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## Two Alcona County natives receive lifesaving awards

Two conservation officers with deep roots in Alcona County were recognized as life savers last week at the state capitol.

Jeff Panich of Lincoln and Scott MacNeill of Manistee, Mich., along with Michael Evink of Manistique, Mich. and Samuel Koscinski of Manistee, Mich. received the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) life-saving medal for their actions that saved multiple lives.

They were honored at last week's Natural Resources Commission meeting in Lansing, Mich.

"I am very proud of the courage and skill displayed by Evink, Panich, Koscinski and MacNeill in these lifesaving events," said Gary Hagler, chief of the DNR Law Enforcement Division. "Conservation officers can be relied on as first responders to not only protect our natural resources, but also to ensure the safety of the people enjoying them."

### Lake Huron Save

On July 10, Panich was on marine patrol heading into

Tawas Bay from Lake Huron when he observed an unoccupied personal watercraft spinning in circles one mile from shore. Scanning the water, he observed two passengers, both wearing life jackets, about a half-mile from the watercraft.

Panich approached the passengers -- a female in her 30s and a male in his 60s -- both from Florida. Stopping the boat, Panich asked the passengers to swim to the ladder and climb onto the DNR boat. The female passenger was able to climb aboard, but the man indicated that he had no strength. Panich was able to assist the fatigued and shaking man onto the boat.

The passengers said that they had been riding the rented watercraft and were not wearing the safety lanyard when they fell into the water. When the watercraft circled around them, they would try swimming for it, heading further into the lake instead of toward shore. The two estimated they were in the water for 30 minutes be-

fore Panich arrived.

### Manistee River Save

Koscinski and MacNeill were conducting marine patrol July 5 on the Manistee River in Manistee County, Mich. when they noticed a distressed female in fast-flowing water, located downstream of Tippy Dam. Elisabeth Aldridge, 22, of Montague, Mich., was wrapped around a log and being pulled by the current; her head was barely above water and her arm was punctured by fish hooks that were attached to fishing lines tangled on the log.

Battling the fast river current, Koscinski controlled the DNR boat, positioning it to provide Aldridge with support. MacNeill reached over the boat bow to temporarily secure Aldridge in a life jacket and cut the fishing lines attached to the hooks in Aldridge's arm.

Holding onto the boat, Aldridge broke free from the original lines, but her legs became tangled in additional hooks and lines. The force of Aldridge's body tangled in the



Scott MacNeill (left) and Jeff Panich receive life saving awards in Lansing, Mich. last week. MacNeill lives and works in Manistee, Mich. Panich is a conservation officer in Alcona County. *Courtesy photo.*

fishing lines pulled the bow of the boat further into the water. Koscinski maintained the

boat while MacNeill held Aldridge and provided her with a knife to free her legs

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## Three state proposals ask voters to ammend constitution

There are three state proposals on the November 6 general election ballot. The following information about each of the proposals, which, if approved, will be added to the state Constitution, was provided by Ballotpedia. *For more information see: <https://ballotpedia.org/Ballotpedia>.*

### Michigan Proposal 1, Marijuana Legalization Initiative

Michigan Proposal 1, the Marijuana Legalization Initiative, is on the ballot in Michigan as an indirect initiated state statute on November 6.

• A "yes" vote supports le-

galizing the recreational use and possession of marijuana for persons 21 years of age or older and enacting a tax on marijuana sales.

• A "no" vote opposes legalizing the recreational use and possession of marijuana for persons 21 years of age or older and enacting a tax on marijuana sales.

### Overview

*What changes would the ballot initiative make to laws governing marijuana in Michigan?*

Proposal 1 was designed to allow adults aged 21 years or older to possess and use marijuana for recreational pur-

poses. Individuals would be permitted to grow up to 12 marijuana plants in their residences. The measure would create an excise sales tax of 10 percent, which would be levied on marijuana sales at retailers and microbusinesses. Revenue from the tax would be allocated to local governments, K-12 education, and road and bridge maintenance.

Proposal 1 would also legalize the cultivation, processing, distribution, and sale of industrial hemp. Municipalities would be allowed to ban or limit marijuana establishments within their bound-

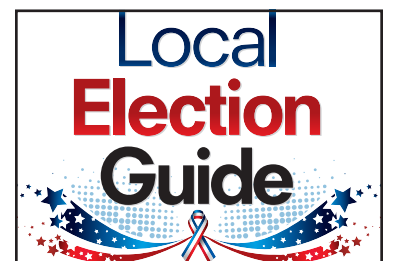
aries.

*What is the legal status of marijuana in Michigan?*

In Michigan, the possession and use of marijuana for recreational purposes is illegal. Voters approved a ballot initiative, also titled Proposal 1, to legalize the medical use of marijuana in 2008. Marijuana has been decriminalized in multiple jurisdictions in Michigan, including Detroit, Flint, and Grand Rapids.

As of 2018, both medical and recreational marijuana are illegal under federal law. However, the Department of Justice (DOJ) under Presidents Trump and President Obama have not prosecuted most individuals and businesses following state and local marijuana laws.

On January 4, Attorney General Jeff Sessions rescinded guidelines, known as the Cole Memo, that deprioritized the enforcement of federal marijuana laws in states where marijuana had been legalized. The DOJ issued the Cole Memo in 2013, following the legalization of marijuana in Colorado and Washington. Sessions' DOJ authorized U.S. attorneys to decide which marijuana crimes to prosecute and directed them to consider "federal law enforcement priorities, the serious-



ness of the crime, the deterrent effect of criminal prosecution, and the cumulative impact of particular crimes on (communities)."

### Michigan Proposal 2, Independent Redistricting Commission Initiative

Michigan Proposal 2, the Independent Redistricting Commission Initiative, is on the ballot in Michigan as an initiated constitutional amendment on November 6.

• A "yes" vote supports transferring the power to draw the state's congressional and legislative districts from the state legislature to an independent redistricting commission.

• A "no" vote opposes transferring the power to draw the state's congressional and leg-

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Despite cool temperatures on Saturday, attendance was high for Harrisville's Fall Festival which was organized and sponsored, in part, by the Harrisville Business Association. *Photo by Cheryl Peterson.*



# Obituaries

## Frederick C. Schiller

Frederick Charles Schiller, 75, of Oscoda died on Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018 at home.

He was born August 3, 1943 in Wyandotte, Mich. to Herman W. and Margaret E. (Gilsdorf) Schiller. He graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1961.

He enlisted in the United States Air Force on February 15, 1962 and served until his honorable discharge on February 14, 1968.

He married Claudia Canute on February 11, 1981.

Mr. Schiller began his 35-year career as a meat cutter for the former A&P grocery store in Oscoda working up the ladder until he achieved the assistant manager position upon his retirement in 1993.

He was a member of the Austin Hunting Club in Atlanta, Mich. that his grandfather and four friends (the 5 Bullheads) founded.

He loved the outdoors, especially hunting, fishing, duck and pheasant hunting. He loved his grandchildren and spending time with them.

Mr. Schiller is survived by his wife, Claudia; one son, Danny (Lisa) Schiller; three



daughters, Wendy (Mike) Nichols, Tera (Clay) Albert and Erin (Michael Baldwin) Duby; eight grandchildren; one great-grandson; one brother, Ricky (Tanya) Mexicotte; and two sisters, Sharon Coogan and Kathy (Ken) Garvin.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Danny Schiller.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of life service, with military honors, was held on Saturday, Oct. 13 at Buresh Funeral Home, Oscoda. Pastor Dave Dudenhofer officiated. Memorial contributions may be made to a local veteran's organization.

## Mark A. Ames

Mark A. Ames, 34, died on Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018 in Sault Ste Marie, Mich.

He was born August 17, 1984 to Mark and Laurie (Thompson) Ames in Flint, Mich. He grew up in Swartz Creek, Mich.

Mr. Ames is survived by one daughter, Paige A. Ames of Oscoda; one son, Carsen J. C. Ames of Oscoda; one step-daughter, Maiya Dettmer of Oscoda; his parents, Laurie

and Mark Ames of Spruce; one grandmother, Georgia Thompson of Grand Blanc, Mich.; the mother of his children, Katie Ames of Oscoda; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation will be at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Hubbard Lake on Sunday, Oct. 21 from 1 p.m. until the service at 3 p.m. Pastor Joseph Llewellyn will officiate. Fellowship will



be held immediately following at the church.

## Leo A. Travis

Leo Alfred Travis, 83, of Mikado, died on Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

He was born July 21, 1935 to Glen and Carrie (Proconier) Travis in Mikado and was a life-long resident of the area.

Mr. Travis served in the U.S. Army from 1957-1958. He served on the Mikado Volunteer Fire Department for many years.

He married Marion Bellmore on July 14, 1962.

He was employed at Harrisville Tool and Parts Manufacturing until his retirement.

Mr. Travis is survived by his wife, Marion; one son, Terry (Elaine) Travis; two daughters, Tammy (Dan) Whitmore and Tracy (James) Speed; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one brother, Clifford (Cathy) Travis; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Delbert Travis. Private services have been held. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

## Sharon K. Walker

Sharon K. Walker, 76, of Lincoln, died on Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2018 at Lincoln Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Community.

She was born February 9, 1942 to Hurley and Mildred (Bachert) Bowlby in Clawson, Mich., where she was raised.

On July 28, 1962, she married John Walker in Madison Heights, Mich. They were long-time residents of Troy, Mich.

Mrs. Walker worked in medical transcription as a supervisor and was a founding member of the Troy Firefighters Women's Auxiliary.

She moved to Lincoln in 2016, where she was a member of the Brownlee Lake Association and of the Lincoln DDA Beautification Committee.

Mrs. Walker is survived by her husband, John; two daughters, Robin (Patrick Smith) Walker of Clawson, Mich. and Lori (Jeff) Barrett of Troy, Mich.; one son, John (Megan) Walker Jr. of Wheaton, Ill.; three grandchildren, Madison Barrett, Claire Walker and Patrick Walker; one great-grandson, Kyran Walker; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by five sisters and two brothers.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date. Memorial donations are suggested to Hospice of Michigan. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

## Loretta C. Earegood

Loretta C. Earegood, 68, of Alpena, died on Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018 at home.

She was born February 18, 1950 to James and Florence (Craven) Davis in Bay City, Mich. She was raised in Minnesota.

She resided in Flint, Mich. Later, she moved to Alcona County and then Alpena.

She was a homemaker and enjoyed walking along the beach searching for Petoskey stones and beach glass.

Mrs. Earegood is survived by two daughters, Tonya Marie (Joe) Lusher of Phoenix, Ariz. and Denise Schultz of Harrisville; two sons, Michael Todd Heck of Oscoda and Russell Lee Earegood of Alcona County; 14 grandchildren, Nick Wilson, Courtney Heck, Travis Heck, Brandon Heck, Keygan Earegood, Connor Earegood, Ryan Earegood, Katy Earegood, Robby Earegood, Austin Earegood, Liam Earegood, Breanna Hutchinson, Joseph Hutchin-son and Oliver VanNorman; two great-grandchildren, Lucas Wilson and Arianna Schlicker; one brother, Bill (Roxanne) Davis; many nieces and nephews; and dear friend, Mike Earegood.

She was preceded in death by one son, Elmer Lee Earegood Jr. in 1972; one sister, Ilene Earegood; and one brother, Raymond Crackel-berg.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A memorial service was held October 14.

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Date	Weekly Report		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		
	Temperature (F°)			Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	High	Low				
October 7	51	46	0.00	10.4	21	ENE
October 8	58	50	0.63	5.4	17	SSW
October 9	68	56	0.01	2.3	15	SSW
October 10	64	60	0.93	3.4	14	SW
October 11	65	39	0.01	4.2	25	W
October 12	45	36	0.01	1.5	14	NW
October 13	48	35	0.00	1.2	15	W
Precipitation Summary (Inches)						
	2018	2017	Normal			
Weekly Total	1.58	0.13	0.56			
October to Date	2.54	0.46	1.04			
Year/Season to Date	22.07	28.43	23.20			

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

 **Letters to the Editor** 

To the Editor,  
On Saturday, Oct. 6 the Michigan State Police, Alpena Post held a Stuff a Blue Goose event at Kris Mart in Lincoln. Troopers stood outside with Blue Gooses, which are our patrol cars, collecting non-perishable food items and toiletries for families in need around the area.

We at the Alpena Post would like to thank the community for their very generous donations which allowed us to stuff our patrol cars with approximately \$2,617 items of food and toiletries.

Without the donations from all the members of the community, our event would not have been possible. Thank

you again for your very generous donations and for helping the troopers of the Lincoln detachment make a difference in the lives of those in need in Alcona County this fall.

Ashley Simpson,  
Michigan State Police  
Community Service  
Trooper, Alpena Post

To the Editor,  
In the spring of this year, the Alcona County Review published an article that talked about the financial state of Alcona County. In it the county commission chairman stated that healthcare and retirement costs have sky rocketed, and that it is a financial burden for the county. But since that time I have read nothing about what the commissioners have done to

reduce these costs. They have reduced help to veterans, threatened police reductions, and a slew of other reductions. But what have they done about their biggest expense – healthcare?

Most employers have made drastic changes to the healthcare for their employees. Alcona County should follow suit. Here are some things that could be done:

- Anyone 65 years or older

should be on Medicare and not eligible for healthcare.

- Only full-time workers (minimum of 32 hours/week) should be eligible.
  - No special treatment for those in leadership positions (commissioners, etc.) unless they work for the county full-time, should not be eligible for healthcare.
  - Change to a high deductible plan for healthcare. This reduces costs greatly.
  - When a high deductible plan is in place, HSA accounts can be created for employees to save pre-tax money for medical expenses.
  - Use mail-order drug plans for 30 to 90 day supplies.
  - Ensure that employees share the costs of healthcare and the increases that occur.
- Has everything been done to reduce county operating costs? Is the millage necessary? I'm not sure.

Richard Kacel  
Lincoln

To the Editor,  
Why a county millage? When trying to solve a problem, bring all alternatives to the table. One option is to request a four year increase in taxes. So in the spirit of problem solving, ask if this is a possibility. If it fails in November, we will have a plan for cuts to deal with immediate issues.

During the four-year millage's life, the first two years will be dedicated to existing concerns.

The courthouse and jail need new roofing before leakage can cause expensive damage. The jail needs a new boiler, energy efficient systems will cut fuel/maintenance costs.

The U.S. Forestry Service is selling the building containing Soil Conservation District, Veterans Affairs, and Michigan State University Extension. Low lease payments will come to an end. Currently, the USFS is committed to a price around \$100,000. I have other less costly ideas, but funding is required for implementation. The retirement system like

most local and state governments needs attention. Alternatives require up-front funding to decrease long term costs.

After catching up, there should be room in the remaining years for upgrades. Broadband, and housing to bring more professionals into our county, programs to attract medical facilities (assisted living/senior care) creating jobs in health care. Neighboring counties have employers in the automotive, aerospace, and health fields. Use funds to make Alcona County an attractive home to people who work there.

I can't make the promise of a new community center, sports complex, or splash pad, but I can say that after the major issues are tackled, anything is possible. If we can bring in more families, professionals, and retirees, it means more income for the county to provide exciting civic upgrades for a new and growing population over the next 20 years.

Adam Brege,  
County Commissioner  
District IV

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from the lines. In a state of shock, Aldridge was pulled into the boat where she was able to recover.

**Lake Michigan Save**

Evink responded to a June 4 call that two men had overturned a kayak in Lake Michigan, south of Manistique, Mich. The caller said the two men were bobbing in the water next to the kayak.

The officer responded to the scene and launched his DNR watercraft from the beach at the caller's location. Evink was able to locate and secure one of the kayakers, a man in his mid-20s from Oxford, Mich. Evink returned the kayaker, who was displaying signs of hypothermia and exhaustion, to shore where Manistique Public Safety Emergency Medical Services provided medical assistance. The man made a full recovery.

Returning to the original water location, Evink located

the second man, a 23-year-old Burton, Mich. resident, eight to 10 feet underwater. Marking the location with dispatchers, Evink made several dive attempts to reach the man who had been underwater for quite some time, but was unsuccessful in his attempts. He remained in the area until a Michigan State Police dive team arrived and assisted the team in recovering the man's body.

"Our division is unique in its mission and is able to respond quickly to events like these across all of Michigan – conservation officers are always nearby," said Chief Hagler.

Michigan conservation officers are fully commissioned state peace officers who provide natural resources protection, ensure recreational safety and protect citizens by providing general law enforcement duties and lifesaving operations in the communities they serve.

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**Calendar of Events**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17**  
Coffee and conversation about water and its effect on people's lives at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 10 a.m. to noon. Part of the Water/Ways and Third Coast discussion forum, sponsored by the Michigan Humanities Council. Free coffee, tea and an assortment of breakfast goodies.

A blood drive will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive identification. For more information, visit redcrossblood.org or call (800) 733-2767.

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

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

Play euchre at 5 p.m. at the Curtis Township Hall, 5023 E. F-30 in Glennie. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18**  
Join fellow comrades at the veteran's coffee hour from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville. All veterans are welcome.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30 in Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome.

Frist meeting is free. Handicap accessible. Call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-8600 for details.

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

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

Retirees will meet for a potluck lunch and bingo at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street at noon. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19**  
Storytime and craft for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 10:15 to 11 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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

A Toys for Tots benefit pizza night will be held at the Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road from 5 to 7 p.m. Call (989) 736-3050 for details.

Reformers Unanimous, a faith-based addictions recovery program, will meet at the Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 South State Street in Greenbush at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Pastor Wayne Whit-ten at (989) 335-0172.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20**  
A euchre tournament will be held at the Greenbush Township Hall on Campbell Road. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with play starting at 6 p.m. This event is sponsored by the Greenbush Historical Society and is open to the public.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21**  
An afternoon of music with Great Lakes Graham at Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library, 211 North First Avenue at 2 p.m. This event is free and open to the public. Call (989) 356-6188 ext. 25 for details.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23**  
The Harrisville Lady Lions will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the Red Rooster Restaurant on US-23 in Greenbush. All ladies are invited to join this group. Call Kathy Nelson at (989) 739-7707 for details or email alconareviewmary@yahoo.com.

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

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24**  
Sunrise Community Food Pantry will be open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church, 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Clients are asked to come only one time per month and must be present to receive food. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county of residence. Identification is required. Call (989) 727-3606 for details.

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

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).

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## Docents Needed

The Alcona County Library invites area residents to become docents or guides for the Smithsonian Water|Ways exhibit to be held at the Harrisville branch from November 16 to December 28. Water|Ways is a traveling "Museum on Main Street" exhibit, highlighting the importance of water in Michigan, nation, and the world. Docents should be interested in helping make this exhibit educational and entertaining for all ages of visitors, and willing to help four times or more during the exhibit time frame. Training and materials will be provided at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 16 at the Harrisville branch. Call (989) 724-6796 to volunteer or leave a message at any branch of the Alcona County Library. Visit the web at [www.library.alcona.lib.mi.us](http://www.library.alcona.lib.mi.us) to learn more about Water|Ways and the many programs offered through the library.

## Farm Market

The ARA Farm Market will be open Saturday, Oct. 20 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Alcona County Fairgrounds in Lincoln. Available this week: Cabbage; leeks; potatoes; pumpkins; rutabaga; spaghetti squash; acorn squash; buttercup squash; butternut squash; cookies; jams; jellies; honey; maple syrup; all cuts of hormone and antibiotic-free beef, snack sticks and brats; custom signs; wooden items; homemade laundry detergent and dryer balls; 3-D paper crafts; crocheted items; and Alcona T-shirts.

## 80th Anniversary Celebration

The Greenbush Community Baptist Church will be celebrating 80 years of ministry this month. The church will be commemorating this milestone on Saturday, Oct. 20 and Sunday, Oct. 21 with activities to include a gospel concert with the Bonner Quartet, the annual Hobo Stew Dinner, and several services where testimonies and memories will be shared.

The Greenbush Union Church was chartered on October 23, 1938 with the Sunday School Union. Years later the church joined the IFCA and changed the name to Greenbush Community Church under the leadership of Pastor Tom Elyea. The Greenbush Christian Academy was instituted through the vision of Pastor Charles Price and operated for 25 years. Ken Marsh, the church's third full time pastor, held a 20-year tenure as the pastor, and under his direction the church name changed to Greenbush Community Baptist Church. Pastor A. C. Caincross began his ministry in 2003 and has led the church for the past 15 years, recently incorporating the Reformers Unanimous Addictions Recovery Program into the ministry of the church.

For more information or a full schedule of events for the weekend, contact the church office at (989) 724-5264.

## Senior Menu

The following meals will be served during the week at 4 p.m. in Glennie at Lott Baptist Church; at 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center; and at 5 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, Oct. 22—Baked spaghetti, green beans, and peaches.
- Tuesday, Oct. 23—Barbecued pork roast, red parsley potato, mixed vegetables, and mixed fruit.
- Wednesday, Oct. 24—Beef stew with stew vegetables, tossed salad, and tropical fruit.
- Thursday, Oct. 25—Herb chicken, sweet potatoes, Prince Charles blend, pickled beets, and pears.
- Friday, Oct. 26—Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, broccoli, and pineapple  
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Registration is required for this free program and can be completed at [www.midmichigan.org/freedomfromsmoking](http://www.midmichigan.org/freedomfromsmoking). Those who need assistance with registration may call MidMichigan Health Line

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The advisory council is composed of 15 members and 15 alternates. Five seats represent local community governments, and the other 10 represent facets of the sanctuary community, including education, fishing, diving, tourism, economic development, maritime industry, and the community at large. The council meets bi-monthly, with informal coffees and lunches scheduled for non-meeting months. Working groups meet as needed. The 15 alternates also take an active role in council meetings as well as assist in carrying out many volunteer assignments throughout the year. Applications are due before or by November 16. Applications not received or postmarked by November 16 will not be considered. For more information, including a copy of the application, visit the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council Recruitment webpage at: [https://thunderbay.noaa.gov/management/advisory\\_council\\_recruitment.html](https://thunderbay.noaa.gov/management/advisory_council_recruitment.html) or contact sanctuary advisory council coordinator, Jean Prevo, at (989) 884-6208 or [jean.prevo@noaa.gov](mailto:jean.prevo@noaa.gov) with questions.

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## Cross country team members medal in league

The Alcona Cross Country Team traveled to Hale on Tuesday, Oct. 9 for its final North Star League (NSL) meet of the season.

The girls team placed second overall in the NSL for the season. Sara Decker and Courtney Winter both made North Star League first team and Janae Kierzek received honorable mention.

The boys team placed sixth overall in the league. Pierce Bilbey and Fallon Hux both received honorable mention. Carter Upper placed third overall in the league for Middle School boys. Nikki O'Dea ran her first race of the season for middle school girls and placed 14<sup>th</sup> overall.

The Tigers traveled to Fairview for the Leroy Maxie Me-

morial Cross Country Invitational recently. Sara Decker placed 10<sup>th</sup> overall with a time of 22:37, followed by Courtney Winter (14<sup>th</sup>). Both girls received a T-shirt for placing in the top 20. For the Middle School boys, Carter Upper ran two miles with a time of 13:49 placing seventh overall and received a bronze medal.



Alcona cross country team league medalists (from left) Carter Upper, Pierce Bilbey, Fallon Hux, Sara Decker, Courtney Winter, Janae Kierzek. *Courtesy photo.*

## Lions topple Tigers in away game

**By Ben Murphy**  
*Sports Writer*

The Alcona varsity football team wasn't able to play the role of spoiler on Saturday.

The Tigers, who were playing a non conference football game at Maple Valley, dropped the contest to the heavily favored Lions, 46-8.

"We were not able to establish the run off tackle, which allowed them to really load the box and that made it very difficult to sustain drives on the offense," said head coach Jason Somers. "Defensively, we were not finishing plays."

The Tigers started the game with the ball on their own 35-yard line. They ran the ball three times to pick up a first down, but facing a fourth-and-four on the Lions' 41-yard line, came up a yard short of a conversion.

The Lions, who kept their playoff chances alive with the win, scored on their first play of the game on a running play through the left side of the line and tacked on a two-point conversion to take the early lead, 8-0.

On the ensuing kick-off Maple Valley booted the ball high in the air, allowing one of its own players to chase it down before an Alcona player pounced on it, leading to an extra possession for the Lions.

Two plays into the ensuing drive on another long touchdown run, the Lions took a 16-0 lead after the two-point conversion.

"I think their overall team speed and aggressive play made this team that was hard for us to match up against," Somers said.

The Lions pushed their lead to 24-0 by the end of the first quarter on a 45-yard touchdown run and led 30-0 on a 44-yard touchdown pass early in the second quarter.

Maple Valley showed off its

kicking game by kicking a 21-yard field goal midway through the second quarter, putting it to 33-0.

The Lions nearly scored again on the final play of the second half, however the Tiger defense was able to force their wide receiver out of the back of the endzone to keep him from coming up with a catch.

The second half saw Alcona's lone scoring play, a 58-yard touchdown run by Mason Clark.

"As always, these kids do not give up, they competed to the end and that is all we ask of them," Somers said. "This

game also had so many freshmen playing and getting their feet wet with varsity football and they enjoyed the challenge."

Clark ran 14 times and finished with 117 yards to lead the offense. Jacob Sytek added 19 yards. The defense saw Logan Witham get 14 tackles and Clark took down nine.

Alcona (1-7 overall) hosts Climax-Scotts (3-4) on Friday in its last game of the season. The Panthers have a reputation as one of the best class 'D' programs in the state

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## Alcona soccer wins at Pinconning

**By Ben Murphy**  
*Sports Writer*

With the post-season right around the corner, the Alcona varsity soccer team kicked things into high gear Friday night.

The Tigers, playing in their final regular season game, scored early and often to the tune of an 8-0 non-conference win over host Pinconning.

Josh Kilbourn and Brett Nelson had three goals each with Elliot Dubuque and Joel Steiner getting one each.

Adian Wrobel was in goal and made four saves.

On Wednesday, Oct. 10 the Tigers hosted Alpena in a non-league game. Alcona dropped this contest in a hard-fought 2-1 battle.

The Wildcats took a 2-0 lead into the half but a goal by Dubuque in the 52<sup>nd</sup> minute trimmed that gap to 2-1. Alcona wasn't able to pull even however against the class 'A' team.

Wrobel finished with 13 saves in the contest.

On Monday, Oct. 8 the Tigers wrapped up its share of the North Star League title

with an easy 8-0 victory over visiting Fairview.

Alcona scored four goals in the first 15 minutes and never looked back from there.

Opening the scoring was Matthew Warner, with Kilbourn booting one in to make it 2-0. Nelson followed with a goal to make it 3-0 and Steiner tacked on another at 4-0.

Grace Atkinson socked in a goal late in the half to make it 5-0 at the break.

In the second half, Steiner booted in his second goal on a header, Dubuque blasted one through the middle to make it 7-0 and the night ended at 8-0 on a goal by Nelson.

Wrobel had nine saves to preserve the shutout.

Alcona (12-8-1 overall) opened up its home division four district on Tuesday against Houghton Lake. The semi-finals are Thursday, Oct. 18 with the championship set for Saturday, Oct. 20. Oscoda, Roscommon, Whittemore-Prescott and Fairview are also in the district.

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tion of up to \$2,000 per year for singles or \$4,000 for couples.

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To qualify, you must also be at least 18 years old and not a full-time student and were not claimed as a dependent on someone else's tax return. And your adjusted gross income (AGI) in 2018 must have been \$63,000 or less as a married couple filing jointly, \$47,250 or less if filing as head of household, or \$31,500 or less if you're a single filer. These income limits are adjusted annually to keep pace with inflation.

To get the 50 percent credit, you'll need to have an income below \$19,000 if you're single, \$28,500 if you're filing as head of household, and \$38,000 for couples in 2018.

The 20 percent credit rate applies to individuals earning between \$19,001 and \$20,500; for head of house-

hold filers it's \$28,501 to \$30,750; and for couples it's \$38,001 to \$41,000.

And the 10 percent rate is for individuals with an adjusted gross income between \$20,501 and \$31,500; for head of household filers \$30,751 to \$47,250; and couples it's between \$41,001 and \$63,000.

Here's an example of how this works. Let's say that you file your taxes as head of household and your AGI for 2018 is \$30,000. Over the course of the year, you contribute \$2,000 to your employer's 401(k) plan. Since your AGI puts you in the 20 percent credit bracket, and you've contributed the \$2,000 maximum that can be considered for the credit, you are entitled to a \$400 Saver's Credit on your 2018 tax return.

It's also worth mentioning that the Saver's Credit is in addition to any other tax benefits you get for your retirement contributions. So in the previous example, not only



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would you be entitled to a \$400 credit, but you would also be able to exclude the \$2,000 401(k) contribution from your taxable income. So, if you're in the 15 percent tax bracket, this translates to an additional \$300 in savings, for a total of \$700.

To claim the Saver's Credit, you will need to fill out Form 8880 (see IRS.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8880.pdf) and attach it to your 1040, 1040A or 1040NR when you file your tax return. Don't use the 1040EZ Form.

If you think that you would have qualified for the credit in previous years but didn't claim it, you can file an

amended return as far back as 2015 and still get the credits. A 2014 amended return is due by April 15, 2019. See IRS Form 1040X (IRS.gov/pub/irs-pdf/i1040x.pdf) for instructions on how to file an amended return.

And for more information on the Saver's Credit, see IRS Publication 590-A "Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements" (IRS.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p590a.pdf).

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# Killmaster: The search for gold Part II

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**By Keith W. Myers**  
*History Writer*

As the hot humid days of summer slipped into the crisp cold nights of fall the residents of Killmaster, and John Henry Killmaster himself, had a warmth within them that was all but vacant just one year ago.

Even though the bonding effort with the county failed the Killmasters had talks with "eastern men of means." They made several leases for the development of oil wells on their properties and were encouraging their neighboring land owners to do the same. The expected windfall from gas and oil hadn't shown itself but Killmaster's grist mill was turning wheat into flour under his own brand, Gas-Light Flour. He had to settle for turning wheat into flour until he could turn gas and oil into gold. The wells were being drilled and John Henry knew it was just a matter of time.

The hurrahs filled the cold crisp October air as shouts went out, "OIL!! OIL!!" The people were excited that oil had been discovered just three miles out of town. The thought filled the minds of local businessmen and residents alike of the possibilities that awaited them. John H. Killmaster and his cousins, C.H. Killmaster and George Killmaster, were feeling something different -- disappointment. A disappointment and frustration so deep that it must have shaken them to their core.

The oil discovery that the townspeople were excited about was three miles west of town, but it wasn't the residents of Killmaster that were cheering. It was the residents of Alpena. Alpena had discovered oil and for all accounts it didn't appear that they were even looking. John Henry had been working, moving heaven and earth, to get the Killmaster wells up and running and it appeared Alpena's rival to the north was going to steal his thunder.

In their usual undaunting spirit, the Killmasters knew they had to find the silver lining in this recent discovery to the north. They gathered their professionals, the geologists and the oil drilling experts, that had been at their disposal and by their side since the beginning of the exploration. After some consultation, it was announced that the discovery of oil in Alpena only doubled the assertion that oil was abundant in Killmaster. The experts opined that Hamilton Limestone, that was always saturated with gas and oil, appeared at the surface of the ground in Alpena.

After the limestone outcrops in Alpena it dipped well below the surface of the earth in a direction to the south. There the limestone extended to a depth of approximately 1,200 to 1,400 feet. The depth of limestone trapped the oil and gas well below the surface of the earth. It was clear if the industrious entrepreneurs of Alpena's business society wanted to enjoy true wealth they needed to invest in their neighbors to the south.



## Reviewing History

By Keith W. Myers

After all it was touted, four wells had already been drilled and of them the well at 240 feet was producing a million cubic feet of gas a day and another at 238 feet was producing 500,000 cubic feet in the same time. The discovery in Alpena provided a mere pittance to what Killmaster had to offer.

The discovery peaked the interest of larger oil men from the east and soon their representative, C.D. Angell, was walking the streets of Killmaster to survey for himself the possibilities. He was impressed by the progress that had already been made and was another believer in the Killmasters' dream.

Angell realized that for this to be a truly lucrative endeavor more land will need to be leased than just what the Killmasters and a few others had offered. As talks began with leasing land from local farmers they were told that Angell needs 20 acres for one well. While Angell was impressed with the progress of the wells, he wasn't impressed with his lack of lease deals. He boarded the train bound for Pennsylvania in early December disappointed and with no intentions of returning.

Even without Angell's lease deals John H. Killmaster was well on his way of seeing his dreams come true for his town and himself. He had consultations with a large eastern tannery that wanted to bring its business and he was in discussion for production of a roller mill which would increase the quality and quantity of the flour they produced. The roller mill would use large wheels to grind the wheat instead of a millstone. Through the use of a roller mill almost all the bran could be extracted and produce a superfine white flour. And, his plans for a sanatorium were in their infancy.

He was confident that if these advances in business could be obtained, he would acquire the needed support to move the county seat from Harrisville to Killmaster.

Everything, however, was dependent upon the discovery of the oil that everyone had told him lies in wait. The delay in striking oil at that point had been a result of a lack of sufficient capital. John Henry had been in talks with New York men of capital and while they were interested they had yet to become committed.

The year of 1889 ended with dreams unfulfilled and the treasure undiscovered.

The passing of winter usually brought about a renewed vigor for the drilling of the gas and oil. However, the spring of 1890 found John Henry embroiled in a different battle. He had received word that the Village of Harrisville was

entertaining men of business that were interested in building a roller mill. The same roller mill that he wanted built in his town to replace the grist mill.

The roller mill had always been one of John Henry's important pieces in not only advancing his town, but also in securing the county seat designation. Some individuals had already approached the Killmasters and asked the industrious young men to build their roller mill in Harrisville. The Killmasters obviously declined the offer because they were committed in it being located along the banks of the Pine River.

The businessmen of Harrisville had "put their heads together" and had secured a deal with an eastern party to build the roller mill north of town. It would appear they had beaten the Killmasters to the punch and a preliminary deal had been agreed upon.

With the strength of a spring tornado, John Henry appeared coming over the horizon, as the sun set behind him, entered the Village of Harrisville. He has been dealing with the large money men from the east for a long time and he knew that a promise was a promise, but a signed deal was much stronger.

As the day turned to night John Henry whisked away the eastern businessmen to the town of Killmaster. The near 10-mile trek had given John Henry plenty of time to brag about the advantages of Killmaster over Harrisville.

As they approach the quiet little hamlet the sound of the rushing Pine River could be heard. The businessmen witness the house of C.H. Killmaster lit up like a beacon by natural gas.

As they crossed over the Pine River the Killmaster's sawmill and shingle mill could be seen. John Henry boasted about the 5,000,000 feet of logs they had secured, the new gas well opening soon, and the paper mill that was projected to be built once oil was discovered. The big money businessmen partake of the sweet mineral water that abounded and was said to sober up a "boozy" individual in a couple of hours. The medicinal water that would be dispensed at the new sanatorium.

Well into the night the businessmen talked under the glowing lights in the parlor of C.H. Killmaster's home. With the rising of the sun John Henry returned to Harrisville with the eastern businessmen. The local businessmen of Harrisville had evidently been outdone by John Henry again as the pronouncement was made that the roller mill would be built in Killmaster instead of Harrisville as pre-

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# Two vie for Greenbush trustee seat

**By Mary Weber**  
Staff Writer

Voters living in the township of Greenbush will have two candidates to choose from for one trustee position on the November 6 general election ballot.

The candidates include incumbent, Sheila M. Scott (R) and Trina Borenstein (D).

**Sheila M. Scott** was appointed to the township board as trustee following the resignation of Sara Olin about a year ago. It is Scott's first time running in an election.

Scott, who has been Alcona County's deputy treasurer for about five and a half years, and has owned an excavating business in Greenbush Township since 1999. She said her strong financial background plus the fact that she grew up in Greenbush and is raising her children in the township makes her well qualified for the trustee position.

She explained the trustee position mostly involves overseeing the financials, but Scott has a few goals and ideas for Greenbush in addition to watching the finances, "I want to make sure tax payers' money is being properly budgeted and spent. I want to see improvements to the roads and I'd like to see improvements made to Greenbush Park and the Greenbush Beach. I'd like to see young families come in and become involved in the community. I'd like to see the first responder and fire departments develop even more. Those are the things I grew up with and want to see them continue and improve," Scott said.



Sheila M. Scott

Scott moved to Greenbush Township when she was five years old. Her parents, Tony and Helen Przybylinski, taught her and her brother the importance of being involved locally and taking care of neighbors. Her father was the township's fire chief for many years and her mother was a first responder.

Her parents were also involved in getting Greenbush Park established, "I helped with that too. I would go with my mom from house to house to get signatures and once everything went through I would go to the park and pick up rocks and plant trees. I played softball in those fields," Scott said.

When Scott was old enough, she too became a first responder and served the community until she and her husband, Ralph Scott Jr., who she has been married to

for 28 years, began raising a family. Her brother was also a fireman for the township, as was her husband, Ralph.

Scott's spare time, which she doesn't have much of between working full-time for the county and being a Greenbush Township trustee, is spent with friends and family, including her three children, which she said were her most important priority.

"I love my community and it has always given me so much, I wanted to be able to give back in some way. I can do that as trustee. I always try and stay involved with whatever is needed. I love where I live and want to be a small part in making it better," Scott said.

Scott is a 1988 graduate of Oscoda High School and has an associate degree in medical assisting from Baker College.

**Trina Borenstein** has lived in Greenbush Township full time since 2009, but grew up visiting to the area whenever she could.

She grew up mostly in Columbus, Ohio, but said her father was a student and the family traveled quite a bit. "Growing up my family was always very socially and politically aware. I've been that way my entire life.

"I'm a quick learner and very conscientious. I'm running for trustee because I was part of the 106th District of the state house to find Democrat candidates to run in local elections. I saw a list where no one had filed for Greenbush trustee. I felt I had an obligation to file. There are rarely any Democrats run-

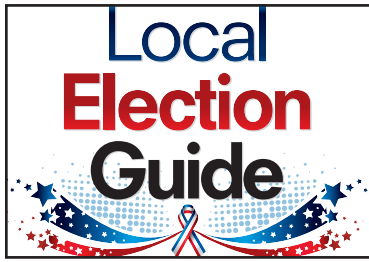


Trina Borenstein

ning at all in Alcona County and I didn't think that was very democratic. I felt I couldn't ask anyone to do a job I wasn't willing to do myself, so I filed," she said.

Borenstein has been on the board of the League of Women Voters since 1989 and is the Alpena league's vice president and publishes the league's newsletter. She has been actively involved with the Democrat party for the last four years.

She is concerned about state's move to get rid of townships, "The Lansing legislature has decided that townships are redundant and unnecessarily expensive. They want all township matters to be done at the county level. I'm astonished that Republicans, who believe in local government, are trying to do away with the most local form of government.



"This is not a good thing. The preservation of local government is paramount. People should not have to travel to their county seat if they have local township issues. It's taking democracy away from the local citizens and something I will advocate for whether or not I'm elected," Borenstein said.

Borenstein is also aware of natural resource and road issues in Greenbush Township which are a concern for her constituents and wants to address those issues as trustee.

She has a stenographer certificate which she received from a community college in Ontario, Canada in 1977 and about 15 years ago earned an associate degree from Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor, Mich.

She has spent most of her career in editing and typesetting text books and scientific journals and being an office manager. She has also held jobs as a cab driver and an assistant manager for a grocery store.

Her affection for Greenbush Township grew from the beauty of it and a long family history in the area. Her great grandfather, Mendel Sensibar, owned a quarry which ran for two miles along the railroad in Greenbush at the turn of the century. She and her husband, Nathaniel, a computer scientist, now own a piece of that property.

In her spare time, Borenstein enjoys reading, walking, sewing, watching movies and has a strong interest in geology. The Borenstein's have been married for 40 years. They have four daughters, one which they adopted and three granddaughters.

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**Killmaster gold**

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viously agreed. Like Julius Caesar after his conquest of Gaul, John Henry returned to Killmaster a conquering hero.

Conquers often underestimate the conquered. The businessmen of Harrisville were just as committed to obtaining the roller mill as John Henry. A month later the former raised \$10,000 used to buy stock in the company interested in the roller mill, surpassing the deal the Killmasters had made, and secured the roller mill to be built in Harrisville. Unbeknownst to John Henry, part of the \$10,000 (\$2,500) was alleged to have been contributed from county funds.

At the time this deal was

their vast amounts of wealth weren't within his grasp.

Even with the progress that had been made John Henry realized that his town was still at a disadvantage. It was supplied by only one railroad line and any increase in industry when the "gusher" hit would overburden the railroad. The increase in immigrants and industry were being promoted throughout the county. While it was agriculturally rich, it was noted that without it being accompanied by adjacent towns with manufacturing industry hard times would be pressed upon it.

In order for John Henry's ambitions for his town to come true he needed to strike oil, increase access through the

The well was abandoned and John Henry realized that the focus needed to be on striking oil if their adventure was ever going to pay off. The obstacle he faced was sufficient capital. While the sawmill and shingle mill were doing well, he needed to raise \$3,000 to push the well to 1,500 to 2,000 feet where experts told him the oil was abundant.

The Killmasters decided to raise the funds by platting 200 new village lots. The new lots will be sold for \$15 per lot and the buyer would also get an equal amount of stock in the new well. George Killmaster traveled to Chicago in the spring with the hope of finding people of interest.



John Henry Killmaster, and his wife, the former Nellie Barlow of AuSable, attend a Barlow family picnic circa 1910. He is seated middle right and she is standing behind him. Photo courtesy of Gayle Barlow.

struck the county was also dealing with debt created at the Alcona Poor Farm. While signing the papers for the Poor Farm, Supervisor Perkins, chairman, inadvertently signed papers for the roller mill as well.

By December of 1890 C.H. Killmaster brought a civil suit against the Board of Supervisors and the Harrisville Roller Mill Co. Even though Perkins and John Henry were vehemently against any money going toward the roller mill they were named in the lawsuit because they were the respective townships' supervisors.

However, the deal was done and the roller mill was built in Harrisville and John Henry abandoned his plan to have one built in Killmaster.

The boasting businessman of Killmaster may have suffered a setback but it was a mere chink in his armor. John Henry knew that the roller mill would have been good for his town but he still has something that Harrisville didn't, gas and oil.

The industrious little town was still humming with the sound of drilling in the summer of 1890. The Killmaster's sawmill and shingle mill were operating to full capacity and other anxious businessmen await the "gusher" of oil and the vein of gas that would produce profitable quantities before locating their industries in the town. John Henry had been contacting numerous eastern big money capitalist but so far access to

railroad, and increase industry. The town may have lost its chance for a roller mill but the Killmasters had plans for a cheese factory and were seeking local farmers to see if there was an interest. The plans for the sanatorium and taking advantage of the mineral waters continued to develop but, again were restricted by the lack of outside capital.

The Killmasters contracted with John Dalton, a driller they were familiar with, for the summer of 1890. Dalton was back in the area from Ohio where he has been drilling. Dalton drilled the very first well in Killmaster and knew that the supply of gas was far superior to anything he witnessed in the buckeye state. He was set to put in a 10-inch well and believed that it would produce as much as a dozen wells in Ohio.

Dalton proclaimed that the original four-inch well could only be held back for three minutes before the gas would force itself out. The wells he witnessed in Ohio could be held back for two to three hours before the same result. Dalton was convinced by August there would be enough gas spouting from the well to light all of Alcona County.

As the summer months waned Dalton missed his August prediction and as October began he was at 200 feet and expecting to hit the main vein of gas within days. Alas, by December he had reached 237 feet and the methane gold still remained elusive.

While 1890 ended with gas and oil still elusive and the roller mill slipped from his grasp, John Henry was still optimistic. He entered 1891 with his eyes set on oil, the town becoming the county seat, and his new bride, Miss Nellie Barlow.

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The railroad was to travel through Harrisville on its path to Alpena and the village was a buzz with the great news. This was the break that many of the businessmen and townspeople of Harrisville had been waiting for. The village was abundant with talk of a grand hotel, resorts, and shops. Harrisville now had plans of becoming a town of industry and a destination

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# Calendar of Events



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Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

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

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

Play euchre at the Curtis Township Hall, 5023 F-30 in Glennie at 5 p.m. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25**

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

The Michigan Paranormal Society will visit the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 5 p.m. No registration required for this free event. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Sanctuary Lecture Series: Lake Huron's Tuskegee Airmen program will be held at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 West Fletcher Street in Alpena at 7 p.m. Two Tuskegee airplanes have been found in the lake, and state maritime archaeologist Wayne Lusardi will share his experience documenting the sites as well as the pilot's stories. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Call (989) 884-6200 for details.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30 in Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Frist meeting is free. Handicap accessible. Call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-8600 for details.

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30

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**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26**

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

Reformers Unanimous, a

faith-based addictions recovery program, will meet at the Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 South State Street in Greenbush at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Pastor Wayne Whitten at (989) 335-0172.

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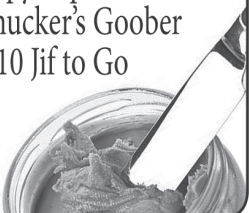
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# Killmaster gold

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for tourism. The little village had long promoted itself as the most beautiful place on the Lake Huron shoreline far surpassing the town of Mackinac and any other challengers to that honor.

John Henry realized with the addition of the railroad, and the other advantages that come with it, the dream of becoming the county seat, like the roller mill, had slipped through his fingers. This time there wouldn't be any midnight deals in an attempt turn it around.

The spring and summer of 1891 passed in Killmaster like those before. Even with the setbacks the town was still said to be booming. The sawmill and shingle mill were in full operation employing a good portion of men from the area. The town was cash strong with very little needed to bought on credit. Dalton the driller was still in town searching for the strike that will push forth the crude, erupting like Mt. Vesuvius from beneath the earth, like he projected. Another year and another promise undelivered.

The end of September brought the county fair and among the citizens attending the fair was C.H. Killmaster. Charlie was there with a visitor from out of town and it wasn't long before the patrons of the fair realizes there was something different about this man. Not only his manner of dress but his strong eastern accent.

He was enjoying the small county fair and was impressed by its residents, but he was in town for a much larger purpose. He was another gas/oil expert there to check out the prospects at the Killmaster wells. It appeared that John Henry's years of courting large eastern capitalist had finally paid off. The visitor was C.F. Hatch of Pennsylvania. He represented a syndicate of oil experts that were willing to expend \$25,000 toward the development of the Killmaster area. He was in town to secure land leases from local farmers and large land holders. He needed to secure those leases in order to make the adventure profitable for the men he represented. It wasn't long before the whispers began that Mr. Hatch was a representative of Standard Oil. While he wasn't John D. Rockefeller, he was the closest the town of Killmaster had seen thus far.

The plan was to sink a test well in six months and a deep test well to 2,500 feet within a year. All he needed were the leases and, unlike Mr. Angell in 1889, who tried to acquire leases, Mr. Hatch had the cash and a lot of it.

Mr. Hatch had already signed a lease for 10,000 acres from the Killmasters and A. Backus was expected from Detroit within a few days to sign a lease for his lands. However, by the end of October the progress earlier reached was beginning to wane. Many of the local farmers were holding out on signing leases and the disdain for Hatch being a Standard Oil

man seemed to be growing.

The friendly nature that he found residents to possess while attending the fair was being met with distrust and skepticism. After a month spent in the area trying to acquire leases he decided that his time and money, along with that of the executives he represented, was better spent elsewhere. Mr. Hatch returned to Pennsylvania. He left word with the Killmasters that should the local farmers and others change their mind and were willing to sign leases to amass the amount of land he needed, he will return and entertain their offers. At that point, he had concluded that,

"people in the county don't want it developed."

**The conclusion of the Killmaster story will be in next week's edition.**

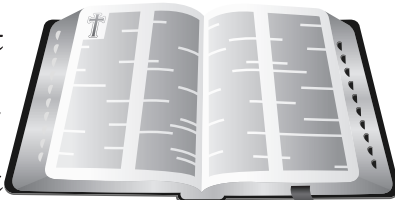
*(Keith W. Myers is a long-time resident of Alcona County and resides in Barton City. He holds a masters degree from the University of Cincinnati. Keith's background has been in criminal justice for the past 28 years but has always held a deep interest in history.)*

# Football

and need a win to reach the playoffs. The Panthers lost 19-0 to a strong Breckenridge team last week. "This week will be important to have a great week of practice and to

compete hard for the last 48 minutes of the year," Somers said. "I know our young men will work as hard as they can and will leave it all on the field this week."

*It's believed that when a dog is mentioned in the Bible, it's referring to a Saluki, one of the oldest known breeds.*





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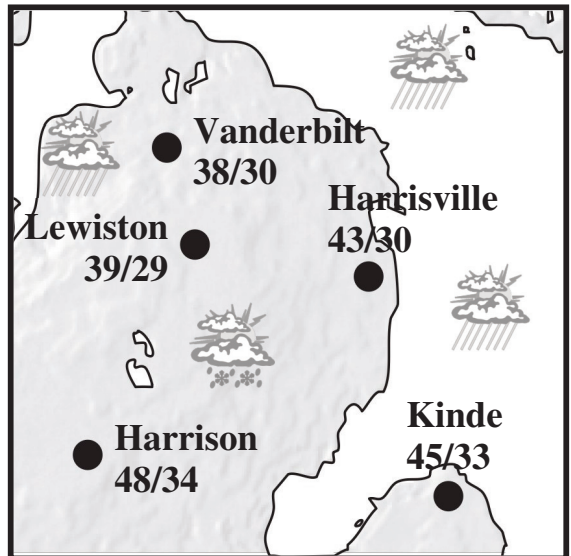
## Alcona Review Weather Report

Oct. 17, 2018

### Seven Day Forecast

	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Few Showers High: 43 Low: 30
	<b>THURSDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 50 Low: 41
	<b>FRIDAY</b> Few Showers High: 55 Low: 43
	<b>SATURDAY</b> Few Showers High: 47 Low: 33
	<b>SUNDAY</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 43 Low: 35
	<b>MONDAY</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 47 Low: 39
	<b>TUESDAY</b> Partly Cloudy High: 45 Low: 41

### Today's Regional Map



### In-Depth Local Forecast



Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 50% chance of showers, high of 43°, humidity of 56%. West northwest wind 11 to 19 mph. The record high for today is 86° set in 1953. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 30°. West northwest wind 9 to 17 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 21°.

#### \*Last Week's Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Tuesday	86R	61	59/38	Trace
Wednesday	79	56	58/38	0.36"
Thursday	68	39	58/38	0.02"
Friday	45	38	58/37	Trace
Saturday	51	32	57/37	0.00"
Sunday	59	35	57/37	0.00"
Monday	47	34	56/37	0.24"

\*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

### Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
<b>Full</b> 10/24	Wednesday	7:52 a.m.	6:45 p.m.	3:44 p.m.	12:26 a.m.	 <b>New</b> 11/7
	Thursday	7:54 a.m.	6:44 p.m.	4:19 p.m.	1:23 a.m.	
	Friday	7:55 a.m.	6:42 p.m.	4:50 p.m.	2:22 a.m.	
	Saturday	7:56 a.m.	6:40 p.m.	5:18 p.m.	3:22 a.m.	
	Sunday	7:58 a.m.	6:39 p.m.	5:45 p.m.	4:25 a.m.	
<b>Last</b> 10/31	Monday	7:59 a.m.	6:37 p.m.	6:10 p.m.	5:28 a.m.	 <b>First</b> 11/15
	Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	6:35 p.m.	6:36 p.m.	6:33 a.m.	

### Local UV Index



0-2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11+
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**UV Index**  
 0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate,  
 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High,  
 11+: Extreme Exposure

### National Weather Summary This Week



The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies through Thursday with isolated rain, partly cloudy skies Friday with scattered rain, highest temperature of 65 in Lexington Park, Md. The Southeast will experience partly to mostly cloudy skies through Friday with scattered rain and isolated thunderstorms, highest temperature of 94 in Middleburg, Fla. In the Northwest there will be mostly clear skies through Friday with the highest temperature of 79 in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies through Friday with the highest temperature of 88 in Ojai, Calif.

### Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	9:27 a.m.	7:18 p.m.
Venus	9:28 a.m.	6:34 p.m.
Mars	4:14 p.m.	n/a
Jupiter	10:34 a.m.	8:07 p.m.
Saturn	1:39 p.m.	10:29 p.m.
Uranus	6:54 p.m.	8:33 a.m.

### Weather History

**Oct. 17, 1781** - General Cornwallis attempted to escape encirclement by crossing York River, "but a violent storm arose." The storm dispersed the general's boats, causing him to ask for an armistice.

### Weather Trivia

What is the name of high, dense clouds that bring steady rainfall?

?

Answer: Altostratus.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

### StarWatch By Gary Becker - Binoculars Under the Tree?

How about binoculars under the tree? Unless you are a purist and consumed with having the best optical system, you don't have to spend thousands of dollars to own a pair. My price point would be between \$100-\$200 for a rugged unit that would satisfy both terrestrial and celestial pursuits. What potential buyers normally don't realize is that binoculars are an extremely personal item, not because of the way they look, but because of each individual's visual uniqueness. I would inform the intended recipient to come along so that she or he could make the choice to obtain the best fit possible. Stores like Dan's Camera City, outdoor retailers like Cabela's, Hawk Mountain Sanctuary, Skies Unlimited, and even Walmart will provide you with ample opportunities to try before you buy. When you start shopping, you'll see a number on the binoculars, like 8x42, 7x35, 7x50 or 10x80. The first number tells you the magnification which the binoculars will produce, while the second number tells you the diameter of the objective, the initial lens that will be gathering the light that will eventually bring the image into focus by the eyepiece. I think eight power can act as a good limit for your first pair. The larger the objective, the bigger the internal components, and the bigger and heavier the binoculars will become; so not only will a 15x80 or a 10x80 pair markedly increase the annoyance of any hand-held vibrations, but they will become unbearably heavy after holding them for just a few minutes. If you wear glasses and want to have them on while observing, I strongly recommend that you should buy binoculars with an eye relief of 18mm-20mm. That one factor will increase the cost of your purchase, but the binoculars that are bought will have better optics and the comfort of your view will make the higher price worthwhile. Magnification, size, weight, exit pupil, and eye relief are a lot to consider. Purchase wisely, and you'll have a lifelong friend to make the world and universe a more enjoyable place to observe. [www.astronomy.org](http://www.astronomy.org)

# Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **THEATER:** What Stephen Sondheim play features the song "Send in the Clowns"?
2. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president was associated with the Four Freedoms?
3. **GEOLOGY:** What color is the mineral malachite?
4. **GEOGRAPHY:** Where are the Diomed Islands located?
5. **MATH:** How many sides does a decagon have?
6. **SPORTS:** What sport involves terms such as kickflip, Caballeria and Ollie north?
7. **LITERATURE:** Which of Ernest Hemingway's novels had the working title "Fiesta"?
8. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Where did the peach tree likely originate?
9. **LANGUAGE:** How many vowels are on the middle row of a standard keyboard?
10. **ENTERTAINERS:** What was singer Michael Jackson's middle name?

**Answers:** 1. "A Little Night Music"; 2. President Franklin Roosevelt; 3. Green; 4. Bering Strait; 5. 10; 6. Skateboarding; 7. "The Sun Also Rises"; 8. China; 9. One: A; 10. Joseph (c) 2018 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Super Crossword

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| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Goof (up)</p> <p>5 Gland near a kidney</p> <p>12 NASCAR units</p> <p>16 ER skill</p> <p>19 Vocal quality</p> <p>20 On the dot</p> <p>21 Jai —</p> <p>22 "... boy — girl?"</p> <p>23 "This shop sells every fruity frozen dessert flavor?"</p> <p>26 Ryan of films</p> <p>27 Hot peppers</p> <p>28 Bank charge</p> <p>29 In — (bored)</p> <p>30 Three or four</p> <p>31 Segway inventor</p> <p>Dean</p> <p>32 Broncos' gp.</p> <p>33 "John Brown's Body" poet's wages?</p> <p>36 Mexico Mrs.</p> <p>37 Long cut</p> <p>38 TV's</p> <p>Swenson</p> <p>39 Lofty nest</p> <p>40 Flying disc that toy spaniels love to fetch?</p> <p>44 Was a blowhard</p> | <p>46 Big name among cello virtuosos</p> <p>47 Label for Elton John</p> <p>48 Bric-a- — (trinkets)</p> <p>49 Ship's trail</p> <p>51 Thorough search of an Apple computer?</p> <p>59 Pierre's "here"</p> <p>62 Virile type</p> <p>65 Inferior to</p> <p>66 Mixed in with</p> <p>67 Lots of sundried brick surrounding an empty space?</p> <p>72 Former Navaho foes</p> <p>73 Toy with</p> <p>74 Massive mammal, for short</p> <p>75 K'ung Fu- — (Confucius)</p> <p>76 Political group turns against one of its own members?</p> <p>80 This, in Argentina</p> <p>82 Dinghy pair</p> <p>83 — polloi (the masses)</p> <p>86 Some electric cars</p> | <p>90 Early-flowering leguminous trees</p> <p>94 Flemish painter being violent?</p> <p>98 Love, in Paris</p> <p>99 Slacken</p> <p>100 Beard, e.g.</p> <p>101 Ming of basketball</p> <p>102 "The Zoo Story" playwright with red hair?</p> <p>105 — Jima</p> <p>106 "— de Lune"</p> <p>108 Momentous time periods</p> <p>109 Omanis, e.g.</p> <p>110 D.C.</p> <p>111 Milano of "Charmed"</p> <p>112 Was idle</p> <p>113 Enter a sea between Siberia and Alaska?</p> <p>117 Broke bread</p> <p>118 Years on end</p> <p>119 Put in place</p> <p>120 Tony winner</p> <p>Adams</p> <p>121 Danson of "Dad"</p> <p>122 Player's fee</p> | <p><b>BE AWARE</b></p> <p>123 Mutinied ship of 1839</p> <p>124 Mems. of the upper house</p> <p><b>DOWN</b></p> <p>1 Is loyal to</p> <p>2 Romeo type</p> <p>3 Closeness</p> <p>4 Norman Vincent —</p> <p>5 Big goons</p> <p>6 ER figures</p> <p>7 Assert again</p> <p>8 Drawing from many styles</p> <p>9 Aswan Dam's river</p> <p>10 Obstinate animal</p> <p>11 Astral feline</p> <p>12 Noted locale of tar pits</p> <p>13 Alaskan language</p> <p>14 Singer</p> <p>LuPone</p> <p>15 She's part of the fam</p> <p>16 Solace</p> <p>17 Early baby, informally</p> <p>18 Pollen-count plant</p> <p>24 15-Down, e.g.</p> <p>25 Scope</p> <p>30 Tennis zingers</p> <p>32 '80s sitcom</p> | <p>33 Highchair neckwear</p> <p>34 Atlanta-to-Charlotte dir.</p> <p>35 Racial rights gp.</p> <p>37 Twisted and turned</p> <p>41 "— goes it?"</p> <p>42 Largest city of Nebraska</p> <p>43 Walton of Wal-Mart</p> <p>44 Chocolate treat</p> <p>45 Sturdy wood</p> <p>48 Kiosk, e.g.</p> <p>50 Stage hams</p> <p>52 Nuns' home</p> <p>53 Co. honcho</p> <p>54 Hazy image</p> <p>55 Rally yell</p> <p>56 Skip over</p> <p>57 Boxes for recycling</p> <p>58 Ax feature</p> <p>59 "It's my turn"</p> <p>60 — rug (dance)</p> <p>61 Cake froster</p> <p>63 Helps illicitly</p> <p>64 Approaching</p> <p>68 Pres. before DDE</p> <p>69 White — ghost</p> <p>70 GM security service</p> <p>71 Clan symbol</p> <p>77 "— one to talk!"</p> <p>78 Severe</p> | <p>79 The lady</p> <p>81 Nile slitherer</p> <p>84 Away for an extended break</p> <p>85 Cry after catching someone in the act</p> <p>87 Save for later</p> <p>88 "Little Birds" author</p> <p>89 Warehouse charges</p> <p>90 Directs fury toward</p> <p>91 Dubai, e.g.</p> <p>92 Gave away</p> <p>93 Pestors</p> <p>94 Shul head</p> <p>95 Spend</p> <p>96 Stinging flier</p> <p>97 Brazilian port city, in brief</p> <p>99 Pass by</p> <p>103 Expose by blabbing</p> <p>104 "— you clever!"</p> <p>106 The Indians, on sports tickers</p> <p>107 U-shaped instruments</p> <p>110 Terse denial</p> <p>111 Undercover?</p> <p>113 Viking realm</p> <p>114 Intel org.</p> <p>115 Senator</p> <p>Kaine</p> <p>116 Hellenic "H"</p> |
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## Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Oct. 28, 1775, the commander in chief of the British army, Major Gen. Sir William Howe, forbids Boston residents to leave the city. He ordered citizens to organize into military companies for the preservation of order.
- On Oct. 27, 1904, New York City Mayor George McClellan takes the controls on the inaugural run of the city's new subway, which traveled 9.1 miles through 28 stations. More than 100,000 people paid a nickel each to take their first ride.
- On Oct. 26, 1944, after four days of fighting, the World War II Battle of Leyte Gulf in the Philippines, the largest air-naval battle in history, ends with a decisive American victory over the Japanese.
- On Oct. 22, 1962, in a televised address, President John F. Kennedy announces that the Soviet Union has placed nuclear weapons in Cuba and, in response, the United States will establish a blockade around the island.
- On Oct. 23, 1983, a suicide bomber drives a truck packed with explosives into the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut, killing 241 U.S. military personnel. The Marines were part of a multinational force sent to oversee the Palestinian withdrawal from Lebanon.
- On Oct. 25, 1994, Susan Smith reports that she was carjacked in South Carolina by a man who took her two small children in the backseat of her car. After nine days, Smith confessed that the carjacking tale was false and that she had driven her Mazda into a lake in order to drown her children. Smith, though married, was involved with another man who did not want children.
- On Oct. 24, 2003, the British Airways supersonic Concorde jet makes its last commercial passenger flight, traveling from New York to London. The Concorde, developed jointly by the British and French governments, began commercial service in 1976.

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## Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was 17th-century French author Francois de La Rochefoucauld who made the following sage observation: "Some people with great virtues are disagreeable, while others with great vices are delightful."
- If you wanted to dig to the center of the earth, you'd have to go down about 4,000 miles.
- If you're a fan of fishing, here's a cautionary tale regarding the weather: A 48-year-old Colombian man named Felipe Ortiz (for reasons unknown) decided to go out fishing in a raging storm. He cast his line into a strong wind, but the line blew back and caused the baited hook to lodge in his throat, killing him.
- Are you a dipsomaniac? The root of the word is from the Greek "dipso," meaning "thirst" -- and we're all familiar with the "mania" part. "Dipsomaniac" is just a fancy name for a drunk.
- Feeling pressed by ever-increasing postage rates? Well, consider this: To send mail by Pony Express originally cost \$5 per ounce -- the equivalent of more than \$150 in today's dollars.
- At one time the game of checkers was known as "chess for ladies."
- Unless you're a professional dairy farmer who milks cows on a daily basis, it's unlikely that you're aware of the fact that it takes, on average, 350 squirts to get a gallon of milk.
- Jewelry lovers, pay attention: Oysters aren't the only creatures with the capability to make pearls. Pearls can come from any mollusk that makes a shell, including mussels, clams, conchs and even land snails.

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Thought for the Day: "I like an escalator because an escalator can never break, it can only become stairs. There would never be an escalator temporarily out of order sign, only an escalator temporarily stairs. Sorry for the convenience." -- Mitch Hedberg

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: P equals S

VDMP ABMUNMUK XHPPHQ MP UTV  
QMNH YUZ VDYV M'XH HXHB PHHU  
IHGTBH. MV'P AHGMUMVHQZ  
MU Y KQYPP IZ MVPHQG.

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## HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held October 9 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Four guests and four board members opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Absent treasurer Harvey. From the floor: Harrisville city and township fire department chief Dan Klukowski gave a good, detailed report of the fire department. Also, Ryan Mendyka, chief medical officer for the department, gave his report of fire and first responders medical runs. He reported that Greenbush Township no longer has first responders and our department will be covering their township for now through the Mutual Aid Agreement.

Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report given and reconciled with the clerk's office. Other committees gave their reports. Johnston/Healy: To allow the clerk to upgrade his computer to comply with the November election new voting machines. The cost not to exceed \$400 Motion carried. Healy/Johnston: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Harrisville Township will be hosting the Alcona Chapter of the Michigan Township Association on Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 7 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Roger D. Jamieson,  
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## LEGAL NOTICES

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### Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Gerald Orban, a single man, mortgagor, to First National Bank of America, mortgagee, dated February 7, 2007, and recorded February 14, 2007, in Liber 439, page 315, of Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice \$40,359.72, including interest at 10.95 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2018, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan. Said premises are situated in Alcona Township, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The north 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, T28N, R9E, except a parcel of land located on the SW corner of this legally described property being

200 feet on Barlow Road and being 250 feet in depth; and the south 1/2 of the south 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, T28N, R9E. Commonly known as: 5150 F-41 North, Black River, Mich. 48721.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale, unless the premises are determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be one month, or until the time to provide the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later.

Please be advised that if the mortgaged property is sold at a foreclosure sale by advertisement, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale, or to the mortgage holder, for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: September 26, 2018  
 LeVasseur Dyer & Associates, PC  
 Attorneys for Mortgagee  
 P.O. Box 721400  
 Berkley, MI 48072  
 (248) 236-1765  
 9-26, 10-3, 10-10, 10-17

### State of Michigan in the 23<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court for the County Of Alcona Case No. 18-3033-CH Hon. Laura A. Frawley

Thomas Sawyer and Judith Sawyer husband and wife, plaintiffs,  
 v  
 Mabelle Zimmerman (deceased), and the heirs of the Estate of Mabelle Zimmerman,  
 Lois Cooper (deceased), and the heirs of the Estate of Lois Cooper,  
 Shirl J. Gondek, successor trustee of the Helen C. Pearson Trust,  
 and the heirs of the Estate of Lois Cooper, and Linda R. Johnson, defendants.  
 Michael T. Edwards (P54834)  
 Attorney for Plaintiffs  
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 Order For Publication  
 At a session of said court held in the City of Harrisville, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 2018.

Honorable Laura A. Frawley  
 Circuit Court Judge  
 This order is directed to the following persons also referred to as defendants:  
 • Mabelle Zimmerman (deceased), and the heirs, devisees, or assignees of the estate of Mabelle Zimmerman;  
 • Lois Cooper (deceased), and the heirs, devisees, or assignees of the estate of Lois Cooper;  
 • Shirl J. Gondek, successor trustee of

the Helen C. Pearson Trust, and the heirs, devisees, or assignees of the Estate of Lois Cooper; and  
 • Linda R. Johnson.

Please be advised that the above named plaintiffs have filed suit in the above named court against the above named defendants, their heirs, devisees, or assignees, to quiet title to certain lands located in at the northeast corner of Government Lot 2, Section 1, T 26N, R 9E, Harrisville Township, Alcona County, Michigan; with tax identification numbers of: 01-060-001-400-035-00 and 01-060-001-400-040-00. A more precise legal description of the subject properties can be found in the complaint filed in this matter, which can be obtained from the Alcona County Clerk's office. Please be advised that you have 28 days after the last day of publication to file a written answer with the court or take other lawful action with the court and serve a copy on the plaintiff's attorney: Michael T. Edwards (54834), Attorney at Law P.C. at 1029 Gornick Avenue, Suite 102, Gaylord, Mich. 49735.

If you do not answer or take other action within the time allowed, judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint, which includes a request by plaintiffs for this court to issue an order declaring the subject properties are owned by the plaintiffs free and clear of any interest of any of the named defendants, their heirs, devisees, or assignees. So ordered:  
 Dated: August 28, 2018  
 Hon. Laura A. Frawley  
 10-17, 10-24, 10-31

## CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board met October 10. All board members present. Motions to approve the agenda; September minutes; pay bills and place treasurer's report on file per audit; assessor to purchase anti-virus; accept treasurer's resignation; appoint Sheri Sanford as treasurer; appoint Rebecca Abend as deputy treasurer; Michigan Confidential Document disposal; accept Myers Lawn Care bid for plowing; accept Quality Lawn mowing bid; Hallahan Legal Services to represent township with NuEnergy; accept nonprofit application for exemption from property taxes; accept Poverty Exemption Guidelines Resolution No. 2018-3; accept job de-

scription for zoning administrator/ordinance officer; winter job description for North End Park Maintenance; AMAR review - Corrective Action Plan; Resolution No. 2018-4 Waiver of Fees for Property Transfer Affidavit; APEX quote for sketches for property cards; department of treasury request for corrective action plan for audit; approve the Employee Benefits Policy and Resolution No. 2018-5; board members to attend MTA on the road. Motion to adjourn at 9:11 p.m.

This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next township meeting is November 14 at 7 p.m. at the township hall.  
 Kerry Scott,  
 Caledonia Township Clerk

## Proposals Continued from page 1

islative districts from the state legislature to an independent redistricting commission.

### Overview

What's the current congressional redistricting system in Michigan?

Redistricting is the process by which new congressional and state legislative district boundaries are drawn. As of 2018, the Michigan State Legislature is responsible for drawing congressional and state legislative district boundaries. These boundaries are subject to the governor's veto power. Adopting congressional or state legislative redistricting plans requires a simple majority vote in both chambers of the state legislature. The last time the state legislature adopted congressional maps was in 2011, which followed the 2010 U.S. Census. Republicans controlled the state Senate, state House, and governor's office, thus holding a trifecta in state government.

What would Proposal 2 change about congressional redistricting?

Proposal 2 would transfer the power to draw the state's congressional and legislative districts from the state legislature to a 13-member independent redistricting commission. The ballot initiative would require four of the commissioners to be Democrats, four to be Republicans, and

five to be independents or members of third parties.

The affirmative votes of at least seven members, including a minimum of two Democrats, two Republicans, and two members not affiliated with the major parties, would be needed to pass a redistricting plan.

Proposal 2 would require commissioners to prioritize specific criteria, including compliance with federal laws; equal population sizes; geographic contiguity; demographics and communities of similar historical, cultural, or economic interests; no advantages to political parties; no advantages to incumbents; municipal boundaries; and compactness.

### Michigan Proposal 3, Voting Policies in State Constitution Initiative

Michigan Proposal 3, the Voting Policies in State Constitution Initiative, is on the ballot in Michigan as an initiated constitutional amendment on November 6, 2018.[1]

• A "yes" vote supports adding eight voting policies to the Michigan Constitution, including straight-ticket voting, automatic voter registration, same-day voter registration, and no-excuse absentee voting.

• A "no" vote opposes adding eight voting policies to the state constitution, maintain-

ing that straight-ticket voting, automatic voter registration, same-day voter registration, and no-excuse absentee voting are not used in Michigan.

### Overview

What would Proposal 3 change about the state's voting policies?

Proposal 3 would add several voting policies to the Michigan Constitution. Some of these voting policies exist in state statute, but not the state constitution, while most others would be altered policies or new policies.

The new policies that would be added to the state constitution include straight-ticket voting; automatic voter registration; same-day voter registration; and no-excuse absentee voting during the 40 days before an election. Proposal 3 would allow eligible persons to register to vote by mail until 15 days before an election, whereas current law allows them to register to vote by mail until 30 days before an election.

The ballot initiative would also constitutionalize existing law providing that military members and overseas voters receive an absentee ballot at least 45 days before the election. Proposal 3 would add language to the constitution to provide for the use of secret ballots and election results auditing. (See chart.)

Policy	As of 2018	Proposal 3
Secret ballot	Constitution requires legislature to enact laws for secret ballots	Constitution provides a right to use secret ballots
Military/overseas ballots	Statute provides that military members and overseas voters receive an absentee ballot at least 45 days before the election	Constitution provides that military members and overseas voters receive an absentee ballot at least 45 days before the election
Register-to-vote by mail deadline	Statute provides that eligible persons can register to vote by mail until 30 days before an election	Constitution provides that eligible persons can register to vote by mail until 15 days before an election
Register-to-vote in person deadline	Statute provides that eligible persons can register to vote by mail until 30 days before an election	Constitution provides that eligible persons can register to vote in person at a clerk's office during the final 14 days before an election and at the polls on election day
Straight-party ticket voting	No straight-ticket voting	Constitution provides voters with straight-ticket voting option
Automatic voter registration	No automatic voter registration	Constitution provides for the automatic voter registration of eligible persons when interacting with the state regarding driver's license or state ID card, unless the person declines.
Absentee voting	Statute provides that specific criteria be met to vote absentee, including at least one of the following: (a) 60 years old or older; (b) unable to vote without assistance at the polls; (c) expected to be out-of-town on election day; (d) in jail awaiting arraignment or trial; (e) unable to attend the polls for religious reasons; or (f) appointed to work as an election inspector in a precinct outside of the inspector's home precinct	Constitution provides that any voter can vote using an absentee ballot (no-excuse absentee voting) during the 40 days before an election
Election results auditing	Statute provides for the auditing of election results	Constitution provides for the auditing of election results.