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Neighbor dispute escalates with firearm dischargers

Power Lifting Record

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By Cheryl Peterson *Editor*

An argument between two neighbors escalated to the point where one discharged a shotgun.

According to the Alcona County Sheriff's Department, deputies responded to a home on McKinley Road on the western edge of Mitchell Township on March 15 at 3:25 p.m. after a resident called 911 reporting that his neighbor threatened him with a shotgun and fired twice.

The victim stated that a verbal altercation had occurred between himself and Arthur Leonard McCabe, 61, who was in a vehicle on the road in front of the victim's house.

McCabe allegedly exited his vehicle with a short-barreled shotgun and threatened

the victim, who took cover behind a large tree. McCabe allegedly fired a round from the gun. When the victim began to run, another round was fired into the air. The victim made it to a neighbor's house and called 911.

Upon arrival, deputies secured the area, obtained a perimeter around McCabe's residence where he had retreated, and interviewed the victim. They called McCabe and told him to exit his home, which he did, and was arrested.

McCabe was arraigned in 81st District Court on charges of aggravated assault with a gun, transporting a loaded firearm in a motor vehicle and possession of a firearm while intoxicated.

He is lodged in the Alcona County Jail on a \$10,000 cash surety 10 percent bond.



Birding enthusiasts are braving cool temperatures to help count and witness the hundreds of hawks, eagles and other birds during spring migration by the Straits of Mackinac. For more information, see the story on page 16. *Courtesy photo.*

Deadline approaching to declare candidacy for local elected positions

By Cheryl Peterson *Editor*

Anyone who has considered running for an elected position has an opportunity to get involved in grassroots government since there are 25 local positions up for election this year.

According to Alcona County Clerk Patricia Truman, Michigan residents will vote in a primary and general election this year. In addition to multiple state seats, there are various county, township, city and village positions that will be on the ballot. The deadline to file for as partisan (party affiliation) and nonpartisan candidates is April 24 by 5 p.m. for the following seats:

• County positions: Probate judge, board of commissioners – District 1, road commission and register of deeds.

• Township positions: Caledonia Township supervisor, treasurer and trustee; Greenbush Township trustee; Gustin Township trustee; Harrisville Township trustee; Hawes Township trustee and Haynes Township trustee.

• City of Harrisville posi-

tions: Mayor, clerk, treasurer, Alderman Ward I, Alderman Ward II and Alderman Ward III.

• Six positions on the Village of Lincoln Council are up for election this year, however the filing deadline to declare candidacy is July 24 by 5 p.m. because all village seats have no party affiliation and will not be on the August primary ballot. The positions on the council are: President, clerk, treasure and three trustee seats.

• There are also two seats open for the Alcona Community Schools Board of Education.

New commissioner takes on big goals

By Mary Weber Staff Writer

It can be difficult to walk into any position, immediately step up to the plate and swing hard, but that is how a Black River business man is handling his new role as an Alcona County Commissioner.

Dan Gauthier was chosen in January to fill the vacated seat of longtime District 1 Alcona County Commissioner Kathleen Vichunas after she resigned to become supervisor of Caledonia Township.

Gauthier said he isn't fraid of hard work and has already rolled up his sleeves to tackle some tough and lofty goals; making sure the county is fiscally sound and getting broadband Internet throughout the county. Both important agendas which Gauthier would like to see resolved while he is commissioner. Gauthier explained he was looking into many different avenues to bring reliable, cost-effective broadband service to the county. He has been busy attending meetings, seminars and keeping up on initiatives which could help. "I think sometimes Alcona County is overlooked. Bigger cities just seem to get more attention. One of our jobs (as commissioners) is to keep everyone aware that Alcona County is here and make sure our voice is heard. We don't



Dan Gauthier

Ask Your Neighbor

Norma Tracy, President of Unit 254, Ladies Auxiliary, in Mikado is looking for information about the Burt - McCullough American Legion Post that was in Lincoln during 1946-1958.

"I have little info about it. I have heard that it was only in operation for about 11 years. I would like to know why it closed and when and where it was located," she said.

Anyone who has information is asked to share it in this forum by following the instructions below.

This is an interactive column. Questions and answers come in written form from readers. To submit a question or answer, send it to the Alcona County Review at P.O. Box 548, Harrisville, Mich. 48740; via email to: editor@alconareview.com; by fax: (989) 724-6655 or drop it at the 111 Lake Street, Harrisville office. The name, address and telephone number of the person who is submitting the item is required in order for it to be considered for publication and possible follow up. Those interested in more information about filing as a candidate for any of those positions should contact the corresponding clerk's office (township clerk, village clerk, city clerk or county clerk).

The following state offices will also be on the ballot this year: Governor, Lt. governor, secretary of state, attorney general, U.S. senator - one seat, U.S. representative – 14 districts, state senator - 38 districts; state representative - 110 districts, state board of education - two seats; supreme court justice, court of appeals judge, circuit court judge, district court judge, probate district court, probate court and two seats each on boards for Michigan State University, University of Michigan and Wayne State University.

want everything to just go by us. For our current citizens, tax payers and our future citizens, Internet service is a must. We have to have it," Gauthier said.

To bring solvency to the county, Gauthier has been working closely with Commissioner Carolyn Brum-mund on reviewing what has happened in the past with the budget and how deficit issues, which Gauthier said the county has had for the last few years, can be resolved.

Sitting idle just isn't Gauthier's style, he has owned businesses in Alcona

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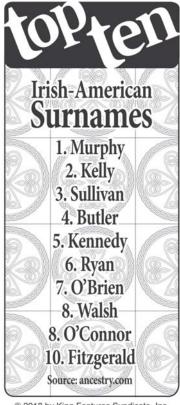
There will be a "March for our Lives" in Harrisville on Saturday, March 24 at 10 a.m. We'll walk in support of youth rallying nationwide after the tragic school shooting on February 14, that left 17 students and faculty dead and 15 injured at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla.

Nationwide, Americans are affirming that school safety is not a political issue. We'll meet on Main Street on the sidewalk by Richard's Pharmacy, walk down to the water and then back to the coffee shop.

After Harrisville, there will be another rally/march in Alpena at 1 p.m., sponsored by People for Social Justice. We will be meeting by the bridge behind the NOAA building, walking over the bridge to Chisholm then to Culligan Plaza on Second Street in Alpena.

Please come and walk with us and join in the community effort to find solutions to the gun violence that is killing innocent children and adults in America.

Patty Thomas Harrisville



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Elsie Hoult, 98, of Hubbard Lake died on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 in Grayling, Mich.

Elsie Hoult

She was born in Independence Township, Mich. on December 30, 1919 to Frank and Alice (Grant) Struble.

On May 8, 1937 she married George C. Hoult.

Mrs. Hoult was a longtime resident of Oakland County, Mich. and moved to Hubbard Lake in 1966.

She was a devoted homemaker who enjoyed cooking, crochet, and spending time with her grandchildren.

Mrs. Hoult is survived by four sons, Jack (Bonnie) Hoult of Gladstone, Mich., Ron (Joyce) Hoult of Ellsworth, Mich., George (Sue) Hoult of High Point, NC., and Mike "Dennis" (Janet) Hoult of Alpena; nine grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Hoult was preceded in death by her husband, George in August 1986; one daughter, Nancy Thomas in August 2006; one grandson in 1989; two brothers; and one sister.

The funeral was held March 17 at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln. Interment will be in Pleasant View Cemetery Spruce, in the spring.

Garnet C. Clark

Garnet Charles Clark, 80, died on Saturday, Feb. 17, 2018 in Rockledge, Fla.

He was born July 16, 1937 to Gerald and Ammrett (Anderson) Clark in Killmaster (Gustin Township).

Mr. Clark worked for General Motors then returned to Killmaster where he started building homes. He also worked for the Alcona County Road Commission.

In 1982 he moved to Florida and was employed at Tampa General Hospital and the University of Florida from which he retired.

In 1998 he married Terri McDonald in Florida.

He enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren. He loved the gable pool and his cars.

Mr. Clark is survived by his wife, Terri of Florida; four daughters, Brenda Kinzle, Theresa (David) Moulds, Debbie (Kevin) Gallaher, and Connie (Darryl) Medlin; two stepchildren, Derek (Deanne) Sichler and Stacy Eskew; nine grandchildren, Mike (Lauren) Arlt, Matt Arlt, Ashley (Travis) Clark, Brandon (Chrystal) Stubl, Alina Gallaher, Kurtis (Kim) Franciose, Kelly Vielt, Dominick Medlin, and Christopher Medlin; six step grand-



children, JordanSichler, Caden Sichler, Kyle Eskew. Nolan Eskew, Christina (Dave) Howe, and Sharon Moulds; 17 great-grandchildren; five great-great- grandchildren; one sister, Tammy (Ron) Gallher; and a special uncle, Elwood Anderson.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Geraldine Johnson; and one brother, R. B. Clark.

A memorial service and interment will take place at Twin Lakes Cemetery on July 7 at 11 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Florida or to the family.

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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.)

WEDNESAY, MARCH 21

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

My Brother's Hope Free Store 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, MARCH 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.

Anyone interested in art or other hobbies is invited to attend a free workshop from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the EMS building located at 2600 East M-72, Harrisville. Bring your own materials. For more information, call Bernie at (989) 724-6347 or Kathryn at (989) 736-6754. This event is sponsored by the East Shore Art Guild.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24 My Brother's Hope Free Store will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). For more information, call (989) 335-3541.

Easter fun for children ages three through 10 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville from 1 to 3 p.m. Activities include egg coloring, cookie decorating and an Easter egg hunt from 2:45 to 3 p.m. All supplies provided, no charge. Call (989) 724-6734 or (989) 724-7165 for details. Hoffmeyer, Alcona student and member of Close Up will also address the audience about an upcoming trip to Washington D.C. For more information, call Jaynee Germond at (541) 530-5294.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27

Learn how to make a metal basket at the Crafty Arts class from 6 to 8 p.m. for adults age 15 and older. The class will be held at the Chosen Ranch building located on Traverse Bay and Barlow roads in Lincoln. Cost is \$12 per person and space is limited to 24. To register, call (989) 464-4766 or (989) 335-3308.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28 The community is invited to attend the annual White Breakfast at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street, at 9 a.m. Guest speaker will be Sue Wander. This event is sponsored by the Harrisville United Methodist Women. It is an opportunity to celebrate Easter week with others.

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

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

All-you-can-eat pizza bar with salad and soft drink.

Cost is \$10 per person. This event will be held at the Backwoods Bistro in Lincoln from 1 p.m. to closing. All proceeds to the Alcona Close Up trip to Washington D.C. Silent auction and raffles also available.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29

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SATURDAY, MARCH 31

A snowshoe horseshoe tournament will be held at the Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road. Sign-up from noon to 1 p.m., games begin at 1:15 p.m. Entry free is \$5. Raffles, food, prizes and fun for all. Call (989) 736-3050. All proceeds to Special Olympics of Alcona.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

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



Birds may reject a birdhouse placed near food or water, as these attract raccoons and rats that will eat birds and their eggs.
Claw marks on the house's surface or nesting material pulled from the entrance will show you these predators are around and can easily reach the birdhouse.
Try mounting the house away from food and on a metal pole, rather than on a tree trunk or hanging it on a branch. Smear the pole with a petroleum jelly/hot pepper



SUNDAY, MARCH 25

A Palm Sunday breakfast will be served from 9 a.m. to noon at the Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children ages six and up. Call (989) 736-3050 for details.

MONDAY, MARCH 26 The Alcona County Republicans will meet at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall, 114 South Poor Farm Road. Candidates for the Secretary of State and Attorney General will be on hand to answer questions. Shelly



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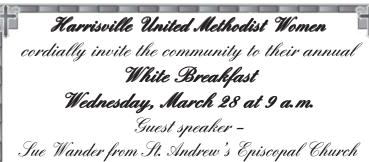
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Egg-Stravaganza

Kids ages zero to 13 are invited to hop on down to the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Saturday, March 24 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. to participate in the annual Egg-Stravangza. Participants may meet the Easter Bunny, decorate an egg, and make a craft. All kids will receive an Easter candy treat and will be entered in a drawing to win prizes. This program sponsored by the Lions Club and Lady Lions of Harrisville and the Friends of the Library. For more information call (989) 724-6796.

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, March 26-Chicken patty, baked potato, stewed tomatoes, and mixed fruit.

• Tuesday, March 27-Lasagna, peas, tossed salad, and pineapple.

• Wednesday, March 28-Pork chop with applesauce, potato lyonnaise, cauliflower, and mandarin oranges.

 Thursday, March 29– Chicken mostaccioli, green beans, tossed salad, and peaches.

• Friday, March 30-All centers closed.

On Display at the Library

The Northeast Michigan Artists' Guild art show, "Portals," will be on display at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library beginning Wednesday, March 28. Art of various media, including watercolors, pastels, oils, photographs, collages, monoprints and more with the "portal" theme will be featured. Meet the artists at a reception in their honor on that same day from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., hosted by the Friends of the Library. Art will be on display during regular library hours through April 24. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Pastel Workshop

Adults are invited to a pastel workshop at the "Get Crafty" session on Monday, April 2 at 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Instructors Carol Preuss and Kathryn Cubalo will demonstrate pastel crayon techniques; materials and light refreshments included for \$3 per person. All levels are welcome. Limited enrollment; call to register at (989) 724-6796. "Get Crafty" for May is garden markers.

Fruit Tree Grafting

The Alcona and Iosco Conservation Districts and the Harrisville Institute for Cultural Learning is hosting two fruit tree grafting workshops this spring. The first workshop will be Saturday, April 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main. Harrisville. The second session will be Saturday, April 21 at the Parks Library, Skeel Ave., Oscoda.

Grafting is a centuries-old method of plant cloning in which a branch or bud from a parent tree or shrub is placed on the rootstock base or trunk of a similar species. The grafted branch or bud when mature then carries forward the same characteristics, such as fruit variety, as the parent tree.

The workshop includes lecture, demonstration and hands-on experience using different grafting and budding techniques. Each participant will graft three dwarf apple trees to keep and will be given guidance on their post-grafting care.

The cost of the workshop is \$25 per person which includes three dwarf apple rootstocks and related grafting supplies. Participants are welcome to bring their own apple wood for grafting. Otherwise, a selection of apple variety wood will be provided.

Space is very limited. Only fully-paid reservations will be accepted on a first-come basis. Additional details including the cancellation policy be found mav at www.alconaconservation.org or by contacting the Alcona Conservation District, 320 South US-23, Harrisville, at (989) 724-5272.

Volunteers Wanted

Every spring, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary hosts the Great Lakes Regional MATE ROV Competition, which brings students from all over Michigan to Alpena. This year the competition will take place on May 12 at the sanctuary's visitor center campus and marine technology testing tank in downtown Alpena.

The 2018 MATE Competition highlights the role that ROVs play in supporting underwater archaeology, seismology, and renewable energy activities in the pacific Northwest.

Each year the competition is a success thanks to dedicated sanctuary volunteers. Volunteer roles include mission judge, information booth, team support, photographer, and many others.

Anyone interested in volunteering, should check their calendar for availability on the following important dates:

• Wednesday, May 2 – Webinar (online) training for judges from 6 to 7 p.m. Judges will have additional online training options leading up to the competition.

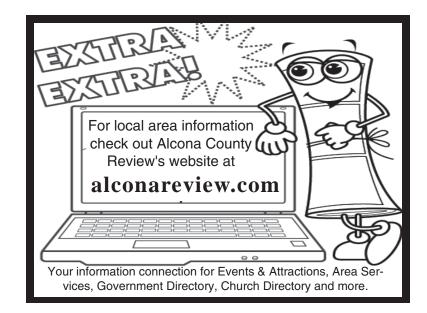
 Saturday, May 12 - Competition day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, Alpena.

For more information or to



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Alcona High School athlete breaks state weight lifting record

By Mary Weber Staff Writer

Traditionally a sport which has been dominated by men, weight lifting, also called power lifting, is now something more women are choosing for a complete work out to produce strength, endurance and good muscle tone.

It's also a lot of fun according to Abby Franklin, a junior at Alcona High School. Abby is one of three Alcona High School girls including junior Brianna Fogel, and freshman Makala Mendyka, who qualified for the state competition of the Michigan Power Lifting Association.

This year marks Abby's fourth time qualifying for the state meet and the second year of breaking records at a state level. A recent state competition held in Traverse City, Mich. brought her total state records broken to six.

Abby became interested in weight lifting while watching her brother, Brock, who is a year older than her, lift weights. "In the seventh grade I had my eye on the sport and watched my brother. When I got into the eighth grade I wanted to try it out and see what it was like. I really enjoy it," she said.

Abby has competed ever since and this year, the 114pound athlete, squatted 255 pounds, benched 130 pounds and deadlifted 260 pounds, breaking records in the varsity level for the most pounds squatted and the most pounds lifted combined in her weight class.

In 2017 she broke four records in the junior varsity level for most pounds benched, squatted, deadlifted and total combined.

It seems the girls of Alcona High School believe that how a person wants to move and train their body, shouldn't be determined on gender. Many girls take the strength and speed class offered by the school for a physical education credit.

The class, which is mainly instructed in the school's



Abby Franklin stands next to 255 pound weights which the 114 pound athlete squatted recently at a state competition, breaking two more state records in weight lifting, bringing her total to six records broken in two years. *Photo by Mary Weber*.

weight room, is taught by Abby's father, Terry Franklin. In addition to teaching, he volunteers to coach students after school who want to compete in weight lifting.

He said all three girls should be very proud of their effort, even though Abby was the only one to medal, because only the top three qualifying at the regional competition can go to state.

Although no boys at the high school qualified to compete at the state level this year, Edwin Barber, the Alcona High School principal, said Franklin has been building a strong program in which all students, male or female, can be successful at and all of Franklin's students have set personal bests in each of their lifts from the start of the season

The most enjoyable part of the sport, according to Abby, is competing because it gives her a chance to meet people from other areas and make new friends. She is also hoping the sport might offer a scholarship next year when she graduates. However, she is cautiously optimistic about receiving a weight lifting scholarship, as she only knows about one offered to a girl last year. "If I get one, that will be really nice, but I'm not expecting it to happen," Abby said.

Her aspiration after high school is to attend Michigan State University and study veterinary medicine. "I love animals and I would like to know more about them. I'd like to make them feel better if they are hurting," Abby said.

Abby, who lives in Lincoln with her mom, Donna, dad, and two older brothers, Brock and Cody, also has horses, dogs and cats.

In her free time, she enjoys riding horses and competes in both showing and barrel racing. Abby is also on the girls varsity volleyball and basketball team and is treasurer of the student council.

Alcona Community Schools Superintendent, Dan O'Connor, is appreciative of Terry Franklin for decades of volunteer time in which he has given to district athletes in a variety of sport activities.

"Engaging students in their passions and offering opportunities is one of our core challenges," O'Connor said. "Powerlifting is another example of a different opportunity for students.

"The girls have set the bar for powerlifting and are an example for our student-athletes that, no matter the opportunity, they can achieve at a high level."

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- REED Construction Data Plan House
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Copies of the Contract Documents, may be obtained at the offices of: R.S. Scott Associates, Inc., 405 River Street, Alpena, MI. (tel: 989-354-3178 ext 6 (Susan Edwards)) or edwardss@rsscott.com

Speaking and took third place, gold in the state. Spears received the 12th place bronze in Creed Speaking and Brielle Keyser placed 8th silver in Greenhand Prepared Public Speaking. (Back row, from left) Connor Hubbard, FFA advisor; Nelson French; Connor Morgan; Konnor Webster; (front) Brielle Keyser, Kameesha Fuqua, Gerianna Herman, and Cecelia Spears. *Courtesy photo*.

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County for over 30 years and he brings that wealth of experience to the commissioner's table.

He has also had some government and committee experience; he has been a deputy supervisor and has been on the board of review for Alcona Township. He has also served as president of the board of directors for the Lost Lake Woods Club and was on its golf committee.

About 10 years ago, Gauthier formed and chaired the Alcona Black River Watershed Council, which was a group of individuals who sensed there were issues with the river. Working with the Northeast Michigan Council of Government (NEMCOG), the group put together a complete management plan for the river.

We were able to inventory all the road/stream crossings and areas of the river that really needed attention. We were instrumental in having at least five different culverts replaced that were causing erosion. It was a good group of people. That's what really got me started working within the county and the different entities to realize all that's involved to get things accomplished," Gauthier said. Just after that experience with the watershed council, Gauthier ran for the commissioner's seat against Vichunas in 2008. Vichunas won the election with 769 votes to Gauthier's 617 votes. "Honestly, at that time, it was probably a good thing I didn't win. I was so busy at that time with my construction business. I wouldn't have been able to devote enough time to it. I never even thought about running again because Kathy was doing a great job. She is well respected in the community and I didn't see any reason to run," Gauthier said.

Gauthier started two busi-

nesses when he moved to the area in 1988, Gauthier Heating and Cooling and G&G Construction. As the heating and cooling business grew, his brother, Scott, moved to area and took it over, leaving Gauthier with just his construction business.

Gauthier's son, Brian, took over the construction business in 2015, allowing Gauthier time to retire and delve into other interests, such as purchasing and completely remodeling the Mountain (Inn) Bar and Grill with business partner Jim De-Rocher.

Gauthier said both his grandfather and DeRocher's grandfather either owned the property where the bar and grill stands or surrounding property, which made its restoration a legacy labor of love.

As county commissioner, Gauthier has been assigned to sit on the Veteran's Affairs committee, the Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency (NEMCSA) board, the Northeast Michigan Council of Government (NEMCOG) board, District Health Department No. 2 board in addition to attending the Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA), Alcona Township and Caledonia Township board meetings. Gauthier said the last few months have been very exciting and interesting and he is learning a lot. His appointment to the commissioner's position will expire this November, but he looks forward to running for election to maintain the District 1 seat. "Dan is a team player and an asset to the board. That asset will only increase as he becomes more involved in his committee assignments and board activities," Brummund said. Gauthier has been married to his wife, Cheryl, for 26 years. They have three sons, Jon, Brian and Greg, and five grandchildren.

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All proposals shall be made in accordance with Information for Bidders, Plans and Specifications. The right is reserved by the Owner to accept any proposal and to waive informalities in bidding when it is deemed to be in the interest of the project. ALCONA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS Dan O'Connor, Superintendent

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How to choose a memory care unit

Dear Savvy Senior,

My mom has Alzheimer's disease and has gotten to the point that she can't live at home any longer. I need to find a good memory care residential unit for her but could use some help. Any suggestions?

Exhausted Daughter

Dear Exhausted,

Choosing a good memory care residential unit for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease is a very important decision that requires careful evaluation and some homework.

Most memory care units, sometimes called special care units, are housed within assisted living or nursing home facilities. At their best, they offer staff extensively trained in caring for people with dementia, individualized care that minimizes the use of dangerous psychotropic drugs, a homelike environment and activities that improve residents quality of life. But at their worst, they can

offer little more than a locked door.

Here are some steps that can help you find a good facility and avoid a bad one.

• Make a list: To identify some good memory care residential units in your area ask your mom's doctor for a referral, and use the Alzheimer's Association online tool at CommunityResource-Finder.org. Make sure the facilities on your list are close to family members and friends who can visit often, because residents with frequent visitors usually get better care.

• Research your options: Once you've made a list, contact your local long-term care ombudsman (see LTCombudsman.org). This is a government official who investigates assisted living and nursing home complaints and can tell you which facilities have had problems in the past.

If you're looking at a memory care unit within a nursing home facility, use Medicare's nursing home compare tool (Medicare.gov/ nursinghomecompare), which provides a 5-star rating system.

• Call the facilities: Once you've identified a few facilities, call them to find out if they have any vacancies, if they provide the types of services your mother needs, what they charge and if they accept Medicaid.

• Tour your top choices: During your tour, notice the cleanness and smell of the facility. Is it homey and inviting? Does the staff seem responsive and kind to its residents? Also be sure to taste the food, and talk to the current resident's family members, if available.

Also, find out about staff screening and training procedures, their turnover rate, and the staff-to-resident ratio. They should have at least one staff member for every five residents.

• Make sure the facility offers quality activities that can keep your mom engaged,



even at night when she may be awake. Ask how they respond to residents who may wander or become aggressive. If the answer is locked doors and antipsychotic drugs, that's a red flag.

• Because transitions can be unsettling for dementia suffers, make sure that your mom will be able to remain at the facility for the foreseeable future. And find out what, if any, health conditions might require your mom to leave the facility or move to a higher and more expansive level of care.

It's also a good idea to make multiple visits to the facility including an unscheduled visit at night or on weekends when the staff is more likely to be stretched thin.

To help you evaluate your visit, the Alzheimer's Association offers a checklist that you can access at ALZ.org/ residentialfacilities.

• Paying for care: The national average costs for memory care within an assisted living facility is over \$5,000 per month, and over \$7,500/month for nursing home care, but costs can vary widely depending on your location. Since Medicare does not cover long-term care, most residents pay for care

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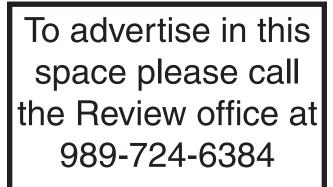
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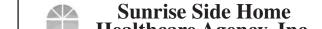
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It's believed that

hanging school starting with the calendar

Over the past decade, there in the Alpena Montmorency has been much conversation about the future of school calendars. While the number of days and hours required for schools (1,098 hours and 180 days) has stayed relatively consistent over the years, the requirements for students has not. Students across the country have struggled to meet these demands within the same time frame.

As a district, we must begin to look at some alternative models to fit the changing requirements placed on our students to increase achievement for all students.

Alcona Community Schools has tentatively approved starting school before Labor Day next year. The district must apply for a waiver with the other schools Alcona Educational Service District (AMA ESD) from the state for approval.

The primary force behind changes in school programing is the addition of dual enrollment for high school students. Alcona offers more than 10 classes per year from Alpena Community College and 60 percent of students from each graduating class end their high school career with 24 or more college credits.

Colleges across the county start before Labor Day. For high school students taking dual enrollment college classes, this change would help align to the college calendar so they can start their classes when classes begin.

While the secondary students are part of the consideration, elementary students are also a significant factor. A soft start to the school year before Labor Day would allow for the development of routines and building relationships. By including a break early in the year, it would actually allow for more uninterrupted time later in the school year and the year

As Alcona Community



Schools modifies our calendar, we hope to offer more opportunities for students. The district would like to begin offering extensive summer tutoring and advanced programs. These programs will be held in June for students who need a bit more time to learn some information missed during the school year and other students may enjoy extensions of what they learned and delve more deeply into certain subjects.

The district already offers a kindergarten camp in August to help the new class start school, but we would like to expand this program to offer a jump start to other students at all grade levels (mainly sixth grade and ninth grade).

By creating a more consistent calendar with less breaks during the year and leaving

June and August for other educational opportunities, we have a better chance to reach all of our students in a much more individual way.

Over the last three months, we surveyed parents and families on the concept of a pre-Labor Day start. We received responses from over three-quarters of our families which resulted in a 75 percent support of an earlier start. Pending approval from the state, the district plans to have staff start on August 22, and students begin school on August 28. They will attend three days during the last week of August and wrap up the school year on June 5.

(Dan O'Connor is the superintendent of Alcona Community Schools. He can be reached by calling the district office at (989) 736-6212.)



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Men, rural residents, at highest risk of suicide in Michigan

By Crystal Chen *Capital News Service*

In Michigan, one person dies by suicide about every six hours.

That statistic puts the state right in the middle of a national trend.

Suicide is the tenth-leading cause of death among Americans, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and in 2016, the national age-adjusted suicide rate reached the highest level in decades.

In Michigan the response to increasing suicide rates has been to focus on two groups overly represented: Men and rural residents.

Men are four times more likely to die by suicide, and men account for 79 percent of all U.S. suicides, a CDC study found. It's the fourthleading cause of death among men ages 35-54.

"Men do not always recognize that they are experiencing a diagnosable mental illness such as depression or bipolar disorder," said Courtney Miner, the program manager of Healthy Men Michigan.

The Healthy Men Michigan campaign promotes mental health among men 25-64 and is funded in collaboration with the CDC.

Male depression, a risk factor for suicide, goes undiagnosed 50-65 percent of the time, Miner said. Other risk factors among working-age men include financial problems, alcohol and drug abuse, legal problems and life stressors.

Jodi Jacobson Frey, a principal investigator of the Healthy Men Michigan Campaign Research Project, said that "unique approaches specifically tailored to the needs of this hard-to-reach population" are needed because of their unusually high risk of suicide, coupled with their limited use of mental health resources.

The situation is worse in rural areas. A CDC study found that people are more likely to commit suicide in rural areas than in urban ones. Sandi Stasko, a family services coordinator at Community Mental Health of Ottawa County, said negative factors such as high unemployment and lack of treatment options in rural areas contribute to higher suicide rates.

CDC data shows Ottawa County has the second-lowest suicide rate in the state, with Leelanau County the lowest and Alcona County highest.

Stasko said her agency is committed to increasing awareness of mental health issues. In 2016, it passed the first dedicated countywide mental health millage in the state.

"Part of those dollars go to offering community-wide trainings on mental health first aid, QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) and other mental health topics," Stasko said. It also developed a Facebook page as a community resource on mental health.

Though the community provides multiple mental health treatment options including community and private providers, "transportation, especially in rural areas of Ottawa County, can make treatment difficult to obtain," she said.

Patricia Smith, the violence prevention program coordinator of Department of Health and Human Services, said transportation is a big hurdle to accessing mental health services. She is working on a project to provide Upper Peninsula residents access to services. "It's an enormous issue," Smith said, "not wholly in Michigan, but certainly in Michigan."

Robert Moore, a professional counselor at Community Mental Health of Allegan County, said residents have a choice as to whether to seek services when experiencing mental health problems. "Some choose not to due to insurance costs or coverage.

"There is a lack of psychiatric care available to all consumers regardless of insurance, as well as other mental health options such as case management or other related services, " Moore said.

According to Moore, the greatest challenge in rural areas is that community health agencies tend to be the only major local mental health provider "but they are restricted by state and federal guidelines as to who can be eligible for services."

A stigma still surrounds seeking treatment and it's stronger among men than women, research shows. Studies demonstrate that men have a general unwillingness to acknowledge mental health problems and suicidal thoughts, and are less likely to seek available services.

Miner, of Healthy Men Michigan, said that even when depression is identified, men may be reluctant to ask for help, communicate their inner feelings or form groups around emotional issues. "Gender socialization, including traditionally masculine stereotypes, also play a role in men's behavior in seeking treatment," Miner said.

The campaign is designed to reduce barriers to getting help by decreasing stigma, increasing social support and providing appropriate, convenient and effective referrals for treatment.

It also provides free online screening for problems including suicide. According to Miner, so far, more than 3,850 individuals have visited the website (HealthyMen-Michigan.org) for a screening. Over half have been men in their working years and about half screen positively for suicidal thoughts or behaviors.

Miner said current programs often struggle to reach out to and engage men in

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D'Augustino receives education award for two consecutive years

For the second year in a row, 4-H science educator Tracy D'Augustino has been selected as Informal Science Educator of the Year by the Michigan Science Teachers Association (MSTA).

D'Augustino was selected as the 2018 honoree because of her unique and extraordinary accomplishments, active leadership, scholarship contributions and direct improvement of nonschoolbased science education over a significant period, according to a press release from MSTA.

As a Michigan 4-H science educator in Alcona County, D'Augustino works to expand science literacy across the state for youth and adults through both in- and out-ofschool time activities.

'My job is not to teach specific science content, but to get people recognizing and using the process of science as they excitedly explore their world," D'Augustino said. "The results of this method are youth that are better equipped with the life skills necessary to apply knowledge to critical issues, needs and opportunities, supporting their future success.

Through her role with MSU Extension and 4-H, D'Augustino has worked collaboratively with other 4-H educators to write curricula, in-cluding the "Teaching Science When You Don't Know Diddly-Squat" series and "Inquiring Minds Want to Know." She also wrote curricula for many 4-H lessons and workshops, including 4-H Renewable Energy Camp, 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp, and the 4-H Robotics Youth Challenge.

She works directly with youth through programs such as the 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp, Family Engineering Nights, Wildlife Habitat Camp, 4-H2O Camp and 4-H Forestry Camp.

"I believe STEM (science,



Tracy D'Augustino with her award. Courtesy photo.

technology, engineering and mathematics) education must be hands-on and engaging and is more effective when applied in real-world contexts," said D'Augustino. STEM literacy and learning reflects a life-long learning process about more than just gaining content and process knowledge; it is about connecting learners with STEM careers and community leadership opportunities.'

D'Augustino's science literacy efforts have also led her to serve as part of the administrative team for the Northeast Michigan Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative, where she provides placebased education trainings and summer institutes, facilitates professional development and develops scientific research about engaging youth through place-based learning.

She also serves as Michigan Green Schools coordinator for Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency and Iosco counties, where she works with teachers and other adults to provide STEM trainings across 11 counties.

"Place-based education is so valuable, it helps to spark both youth and adult curiosity and a love of science," said D'Augustino. "As a result of it, I have watched youth evolve into adults committed to educating and changing their world.

Collectively throughout D'Augustino's career, she has engaged more than 2,700 youth outside of school and 500 youth in the formal school setting. With each presentation and interaction, D'Augustino strives to increase youths' understanding of science by engaging them in hands-on experiential research and allowing them to apply their knowledge of science through opportunities that connect science exploration with realworld experiences.

"Tracy is a very valuable member of our Michigan 4-H and MSU Extension staff," said Lisa Bottomley, co-director of MSU Extension children and youth programs, including 4-H. "Not only is she an exceptional educator for the youth and adults with whom she interacts, but she also is a well-respected and constructive partner in the community she serves. We are thrilled to see the MSTA recognize her with this award." D'Augustino is the second MSU Extension educator to win the award in two years, following the recognition of Brandon Schroeder, a Northeast Michigan MSU senior Extension educator with the Michigan Sea Grant team, who received the prestigious award in 2017. The MSTA is a state chapter of the National Science Teachers Association. Its mission is to stimulate, support and provide leadership for the improvement of science education to enable Michigan residents to make informed decisions in a rapidly changing scientific and technological world.





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"When one door of happiness closes, another opens, but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one that has been opened for us." —Helen Keller

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Woods, whiskey, women and widowmakers caught in lumberjack songs

By Eric Freedman

Capital News Service Winter was the time of year when the North Woods rang with the sound of axes and saws felling giant white pines.

It was the late 1800s, the Golden Age of American Lumbering, and the supply of trees was endless.

That last statement would prove untrue, of course.

In reality in northern Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, the timber moguls, surveyors, speculators and lumberjacks were merely following the path of clearcutting and exploitation that had already moved westward from Quebec and Ontario, from Maine and New Brunswick, from New England and New York.

Demand for timber seemed insatiable as Americans moved westward, building Midwestern cities like Chicago and settling the prairies of the Great Plains with farmhouses, barns and shops. Railroad routes stretched further and further, with their mega-appetite for wooden ties.

But what of the lumberjacks whose perilous labor built the fortunes of timber barons and who endured the hardships and hazards and isolation of those North Woods?

Life was in jeopardy. Death loomed as branches – widowmakers – fell, as logs jammed in rivers swollen with spring melt and as diseases ravaged lumber camps.

The "Pinery Boys: Songs and Songcatching in the Lumberjack Era" (University of Wisconsin Press) throws light on the lumberjack culture of the era. It's a revised and retitled version of a 1926 book by Franz Rickaby, an English professor who traveled 917 miles, mostly by foot, from Charlevoix, Mich., to North Dakota to collect songs of the "quickly disappearing" shanty boys, the lumberjacks.

Some songs describe them sitting around the lumber camps at night, smoking pipes, telling tall tales and playing music.

But others reflect harsher realities, such as a song about a tragedy in Minnesota "concerning a young shanty-boy so tall, genteel and brave. T'was on a jam on Gerry's Rocks he met a wat'ry grave."

And consider this one that contrasts labor recruitment promises with grim truth: *"It being on Sunday morn-*

ing, as you shall plainly see The preacher of the gospel at morning came to me.

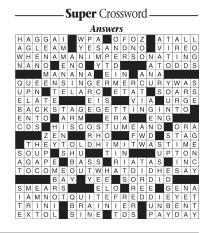
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Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of March 12-18, 2018

103 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 5 Arrests; 3 Warrant Arrests; 1 Assault; 1 Possession of Marijuana; 4 Traffic Tickets Issued.

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He says, "My jolly good fellow, how would you like to go And spend a winter pleasantly in Michigan-I-O?

The grub the dogs would laugh at. Our beds were on the snow.

God send there is no worse than hell or Michigan-I-O.

Along yon glissering river no more shall we be found.

We'll see our wives and sweethearts, and tell them not to go

To that God-forsaken country called Michigan-I-O."

Some lumberjacks left the Great Lakes region to fell virgin forests elsewhere. One such song tells of a "heartbroken raftsman from Greenville" who worked on the Flat River and whose name "is engraved on its rocks, sands and shoals." Spurned by his sweetheart, he vows:

"I'll leave Flat River, there I ne'er can find rest.

I'll shoulder my peavey and start for the West."

The songcatcher, Rickaby, was "the source of deeply rooted insights into the gritty, almost forgotten reality" of the "singers and makers" of the songs of the North Woods, retired Professor James Leary of the University of Wisconsin, Madison writes in his introduction to the book.

Rickaby's granddaughter, Gretchen Dykstra, writes in another chapter about his quest for songs.

"He slept in deserted camps on beds of cedar chips and in dark bunkhouses on grimy straw mattresses," Dykstra wrote.

Rickaby described finding two songs "from a toothless shanty boy in a small lumber camp" near Allenville in the Upper Peninsula: Entering the lumber camp on an old logging road, "on all sides I saw the charred and fireeaten stumps of what must have been magnificent trees, the hauling out of which this road was made."

Coming out of the North Woods at the end of the season carried its own risks, many lumberjacks learned, especially the risk that their hard-earned wages could disappear quickly on liquor and women.

Here's how one song put it: "But here's a proposition,

boys; when next we meet in town, We'll form a combination

and mow the forest down.

We then will cash our handsome checks, we'll neither eat nor sleep, Nor will we buy a stitch o' clothes while whiskey is so cheap."



VFW Post No. 6754 Ladies Auxiliary

The March meeting was held with seven members present. The regular business meeting was held with the reading of the previous month's minutes and the treasurer's report. The Michigan Connection was read and the chairmen provided updates from their monthly bulletins.

Frances Ziesman advised that "clean up days" will be held in Camp Trotter in May and that she would be taking dinners to veteran Don Bushey and his wife, Donna, who could not attend the meeting due to the weather.

A donation was made to Camp Trotter and a sympathy card was sent to Kathy Carriveau. Elections will be held at the April 3 meeting. This meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

Suicide

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their middle years who are at higher risk for suicide.

Funding is always a problem with implementation of suicide prevention programs, Stasko said. Moore said that community mental health services have been dealing with funding cuts or funding freezes for some time now. "The strain is placed on staff who see increased case loads." But the impact of suicide prevention programs can be limited by staffing levels and funding, he said.

New techniques and concepts are shared to support mental health needs, and staff are encouraged and required to attend professional development each year, Moore said. However, "as always, there are cost restrictions that prevent our staff from accessing cutting-edge clinical trainings, and therapeutic techniques are tailored to each individual as appropriate." Miner said suicide prevention programs are often under-funded and have difficulty reaching men in rural areas where resources are even more scarce. Technology offers some promise to rural residents, and options for treatment via the Internet, webcam and phone are available, said Stasko, but "not covered by many insurances companies, policies or plans." For those with suicidal thoughts, Stasko advised, "Ask for help, and keep asking until the right help is found." Miner said people with suicidal thoughts want to hear stories of hope, recovery and resilience. A mix of social support to reduce isolation is critical to minimize depression and prevent suicide.



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Meeting 6 p.m.

- Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
- Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m. Wednesday Prayer
- Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.





Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review

Harrisville boys have arrived at San Antonio

Field, San Antonio, March IB, 1918.

Friend Walter:

Just a short letter to let you and the folks know how we landed at Kelly's Field.

Well, now for the trip down here, it was fine only MacDougall couldn't get enough to eat and Ritchie was in a hurry to get there and I was always thirsty (of course.) We had some very fine meals in the cafe cars; it cost from \$1 to \$3 for a meal and we were sure some big sports while on the train. The chuck now is entirely different, but it's good at that, of course.

We get our machines tomorrow, that is 1 pick and shovel—ha! ha! Some life if you don't weaken. The first

March 23, 1918 ~ Kelly's night in camp we were issued each 1 cot. 3 blankets and a straw tick and fill them up yourself. We are quartered in tents, 8 men to each tent. We just begun to train todaywe are sure handy, just like bears, but we will soon get over that, of course. The wind doesn't blow only 60 miles per minute and the dust is awful.

Well. Walt, this is the life for me. I wouldn't take \$200 for my trip and we like it more every day and we are going to stick. We have all kinds of fun here at night. Some body burned a hole in Ritchie's mattress and he would also be a good soldier if he would wash once in awhile. Well, Walt, this is all for now and please send me the Review with this letter in, because I want a little fun with the boys. We saw Dan McRae twice and he looks fine; he was acting corporal and is a good looking soldier. Well lets hear from you soon, we sure would like it.

We get our first shot in the arm after mess today. Nuff said.

Your friend, Lloyd M. Carriveau, Kelly's Field. 1st T. R. B. T. Line 339. San Antonio, Texas

CryptoQuip answer

Whenever I go in to deposit my weekly checks, everybody keeps looking at me with bank stares.

Cowley residence burned was incediary's work

March 23, 1918 ~ The large residence on the Cowley estate burned Friday night about 2:00 o'clock and was a total loss.

The house had been unoccupied for several months, being vacated last fall by R. E. Hood and family. There is little room for doubt that the place was set on fire, tracks on the fresh snow being plainly visible leading to and from the premises. First arrivals at the scene followed the tracks and found where a board had been pulled from a window in the woodshed and the culprit had evidently entered there. The fire started at or near the junction of main building and addition,

on the south side of the building. When discovered the flames had gained so much headway that there was no chance of saving it.

The wind was from the north west, and but for this fact the Chris Yockey residence to the north would have been in grave danger. Mr. Yockey, Win Chapelle and Alex Ferguson followed the tracks across the fields to the main road near John Samuelson's house. The tracks were very plain this far and another track leading north to the "Swamp" road may or may not have been a continuation of those made in the fields.

Various theories are advanced as to the motive of the crime, but they are only speculation and the probabilities are that the crime will reamain a mystery so far as actual apprehension of criminals is concerned.

Title to the property is in Mrs. D. J. Monroe of Detroit. Unexpired insurance of \$2,800 is carried by the F. A Beede Agency.

Last contingent called to colors

Twelve Young Men Leave for Camp Custer, April 1st

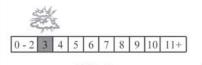
March 23, 1918 ~ The final contingent of the first selective army draft has been called in, and on April 1st twelve more boys from Alcona county leave for Camp Custer Their names are:

Edward L. Roberts Jos. Daniel McDonald Arthur W. Hyke **Ross Dean Donaldson** Edw. C. McClain Ira C. Shagena Eric D. Larson Henry Cail Siebert Carl R. Rickel **Delbert Atchison** John Benoni Johnson Arthur Olsen

Review office installs new electric motors

Alcona Review Weather Report

March 21, 2018 Seven Day Forecast **Today's Regional Map In-Depth Local Forecast** Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a WEDNESDAY slight chance of snow showers, high temperature Mostly Cloudy 90 of 32°, humidity of 51%. North northeast wind 11 High: 32 Low: 20 to 14 mph. The record high temperature for today Vanderbilt is 87° set in 2012. Expect mostly cloudy skies THURSDAY 33/17 tonight with an overnight low of 20°. Northwest Partly Cloudy Harrisville wind 7 to 11 mph. High: 37 Low: 22 Lewiston 32/20 *Last Week's Almanac 34/16 FRIDAY Precip Date Hi Lo Normals Sunny Tuesday 30 24 37/18 0.10" High: 35 Low: 24 Wednesday 39 15 37/18 Trace 30 19 38/19 0.01" Thursday SATURDAY Kinde 35 16 38/19 Trace Friday Mostly Cloudy Harrison 31/25 39 16 38/19 0.00" Saturday High: 33 Low: 22 36/27 Sunday 44 18 39/20 0.00" 30 39/20 0.00" Monday 16 SUNDAY *Data as reported from Alpena, MI Partly Cloudy High: 34 Low: 23 Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week Day Sunrise Sunset Moonrise Moonset MONDAY Wednesday 7:35 a.m. 10:05 a.m. 7:48 p.m. Next Day First Last Partly Cloudy 7:33 a.m. 7:49 p.m. 10:43 a.m. 12:31 a.m. 3/24 Thursday 4/8High: 39 Low: 28 Friday 7:31 a.m. 7:50 p.m. 11:27 a.m. 1:40 a.m. Saturday 7:29 a.m. 7:51 p.m. 12:19 p.m. 2:45 a.m. TUESDAY 7:27 a.m. 3:46 a.m. Sunday 7:53 p.m. 1:18 p.m. Full New Sunny 2:24 p.m. 3/31 Monday 7:26 a.m. 7:54 p.m. 4:39 a.m. 4/15 High: 38 Low: 27 7:24 a.m. Tuesday 7:55 p.m. 3:35 p.m. 5:26 a.m. Local UV Index National Weather Summary This Week The Northeast will see mostly cloudy skies Wednesday with scattered rain and snow,



UV Index 0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate,

temperature of 49 in Belleville, Ill. The Southeast will experience mostly clear to partly cloudy skies through Friday with scattered rain Wednesday, highest temperature of 81 in Leisure City, Fla. In the Northwest there will be partly to mostly cloudy skies through Friday with scattered rain, highest temperature of 61 in Nampa, Idaho. The Southwest will see partly to mostly cloudy

mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday with isolated snow, highest

6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

skies through Thursday with scattered showers, partly cloudy skies Friday with scattered rain, highest temperature of 86 in Brawley, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

Rise Set Mercury 7:53 a.m. 9:13 p.m. Venus 8:17 a.m. 9:14 p.m. 3:25 a.m. 12:08 p.m. Mars 12:10 a.m. 9:52 a.m. Jupiter 3:46 a.m. 12:41 p.m. Saturn Uranus 8:35 a.m. 9:58 p.m.

March 21, 1932 - A tornado swarm occurred in the Deep South. Between late afternoon and early the next morning, severe thunderstorms spawned 31 tornadoes in Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia and Tennessee. The tornadoes killed 334 people and injured 1,784.

Weather History

Weather Trivia

What was the costliest hailstorm in the United States?

\$625 million.

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Answer: In July 1990, Denver had damages totaling

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - No Spring Break for the Spring Sky

Three nor'easters in a row, wind, and plenty of snow, and it's almost springtime; but there are still some quick, easy, and fun things to do as the snow melts, and the ground begins to thaw and dry. First of all, I caught Venus on March 4 while bringing home some takeout from a local eatery. Driving and skygazing are probably not the best multitasking options that one can perform, but Venus was obvious as I journeyed against a bright twilight sky along a less crowded roadway. During the next several months, it will only get better. By the time you read this article, Venus should be easily noticeable in much deeper twilight. Fainter Mercury will be to Venus' right. Twenty to 30 minutes after sundown look west, just left of the brightest area of the darkening sky. Venus should be easily seen with the unaided eye, but you will probably initially need binoculars for Mercury. Both planets will be visible all week long, Mercury to the right of the Goddess of Beauty in the twilight sky of early evening. All three objects will be visible in the same field of view using wide angle binoculars - stunning. The following evening, March 19, the moon is much higher in the sky and only five degrees to the left of Uranus. Venus and Mercury stand alone, separated by only four degrees, just slightly changed from where they were the evening before. Each set of objects will be visible in the same field of view in binoculars. Nine days later on March 28, sees Venus and Uranus only 1/10th of a degree apart in the deepening twilight of early evening. Uranus will be very, very close to brilliant Venus and just to her upper right. This week also offers an excellent opportunity to watch the moon rapidly climb into the evening sky. This is one of the characteristics of waxing crescent moons occurring in the months surrounding the vernal equinox - February, March, and April. Happy spring and good observing! www.astronomy.org

March 23, 1918 ~ The Review has installed two electric motors, one to operate the linotype machine and one for the Gordon jobber. The motors supplant the gasoline engine that previously furnished these machines with power and are found to be much more convenient and economical. The gasoline engine is still used to operate the big newspaper press until such time as a motor can be installed in its stead, when the entire plant will be operated by electric power.

The engine is a two-horse Fairbanks Morse & Co make and is the first gasoline engine ever brought into Alcona county. It is still doing good work and has paid for itself many times over.

Trivia Test By Fifi Rodriguez



1. MYTHOLOGY: What was a harpy in Greek mythology?

2. GAMES: How many railroad spaces are on a Monopoly board?

3. LITERATURE: Which American novelist wrote the book "White Fang"?

4. U.S. STATES: What is the capital of Maryland?

5. MOVIES: What was the shortest title for a Best Picture Oscar winning movie?

6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which 19th-century president died from cirrhosis of liver?

7. ANATOMY: What does the Greek adjective "otic" refer to in the human body?

8. GEOGRAPHY: How many countries and principalities are neighbors of France?

9. THEATER: What musical features the song "Bali Ha'i"?

10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a young hen called?

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Answers: 1. A half-woman, half-bird that represented storm winds; 2. Four; 3. Jack London; 4. Annapolis; 5. "Gigi"; 6. Franklin Pierce; 7. The ear; 8. Eight. Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Monaco, Andorra and Spain; 9. "South Pacific"; 10. A pullet (c) 2018 King Features Synd., Inc.

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Moments In Time By The History Channel

• On March 30, 1775, King George III formally endorses the New England Restraining Act, requiring New England colonies to trade exclusively with Great Britain. Another rule banned colonists from fishing in the North Atlantic.

• On March 28, 1814, the funeral of Guillotin, the inventor and namesake of the infamous execution device, takes place in France. The machine was intended to show the intellectual and social progress of the Revolution: By killing aristocrats and journeymen the same way, equality in death was ensured.

• On March 31, 1836, the first monthly installment of "The Posthumous Papers of the Pickwick Club," by 24-year-old writer Charles Dickens, is published under the pseudonym Boz. Only 400 copies were printed, but by the 15th episode, 40,000 copies were printed.

• On March 27, 1912, two Yoshina cherry trees are planted on the bank of the Potomac River, as part of a gift of 3,020 cherry trees from Japan to the United States. After World War II, cuttings were sent back to Japan to restore the Tokyo collection that was decimated by American bombing attacks during the war.

 On April 1, 1984, Motown singer Marvin Gaye is shot and killed by his father as a result of a longstanding feud. The father, a preacher, was a hard-drinking cross-dresser who envied his son's success, and Marvin Jr. clearly harbored unresolved feelings toward his abusive father.

 On March 26, 1997, police in Rancho Santa Fe, California, discover 39 victims of a mass suicide. They were members of the "Heaven's Gate" religious cult, whose leaders preached that suicide would allow them to leave their bodily "containers" and enter an alien spacecraft hidden behind the Hale-Bopp comet.

• On March 29, 1999, the Dow Jones industrial average closes above 10,000 for the first time, at 10,006.78.

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Strange But True By Samantha Weaver

• It was French poet, journalist and novelist Anatole France who made the following sage observation: "The law, in its majestic equality, forbids the rich as well as the poor to sleep under bridges, to beg in the streets, and to steal bread."

 If you're planning a trip to North Carolina in June, try to make it to the small town of Spivey's Corner for the annual Hollerin' Contest. If you'd like to participate but are worried about straining your vocal cords, you can always enter the conch-blowing contest instead of one of the ones that involves actual yelling.

· You might be surprised to learn that famed British author Aldous Huxley, best-known for his dystopian novel "Brave New World," was a consultant on Disney's 1951 animated film version of "Alice in Wonderland.'

• After the vows have been said in a traditional Korean wedding, the groom formally introduces his new wife to his parents. The bride's father-in-law then pelts the bride with red dates, which is supposed to ensure fertility.

· Jazz musician Glenn Miller was the recipient of the first gold record ever awarded, for the big-band hit "Chattanooga Choo-Choo."

 You might be surprised at some of the seemingly innocuous things that arouse passions in a group of people. Take the venerable 1960s television show "Mr. Ed," for example. Evidently an evangelist named Jim Brown took issue with the show's theme song, claiming that when played backward, the tune contains the message "the source is Satan" and "someone sang this song for Satan." His preaching on the subject was so persuasive that members of a church in Ironton, Ohio, made a bonfire of recordings of the song.

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Thought for the Day: "Men of genius are often dull and inert in society, as a blazing meteor when it descends to earth, is only a stone." -- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (c) 2018 King Features Synd., Inc.



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: V equals E

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Ads and payment must be received by 4 p.m. Monday.

BIDS WANTED

NOTICES

Notice: Alcona Township's Board

of Trustees meeting schedule

Request for mowing/clean-up bids: Mikado Township is asking for sealed mowing and/or cleanup bids of all Mikado Township properties. Bid number one, all in-town properties: bid number two, cemetery spring clean-up to be done between May 1 and May 18; third bid, cemetery mowing, bid is per mow for at least four times per mowing season. Please call township clerk for bidding details at (989) 736-7721. All sealed bids are required to be received by April 6. Proof of all required insurances is required. We reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Rita D. Sands, Mikado Township Clerk.

BUYING

TIMBER

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five acres. Cole Forest Products

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for the 2018-2019 fiscal year are the second Tuesday of each month (except for no meetings are scheduled for February and August). The meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. at the Alcona Township Hall.

Notice: The next meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission will be Tuesday, March 27, at 4 p.m. instead of March 28 at 4 p.m., at the road commission office, 301 North Lake Street, Lincoln, Mich. The public is invited and encouraged to attend road commission meetings.

WANTED

Yamaha Enticer 340, Yamaha Exciter 440, Polaris TX 340 and 440, running or not running. (989) 657-5958

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board met March 14. All board members were present. Motions to approve the agenda, February minutes, pay bills and place treasurer's report on file, per audit, were made.

Planning Commission (PC) met March 5; would like Sheriff Atchison to attend township board meeting to talk about the noise ordinance. PC reviewing Medical Marijuana. PC would like a newsletter in the summer taxes. Motion by resolution to adopt Caledonia Township general, road and fire funds budgets for the fiscal year 2018-2019 as detailed in the budget package presented. Motion by resolution that the township of Caledonia will levy the maximum authorized millage rate allowed by law for the tax year 2018. Motions that the township board sign contracts with Hubbard Lake Community Association and Sanborn Township for fire protection during 2018-2019. Motion to renew Equalization Department's Truth and Taxation Contract. Motion to pay Alcona Humane Society \$600 for animal control within the township. Motion to put Kristy O'Dea, deputy treasurer, on the signature cards at the Alpena, Alcona Area Credit Union and First Federal. Motion to have Dave Cook on retainer as the Caledonia Township attorney. Motion to sign Audit Engagement Letter with Stephenson & Co. for the upcoming audit. Loyal Ladies-Spruce Country

Day's parade May 26. Motion to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. All motions at the meeting were

passed This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next meeting is April 11. PC meets April 2. Tri-Township meets April 19 at Alcona. All meetings are at 7 p.m. Kerry Scott, Township Clerk

HARISVILLE TOWNSHIP **MINUTES**

The Harrisville Township 2018-2019 Proposed Budget Hearing was held March 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the township hall. Supervisor Stone called the hearing to oron its coverage for townships; a representative will contact us in a couple of months. Commissioner Johnston briefed

the meeting on the county hap-

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

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

Notice is hereby given that the below mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court of Alcona County at 10 a.m. on March 28, 2018. Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Ronald J. Smith, individually and as trustee of the Ronald J. Smith Revocable Living Trust dated December 23, 2008, an undivided 40 percent interest, and Kathleen M. Pellens-Smith, individually and as trustee of the Kathleen M. Pellens-Smith Revocable Living Trust dated December 23, 2008, an undivided 60 percent interest.

Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Ally Bank Corp. fka GMAC Bank, its successors and assigns foreclosing assignee (if any): Nationstar Mortgage LLC. Date of Mortgage: July 23, 2011. Date of mortgage re-

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott A. Haeger and Cheryl Haeger, husband and wife, to Fifth Third Mortgage - MI, LLC, mortgagee, dated February 15, 2008 and recorded February 22, 2008 in Liber 450, page 161. Said mortgage is now held by Fifth Third Mortgage Company, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-eight thousand seven hundred ninety-eight and 13/100 dollars (\$58,798.13), including interest at 7.5 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on April 18, 2018. Said premises are located in the city of Greenbush, Alcona County Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the west 1/4 comer of Section 3, Township 25 North, Bange 9 East: thence north 00 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds west along the west line of said

cording: July 29, 2011. Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$234.652.46. Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 477, Huron-Cedar Lakes Subdivision No. 4, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 144 of Alcona County records.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the norequired by MCL tice 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: February 28, 2018. Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 108354

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Section, 380.17 feet; thence north 89 degrees 50 minutes 03 seconds east, 572.89 feet; thence south 00 degrees 05 minutes 25 seconds east, 380.17 feet; thence south 89 degrees 50 minutes 04 seconds west along the east-west 1/4 line of said section and centerline of county road F-30 so-called, 573.15 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel being a part of the southwest 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of said Section 3.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, 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 damage to the property during the redemption period. Dated: March 21, 2018 File No. 18-003584 3-21, 3-28, 4-4, 4-11

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Harvester operator: Welch Land & Timber seeks to fill an opening for a harvester operator. Must know species and sorts, have chainsaw experience, and be able to perform routine maintenance on respective machines. Looking for self-motivated individuals who are willing to work hard. We offer competitive wages and health benefits. Contact Dan Welch (989) 370-4770 or Aaron Welch (989) 370-2796 for more information.

Self-loader driver: Welch Land & timber seeks to fill an opening for a self-loader driver. Must know species and sorts, have three-plus years experience, and be able to perform routine maintenance on semi-truck and trailer. Looking for self-motivated individuals who are willing to work hard. We offer competitive wages and health benefits. Contact Dan Welch (989) 370-4770 or Aaron Welch (989) 370-2796 for more information.

Cook and wait staff wanted at the Bobcat Bar and Grill, Greenbush Golf Course. Call (989) 277-8592.

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

Tawas Village, an assisted living home, is currently seeking part time cooks for second shift. Applicants PROFESSIONAL **SERVICES**

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der. Four board members and two guests were present. The supervisor explained the proposed budget page by page and the Property Tax Millage Rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget. After some discussion the hearing was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The Harrisville Township Board's monthly meeting was held March 13 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The supervisor called the meeting to order with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Four board members and four guests were in attendance. Absent: Treasurer Harvey. From the floor: Lind & Lind Insurance gave an update penings. From the floor, a long discussion about problem with several areas of blight in the township and also the poor road construction done this past year. Clerk's minutes accepted as read, treasurer's report given and reconciled with the clerk's office. Healy/Johnston: By Resolution No. 31318, to adopt the 2018-2019 Proposed Township Budget as presented at 6:30 p.m. hearing. Roll call vote: four ayes, zero nays, one absent. Resolution carried. Healy/Johnston: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting

adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Roger D. Jamieson, Township Clerk

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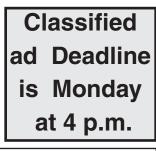
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BINGO

Mikado Goodfellows Bingo every Monday 6:30 p.m. at Mikado Civic Center. Winner-takes-all game and cookie jar. All proceeds to charity.



Alcona Health Center has an opening for **MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT**

This 20 - 30 hour per week position will be stationed at our Oscoda location but will be required to travel throughout northern MI as needed. For full details about the position and to access the application visit www.alconahealthcenters.org. Please submit an application, resume and cover letter to, Maintenance Assistant, P.O. Box 655, Alpena, MI, by the end of business on April 9, 2018. EOE

Mackinac Straits Raptor Watch begins spring research

The fifth year of raptor re-search has officially begun for the Mackinac Straits Raptor Watch (MSRW). This organization hires professional hawk watchers, owl banders, and waterbird counters to conduct research on migration numbers in the Mackinac Straits area.

The geography of Michigan makes the Straits a critical bird migration pathway, where thousands of birds converge during spring and fall migration to cross at the narrowest part of the Great Lakes. Every year since 2012, MSRW hawk counters have counted from 12,345 -50,399 raptors during spring migration. Researchers have recorded the highest number of migrating golden eagles east of the Mississippi and the most red-tailed hawks in one day.

"It has been a somewhat slow and snowy start to the MSRW hawk watch season. Winds have been unfavorable and slowed down movement, but there are still raptors funneling through. I have counted 102 raptors since March 3," said professional raptor counter Kevin Georg. He has returned from Pennsylvania for his fifth spring season as MSRW raptor counter. Georg commented that March and April are especially good times to come to the hawk watch site and see golden eagles. Weather permitting, the hawk watch site on Central Avenue in Mackinaw City is free and open to the public every day from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Interested individuals should look for the hawk watch sign.

The nightly MSRW owl banding surveys started Wednesday, March 13. Ed Pike, MSRW chairman, said, "It was a smooth start to the 2018 spring owl surveys." Pike is overseeing two new MSRW hired owl banders and training them in the research protocol used at this site. Matthew Hanneman from Wisconsin is lead owl bander, while Connor Vara from New York is assistant owl bander.

The spring waterbird survey began Tuesday, March 20 at McGulpin Point outside Mackinaw City. MSRW has hired Adam Bradley of Nevada as counter to working every day. The waterbird count also is free and open to the public, from sunrise to 2 p.m.

In spring 2017, 39,386 total waterbirds of 34 different species were counted.

MSRW hosts the third annual Mackinaw Raptor Fest on April 6 to 8. "Anyone interested in birds will love this event. We have excellent speakers and field trips planned. Our raptor counting site is right next door and we will have extra staff on hand to help people see and identify the amazing birds of prey migrating through the Mackinac Straits area," said Melissa Hansen, a member of the MSRW Raptor Fest planning committee. Tickets are available for the whole conference or just the banquet and live raptor program with Glen McCune.

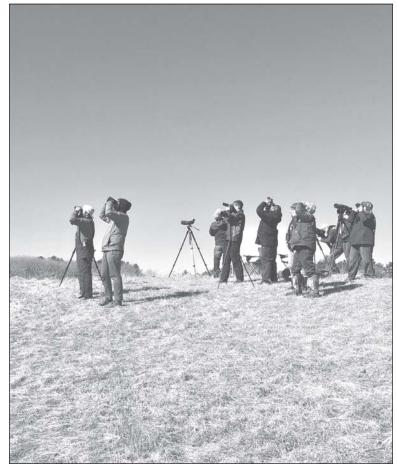
An additional owl banding and star program is available on Friday, April 13 and Saturday, April 14 at the Headlands International Dark Sky Park, located three miles west of downtown Mackinaw City. The suggested donation is \$15 per person or \$25 per family. This is an especially popular field trip, and the additional program allows local people another chance to participate.

Registration for both the extra owl weekend and the Mackinaw Raptor Fest is open until March 24, although spaces are filling quickly. To register or learn more, visit www.mackinawraptorfest.org.

The Mackinac Straits Raptor Watch conducts scientific studies of hawks, owls, and waterbirds migrating through this region of north-

public about them, and aids in conserving and protecting the resting and feeding stopover habitat for birds of prey in the Straits of Mackinac

ern Michigan, educates the region. To learn more, visit the MSRW Facebook, Instagram pages or www.mackinacraptorwatch.org for blogs, event dates, and support options.



Hawk watchers count migrating hawks as they cross the Straits of Mackinac last weekend. Photo courtesy of Steve Baker.

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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on March 12 at the city office. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by mayor Dobis and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said. Present: Mayor Dobis, treasurer Keerl, clerk Pierce and council members: Thomas, Kaiser, Baird, Luenberger and Peterson; city attorney Cook; and guests. Absent: Council member Sanderson.

Motion by Baird, support by Kaiser, to approve the minutes of February 12. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Thomas, support by Peterson, to pay the bills in the amount of \$167,982.26. Motion carried 5-0.

In old business, mayor Dobis updated council as to the status of the Verizon cell phone installation of antennas on the city water tower. After a visit from Verizon engineers it was determined that the city would be best served with antennas on the tower and not repeaters as was originally determined. Verizon projects installation of antennas to begin in the summer of 2018.

Mayor Dobis updated council about the status of the Harrisville Lady

two percent pay increase is included in the operating budget for elected official's salaries for 2019. Mayor Dobis advised council on the new city employees contracts for 2018-2019. Mayor Dobis discussed the city assessor contract for fiscal year 2018-2019 and the tax exemption proposal. Council approved the use of the tax exempt form. No resolution was needed.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Baird to approve the new General Fund, Fire, Equipment Pool, Liquor, Major and Minor budgets, as presented to council, for fiscal year 2018-2019. Motion carried 5-0. Treasurer Keerl presented end of year final adjustment to General Fund, Fire, Equipment Pool, Liquor, Major/Minor Budget balance. Motion by Luenberger, support by Kaiser, to accept end of year final adjustment to General Fund balance (all categories). Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Dobis discussed with council the policy for hiring summer help and that the work hours would be limited to a maximum of 300 hours for the season. Mayor Dobis discussed the request from fire chief Goodman for the purchase of a new skid unit which will have foam and drafting capabilities to draft water from a lake to fill tankers, or pressurize the harbor suppression system. The new unit would replace a late 1970s unit which would be returned to the Lincoln DNR, subsequent to receiving the new unit. The approximate cost is \$18,000 and would be paid with funds from fire department savings. The Harrisville City fire board was asked to draft a letter to the Harrisville Township members of the board informing them of the request of the purchase of the skid unit. Alderman Luenberger was named as a member of the fire board filling a vacancy. Motion by Kaiser, support by Thomas, for Luenberger to be member of the city Fire Advisory Board which will contact Harrisville Township regarding this matter.

No. 2018-04. Now, therefore be it resolved that the City of Harrisville of the county of Alcona, does hereby proclaim that April 2018 is Social Host Responsibility Month. Motion carried: 5-0.

Reports: Clerk Pierce informed council that the Tax Board of Review will need two new members to be in state compliance. Clerk will advertise for those vacancies as well as a notice of administrative and alderman offices up for election this year. Mayor, clerk and treasurer offices are two year terms and Ward Alderman offices are four year terms. Registered voters within the City of Harrisville are eligible to run for these offices. Contact the city office at (989) 724-6666 for information.

Motion by Baird, support by Peterson, for clerk to advertise for two members for the Tax Board of Review. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Baird, support by Kaiser, for clerk to advertise openings for the elected offices of mayor, city clerk, city treasurer, and alderman wards I, II, III. Motion carried: 5-0.

Harbor commissioner Baird reported the harbor commissioners will meet May 5. Planning commi ner Raird renorted that t commission will meet for a regularly scheduled meeting on April 4 at 6:30 p.m. RRC representative MacNeill reported to council the progress of the committee and their meetings with various representatives from the state EDC.

Lions playground grant submission process for this year. The original grant to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will be resubmitted along with a new grant request to the Recreation Passport Grant Program. The city is working with NEMCOG representatives updating the submissions.

Mayor Dobis presented to council the bid offer from Flotation Docking Systems for Phase 2 improvements in an addendum dated March 7 for \$370,188. Therefore, be it resolved that the City of Harrisville accepts the bid of \$370,188 from Flotation Docking Systems for Phase 2 Improvements for the base, alternate 1, and alternate 2 scope Post Bid Addendum No. 1 dated March 7. Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger, to accept bid of \$370,188 from Flotation Docking Systems for Phase 2 improvements for the base, alternate 1, and alternate 2 scope Post Bid Addendum No. 1 dated March 7. Ayes: Luenberger, Peterson, Kaiser, Baird and Thomas. Nayes: zero. Absent: one.

In new business, motion by Baird, support by Kaiser, to pay end of year bills. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Dobis opened the General Fund Budget, 2018-2019 Truth and Taxation Hearing at 7:30 p.m. The treasurer and finance committee chair reviewed the General Fund Budget (all categories) with council for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. The hearing was opened to the public and no comments were forth coming. Mayor Dobis announced, as part of the Truth and Taxation requirement, that the City of Harrisville would collect the maximum millage as required by law. General fund: 6.0032 mils, water: 1.5000 mils, water bond: 2.6000 mils. The budget hearing closed at 7:34 p.m.

Mayor Dobis discussed elected officials salaries for the year 2019. A

Motion carried: 5-0.

A request for bids for a new 2018/2019 maintenance department pickup truck was addressed by the mayor. Motion by Baird, support by Thomas, to advertise for bids for the purchase of a new 2018/2019 maintenance department pickup truck. Motion carried: 5-0. Mayor Dobis addressed request for the annual Harrisville Children's Parade to be held on Saturday, July 7. Motion by Thomas, support by Peterson, to give permission to Mary Lou Webb to hold the annual Children's Parade on Saturday, July 7. Motion carried: 5-0. Mayor Dobis recommended to council Donna Stadler and John Swise to fill the two vacancies on the planning commission. Motion by Luenberger, support by Kaiser, for Donna Stadler and John Swise to fill the vacancies on the planning commission. Motion carried: 3-2. Mayor Dobis recommended that April be proclaimed Social Host Responsibility Month. Motion by Luenberger, support by Baird, that April be proclaimed Social Host Responsibility Month with Resolution Comment cards: Guest Patty Thomas questioned options of a permanent structure, for annual events, at the harbor. Council last comments: None.

Mayor Dobis moved meeting to be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is Monday. April 9 at 7 p.m. Published prior to council approval.

ALCONA TWP. SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township's March board meeting was called to order with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: MacNeill, LaLonde, Gauthier, and Bouchard. Excused: Mead.

Motions to approve minutes from January meeting, special meeting, financial report, and bills as presented; to close regular meeting and open budget hearing; to approve 2018-2019 budget; to include the Truth in Taxation: to adopt the Alcona Township 2018 general appropriations act resolution; to close budget hearing and resume regular meeting; to authorize supervisor to get proper wording to place a Headlee Reversal Proposal on the August Primary; to sign an agreement with Hubbard Lake Community Association for fire protection; to sell 1990 rescue to Green Township; to approve fire expenditure of \$1781.50 for communication equipment; to sign local franchise agreement with Charter Communications. All motions passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval.