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New Alcona County sheriff takes office May 1

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

The Alcona County Sheriff's Department will be under new leadership with the retirement of Sheriff Douglas Atchison, who has been in the position for 12 years.

Undersheriff Scott Stephenson was appointed to the position of sheriff by the Alcona County Election Commission on Thursday, April 18. The election commission is comprised of Probate Judge Laura Frawley, Alcona County Prosecuting Attorney Tom Weichel, and Alcona County Clerk Stephanie Eller. Stephenson will take over the position, effective upon the retirement of Sheriff Douglas Atchison, on May 1.

"Although we are sad to see Sheriff Atchison leave, we have a great amount of confidence that undersheriff Stevenson will carry on the fine traditions of the office of the Alcona County Sheriff with the utmost integrity and respect," Frawley said.

Atchison was born and raised in Alcona County and graduated from Alcona High School in 1979. He has been employed by the Alcona County Sheriff's Department for 36 years. Atchison began his career in law enforcement upon his graduation from the Macomb Police Academy in 1981 and worked for the City of Harrisville Police Department until 1983 when the department disbanded.

Then Sheriff Ed Schroeder

hired Atchison as a deputy in the spring of 1983 and he worked road patrol until he was appointed undersheriff in 1993. He was appointed as sheriff in 2007.

"Law enforcement is an ever-changing playing field and it requires a periodic change in leadership to maintain the best quality service to the public," said Sheriff Douglas Atchison.

"Sheriff Stephenson will provide an outstanding level of commitment and dedication to the people of Alcona County. He brings with him an ease to approach personal and puts forth a professional level of leadership. I am proud to have Sheriff Stephenson take over as sheriff of Alcona County."

Stephenson, who lives in Barton City with his family, was born in Alcona County and raised in the Tawas area. He graduated from Tawas High School in 1992. He has been an employee of the sheriff's department since fall of 1997 when he was hired to work part-time as a corrections officer in the county jail. He came to the position following graduation from Michigan State University with a degree in park recreation and tourism management with an emphasis on nonprofit management and law enforcement.

He moved into a full-time position in corrections in the spring of 1998 and worked in that capacity until January 2001 when he entered the

Kirtland Regional Police Academy. He graduated three months later and was hired as a deputy for the Alcona County Sheriff's Department. He was appointed to sergeant in August 2002 and 16 years later, he was appointed to the position of undersheriff in July 2018.

Stephenson will take over as Alcona County Sheriff after he is sworn in next Wednesday. "I am very thankful for all of the support I've received. My wife and family have been really cool about this along the way. They've been great. Doug (Atchison) has been very supportive during this entire process. The staff here have been great - deputies, sergeants, dispatchers, corrections and jail personnel - they have been very supportive. So has prosecutor Tom Weichel, commissioner Carolyn Brummund and judge Laura Frawley," Stephenson said.

Stephenson said he will make the appointment of undersheriff shortly after he becomes sheriff. "I'm not looking to change anything in the department. In my perspective things are going smoothly. We aren't having any issues ... we don't have deaths in the jail, we don't have use of force issues, we don't have any law suits, we don't have any pursuits causing property damage... This is not by accident. It's because of good management on the part of Douglas Atchison. Not having these problems is a good thing. Not being in the news is also good," Stephenson said.

According to Stephenson, the biggest challenge he faces is the budget. "We keep doing what we do with less and less (money). When I promote someone from the ranks to be the undersheriff to take over my position, that will leave us short two positions. It looks like I will only be able to hire one person, at this time," Stephenson said.

He explained one area that he is going to focus on is "victim concentrated crimes" like sexual assaults, elder abuse, domestic violence and child abuse and neglect cases. "These are common cases for us, and I want to see the (deputies) improve on reports and investigations in these

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Wrestling program coming to Alcona schools

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

The wish of having a wrestling program at Alcona Community Schools is becoming a reality, thanks to a new citizen with nearly 30 years of wrestling coach experience.

Jeff Dameworth moved to Lincoln less than two years ago after teaching and coaching for the past 27 years in Texas and Nevada. He is excited to make the program happen and said the only thing holding it back from starting this September is funding for equipment and getting enough volunteer helpers and assistant coaches.

"If the program is as popular with the kids as it seems to be, I'll need some help. Of course, I'd like the help to have wrestling experience, but I don't know that many (wrestling) people up here. I'll take whatever help I can get," Dameworth said.

He has already begun fundraising for singlets, the one-piece wrestling uniform worn tight to the skin. Singlets run about \$50 a piece and because they are worn and washed many times, are typically replaced annually. "At my old program we had about 200 singlets, you can never have enough of them. Fundraising is never-ending in wrestling," Dameworth said.

His ideal goal is to begin the program with about \$20,000 worth of equipment which includes the singlets, headgear, sweat pants, and knee pads in which each wrestler will need, along with equipment such as mat tape, cleaning supplies, a scale, two gladiator walls for grip

strengthening and, of course, the most important piece of equipment, the wrestling mat.

"The mat will cost about \$12,000, but we can't do anything without it. A good mat should last about 15 years as long as there are no major tears in it," Dameworth said.

His initial fundraising campaign through Donors Choose was for \$2,000 with Dick's Sporting Goods matching the donation. Dameworth explained many of his friends

and relatives answered the request and the total has almost been reached in the first weeks of the campaign.

He explained the Donors Choose funds will probably go towards singlets and headgear. As part of the agreement with Dick's Sporting Goods, the funds must be spent at the store. Dick's does sell singlets, but they don't sell the mat.

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Jeff Dameworth

Habitat for Humanity plans small development in City of Harrisville

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Plans to build three new homes under the auspices of Habitat for Humanity Northeast Michigan are being finalized and have been given support by the City of Harrisville Planning Commission.

Ted Fines, executive director for Habitat for Humanity of Northeast Michigan, attended the planning commission meeting earlier this month to share plans for the development and answer questions.

The plans include splitting one large parcel of land, which was donated to Habitat by Harrisville resident Diane Carroll, into three smaller parcels and place a home on each one. The original parcel, 165 feet by 198 feet, is located on US-23 north of the traffic light on the west side of the highway. It will be split into two parcels on the highway which are 82.50 feet wide by 132 feet deep and a third parcel, behind the first two,

is 165 feet wide by 66 feet deep.

Planning commissioner Mike Baird explained that Fines appeared before the planning commission a year and a half earlier to share plans, which consisted of four parcels on the property. "Originally, the planning commission wasn't thrilled with the four-lot plan," Baird said.

The updated plans met the zoning ordinance and the planning commission gave its support, as no action was needed. "Everything I see on this plan meets all zoning ordinances," Baird said. "Yes, I agree. Everything is in compliance," said Tony Haight, planning commission chairperson.

Ellen Mael Fritz, a Harrisville resident and neighbor to the development project, expressed concern about the need to have three houses located so close together and the quality of the homes that were planned. She said there

were several homes in the city that could be used as Habitat homes instead of building next to her property.

Fines explained that Habitat doesn't have the funding to purchase homes or property. It relies on donated property. Part of the conditions to secure a Habitat home include hands-on work during the construction (or remodeling) by the person (or family and friends) receiving the home. They are required to put in sweat equity as part of the agreement.

According to Fines, one home at a time will be built starting with the parcels on the highway. He explained there is a detailed process to qualify for a Habitat home and several individuals are in the process, and if all goes as expected, construction will begin on the first home next year. "I am not going to put a person in a situation where they are apt to fail. I will not

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Dameworth is looking for additional funding such as sponsorships with businesses who will be named on banners or possibly even on the mat. He is also checking on some other funding that worked out well for his teams in the past.

The plan for the program is to be open to both male and female students. Dameworth hopes to have a full team of 14 wrestlers for the varsity team and possibly the same for a junior varsity team.

He also plans on a youth wrestling program at the elementary school with students in first through fifth grade. According to Dameworth, starting wrestling young is a better way to learn and grow with the sport which helps youth gain confidence, get exercise and is a great

deal of fun for parents to watch.

"I'm trying to find out if the middle school students can practice with the high school students. If they can, we may be able to open this up to middle school students too, depending on how much help I can get," Dameworth said.

Dameworth grew up downstate and graduated from South Lyon High School. After graduation he joined the U.S. Army and served for three and a half years before the calling to teach moved him to El Paso, Texas. He taught high school computer science, drafting and architecture courses and coached wrestling and soccer there for 17 years. For the last 10 years, he coached and taught similar classes in Las Vegas, Nev.

"My wife and I decided to move back to Michigan after having our four and two-year-olds. We wanted to get away from the hysteria of Las Vegas. My entire family is from all over Michigan. I've been coming to Greenbush for about 25 years. My aunt and uncle had a cottage here so every summer we would come up. A few years ago, I bought a cottage here for a vacation place and we decided just to move here. It's a lot quieter than where we were. I like it up here," Dameworth said.

Dameworth said he loves coaching and would still consider a teaching job if the right opportunity came his way, however he isn't holding his breath.

In the interim, the entrepreneur has gotten his Michigan Real Estate License and is about to close on owning his first business in Alcona County, a storage unit in Greenbush.

Alcona Community Schools Superintendent Dan O'Connor explained while the wrestling program is still early in the planning phases, the pieces of it are coming together nicely.

"Jeff has years of wrestling experience and has been networking with local coaches to assist. We have a staff member who is also interested in helping where he can. The students seem very excited to have wrestling a part of the school. It has been something we have had students ask about frequently for the past decade but didn't have the local interest with a coach to make it happen."

Anyone interested in helping the program may call the high school at (989) 736-8634. To send donations for equipment, mail checks with a memo for wrestling to Alcona High School, P.O. Box 249, Lincoln, Mich., 48742. Those wishing to make a donation online may visit donorscho-ose.org/project/amhs-wrestling or look up Jeff Dameworth, Lincoln, Mich., on the Donors Choose page.

Memorial Service

Nancy J. Brockway

A memorial service for Nancy J. Brockway will be held at the Spruce Presbyterian Church on Saturday, April 27 at 2 p.m. The Rev. Margret Fox will officiate. A light lunch will be served following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Spruce Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Brockway died on Wednesday, March 6 at McLaren Hospital in Petoskey, Mich.

Obituaries

Lilith Schwickert

Lilith Schwickert, 97, formerly of Harrisville, died on Monday, Dec. 31, 2018 at her daughter's home in Cary, N.C. She was born August 8, 1921 to Oscar and Katherine (Hawes) Fernesmer in Chicago, Ill.

On June 30, 1946 she married William Schwickert. She was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville.

Mrs. Schwickert is survived by four daughters, Therese Davis, Louise Brisbois, Mary Schwickert, and JoAnn Kitchen; one son, William Schwickert of Harrisville; and one sister, Arden Basselman of Barton City.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William, on August 21, 2011 and one daughter, Nancy Schwickert.

Gerald E. Wirgau

Gerald Edward Wirgau, 88, of Glennie died on Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019 at home.

He was born October 13, 1930 in Rogers City, Mich. to Theodore and Harriet (Ostrander) Wirgau.

He enlisted in the United States Army in 1949 until his honorable discharge in 1952.

Mr. Wirgau was a machinist in California and worked with the United States government for Lockheed Martin Aircraft Company.

After he retired in 1989, he moved to the Glennie area. He enjoyed woodworking and hunting and especially fishing the AuSable River.

He married Shirley (Inman) Joseph on February 26, 2005 in Hale.

He was a member of the American Legion.

Mr. Wirgau is survived by his wife, Shirley; four stepchildren, William Inman, Theresa Schlink, Pamela Dowis, and Rodney Inman; four grandsons; five great-



grandchildren; two great-great-granddaughters; two sisters, Eleanor Hartman and Jo Telgeski; one brother, Glen Paull; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Thelma, three sisters and two brothers.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24 and from 10 a.m. until the funeral at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 25 at Buresh Funeral Home in Hale. Interment will follow in Pinecrest Cemetery in Oscoda at 3 p.m.

Jennie B. Anderson

Jennie Bessie Anderson, 92, of Harrisville, died on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

She was born on March 5, 1927 in Mikado to George and Bessie (Nevin) Loyer.

Mrs. Anderson took pride in her role as a wife and a mother. She enjoyed quilting, sewing, cooking and tending to her flower gardens.

She also enjoyed doing volunteer work with the March of Dimes. She was a member of Calvary Christian Church in Swartz Creek, Mich. for 19 years and attended Calvary Baptist Church in Mikado since 1986.

Mrs. Anderson is survived by two daughters, Sherry K. (David) Gould of Burton, Mich. and Renee K. Anderson of Flint, Mich.; three sons, Craig K. Anderson of Davison, Mich., Darcy K. Anderson of Harrisville and Brad (Deb) K. Anderson of Harrisville; one sister, Edith Bobick of Harrisville; one brother, George L. (Merry Lou) Loyer of Harrisville; eight grandchildren;



11 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and many step grandchildren, step great-grandchildren and step-great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Kenneth Anderson, in 1997 and one sister, Virginia Manning.

The funeral was held on Tuesday, April 16 at Calvary Baptist Church in Mikado. Interment was in Mikado Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Buresh Funeral Home in Oscoda.

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Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 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. Bring a box or bag. For more information, call (989) 727-3606.

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

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Youth ages eight and up are welcome and encouraged to attend the weekly Youth Group at the Chosen Ranch Community Center in Lincoln from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information, call the center at (989) 335-4673 (HOPE).

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 9 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

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

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

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

Grand Art and Dinner will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street from 2:30 to 5 p.m. Draw, paint, model and have fun with a grandchild or another young artist after school. Artist Autumn Bildson will lead the class. This creative fun is free to both adults and the kids, but adults will need to buy their dinner. Sponsors will pay for the kids' dinner. Sign up with Suzan by calling (989) 736-8879. This event is hosted by Inspiration Alcona.

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.

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

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

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

A Karaoke contest will be held at the Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road in Barton City. Hors d'oeuvres at 6 p.m., contest begins at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. For more information, call (989) 736-3050.

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.

Fundraiser for Brush Creek Mille at the Hillman Senior Center, 431 Pineview Court in Hillman. Lasagna dinner and music by Butch Runyon. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for dinner followed by music at 6:30 p.m. Adult tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door, or \$7 for music only. Children's tickets are \$7 for ages eight to 16. For more information, call (989) 742-2527.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

Join the Harrisville Ukulele Meetup at Red Rooster Restaurant, 3228 South US-23, in Greenbush from 2 to 4 p.m. All levels of ukulele players are welcome. They meet to create a supportive ukulele community to strum, sing and have fun. There will be a \$1 collection to defray costs. Call Irv at (989) 724-7410 for details.

An FCC Amateur Radio Exam Session will be held starting at 3 p.m. at the EMS building located at 2600 East M-72, six miles west of US-23 on the south side. The standard \$15 FCC exam fee for all levels applies. Contact Stan Darmofal at (989) 72405550 to obtain additional details and to register for the exam. Sponsored by the Alcona County Amateur Radio Group.

MONDAY, APRIL 29

Representative Sue Allor will hold office hours from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Chosen Ranch Community Center, 483 Traverse Bay Road in Lincoln; and from 3 to 4 p.m. at the AuSable Township Hall, 4420 North US-23 in Oscoda. Residents may also reach her by calling the Lansing office at (517) 373-0833 or send an email to SueAllor@house-mi.gov.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

Ever wondered what the Book of Revelations means? Find out at the Chosen Ranch Community Center in Lincoln with Pastor Charles

Sheldon from 6 to 7 p.m. For more information, call the center at (989) 335-4673 (HOPE).

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

The Alcona 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 available in the eighth month.

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Friends of the Alcona County Library will meet at 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch, 312 West Main Street.

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MEETING NOTICE

The Barton City Volunteer Fire Department Inc. will hold a Corporation Membership meeting at the Barton City Fire Department 1868 W. Trask Lake Road Barton City on May 8, 2019 at 6:00pm. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the proposal to add an addition to the Fire Station, discuss the proposal of borrowing money to finance the addition and updates, and any other business that comes before the Board of Directors.

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We would like to take this time to give a BIG THANK YOU to all area businesses and private individuals that donated, participated and volunteered in the 10th Annual Alcona County Easter Egg Hunt in Lincoln.

Alcona Humane Society, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union for donating 2 bikes, Cozy Cabin, Gillies Funeral Home, ACCOA, Coach Craft donation, Lincoln Hardware, Kris Mart, Byce Realty donation, Lincoln Precision donation, Lincoln Outdoor Center donation, Rex and Sherry Manning for donating his sound system, Northern Precision donation, Hillman Extrusion Tool, Alcona Tool, Huron Quality Manufacture donation, Huron Community Bank donation, Lincoln Industry donation, Coles Appliance, Alcona Motors donation, Fick n Sons/Marathon and propane donation of 4 helmets, Snyder's Lincoln Pharmacy, Backwoods Bistro for grilling our hotdogs and passing out eggs, Miller Office and Machine donation of fliers, Chief Mike Serafin and his volunteer Firefighters, Christy Thomas and the honor society students, The Northeast Michigan Youth Advisory Council, Walmart of Alpena donation, Alcona Animal Clinic donation, Phil Potter, Eric Bates for moving our picnic tables for us.

Because of all you wonderful and caring individuals you made it possible for the Egg Hunt to continue for the children of Alcona County. We had an incredible Easter Egg Hunt for the children, 150 children and their parents turned out for our event. We gave away 16 bikes, helmets that were donated and gift cards to purchase helmets. We thank you so much for supporting this wonderful event.

Winners of the bikes were:

Age 0-2	Age 3-5	Age 6-8	Age 9- 11
Benson Leeseberg	Jazlyn Dameworth	Noah Lafeldt	Caiden Budziak
Milo Gauthier	Brooklyn Griffin	Myles Zielinski	Jackson Morgan
Lily Richards	Brady Lauwers	Karissa Jamieson	Rylee Manning
Amy Shuck	Kyle Kehring	Adriana Grimshaw	Kenedy Williams

As we have told you before, we are proud to belong to such a caring and generous community, without you we would not have been able to put on such a successful event. Just the smiles on all the children's faces said it all; they enjoyed visiting with the Easter Bunny as he stopped to visit at our event. A Big thank you goes out to those individuals that volunteered their time to help at this event, and to our families who are always so supportive, we couldn't have done it without all of you.

Thank you again,
Teresa Hart and Naomi Potter

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 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall. No reservations are required at the Lincoln Senior Center, however call (989) 736-8879 by 7 a.m. for meals served in Glennie or Greenbush. No membership is required. Suggested donation of \$3 per meal is welcome.

- Monday, April 29—Pork roast, mashed potatoes, baby carrots, and flavored apple-sauce.
- Tuesday, April 30—Baked chicken, red parsley potato, squash, tossed salad, and pears.
- Wednesday, May 1—Pepper steak over brown rice, mixed vegetables, and pine-apple.
- Thursday, May 2—Bourbon chicken, sweet potatoes, peas, tossed salad, mixed fruit, cake and ice cream.
- Friday, May 3—Pollack almondine, baked potato, green beans, and mandarin oranges.
(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Food Tasting Event

Quota International of Iosco County will host the 26th annual Gourmet Delights Food Tasting Event on Sun-

day, May 5 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the East Tawas Community Center on Newman Street in East Tawas. The event features restaurants, caterers, chocolatiers, candy makers and others from Iosco County and surrounding communities providing samples of fine cuisines to participants. In addition, there will be several baskets for raffle.

Cost is \$12 adults, children age six to 13 are \$5 and children under five years old are free. Tickets are available at Alley Cuts in East Tawas, Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce or from any Quota member, and at the door. All proceeds support Quota's local programs, hearing and speech, community service and disadvantage families.

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THURSDAY, MAY 2

Alcona retirees will meet for a potluck lunch and bingo from noon to 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

buy their dinner. Sponsors will pay for the kids' dinner. Sign up with Suzan by calling (989) 736-8879. This event is hosted by Inspiration Alcona.

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

Celebrate Earth Day with a free tree giveaway at all branches of the Alcona County Library, while supplies last. Compliments of the Alcona Conservation District.

Youth ages eight and up are welcome and encouraged to attend the weekly Youth Group at the Chosen Ranch Community Center in Lincoln from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information, call the center at (989) 335-4673 (HOPE).

SATURDAY, MAY 4
"The Creation" an original ballet featuring the students of Northeast Academy of Dance in Oscoda which draws enrollment from all over the nation. A special performance will be held at the Alcona High School auditorium at 2 p.m. Proceeds benefit Inspiration Alcona's children's art and music programs. Contact Will St. John (989) 736-3000 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. First meeting is free. Handicap accessible. Call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-8600 for details.

SUNDAY, MAY 5
Alcona's Spring into Summer Expo will be held from noon to 4 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. The expo provides small businesses and organizations an opportunity to show what they do. Cost is \$5 per table. For more information, call Kevin Boyat at (989) 335-0307 or Bill Thompson at (989) 724-5077.

Celebrate Earth Day with a free tree giveaway at all branches of the Alcona County Library, while supplies last. Compliments of the Alcona Conservation District.

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.

FRIDAY, MAY 3
Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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.

The 26th annual Gourmet Delights Food Tasting Event will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the East Tawas Community Center on Newman Street in East Tawas. The event features restaurants, caterers, chocolatiers, candy makers and others from Iosco County and surrounding communities providing samples of their fine cuisines to participants. Cost is \$12 for adults, \$5 for children ages six to 13, children five and under are free. Tickets available at the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce, any Quota member or at the door. All proceeds support Quota International of Iosco County's local programs.

(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.)

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break ground until a family is approved," Fines said.

He explained the homes will be stick built and the estimated cost for construction for each home is \$128,000. Baird explained the actual amount of the mortgage will come down as people donate their time, materials, etc. into the construction.

Habitat for Humanity Northeast Michigan has received funding of approximately \$588,000 toward the development of the parcels – utility hook-ups, construction of a road to the third parcel, etc. Fines has been working with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority and a financial institution to secure that funding.

Following Fines' presentation, the planning commission voted unanimously to support the development project. "I appreciate your

time," Fines said. "I will be very transparent. Any suggestions, questions, complaints... just call me."

Habitat for Humanity Northeast Michigan is part of a global, non-profit housing organization operating on faith-based principles that "seek to put God's love into action by building homes, communities and hope." Habitat for Humanity Northeast Michigan (non-profit 501(c)(3)) was founded in 1989 and encompasses the counties of Alcona, Alpena and Presque Isle. It has built, rehabbed and repaired more than 80 homes for qualified low-income families and individuals. It has a full-time staff of six and part-time of four and hundreds of volunteers.

Habitat for Humanity is dedicated to eliminating sub-standard housing locally

through constructing, rehabilitating and preserving homes; by advocating for fair and just housing policies; and by providing training and access to resources and capital to help families to improve their shelter conditions. Habitat was founded on the conviction that everyone should have a simple, safe and durable place to live in dignity and that decent shelter, in decent communities, should be a matter of conscience and action for all.

For more information about Habitat for Humanity Northeast Michigan see www.habitatnemi.org.

Sheriff

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true victim associated crimes. Improvement in these areas will help secure prosecution.

"This isn't glamorous police work... we have a lot of these cases that don't make the news because of their nature. When someone breaks into a home or cottage – that makes the news and people are up in arms about it. The true victim crimes are difficult (to handle) but, there is a lot of training available," Stephenson said.

Catch-and-release bass season is always here

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As a reminder, the possession seasons for bass don't open for a bit (May 25 on all waters, including the Great Lakes and June 15 on Lake St. Clair, St. Clair and Detroit rivers).

Additional information on angling for this species can be found on their page at Michigan.gov/Fishing.

Northeast Lower Peninsula April 18

• Cheboygan River: Anglers caught steelhead at the dam when drifting or bottom bouncing spawn bags. Atlantic salmon were caught when drifting spawn bags at the dam or casting spoons at the DNR Office. Walleye were caught accidentally. The water levels are high and current is fast at the dam. All the gates have been open this week.

• Rogers City: Cold, windy and wet weather has kept anglers off the lake.

• Presque Isle: The launch ramp is ice free. However no docks are in yet.

• Alpena: Lake trout have been caught by anglers trolling spoons and spin-glos.

• Thunder Bay River: Steelhead were caught when floating or drifting spawn, beads, and flies. Atlantic salmon were taken by those casting spoons.

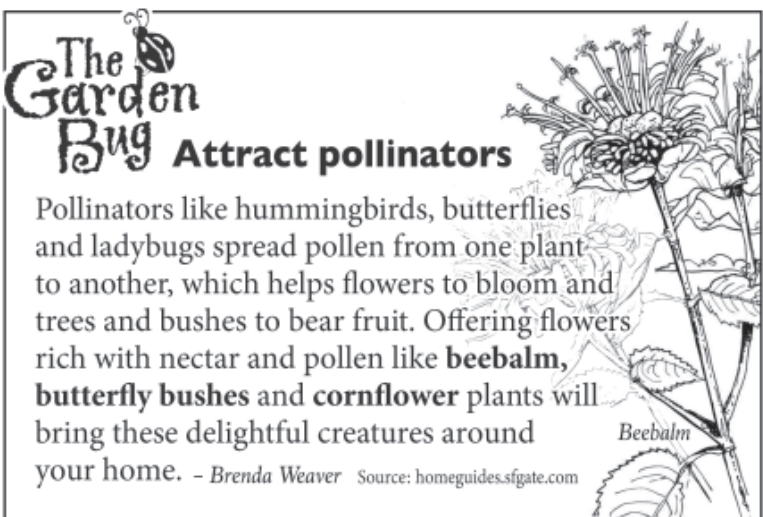
• Oscoda: Lake trout were taken by anglers trolling spoons and spin-glos in 50 feet or deeper. A few Atlantic salmon were caught closer to shore. Pier anglers caught steelhead when drifting or still-fishing with spawn.

• AuSable River: Is producing steelhead and a few Atlantic salmon when drifting or floating spawn, wax worms, flies and beads. Fly anglers were swinging streamers. A few suckers were caught. Water temperatures were near 40 degrees.

• AuGres River: Surf anglers down at Whitney Drain caught steelhead as well as those fishing further upstream.

• Rifle River: Steelhead are being caught in both the lower river and upstream. Suckers fishing continues as well.

Fishing Report



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School district readies for summer construction projects

By Dan O'Connor
Superintendent

Alcona Community Schools Alcona Community Schools is grateful to have the support from the community which passed a sinking fund ballot proposal in the fall of 2015. We have a beautiful campus and fantastic components in each building but have many areas that are ready for an update.

This summer the district will have \$750,000 in projects during June, July, and August. It will surely be a busy summer!

Past Sinking Fund Work

- Summer of 2016 - A third of the middle/high school roof was replaced.
- Summer of 2017 - Middle and high school canopy and one third of middle/high school roof was replaced.
- Summer of 2018 - Last third of the middle/high school roof and Headstart roof was replaced.

Summer of 2019

The district has a significant amount of work planned for the summer. The entire elementary roof and Sugar Shack will be reshingled during the summer months along with some venting and facia updates.

The district will also be tearing down the former alternative education building (blue house) across the street from the school due to structural concerns. The two class-

Superintendent's Corner



By Dan O'Connor
Alcona Community Schools

rooms on the north end of the building will be preserved.

• We also will be updating the flooring in the elementary building and original high school classrooms. The elementary has carpet which was installed when the building was built (close to 30 years ago), and the high school has several classrooms of asbestos tile that is safe but long-overdue to be removed and be updated.

LED Updates

The district has slowly been updating the lights throughout the district with the majority of funds being general fund dollars to help the school be more energy efficient. The middle school will be completed this summer and will make the entire middle/high school LED along with the parking lots and elementary gym. The goal is to retrofit the elementary with LED lighting during the summer of 2020.

Security Grant

This summer the district will begin work on updating interior doors and keys/locks throughout the entire district. Many of the doors at the middle/high school that are 30-40 years old will be replaced along with all locks to rekey and secure the building. The elementary will be rekeyed as well. The funding

for this project was due to the district receiving \$250,000 in grant funds from the Michigan State Police School Safety Grant.

Moving Forward

As the district continues to work to improve the basics of each building, many other items need attention down the road. The rest of the elementary classroom flooring must continue to be updated. Potential elementary projects include (not in any order): exterior door upgrade, secure building entry, playground revision, boiler system, and cafeteria tables are ready for an update.

At the middle/high school, there are several ideas for future projects (not in any order): exterior doors, exterior windows, secure entry at the main entrance, kitchen renovation and update, heating/updates, parking lot redesign and paving.

The district also needs to address our camera and public address system in both buildings and had it on the radar to pave our driveway to our transportation department and build a canopy to protect better and preserve the district's bus fleet.

(Daniel O'Connor can be reached by phone at the district office, (989) 736-6212.)

Schools buy local produce with state grants

By Kaley Fech

Capital News Service

More Michigan students than ever have access to fresh produce, thanks to a state farm-to-school program.

The 10 Cents a Meal for School Kids and Farms program this year provided 135,000 children with locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables.

"I'm all about kids eating healthy food, and there's nothing healthier than fresh produce that's grown right in their home state," said Diane Golzynski, the director of Health and Nutrition Services in the Michigan Department of Education.

Grant-winning school districts purchase fresh fruits, vegetables or dried beans grown in Michigan. The schools report how many meals they served that contained the fresh produce. And then the Department of Education reimburses them 10 cents for each meal, up to the value of their grant. The grant amount each school receives depends on how many meals they serve.

Locally grown produce tastes better, and the students can tell the difference,

Golzynski said. "They love it." she said. "They're asking for it, they're eating more of it and they're throwing less away."

The program, now in its third year, continues to grow, according to a mid-year report. This year 57 districts and 145 farms in 38 counties participated.

"We've added counties and money every year, and I would like to see us be able to go statewide," Golzynski said.

The money for the program is written into the state budget. For the 2018-2019 fiscal year, the program had \$493,500 for school food reimbursements.

Glen Lake Community Schools in Leelanau County brings in one to two deliveries of local produce every week, said John Fields, the food service director. "Teachers take advantage of it for learning opportunities as well as for nutritional value," he said. "Having children not hungry throughout the day has helped them with staying focused on the task at hand."

Locally grown produce allows for a variety from season

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Air travel tips for older passengers

Dear Savvy Senior,
My son is getting his PhD next month and I would like to fly my parents in from across the country for his graduation, but I have some concerns about the flights. My dad is 82 and has trouble walking long distances and uses an oxygen tank for his COPD. What airport or airline services are available to help elderly passengers?

Proud Mother

Dear Proud,
Flying across the country can be exhausting for anyone, but for seniors with health issues or physical limitations it can be extremely challenging.

Here are a few flying tips and a number of resources that can help.

- **Booking:** When you go to book your parent's flight, this is the time to make special requests that can help make the trip easier for your parents. You'll need to make these requests over the phone.

For example, you may want to book preferred aisle seats in

the front of the plane for easier access or bulkhead seats that provide extra leg room, and you should probably request a wheelchair or two with attendant(s) to maneuver your parents through the airports they will be departing from and arriving to, and if there's a connecting flight in between.

If your parents don't want a wheelchair, but want some help, ask about electric carts.

You also need to check with the airline regarding their policy for oxygen units for your dad. While the Federal Aviation Administration prohibits the use of personal oxygen tanks during flights because they contain compressed gas or liquid oxygen, they do permit certain portable oxygen concentrators.

- **Getting to the airport:** If your parents need help getting to the airport there are various senior transportation options depending on your parent's location. To find out what's available in their area visit Rides in Sight at RidesInsight.org.

- **Airport assistance:** If your

parents are flying on their own, most airports allow elderly fliers to be escorted to and from the gate by a non-traveling companion as long as they get a gate/escort pass, which he or she can get at the airline check-in counter by showing a government-issued photo ID.

But if no one is available to help your parents, find out if the airline can assist them when you call to book their flight. Some airlines offer special check-in and escort assistance to passengers that request it.

Or, consider hiring an independent company like Royal Airport Concierge Services (RoyalAirportConcierge.com), who will meet your parents at the curb, check their bags, expediate all check-in and security processes and escort them to a VIP lounge and to the aircraft gate when they are ready to board. Costs typically range between \$200 and \$400.

If you parents need even more help, there are also a number of traveling companion services you can call on like FlyingCompanions.com



Savvy Senior

and FirstLightHomeCare.com. These services will do everything including making the travel arrangements, accompanying your parents on the trip, and facilitating their needs along the way. Fees for these services will vary depending on what's needed and travel costs.

- **Security and boarding:** To help your parents get through security screening a little easier, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) offers special expedited screening to passengers 75 and older as well as those with disabilities and medical conditions. This allows them to move through security without removing their shoes or jacket,

and some airports may have a special line. Call TSA Cares at (855) 787-2227 or visit TSA.gov/travel/special-procedures to learn more.

When it's time to board, your parents can also take advantage of the airlines pre-boarding option for elderly passengers who need some extra time to get on the plane and get settled. And for getting off the plane, they can wait for the other passengers to disembark so attendants can assist them with carry-ons and escort them from the plane.

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Michigan bird watchers get winter treat

By Kelsi Kroll
Capital News Service

Every winter lucky Michigan residents might catch a glimpse of the yellow, catlike eyes and milky down of the snowy owl.

And such a glimpse could go a long way.

That's because Project SNOWstorm – a crew of scientists, bird banders and wildlife veterinarians – needs those sightings for research on the Arctic raptor's mysterious migration patterns.

"Until recently, we arguably knew more about the ecology and behavior of snowy owls in their remote breeding grounds in the Arctic than we did about how they live when they're down here in the northern U.S. and southern Canada in winter," said Scott Weidensaul, co-founder of Project SNOWstorm, which is based at the Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art in



Snowy owl

central Pennsylvania. "Many scientists assumed these were lost, starving birds driven south by hunger and doomed to die — and who wanted to study doomed birds?"

"In fact, the vast majority of snowy owls that come south are healthy and survive to migrate back north in the springtime," he said.

Project SNOWstorm runs on volunteered time, said Weidensaul, who also directs the Ned Smith Center's owl-banding project. That's why every reported owl sighting bolsters the project.

The owls sometimes flock southward in massive invasions called irruptions, according to Kenn Kaufman, a birder and prolific author from Oak Harbor, Ohio.

"Last winter was really exceptional in the Great Lakes region," Kaufman said. "This winter, the season of 2018-2019, the flight isn't nearly as large, but it's still a little bigger than average. The recent big flights have occurred after the snowy owls had a very successful nesting season in parts of the Arctic, raising lots of young, which usually happens when lemmings or other small prey are at peak numbers."

Birding enthusiasts who would like to have a better chance of seeing a snowy owl, are encouraged to view the project's website, www.projectsnowstorm.org, where they can access interactive maps tracking the more than 75 owls the project has tagged over the past five years. Or they can check out eBird, the bird-distribution dataset from the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, where they can submit sightings for Project SNOWstorm's benefit.

And there is a Michigan Snowy Owl Watchers Facebook page, where birders can report sightings, post photos and learn of likely spots to see one of the birds.

Birders must take caution, the experts say.

"Watch from a respectful distance, but don't flush, and for sure don't feed," Weidensaul said.

Kaufman agreed. "If people try to bait them, the owls will learn to associate humans with food, and inevitably they'll be in danger," Kaufman said. "Here in the Great Lakes region we are blessed to have the opportunity to see snowy owls, and we have a responsibility to enjoy them from a respectful distance."

Fire risk high in Lower Peninsula

Dry, windy spring weather has put much of the Lower Peninsula at high risk for wildfires, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Areas of highest concern are southwest Michigan to the top of the northern Lower Peninsula. Fire danger also is elevated from southeast

Michigan to the top of the Thumb.

The National Weather Service has issued red flag warnings for the northern Lower Peninsula as well as southwest Michigan, said Paul Rogers, DNR fire prevention specialist.

"Conditions will be very conducive for fires to build quickly and rapidly, especially with the high winds that are predicted," Rogers said. "Grass can be dry enough to ignite even if it looks green."

According to Rogers, everyone in the affected area should take extra precautions to prevent accidental fires. Wait to burn yard debris and wait to use all-terrain vehicles, lawn mowers or other outdoor machinery until later in the evening. In very dry conditions, heat from even a lawn mower or the exhaust pipe of an ATV can ignite dry grass. A trailer chain dragging on pavement also can create sparks.

To find out if it's safe to burn and/or get a free burn permit online at Michigan.gov/BurnPermit or contact the DNR call center at (866) 922-2876. For specific questions locally, call the DNR Field Office in Lincoln at (989) 736-8336.

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Birding trails developing across Michigan

While some Michiganders might be looking and listening for the return of migrating birds as a sign that this brutal winter has made its long-awaited swan song, many others are doing so in pursuit of a popular pastime.

More than 45 million Americans enjoy bird watching – called birding in today’s vernacular – according to the 2016 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation produced by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Along with other wildlife watchers, birders contribute nearly \$80 billion to the U.S. economy annually.

Young people are among those adopting birding as a hobby. One such young man has parlayed an interest in birds into a unique educational experience that will benefit others traveling to the eastern Upper Peninsula in search of birds.

Evan Griffis, a senior at Newberry High School, spends two hours a day working with Michigan Department of Natural Resources wildlife staff out of the DNR’s Newberry office as part of a job-training program his school offers.

The young man – who according to Kristie Sitar, a DNR wildlife biologist who works with Griffis, called “a pretty big-time birder and an extremely talented kid” – spearheaded the effort to develop the new Silver Creek Birding Trail.

Expected to open to the public in the next few months, this three-season trail is located on state land northwest of Newberry, Mich. in Luce County.

Griffis has had an interest in birds from a young age and has been looking for them and keeping lists of the birds he’s seen as a hobby for the last six years. He has been working with the DNR throughout the school year.

“In the fall, we started driving to analyze habitat and scout different spots for trail stops,” Griffis said. “We were looking for diverse habitat that attracts diverse bird species.”

According to a brochure that Griffis wrote and designed over the winter, the trail “features diverse forest types host to numerous breeding and migrant bird species,” and visitors will be able to “bird from the road or hike down short trails to fully enjoy this natural area.”

Centered around Silver Creek Pond, the nine-mile birding trail features nine posted stops along the road, with short hiking trails at four of the markers. “It runs through numerous different managed habitats and encompasses a variety of bird habitat,” Sitar said.

The trail highlights the temperate and boreal forests of the Upper Peninsula and features both mature and regenerating forest, as well as bogs, clearings and ponds.

Generally accessible with a two-wheel-drive vehicle during the spring, summer and fall (not accessible by car in the winter), the trail offers opportunities to see breeding birds through the summer



Hooded mergansers and wood ducks can be spotted on the water of Silver Creek Pond, a stop on the Silver Creek Birding Trail. Photo courtesy of Evan Griffis.

and migrants in the spring and fall.

Visitors can expect to see a wide range of birds along the trail, such as American redstarts, winter wrens, blue-headed vireos, hooded mergansers and magnolia warblers – just to name a few.

Trail signs and an information kiosk, with a box for visitors to leave comments, will be installed in the next few months.

The eastern Upper Peninsula, which also features a variety of other birdwatching sites along the Superior Birding Trail, draws in birders from other regions and across the state. “We have unique and special habitat you don’t find anywhere else,” Griffis said.

With the growing popularity of birdwatching as a pastime, birding trails are developing around the state.

“Michigan’s a great place for birding,” said Pam Grassmick, project coordinator for the Beaver Island Birding Trail. “It’s getting to be known as a great birding destination, especially for rare and unique birds like piping plover and Kirtland’s warbler.”

The Beaver Island Birding Trail features 35 sites, some of them intended for observation from the road and others with walkable trails, and offers opportunities to see an array of migrating and resident birds.

“The island is situated in a major flyway, so we get many birds passing through, but some stay to nest,” Grassmick said.

Visiting birders can explore the trail on their own or attend the island’s annual Warblers on the Water event, coming up May 24-26, which includes guided birding trips and presentations.

“The reason we have the birds is we have high-quality habitats, including wetlands, boreal forest and interior lakes,” Grassmick said. The Beaver Island Birding Trail encompasses more than 12,000 acres of public land, including state-owned land administered by the DNR.

“The DNR Wildlife Division has been a major partner in the development of the trail,” said Grassmick, who talked about the importance of actively managing habitat. “Conservation doesn’t just happen.”

The DNR Wildlife Division fiscal year 2018 annual report detailed some of the successes of conservation partnerships on Beaver Island:

“Over the last year, partners worked to clear land trails, opened a new non-motorized water trail around Beaver Island, surveyed for and treated invasive plants and insects, and developed a landscape-level plan. These projects are the result of residents, local and tribal governments, cultural and natural resource experts, and non-governmental agencies partnering together.”

More information about birding trails around the state is available on the Michigan Audubon birding trails webpage.

For those seeking a more guided birding experience, the DNR is offering spring birding tours at its Wetland Wonders – or managed waterfowl areas – starting March 30.

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State tries to boost recycling; critics argue it won't be enough

By Lance Cohen
Capital News Service

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is offering up to \$500,000 in grants to improve local recycling programs and boost Michigan's recycling rate.

Critics argue that this isn't enough to pull the state up from one of the lowest recycling rates in the nation.

The goal is to assist with recycling infrastructure including public space recycling, bin-to-cart transitions and public drop-off recycling locations, said Elizabeth Garver, a DEQ recycling specialist.

Public space recycling is when bins are placed in public parks and city streets to encourage people to properly dispose of recyclables rather than throwing them in the trash. Eligible applicants include cities, villages, townships, charter townships, counties, tribal governments, municipal solid waste and resource recovery authorities, school districts, health departments, colleges or uni-

versities, and regional planning agencies.

Such groups can receive up to \$100,000 from the state if they match at least 25 percent of the grant, Garver said.

Michigan has provided more than \$2.5 million in recycling grants to local communities over the past five years, Garver explained.

In Michigan, only 15 percent of recyclable materials is recycled, Garver said. The national average is about 34 percent. San Francisco is one of the nation's best recyclers with a rate over 70 percent.

"Michigan's recycling goal is to achieve a 45 percent recycling rate and improving infrastructure is definitely a step towards achieving that goal," Garver said.

According to Garver, Emmet County is one of the state's leaders in recycling with a 40 percent recycling rate.

In 2015, the DEQ approved an \$80,000 grant to replace Emmet County residents' 18-pound-recycling bins with 64-pound-carts to use for recycling, according to Kate Melby, communications coordinator for the county's Department of Public Works.

"It's astounding how much of a difference these bigger carts have made," Melby said. "Because people now have these larger containers, they are more likely to recycle rather than placing the rest of their waste in the traditional garbage container."

According to Melby, Emmet County has 13 drop sites for materials that may not be picked up by a traditional recycling truck, such as paint, mattresses and motor oil, Melby said. All of the county's residents live within six miles of one of these drop sites, making it convenient for people to dispose of their recyclable goods.

"In Emmet County we have made the idea of recycling

convenient and cost effective," Melby said. "Over the past few years the county has saved over \$1.5 million because of our recycling efforts."

Emmet County recycling also serves surrounding counties, including Cheboygan, Presque Isle and Otsego. That includes processing recycled goods and marketing them to businesses throughout the state.

While the grant money is beneficial, critics argue that it's insufficient to improve recycling programs throughout the state.

The department is vastly underfunded and it has been for years, said Kerrin O'Brien, the executive director for the Michigan Recycling Coalition. "It will be extremely difficult for local communities to adequately recycle without enough funding set aside to improve recycling infrastructure," O'Brien said. "There has never been enough money allocated. However, new legislation might change this."

"Recycling is not expensive and it can easily be done in Michigan but the government needs to step up and lay the groundwork. Once the infrastructure is in place, people are likely to follow suit," Melby said.

But other legislative moves could harm the program, O'Brien said. Legislation was recently introduced to end Michigan's 40-year-old bottle deposit law. An end to that program could leave residents without access to recycling programs, she said.

"If the can and bottle receptacles are removed from supermarkets and other stores, I worry that those without access to other forms of recycling will end up throwing out these items out," O'Brien said.

The landfill surcharge and the bottle repeal would have to happen before the end of the year to go into effect.

PUBLIC NOTICE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 2019 NORTH REGION HERBICIDE PROGRAM

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) hereby provides notice to the public, including property owners adjacent to state highways, of the 2019 Herbicide Application Program treatments for roadside rights of way within Emmet, Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Charlevoix, Antrim, Otsego, Montmorency, Alpena, Leelanau, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Crawford, Oscoda, Alcona, Manistee, Wexford, Missaukee, Roscommon, Ogemaw, and Iosco counties.

SCHEDULED DATES OF APPLICATION:

Applications will take place between April 29, 2019, and Dec. 5, 2019.

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CONTACT:

All applications will be made by certified pesticide applicators. For further information, contact:

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"As a staff member, I enjoy attending the spring birding tours, because they bring together people of all skill levels and ages. It's great to watch someone experience their first

bald eagle or snowy owl sighting," Holly Vaughn, DNR wildlife communications coordinator, said. "Plus, the ducks look spectacular in their spring finery. It's a really good time for everyone."

To learn more about birding and other wildlife watching opportunities go to Michigan.gov/MiWildlifeViewing.



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Michigan's trash imports surge while low fees discourage recycling

By Kaley Fech

Capital News Service

Almost 24 percent of the waste disposed in Michigan landfills came from other states and Canada in 2018, according to a recent state report.

Waste imported from Canada decreased by 7.6 percent, but that wasn't enough to offset a 19 percent surge in discards from other states.

Low disposal fees are a major reason so much waste is imported, said Christina Miller, a solid waste planning specialist with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). "We have properly planned our disposal capacity for many years," she said. "By doing that, we have an increased amount of disposal capacity in the state. With a lot of capacity, landfills don't charge as much to dispose of

the material going into the landfill."

The state's solid waste laws encourage landfilling over recycling, said Sean Hammond, the deputy policy director for the Michigan Environmental Council. "They were designed to make sure we had enough landfill capacity for all of our trash, and it did a very good job of that," he said. "So good that our costs to landfill are very low. It makes it hard to compete for recycling."

In the short term, landfilling may seem cheaper, but long term it's cheaper to recycle, Miller said.

Considering the costs associated with monitoring and closing landfills, it will cost a lot more in the long run than it would have had the materials been recycled or reused, she said.

Michigan's 27 years of landfill capacity is based on

the current rate of disposal, Miller said. That could change if landfills expand, more waste is generated, or recycling increases or decreases.

Eleven states and Canada exported waste to Michigan in 2018. Ohio sent the most of any state, but Canada exported even more. The trash that traveled the farthest came from Kansas. More than 52 million cubic yards of waste were dumped into Michigan's 66 landfills in 2018, according to the report. That's a 3.6 percent increase since 2017.

Three cubic yards is about one ton of waste. Waste generated in Michigan increased by almost six percent.

There is a direct correlation between economic improvement and waste generation,

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to season. It also provides an opening for educational opportunities. "Every so often they'll ask when are we going to have plums or peaches or nectarines again, and we use that as an educational time to explain that there are certain seasons for it," Fields said. "Then we'll show them other items that are in season."

The program also gives students a chance to try new

foods. "We take things that they don't typically enjoy, say like a squash, and we recreate it to be something that is a little bit more kid friendly, and they find out that they actually do enjoy it," Fields said.

The schools aren't the only ones that benefit from the program. The farmers that grow the produce do too.

For Isaiah Wunsch, CEO of Wunsch Farms in Traverse

City, Mich., the program has allowed him to venture into new crops. "It's created opportunities for us to grow some Asian pears and nectarines," he said. "There's not a huge mass market for those in Michigan, so we pretty much just grow them for the schools." The nectarines in particular, he said, are a big hit.

Knowing that the produce comes from a locally grown

source gets kids more interested in it, according to Golzynski. "I'm noticing that the kids like it when it's a farmer that they know," she said. "When they know that it's their neighbor's farm, they get really excited, and then they'll try the produce."

Wunsch sees the program as a way to improve the health of Michigan residents in the long term. "We know that if kids have bad experiences

with fresh fruits and vegetables because they're getting a lower quality produce, they'll be much less likely to make fresh fruits and vegetables a part of their diet when they're older," he said.

Golzynski described the program as a win-win-win. "The school gets the extra money to be able to buy the produce, the farmers get the extra business so they can keep doing what they're doing, and the kids get the fresh produce," she said. "This is one of those rare programs where it feels like everybody wins."

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Hammond said. "We think that's always going to happen in some way."

"We don't know 100 percent what the increase is from, but if people have more disposable money, they buy more things, which creates more waste," Miller said. "If more people come into Michigan, they generate more waste."

According to Hammond, the state's lack of investment in recycling is a problem too. "The states that do well are investing a lot of money on a year-to-year basis from the state to grow recycling," he said. "They're doing that because what you see is a huge return on investment from raising the recycling rate."

As long as disposal costs in Michigan remain low, it will be difficult to achieve a desirable recycling rate, she said.

Hammond said Michigan has a long way to go. "We should be looking at how are we doing more recycling, not just how are we making sure we have enough landfill space," he said.

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Alcona County officially one hundred years old this month

April 24, 1969 ~ The officially organized County of Alcona was 100 years old on April 5, 1969. A brief history of what is now the "First of 83" comprising the State of Michigan, follows:

The first known inhabitants of this area which includes the present County of Alcona, was a warlike tribe of Indians known as the Sauks. Foes of this fighting tribe called a council of war and by the combined efforts of the Chippewas, the Ottawas, the Pottowatomies, the Menominees and six nations of New York, the Sauks tribe was massacred. All were wiped out with the exception of twelve families who were banished to the lands of the Sioux across the "Father of Waters."

The first treaty made by the white man with the Indians, was one made by General Wayne in 1795. A more important treaty followed in 1808 by William Hull, governor of Michigan territory, and a treaty in 1819 at Saginaw by General Lewis Cass, enclosed this shore region within its boundaries.

The Chippewas, by now the most dominant tribe in this area, gave up all their lands in the provisions of the treaty of 1837. The year Michigan was made a state.

The Alcona County district was part of Cheboygan in 1853, was attached to Alpena in 1857, to Iosco in 1858, and again to Alpena in 1859. Its organization as a separate county is recorded in the following article taken from "History of the Lake Huron Shore," written and published by C. P. Reynolds in 1883.

In the year 1868, it was determined to effect the organization of the county, and a committee, consisting of Geo. L. Colwell, Edward Chapelle and L. R. Dorr, of Harrisville, William Conklin, of Greenbush, and E. R. Haynes, of Alcona, were appointed to secure that object, at the meeting of the Legislature. Mr. Robert White was selected to attend the Legislature, as a member of the third house, to attend to the interests of the proposed new county.

After much delay, reaching through the session, that object was effected, and the township of Greenbush was also organized.

The first county election of officers was held at the old schoolhouse, April 5, 1869. The first officers elected were: Geo. W. LaChapelle, sheriff; Edward W. Chapelle, treasurer; Geo. Rutson, clerk; Geo. Hamilton, register of deeds; J. P. Merchant, circuit court commissioner; Reuben Z. Roberts, prosecuting attorney and judge of probate.

The first meeting of the board of supervisors was held at the office of the county clerk, May 8, 1869. There were present, Lawrence R. Dorr, supervisor of Harrisville; Elijah R. Haynes, of Alcona, and William Conklin, of

Greenbush. Lawrence R. Dorr was elected chairman for the ensuing year.

Geo. Rutson was appointed assessor of the unorganized territory of Alcona County.

L.R. Dorr and William Conklin were constituted a committee to select a site for county buildings.

A salary of \$400 was voted to the clerk, treasurer, and prosecuting attorney, and \$200 to the judge of probate.

It was ordered that bonds be issued to the amount of \$3,000, for the purpose of constructing a courthouse. The proposition was submitted to a vote of the electors of the several townships, at an election held August 31, 1869.

The result was as follows: In Alcona, fourteen votes were cast, all in favor of the loan; Harrisville cast forty-nine votes, of which forty-eight were for the loan and one against; Greenbush cast six votes, all for the loan. An additional loan of \$3,000 was afterward voted, at an election in April 1870.

The following June the work was commenced under the superintendence of Mr. Joseph Van Buskirk, the supervisor of Harrisville Township, on a lot presented to the county by Messrs. Weston, Colwell & Co. The plan of this building was also drafted by H. (T. Rothwell, C. E., which, with the schoolhouse, are admitted by competent judges

to be in good taste, and are ornaments to the village.

The aggregate valuation of real and personal property for 1869 was determined to be as follows:

Alcona, \$227,654.25; Greenbush, \$188,985.55; and Harrisville, \$338,557.65.

For 1882 the aggregate valuation was as follows: Alcona, \$1,180,130; Harrisville, \$1,136,975; Greenbush, \$198,963; Curtis, \$129,278. Total, \$2,645,346.

The courthouse built in 1871 served the county for many years and in the early morning hours of November

13, 1953 it was destroyed by fire. The modern new brick building erected on the same site was completed in 1956.

It has a floor area of about 13,500 square feet and was built at a cost of \$287,000. Bonds were issued to the amount of \$237 and these were paid in a period of eight years.

In 1878 county jail bonds were issued. Vote in the bond issue was 162 for and none against. This structure was erected in that year at a cost of \$7,000 and it was destroyed by fire in January 1904. A new jail built on the same site

was completed in 1910 and in 1961 it was razed when the present building was erected.

Alcona County has flourished through the years as an agricultural area with cattle raising as one of its chief industries. The tourist industry has come into the foreground and the many beautiful lakes and streams within its boundary are bordered with either permanent or seasonal dwellings. A number of industrial plants have chosen to locate here.

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Seventy attend past masters' banquet

April 24, 1969 ~ The second annual Past Masters' Banquet held by Alcona Lodge No. 292, F. & A. M., at Harrisville, was held at St. Andrews by-the-Lake Episcopal Church Saturday night, April 19, with about seventy attending.

The after-dinner program was called to order by Worshipful Master James Erikson, who also introduced the toast master, C. A. Gordon. P. M. Lyle Holm introduced the Past Masters present and read the list of 55 who have served at the helm since the founding of the Lodge in 1871.

Joseph R. Miller was pre-

sented with an award in recognition of fifty years membership in the Lodge. District Deputy Instructor of the Grand Lodge, Dewey Batway of Curtisville, made the presentation. Joe served as Worshipful Master from 1922 to 1924.

He entertained with reminiscing on Lodge activities. Another long-time member, Lloyd Hilliard, was awarded a Forty-Year pin which was presented by W. M. James Erikson. Lloyd served as Master of the Lodge from 1947 to 1948.

Guest speaker was Lyndon E. Foglesong, Chairman of the Sojourners Committee of

Grand Dodge who is a Past Master of Saginaw Lodge No. 77 and of Saginaw Solar Lodge No. 592. He is a retiree and resides at South Branch.

P. M. Herman Knight gave the invocation and the benediction

Super Crossword

Answers

BLAST	CROAK	ADOS	ROKS
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BLACK	COMEDY	RICE	PAPER
BASKETS	MINIATURE	GOLF	
ASIS	NEHI	ENTER	
OLMOS	NOR	SODA	ANTES
CEILING	FAN	POP	CULTURE
CANAPE	THOM	FEES	SNOW
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MOTHER	COUNTRY	ERIN	
SNEER	HERD	DEJA	DROSS
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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2019

Weekly Report

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
April 14	34	30	0.39	14.1	33	NNE
April 15	50	29	0.07	4.0	35	NNE
April 16	38	30	0.00	1.3	8.0	WSW
April 17	40	32	0.33	3.8	20	E
April 18	51	37	0.76	3.2	25	NNE
April 19	41	36	0.04	9.0	26	NNE
April 20	42	34	0.00	8.3	33	NNE

Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	1.59	8.1	0.56
April to Date	2.17	11.0	1.51
2019 Season to Date	5.90	68.8	6.75

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.)

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **U.S. STATES:** Which state is home to the Volcanoes National Park?
2. **HISTORY:** When did the Deepwater Horizon oil spill occur in the Gulf of Mexico?
3. **MOVIES:** Who sang "Beauty and the Beast" in the 1991 movie of the same name?
4. **GEOGRAPHY:** Which one of Japan's islands is the largest in size?
5. **RELIGION:** Who was the first Roman emperor to convert to Christianity?
6. **LITERATURE:** What was the name of the land featured in the seven-novel fantasy series written by C.S. Lewis?
7. **MATH:** What is the name of an angle that is less than 90 degrees?
8. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What was Mahatma Gandhi's profession before he became an activist for nonviolent civil disobedience?
9. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president popularized the phrase "The Silent Majority"?
10. **INVENTIONS:** Who is credited with inventing Coca-Cola?

Answers: 1. Hawaii; 2. 2010; 3. Angela Lansbury; 4. Honshu; 5. Constantine; 6. Narnia; 7. Acute; 8. Lawyer; 9. Richard Nixon; 10. Dr. John Pemberton (c) 2019 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword

PICK A CARD

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|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Firing sound</p> <p>6 Frog sound</p> <p>11 Kerfuffles</p> <p>15 Soldiers of Seoul</p> <p>19 Old Aegean region</p> <p>20 Singer with the 2013 #1 hit "Royals"</p> <p>21 Typesetter's option</p> <p>22 Saber's kin</p> <p>23 Film that's both funny and gloomy</p> <p>25 Thin material used in painting and baking</p> <p>27 Bulls scores</p> <p>28 Putt-putt</p> <p>30 Yard sale proviso</p> <p>32 With 40-Across, classic grape drink</p> <p>33 Step inside</p> <p>34 "Mirage" actor Edward James —</p> <p>38 Boolean logic operator</p> <p>40 See 32-Across</p> <p>42 Opening bets</p> <p>45 Overhead air circulator</p> | <p>48 Films, TV, hit songs, etc.</p> <p>51 Fancy snack</p> <p>52 — McAn</p> <p>54 See 50-Down</p> <p>55 Chilly powder</p> <p>56 "The Simpsons" shopkeeper</p> <p>57 Clock setting in NYC</p> <p>59 "... man — mouse?"</p> <p>61 Sketched</p> <p>63 Priest follower?</p> <p>64 Homeland</p> <p>69 "— Brockovich"</p> <p>71 Cynic's look</p> <p>72 Sheep group</p> <p>73 — vu</p> <p>75 Metal debris</p> <p>79 Pianist Hines</p> <p>81 Alternative medical practices</p> <p>84 Rubble maker</p> <p>87 TVs "Better Call —"</p> <p>89 "— -hool" ("Hello!")</p> <p>90 Equal: Prefix</p> <p>91 Subpar mark</p> <p>92 High cards</p> <p>94 FBI agent</p> <p>96 Bulky brass</p> | <p>98 Michigan county or its seat</p> <p>101 Important biblical meal</p> <p>104 Clownish type</p> <p>106 Really bug</p> <p>107 Give and take</p> <p>109 — chi</p> <p>110 Sales talk</p> <p>111 Of Tehran</p> <p>114 Fish story</p> <p>116 Pulitzer winner William</p> <p>118 Dictionary, e.g.</p> <p>122 Film theaters</p> <p>127 Ethiopia, formerly</p> <p>128 Playing card apt to this puzzle's theme (hint: see the ends of the longest answers)</p> <p>130 "That's — bad idea"</p> <p>131 One fibbing</p> <p>132 Barbecue</p> <p>133 Ruhr Valley's chief city</p> <p>134 Tie feature</p> <p>135 Many August babies</p> <p>136 Determined to carry out</p> <p>137 Sown things</p> | <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Lettuce variety</p> <p>2 Dancer</p> <p>3 Santa — (some winds)</p> <p>4 Ill</p> <p>5 Test the tea, say</p> <p>6 Shutting</p> <p>7 CD- —</p> <p>8 City NNW of Provo</p> <p>9 Also include</p> <p>10 Economist John Maynard —</p> <p>11 Scared by</p> <p>12 "Get busy!"</p> <p>13 Well-timed</p> <p>14 Rigid</p> <p>15 Mixtures for chemical analysis</p> <p>16 Well-timed</p> <p>17 Boat's spine</p> <p>18 Feudal peon</p> <p>24 Dollar or euro divs.</p> <p>26 Blossom bit</p> <p>29 Breakfast chain, briefly</p> <p>31 Unstiffened shoe part</p> <p>34 — razor ("keep it simple" principle)</p> <p>35 Tackle</p> <p>36 Part of rpm</p> | <p>37 Suffix with boff</p> <p>39 Rally cry</p> <p>41 Imitated</p> <p>43 Winged god</p> <p>44 Makes a dress, e.g.</p> <p>46 At no time, to poets</p> <p>47 12 p.m.</p> <p>49 Quaker products</p> <p>50 With 54-Across, service charges</p> <p>53 "D.C. Cab" actor</p> <p>58 Slobby sort</p> <p>60 Difficult and tiring</p> <p>62 Far-reaching</p> <p>65 "— -haw!"</p> <p>66 Epochs</p> <p>67 Java holder</p> <p>68 "— out!" (ump's call)</p> <p>70 Gun rights org.</p> <p>74 Relative of handball</p> <p>76 Nickname for Yale</p> <p>77 "Remington —"</p> <p>78 Singer Crow</p> <p>80 Sauce brand</p> <p>82 Kiddie</p> <p>83 Halo-worthy</p> <p>84 Fish story</p> <p>85 Univ. sports org.</p> | <p>86 Serve as evidence of</p> <p>88 Racing units</p> <p>93 Eyes</p> <p>95 They begin on January 1</p> <p>97 Iota</p> <p>99 Failures to attend</p> <p>100 Domino dot</p> <p>102 Big names</p> <p>103 Broccoli — (salad green)</p> <p>105 "Honest Abe"</p> <p>108 Fork parts</p> <p>112 Sam of "Backtrack"</p> <p>113 Many a navel</p> <p>115 Bête — (pet peeve)</p> <p>117 Certain PC pic file</p> <p>118 Echelon</p> <p>119 Very dark, to poets</p> <p>120 "Gotta run!"</p> <p>121 Make a sweater, e.g.</p> <p>123 Additionally</p> <p>124 Think deeply and at length</p> <p>125 Under the covers</p> <p>126 IDs for the IRS</p> <p>129 "Xanadu" rock gp.</p> |
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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On May 5, 1821, Napoleon Bonaparte, the French military leader who once ruled an empire that stretched across Europe, dies as a British prisoner on the remote island of Saint Helena in the southern Atlantic Ocean. His body was returned to Paris in 1840.
 - On May 4, 1886, a peaceful labor protest in Haymarket Square in Chicago turns into a riot, leaving more than 100 wounded and eight police officers dead. Seven of the eight fatalities and the most of injuries were caused by shots fired by fellow officers.
 - On May 2, 1933, the modern legend of Scotland's Loch Ness Monster is born when a newspaper reports a couple's sighting of "an enormous animal rolling and plunging on the surface" of the lake. The "monster" became a media phenomenon, and a circus offered a huge reward for the beast's capture.
 - On April 30, 1945, holed up in a bunker under his headquarters in Berlin, Adolf Hitler commits suicide by swallowing a cyanide capsule and shooting himself in the head. Soon after, Germany unconditionally surrendered, ending Hitler's dreams of a "1,000-year" Reich.
 - On May 3, 1951, the Senate Armed Services and Foreign Relations committees begin hearings into the dismissal of Gen. Douglas MacArthur by President Harry Truman. The American public liked MacArthur's tough stance on communism, and he returned home to a hero's welcome.
 - On April 29, 1968, the musical "Hair" premieres on Broadway. The show featured a much-talked-about scene in which the cast appeared nude on the dimly lit stage. "Hair" quickly became not just a smash hit, but a cultural phenomenon.
 - On May 1, 1991, Oakland Athletics outfielder Rickey Henderson steals his 939th base to break Lou Brock's career record. Henderson would steal a 1,406 bases in his major league career, almost 500 more than the next closest player.
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was one of the most influential directors in the history of cinema, Alfred Hitchcock -- also known as the "Master of Suspense" who made the following sage observation: "The length of a film should be directly related to the endurance of the human bladder."
 - In Murfreesboro, Tennessee, it is illegal to keep indoor furniture outdoors.
 - The town of Llanfair in Wales is also known by its Welsh name, Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantsiliogogoch. Roughly translated, this means, "Saint Mary's Church in a hollow of white hazel, close to a whirlpool and Saint Tysilo's Church and near a red cave." The sign at the railway station that has the town's name is 20 feet long.
 - Those who study such things say that cockroaches can run as fast as 3 mph.
 - You probably don't realize it -- and you certainly don't notice it but experts claim that the Atlantic Ocean is getting about 1 centimeter bigger every year, and the Pacific Ocean is shrinking by the same amount. It's due to continental drift, they say.
 - Linguists say that American English has roughly 20 swear words (depending, of course, on how one defines swearing). In contrast, residents of ancient Rome had a lexicon of about 800 so-called "dirty" words to draw upon.
 - The tuatara is a lizard that can be found in New Zealand. Its claim to fame? It has a third eye, located on the top of its head.
 - If you counted up all the McDonald's, Dunkin' Donuts, Pizza Hut, Burger King, Domino's Pizza, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Wendy's and Taco Bell locations in the United States and added them together, you still wouldn't reach the number of pharmacy locations across the country.
- ***
- Thought for the Day: "I am free of all prejudices. I hate everyone equally." -- W. C. Fields
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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: **J** equals **W**

JSQL MJV EOFKGFYNR GOLN

MVHQMSQY JSFKQ JVIYIFLH VL

O MORI, UVTKN AVT ROA

MSQA OYQ UVL-EVFLQN?

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Cedar Lake Improvement Board
Sherman Creek Enhancement Project

The Cedar Lake Improvement Board is seeking bids from qualified excavating & landscape contractors to conduct work on the west side of Cedar Lake in Alcona County for The Sherman Creek Enhancement Project. Construction efforts will involve limited clearing and limited excavation for the installation of in-stream grade control structures, native vegetation seeding and site restoration in accordance with the Contract Documents. Complete electronic sets of Contract Documents may be obtained from Kieser & Associates, LLC, by written email request to: j.jacobson@kieser-associates.com. A mandatory pre-bid on-site project walk through will be conducted on 5/20/2019. Any & all questions due on 5/24/2019, and will be answered by 5/28/2019. All bids due by 6/7/2019 and must be submitted electronically to:

Cedar Lake Improvement Board
 c/o John A Jacobson, P. E.
 Kieser & Associates, LLC
 Email: j.jacobson@kieser-associates.com

The Cedar Lake Improvement Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted.

State of Michigan 23rd Circuit Court County of Alcona Publication of Notice File No. 19-3162 DO

In the matter of Katherine Killian vs. Riadh Messaoudi
 To all interested persons: whose address(es) are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following.

Take notice: A divorce case has been filed on February 27, 2019. This is an attempt of service, at the Alcona County Courthouse before the Honorable Laura A. Frawley.

Date: April 22, 2019
 Katherine Killian
 4015 Curtisville Road
 South Branch, Mich. 48761
 (989) 735-3472
 4/24 thru 5/8

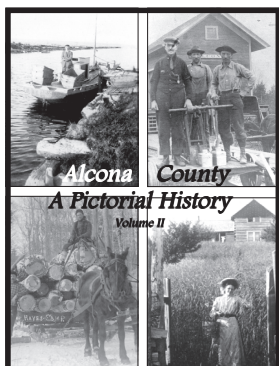
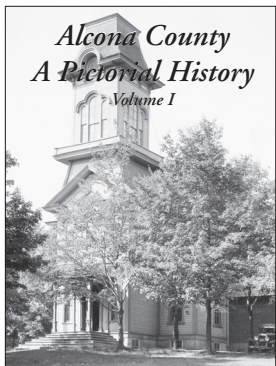
State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 19-5950 DE

Estate of April Lee Holmes
 Date of birth: February 26, 1966.
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, April Lee Holmes, died March 11, 2019.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mike Holmes, personal representative, or to both the probate court at P.O. Box 385, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.
 Date: April 10, 2019
 Mike Holmes
 1305 Sheridan Drive
 Alpena, Mich. 49707
 (989) 255-8024

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