175.00 per set and digital copies are available free of charge. Interested parties should contact Colin Hassenger, PE for obtaining Contract Documents at chassenger@edgewaterresources.com.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW
FOR GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP
GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP HALL
5037 CAMPBELL RD., GREENBUSH, MI 48738**

**Monday, March 12
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Friday, March 16
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon & 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Written protests should be mailed to:
2836 E McNeil Rd. Lincoln, MI 48742
and MUST be received by March 12th.

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, March 6, to examine the Assessment Roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Appearing below are the recommended tentative Equalization Ratios and Estimated Multipliers as provided by Alcona Equalization Department.

	RATIOS	MULTIPLIERS
AGRICULTURAL	52.30	0.95602
COMMERCIAL	49.78	1.00442
INDUSTRIAL	47.54	1.05174
RESIDENTIAL	48.14	1.03864
TIMBER CUTOVER	N/A	N/A
DEVELOPMENTAL	N/A	N/A
PERSONAL PROPERTY	50.00	1.00000

Lee Major
Greenbush Township Supervisor

2/14 thru 2/28

Calendar of Events



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ice from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., fishing from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Poles, bait and holes provided and adult fishermen will be on hand for assistance. Hot dogs and hot cocoa provided.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19
All ladies are invited to play bunco at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road at 2:30 p.m. Bunco is an easy game to learn, first-timers are always welcome.

White Pine Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville. Join them for quilting ideas, fellowship and inspiration. Quilting both new and experienced are invited to join or visit. For more information, call Joanne at (989) 255-7880.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20
The Alcona Book Club will meet from noon to 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. The selection for February is "A Wolf Called Romeo" by Nick Jans. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21
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.

A blood drive will be held from noon to 6 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring your Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive identification. For more information call (800) 733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org.

A brownie and cookie bar challenge will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 1:30 p.m. Register your best recipe and then bring in a try of brownies or cookie bars for judging. Winner takes home a fabu-

lous prize. Registration forms available at all branches. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22
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 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch

of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23
Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

The Alcona Tool Cats robotics team is having a Soup Dinner Fundraiser in the "old gym" at Alcona High School from 3-6 p.m. Students and friends of the robotics team will prepare many kinds of hot soup for this event. There will also be desserts, bread, crackers, and rolls. The cost for dinner is \$5 per person. All proceeds will help fund the building of the robot and competition expenses for the 2018 season.

Alcona Community Schools is celebrating Winterfest 2018 with back-to-back varsity games and a special event. A ceremony honoring the athletic coaching contributions of Joell (Johnson) Krejcarek, who coached at Alcona High School for 31 years, will take place at approximately 7 p.m. during the half time of the Alcona girls varsity basketball game in the "new" gym at Alcona High School on Barlow Road, Lincoln. The game begins at 6 p.m. The varsity boys game will follow the girl's game at approximately 8 p.m. and the Winterfest king and queen will be crowned at half-time of the boy's game.

Irving Entertainment presents "Michigan Micro Adventures" a show that transports you to the possibility of adventure in northeast Michigan. This program will be held at 5:45 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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4. Dorothy
5. Ida
6. Mildred
7. Edna
8. Gladys
9. Florence
10. Bertha
Source: Ancestry.com



Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



U.S. transport sunk Alcona boys safe

Wilbur Adair and Mark Fulcher Were on Torpedoed Tuscania

February 14, 1918 ~ There was great anxiety felt here for several days, after it became known that two of Alcona county's soldiers were on board the ill-fated transport Tuscania, which was torpedoed off the Irish coast last Friday.

First reports gave the estimated loss at 1,000 or more and stated that the troops on the ship were largely from Michigan and Wisconsin. It was not definitely known here whether any Alcona county boys were aboard until Saturday afternoon, when a message from Congressman Currie stated that Wilbur Adair and Mark Fulcher were on the Tuscania, but that no report had been made as to their safety.

The families and friends, in fact the whole community felt great anxiety as to the fate of the two soldiers until Sunday, when a second message came, this from the War Department at Washington, that both of the boys were safe. The relief of the parents, who had been in a state of fearful suspense, can be better imagined than described.

The boys are neighbors and chums one being the son of Joseph Fulcher of Gustin and the other of Frank Adair of Harrisville. They enlisted last August in the aviation corps, Wilbur as machinist and Mark as cook.

The last word received direct from them was a letter from Frank to his father,

dated January 19th at Garden City, N. Y. (Long Island). It follows:

Dear Folks:—

I will write you a few lines to let you know that I have moved again and that we are going to move again pretty quick. You wouldn't have time to get here to see me, for very likely we will be on our way before you get this.

I am sorry that I didn't get home to see you all, but I couldn't do it. So we will look forward to the close of the war, when we shall meet again.

I only hope that the time isn't far away for the close. I hope this finds you all and that you will continue to be the same; I am feeling fine

again. Well, we have been out here on this island for three months the 18th of January. I wonder where the next 3 months will find me; many miles away I guess, for I don't think we will be here 24 hours from now.

Well, if you don't hear from me again for quite awhile, don't worry for it will only be useless to worry, for I will be all right.

Well, Dad, if I am not back to help you this summer, you and Gilly do your best and everything will come out all right in the end. So don't worry about me, for if a man dies for his country that is the noblest death that a man can die. But I am not going to die over there; I am coming

back again. Of course it may not be so soon as we expect. Well, Dad, if you get the chance to sell Charlie sell him, for you have too many horses now. And if I don't get back next summer and you don't feel like you have any place for Diamond put him out on pasture somewhere, but don't sell him for I sure want him if I ever return.

Well, I guess I will have to close for this time, and if we don't leave as soon as I expect I will write again soon.

I remain as ever,
Your son and brother,
Wilbur Adair.
Love to all—and may God bless us all until we meet again.

Submarine not seen

February 14, 1918 ~ Survivors are agreed that no one saw the wake of foam as the torpedo came toward the vessel. It was a black night and no alarm came from any one of the 15 lookouts. The torpedo struck the Tuscania a vital blow amidships, in the boiler room, and there was a muffled crash, which told every one what had happened.

That a German submarine endeavored to attack the destroyers while the latter were engaged in rescue work is the statement made by an American officer at another Irish port where a large number of men were landed. The officer said to a correspondent

"The thing that somehow impressed me most in the whole experience was the promptitude and precision with which the British men bandied their craft trying the trying conditions of rescue work. This work had only just begun when there came the most exciting moments of the night.

"A U-boat from the curtain of blackness behind which she was skulking thought to finish the work by an attack on the destroyers. Three torpedoes were discharged in a few minutes at three destroyers and it was only due to the watchfulness of the lookouts and the splendid seamanship of the British Naval men that they failed to reach their targets.

"This onslaught, however, revealed the approximate location of the enemy and a pair of destroyers at once attacked with guns and bombs so effectively that even if the U-boat was not sunk it was afraid to show itself again.

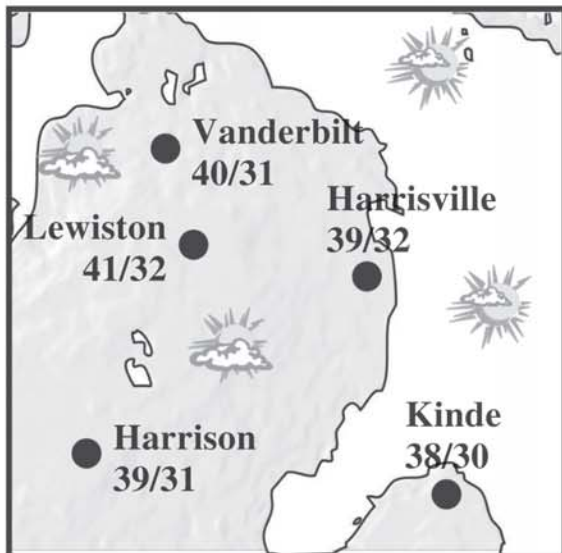
Alcona Review Weather Report

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Seven Day Forecast

	WEDNESDAY Mostly Sunny High: 39 Low: 32
	THURSDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 37 Low: 17
	FRIDAY Partly Cloudy High: 22 Low: 8
	SATURDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 27 Low: 19
	SUNDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 35 Low: 26
	MONDAY Few Snow Showers High: 36 Low: 27
	TUESDAY Cloudy High: 32 Low: 23

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies, high temperature of 39°, humidity of 72%. South southwest wind 10 to 14 mph. The record high temperature for today is 52° set in 1954. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 32°. South southwest wind 8 to 14 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 24°.

*Last Week's Almanac

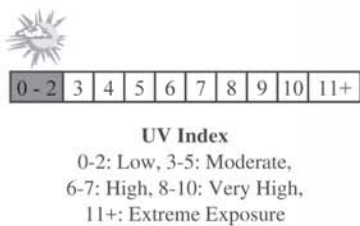
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Tuesday	20	-7	28/10	Trace
Wednesday	21	-4	28/11	0.02"
Thursday	21	-9	28/11	0.01"
Friday	24	-3	28/11	0.03"
Saturday	25	-1	28/11	Trace
Sunday	24	-1	28/11	0.28"
Monday	23	-6	29/11	Trace

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
New 2/15	Wednesday	7:36 a.m.	6:00 p.m.	7:00 a.m.	4:57 p.m.	
	Thursday	7:35 a.m.	6:02 p.m.	7:35 a.m.	5:58 p.m.	
	Friday	7:33 a.m.	6:03 p.m.	8:06 a.m.	7:00 p.m.	
First 2/23	Saturday	7:32 a.m.	6:05 p.m.	8:35 a.m.	8:03 p.m.	
	Sunday	7:30 a.m.	6:06 p.m.	9:03 a.m.	9:08 p.m.	
	Monday	7:28 a.m.	6:07 p.m.	9:30 a.m.	10:14 p.m.	
	Tuesday	7:27 a.m.	6:09 p.m.	9:59 a.m.	11:21 p.m.	

Local UV Index



National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see partly to mostly cloudy skies Wednesday with isolated rain, cloudy skies Thursday and Friday with scattered showers and snow, highest temperature of 61 in Belleville, Ill. The Southeast will experience mostly cloudy skies Wednesday with scattered showers, partly to mostly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday with scattered rain, highest temperature of 85 in Coral Springs, Fla. In the Northwest there will be partly to mostly cloudy skies through Friday with isolated rain and snow, highest temperature of 52 in Cheyenne, Wyo. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies through Friday with isolated rain, highest temperature of 74 in Carlsbad, N.M.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	7:41 a.m.	5:42 p.m.
Venus	8:04 a.m.	6:41 p.m.
Mars	3:04 a.m.	12:06 p.m.
Jupiter	1:25 a.m.	11:07 a.m.
Saturn	4:54 a.m.	1:48 p.m.
Uranus	9:49 a.m.	11:08 p.m.

Weather History

Feb. 14, 1988 - Strong northerly winds ushered arctic air into the north central United States. Snow and high winds created blizzard conditions in Minnesota and the Dakotas. Winds gusted to 56 mph at Rapid City, S.D. and reached 65 mph at Cody, Wyo.

Weather Trivia

Does cold air hold more or less moisture than warm air?



Answer: Less.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - The Day and the Year

When we contemplate the length of the day, we incorrectly consider that it is the same length as the rotation of the Earth. The amount of time it takes the Earth to spin once about its axis is 23 hours, 56 minutes. That is the amount of time it takes a fixed object, such as a star, to return to the same place in the sky. Astronomers take this period and divide it into a 24-hour interval called the sidereal day. During a sidereal day, the Earth's revolution around the sun shifts its orbital position by approximately one degree, causing the sun to move by that amount towards the east. Because we want the sun to return to a fixed position (south) each day, we need to add four minutes to the sidereal day to bring the (mean) sun back to its same location. This gives us our 24 hour time interval that we see on our clocks and which we call the day. Thus, even though a day is based on the Earth's rotation, the two are not the same. Enter revolution which is the orbiting of Earth around the sun. Our yearly calendars do not reflect the true orbital period of our planet which is 365.2564 days. Instead our calendrical years are based upon the sun crossing a slowly westward moving point in the sky called the vernal equinox. It is at the intersection of the projection of Earth's equator into space (celestial equator) and the path of the sun in the sky due to Earth's revolution (the ecliptic). The vernal equinox, where the sun crosses the celestial equator from below to above, marks the start of the tropical year, 365.2422 days in length. This point moves westward in a 26,000 year cycle called the precession (wobble) of the equinoxes, created by the sun's gravity trying to upright Earth's tilted axis. By focusing on two successive crossings of the vernal equinox instead of Earth's orbit, we keep our calendar in seasonal step with all fixed dates at the expense of a slowly changing seasonal sky. In 13,000 years, the winter star patterns, like Orion, will be gracing our summer sky, and summer stars will be seen in the winter. I can't wait! www.astronomy.org

CryptoQuip answer

When sovereign rulers have their morning meals, do you suppose they would choose the imperial cereal?

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **MOVIES:** What was the title of the first James Bond movie?
2. **MUSIC:** How old was Sid Vicious of the "Sex Pistols" when he died?
3. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the birthstone for the month of February?
4. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** What were the names of President Barack Obama's family dogs?
5. **TELEVISION:** Who played the lead in the TV series "The Rockford Files"?
6. **TRANSPORTATION:** What is the large airport in the world in terms of passenger traffic?
7. **MEASUREMENTS:** How many acres are in a hectare?
8. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is the capital of Iceland?
9. **LANGUAGE:** What does the word "cognoscente" mean?
10. **HISTORY:** "The Summer of Love" in 1967 is associated with which U.S. city?

Answers: 1. "Dr. No," starring Sean Connery; 2. 21; 3. Amethyst; 4. Bo and Sunny; 5. James Garner; 6. Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport; 7. 100; 8. Reykjavik; 9. A connoisseur; 10. San Francisco (c) 2018 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword

PUNNING UP AND DOWN

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Jan. and Feb.</p> <p>4 Project detail, for short</p> <p>8 Coll. dorm monitors</p> <p>11 Salt Lake City athletes</p> <p>15 Speedy WWW hookup</p> <p>18 Nibble away</p> <p>19 Funny Bombeck</p> <p>20 Trio after N</p> <p>21 12-point-wide type</p> <p>22 Lemur kin</p> <p>23 Start of the first riddle</p> <p>26 Ship routes</p> <p>28 Henry of Time and Life</p> <p>29 The Teletubby that's yellow</p> <p>31 Certain citrus grove yield</p> <p>32 Middle of the first riddle</p> <p>37 Lingerie garment</p> <p>39 Snobbery</p> <p>40 Un-PC suffix</p> <p>41 Retort to "Not so!"</p> <p>42 Wrestling pad</p> | <p>43 Party game cry</p> <p>44 Peaty place</p> <p>47 Slave over — stove</p> <p>49 End of the first riddle</p> <p>58 U.S. snoop gp.</p> <p>59 Creameries</p> <p>60 State as fact</p> <p>61 First riddle's answer</p> <p>65 Zagreb site</p> <p>66 "My Man" singer Yoko</p> <p>67 Pre-58-Across org.</p> <p>68 Immodesty</p> <p>70 Old fed. led by Nasser</p> <p>71 Hydrogen atom's lack</p> <p>75 Start of the second riddle</p> <p>81 Holds up</p> <p>82 Cybernames</p> <p>84 English rocker Brian</p> <p>85 Middle of the second riddle</p> <p>91 Andy Taylor's son</p> <p>92 Look at</p> <p>93 Org. giving tows</p> <p>94 See 75-Down</p> | <p>95 Storage site</p> <p>100 Misfortunes</p> <p>102 Livy's 2,150</p> <p>103 Couple</p> <p>104 End of the second riddle</p> <p>110 Intercept and turn aside</p> <p>111 Gin joint</p> <p>112 Oohs and —</p> <p>115 "You have my word"</p> <p>117 Second riddle's answer</p> <p>121 Cinematic Spike</p> <p>122 Purple fruit</p> <p>123 Go — rant</p> <p>124 Black-and-white treat</p> <p>125 — culpa</p> <p>126 Cut out</p> <p>127 Aug. follower</p> <p>128 April follower</p> <p>129 Simple</p> <p>130 Purported psychic gift</p> | <p>7 Hardened skin area</p> <p>8 Fit for a king</p> <p>9 Straight as —</p> <p>10 Nerdy sort</p> <p>11 Big name in pkg. shipping</p> <p>12 Get stewed</p> <p>13 PC-sent greeting</p> <p>14 Deli meat</p> <p>15 "Blasted!"</p> <p>16 Big name in swimsuits</p> <p>17 Not to such a degree</p> <p>24 Tetley option</p> <p>25 "True —!" ("Yes siree!")</p> <p>27 Santa — (hot winds)</p> <p>30 All the world, per the Bard</p> <p>33 Actress Metcalf</p> <p>34 One-dimensional</p> <p>35 Body part above eyes</p> <p>36 One of the Musketeers</p> <p>37 X6 and Z4 carmaker</p> <p>38 Pep rally cry</p> <p>44 Doldrums</p> <p>45 Any of the Joads, e.g.</p> <p>46 Female kid</p> | <p>48 Old despot of Russia</p> <p>50 Cry in Berlin</p> <p>51 Tallies</p> <p>52 Bite playfully</p> <p>53 General —'s chicken</p> <p>54 "There — tide ..."</p> <p>55 Abate</p> <p>56 Event with evidence</p> <p>57 Gawk</p> <p>61 Pilot and Fit carmaker</p> <p>62 "— a nap!"</p> <p>63 Pianist Glenn</p> <p>64 History unit</p> <p>65 Fishcake fish</p> <p>68 Actor Murphy</p> <p>69 Main point</p> <p>72 Oil byproduct</p> <p>73 Bread or booze</p> <p>74 — buco</p> <p>75 With 94-Across, donkey noise</p> <p>76 Sun, moon and star</p> <p>77 Cablegram</p> <p>78 Jewish</p> <p>79 Surround with a saintly ring</p> | <p>80 Caveman Alley</p> <p>82 Functional</p> <p>83 Turtle covers</p> <p>86 Makes natty</p> <p>87 "— Rock" (1966 hit)</p> <p>88 "Heavens!"</p> <p>89 Liquid filling la mer</p> <p>90 A couple</p> <p>95 For some time</p> <p>96 Prison, informally</p> <p>97 Began to cry, with "up"</p> <p>98 Prefix with Chinese</p> <p>99 Chews noisily</p> <p>101 Ski race</p> <p>102 "Some Like It Hot" actress</p> <p>105 Cyber-submit to the IRS</p> <p>106 Massey of "Rosalie"</p> <p>107 "Never ever!"</p> <p>108 Common site for a 7-Down</p> <p>109 Set (down)</p> <p>113 Tilling tools</p> <p>114 Flip one's lid</p> <p>116 First-aid ace</p> <p>118 History unit</p> <p>119 — Moines</p> <p>120 Male kid</p> |
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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Feb. 21, 1828, the first printing press designed to use the newly invented Cherokee alphabet arrives at New Echota, Georgia. Within months, the first Indian language newspaper in history, The Cherokee Phoenix, was published.
 - On Feb. 25, 1890, Vlacheslav Mikhaylovich Skryabin, who took the revolutionary name Molotov, is born in Russia. He invented the famous "Molotov cocktail," a flammable liquid-filled glass bottle stuffed with a lighted rag and thrown at the enemy.
 - On Feb. 20, 1902, famed Western photographer Ansel Adams is born in San Francisco. Adams founded "Group f/64," which was dedicated to promoting deep-focus photography and the use of "straight" images free from darkroom trickery.
 - On Feb. 24, 1917, British authorities give the U.S. a copy of an official coded message from Germany that Mexico should be asked to enter a war against the U.S. as a German ally. In return, Germany promised to restore to Mexico the lost territories of Texas, New Mexico and Arizona.
 - On Feb. 19, 1942, right after Pearl Harbor, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs Executive Order 9066, authorizing the removal of any or all people "as deemed necessary or desirable." By June, more than 110,000 Japanese Americans on the West Coast were relocated to remote internment camps.
 - On Feb. 23, 1954, a group of children in Pennsylvania receive the first injections of the new polio vaccine developed by Dr. Jonas Salk. Although highly successful, a single faulty batch of the vaccine caused a sudden outbreak of 200 cases.
 - On Feb. 22, 1980, the underdog U.S. hockey team, made up of college students, defeats the four-time defending gold-medal winning Soviet team at the Olympic Winter Games in New York. The Soviet squad fell to the American team 4-3 before a frenzied crowd of 10,000 spectators.
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was 19th-century French novelist and poet Victor Hugo who made the following sage observation: "Men hate those to whom they have to lie."
- If you're planning to visit the Hawaiian island of Kauai, you might want to trek up to Mount Waialeale. If you do, though, be sure to take an umbrella, as that mountain holds the distinction of receiving more rainfall than any other place on Earth, with an average of about 40 feet -- yes, feet -- of rain annually.
- According to the National Chicken Council's annual Chicken Wing Report -- yes, there is such a report, and it is strategically timed for release just before the Super Bowl -- 1.35 billion wings were consumed during Super Bowl week-end this year. That's an all-time high; the number crunchers have determined that if all those wings were laid end-to-end, the resulting line of poultry would stretch 394 million feet. That would be long enough to circle the Earth three times -- or to cross a road 13 million times.
- When archaeologists discovered the tomb of King Tut, one of the objects they found inside was a bronze razor -- and it was still sharp enough to use.
- Did you ever wonder how the lollipop got its name? A man named George Smith first put the hard treat on the end of a stick, but candy-making wasn't his only interest. It seems that Smith also had a keen interest in horseracing, and he named the candy after a popular racehorse of the time, Lolly Pop.
- Those who study such things say that all mammals, from rodents to elephants, urinate for approximately 21 seconds. This is now known as the "Law of Urination."

Thought for the Day: "The universe is like a safe to which there is a combination. But the combination is locked up in the safe." -- Peter De Vries
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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: T equals R

UZOI EJKOTOQLI TFAOTE ZVKO
NZOQT BJTIQIL BOVAE, HJ PJF
EFXXJEO NZOP UJFAH WZJJEO
NZO QBXOTQVA WOTOVA?

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LEGAL NOTICES

**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 G. Waelchli and Ethel A. Waelchli, husband and wife, 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 7th day of March, 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, described as follows: 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 & 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: January 17, 2018
Alcona County, Doug Atchison, Sheriff
Benjamin N. Hoen (P81415)
Attorney for Plaintiff
323 W. Lakeside Ave., Ste. 200
Cleveland, Ohio 44113
WWR No. 10142960
1-17, 1-24, 1-31, 2-7, 2-14, 2-21

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Mortgage sale—Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Gerald Orban, a single man, mortgagor, to First National Bank of America, mortgagee, dated February 7, 2007, and recorded February 14, 2007, in Liber 439, page 315, of Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice \$39,673.27, including interest at 10.95 percent per annum.
Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the state of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2018, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan. Said premises are situated in the township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The north 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, T28N, R9E, except a parcel of land located on

the SW corner of this legally described property being 200 feet on Barlow Road and being 250 feet in depth; and the south 1/2 of the south 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, T28N, R9E, commonly known as (c/k/a): 5150 F-41 North, Black River, Mich. 48721.
The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale, unless the premises are determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be one month, or until the time to provide the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later. Please be advised that if the mortgaged property is sold at a foreclosure sale by advertisement, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale, or to the mortgage holder, for damaging the property during the redemption period.
Dated: January 24, 2018
LeVasseur Dyer & Associates, PC
Attorneys for Mortgagee
P.O. Box 721400
Berkley, MI 48072
(248) 236-1765
1-24, 1-31, 2-7, 2-14

VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, Feb. 5 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those in attendance included: President Jordan, treasurer Hussain, clerk Somers and council members Gauthier, Healy, Putsky, Somers and Zielinski. Council Member Mahalak was absent.
The minutes of the January meeting were approved on a motion from Zielinski with support from Gauthier. The treasurer's report was approved, subject, to audit on a motion from Gauthier with support from Zielinski. Mike Serafin gave the fire department report. There have been 10 medical runs and six fire runs. Mike and president Jordan spoke about the need for some new pagers for the department. Mike will gather more information and bring it to the next meeting.
The sewer report was given by president Jordan. It has been relatively quiet recently. There are some things that need to be fixed as the weather gets warmer. The street report was also given. Steve Slater and Michele Weber have been doing a great job of taking care of snow removal.
President Jordan stated that he was notified that we have been awarded an MDOT grant to do work on the intersection at Main

Street and Barlow Road. We were also awarded funds for paving Barlow Road for 2019. President Jordan said there is a lot of paperwork that needs to be submitted before anything moves forward. Money in village streets funds that will help to cover the portion that the village has to pay. In old business, Zielinski stated that she is working to fix an issue with the website. President Jordan asked her to post links to area businesses on our website. President Jordan thanked Bill and Kathy Putsky for their hard work and dedication on the DNR/boat launch grant. The next regular meeting of the planning commission will be on March 28th at 6 p.m.
President Jordan gave his report. The budget workshop will be held on Monday, Feb. 12 at 6 p.m. The down payment on the sidewalk project will be sent out within the next week. We will be doing the self-evaluation that is part of the Redevelopment Reacy Communities (RRC) project. The training that is part of this venture is being held in Clare, Mich. on February 13.
The bills were approved on a motion by Zielinski with support from Healy. A motion to adjourn was made by Zielinski with support from Healy.
Linda K. Somers
Village Clerk

Notice to creditors

To all creditors: The decedent, Betty R. Federspiel, date of birth, September 28, 1930, Grantor of the Federspiel Trust No. 1, dated February 10, 2004, as amended on October 30, 2012, who lived at 2540 Healy Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737, died January 8, 2018. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Terry D. Federspiel, trustee, at 5684 Smith Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737, or the attorney for the trustee, Jim Thomas, at 5191 Hampton Place, Saginaw, Mich. 48604, within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.
Date: February 14, 2018

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Mortgage sale – Roy A. Melton and Ruby Melton, husband and wife, granted a mortgage to The Huntington National Bank successor by merger to First Merit Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Citizens Bank, mortgagee, dated March 16, 2007, and recorded on April 2, 2007, in Liber 440, on page 1,041, Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fourteen thousand seven hundred eight dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$14,708.79). 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, west entrance to the Alcona County building in Harrisville, Mich. at 10 a.m. o'clock, on February 28, 2018.
Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: All that part of the north 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 36, Town 26 North, Range 7 East, described as commencing at the west 1/4 corner of said Section 36 as the point of beginning; thence north 89 degrees 12 minutes 17 seconds east 658.32 feet along the east-west 1/4 line and centerline of Condon Road; thence south 01 degree 16 minutes 33 seconds east 659.56 feet; thence north 89 degrees 04 minutes 25 seconds east 1317.41 feet; thence south 01 degree 20 minutes 41 seconds east 656.55 feet to the south east-west 1/8 line; thence south 88 degrees 56 minutes 34 seconds west 1977.27 feet along the said south east-west 1/8 line to the west section line of said

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nities, and are issues that need to be addressed on many levels.”

As a leadership activity, YAC members, working with their adult advisors, are in charge of distributing this survey to students in their own schools. The 2018 Northeast Michigan Youth Needs Assessment survey includes feedback from students at high schools in the CFNEM service area of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties. Once survey results are compiled, the list is narrowed down to the 10 issues sited most as needing attention. Those ten issues for the 2018 survey are:

- Stress issues
- Depression and mental health
- Self-esteem issues
- Teenage substance abuse (illegal drugs and tobacco)
- Lack of things to do locally
- Bullying
- Pressure from school work/homework
- Body image/appearance issues

- Underage Alcohol Use
- Financial Issues

The Northeast Michigan Youth Advisory Council will begin using this list with its current round of grants, which will be decided this month.

“Not all of the grant applications that come to the Youth Advisory Council address the topics in this survey, and they don’t necessarily need to,” said Stoppa. “But we do hope the results of the survey encourage local agencies to enhance their efforts in tackling these issues. Our YACs have some grant funding to help them do that.”

To learn more about the Community Foundation’s NEMYAC Michigan, or to support this group of young philanthropists through donations to the Kellogg Youth Endowment Fund at CFNEM, visit www.cfnem.org.

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BOARD OF REVIEW

2018 Board of Review Notice

City of Harrisville
City Clerk's Office, 200 Fifth Street
Harrisville, MI 48740

The City of Harrisville Board of Review for 2018 will be held at the City Clerk's Office, 200 Fifth Street on the following dates:

March 13, 2018, 3 - 9 p.m.

March 15, 2018, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 6, 2018 at 10:15 a.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 13, 2018.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2018 are as follows:

Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	49.97	1.00000
Residential	49.98	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The City will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven-day notice. Contact: Barbara Pierce at City Clerk's Office, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. daily at (989) 724-6666.

2018 Board of Review Notice

Harrisville Township
114 S. Poor Farm Road
Harrisville, MI 48740

The Harrisville Township Board of Review for 2018 will be held at the Harrisville Township Hall, 114 S. Poor Farm Road on the following dates:

March 13, 2018, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

March 15, 2018, 3 - 9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 6, 2018 at 8 a.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 13, 2018.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2018 are as follows:

Agricultural	49.96	1.00000
Commercial	49.92	1.00000
Industrial	49.99	1.00000
Residential	49.98	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven-day notice. Contact: Supervisor Tom Stone at (989) 724-6872.

2018 Board of Review Notice

Hawes Township
VFW Post 8135, 2120 Trask Lake Road
Barton City, MI 48705

The Hawes Township Board of Review for 2018 will be held at the VFW Post, 2120 Trask Lake Road on the following dates:

March 12, 2018, 3 - 9 p.m.

March 16, 2018, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 - 4 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 6, 2018 at 7 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 12, 2018.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2018 are as follows:

Agricultural	50.00	1.00000
Commercial	49.82	1.00000
Industrial	49.96	1.00000
Residential	49.74	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

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Public Notice

Township of Curtis
2018 March Board of Review Meeting
Curtis Township Hall
4875 F-30, Glennie, Michigan

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 6 to 9 p.m.

Thursday, March 15, 2018 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 1 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be reviewed at the organizational meeting. Non-residents may protest to Board of Review by letter mailed to 4808 Webster Rd., Glennie, Mich. 48737. Letters must be received by March 14, 2018. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Notice the township will provide necessary and reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the board of review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact Tammy Fall, Assessor at (989) 735-2122.

Public Notice

Township of Caledonia
2018 March Board of Review Meeting
Caledonia Township Hall
6461 Gillard Rd., Spruce, Michigan

Monday, March 12, 2018 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 6 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be reviewed at the organizational meeting. Non-residents may protest to the Board of Review by letter mailed to 4808 Webster Rd., Glennie, Mich. 48737. Letters must be received by March 12, 2018.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Notice the township will provide necessary and reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the board of review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact Tammy Fall, Assessor at (989) 735-2122.

2018 Board of Review Notice

Millen Township
Barton City FOE 4141, 671 N. Sanborn Road
Barton City, MI 48705

The Millen Township Board of Review for 2018 will be held at the Barton City FOE, 671 N. Sanborn Road on the following dates:

March 13, 2018, 3 - 9 p.m.

March 17, 2018, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 - 4 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 6, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 13, 2018.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2018 are as follows:

Agricultural	49.95	1.00000
Commercial	49.82	1.00000
Residential	49.66	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven-day notice. Contact: Supervisor James Burger at (989) 736-3401.

2018 Board of Review Notice

Mitchell Township
6849 W Tower Road, Curran, MI 48728
The Mitchell Township Board of Review for 2018 will be held at the Mitchell Township Hall, 6849 Tower Road on the following dates:

March 12, 2018, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 - 4 p.m.

March 14, 2018, 2 - 5 p.m. and 6 - 9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 6, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 12, 2018.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2018 are as follows:

Agricultural	49.97	1.00000
Commercial	49.44	1.00000
Industrial	49.94	1.00000
Residential	49.93	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

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