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McKayla LaFave and Damion Stewart were selected as Winterfest queen and king last Friday during the homecoming game againstHillman. Photo by Keilee Elmer. For court photos see page 4.

Energy plant negotiates new contract

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

Viking Energy of Lincoln, LLC., which has been operating under an extension agreement to sell the power it produces to Consumers Energy is getting closer to receiving a new contract.

The previous contract was a 30-year agreement, negotiated when Viking Energy first became operational in Lincoln. It expired December 31, 2018.

Plant manager, Neil Taratuta, explained, although attorneys have been working on a new Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA) contract with Consumers Energy for nearly two years, there is no signed agreement and no guarantees there will be, however, he feels confident an agreement will be coming forward soon.

"It will be different terms. The days of 20 and 30-year contracts are over. The rates will be less which will make it difficult, but we will be able to survive. The lawyers are hashing out the details. We are happy and feel there is a very good chance we will get some-thing soon," Taratuta said. He explained negotiations

accomplished thus far are huge because contracts with utilities have become very difficult to get. Engie, Viking's parent company, owns other power plants in the country and, according to Taratuta,

they are all in similar boats right now working on getting contracts.

"The energy world is changing. Fifty years ago, most power energy came from coal and fuel oil. Now we have a



Neil Taratuta, plant manager for Viking Energy, is confident the 30-year old wood-fired power plant will receive a new contract with Consumers Energy. Photo by Mary Weber.

Alcona High School students to visit Peru

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

A new travel program offering Alcona High School students'life-changing experiences will begin with several students traveling to Peru in June.

The program was introduced last year by the school's new Spanish teacher, Mandie Willey, who explained the benefits of having students travel beyond their own backyard can give them experiences beyond book learning. Traveling abroad provides the opportunity to experience new sights, sounds, and tastes and interact with others whose native language is not English.

She travelled quite a bit as a student and knows it will give her second year Spanish students, Miranda Baker, Camaron Harris, Cecelia Spears, Darien Panich, Isabella Bates, Shane Mendyka and Haley Spalding a chance to use their foreign language skills. "Travel is life changing, whether or not you can speak the language, but probably more enjoyable when you can speak the language," Willey said.

The 12-day trip which begins June 17 will cost each student \$3,000. Local adults,

Jennifer Kozlow, Monica Spears and Angie Spalding, are also planning to take the trip, will be paying \$3,100 each. "Traveling is expensive, but so worth it," Willey said.

In order to earn funds for the trip, the students have been fundraising i the community, which began last school year, continued throughout the summer and into this school year. They have had a successful pizza

night event at the Backwoods Bistro, held bake sales at football games, sold popcorn during the summer concert series and sold popcorn, pop and water during the Harrisville Harmony Festival on Labor Day weekend.

Their next big fundraiser will be an all-you-can-eat taco and nacho event at Shotmakers Sports Bar and Grill in Harrisville on February.

Jennifer Kozlow, who will be traveling with her niece, Miranda Baker, a junior, said she couldn't pass up the opportunity to travel with the students. "I'm endlessly curious about other places and cultures. Any opportunity to talk to someone from another country is fun for me, but there is nothing that tells you what a place smells like

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Alcona High School students, (from left) Juniors, Miranda Baker, Isabella Bates, Shane Mendyka, Darien Panich, Haley Spalding and sophomores; Cecelia Spears and Camaron Harris are looking forward to their trip to Peru this June. Courtesy photo.

newer power generation mix. Renewables are becoming more and more a part of it but are still a small part, about 10 percent, of the power generated in Michigan.

"Much less coal is being used, instead most power comes from natural gas. Natural gas plants can produce 1,000 megawatts of power. Viking Energy produces 18 megawatts, but producing electricity is not the whole reason we are here," Taratuta

Viking Energy supplies a service to northeastern Michigan by taking scrap wood and tires and turning that scrap into energy. It employs 20 local residents, but indirectly, the operation affects many

Alot of Viking's wood comes from sawmills. Taratuta explained a sawmill's growth is limited to what they do with their waste. "They can move their product, but if they can't get rid of their waste, they won't pursue it. The same goes with logging material and old railroad ties. Branches, limbs, stumps and things like that don't have a high dollar

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Tocal Notes



Senior Menu

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

- Monday, Feb. 4—Pepper steak over brown rice, baby carrots, and pears.
- Tuesday, Feb. 5-Bourbon pork chop, baked potato, green beans, tossed salad, and mixed fruit.
- Wednesday, Feb. 6— Baked fish, red parsley potato, Brussels sprouts, and fruited Jell-O.
- Thursday, Feb. 7—Diced pork roast over mashed potatoes, cauliflower, mandarin oranges, cake and ice cream.
- Friday, Feb. 8-Barbecued chicken, garlic red potato, peas, tossed salad, and peaches. (Friday meals served *in Lincoln only.)*

Audubon Hosts Speakers

Two guest speakers will be featured at the Tuesday, Feb. 12 AuSable Valley Audubon meeting. Eric Brandon, MSU Extension forester, will explain oak wilt disease and why it is important to eradicate this disease and save oak trees. Peggy Ridgway, a long-time member of AVA will share information about the Great Backyard Bird Count happening February 15-18. The count is open to all residents and provides valuable

information on the habits of area birds. Some surprises are found as a result of the information gathered. For example, sometimes American robins stay in the area year around. This meeting is open to anyone interested in birds. It will be held at the East Tawas Community Center, 760 Newman Street, at 1 p.m. Snacks and beverages will be available.

Scholarship Opportunities

• Northland Area Federal **Credit Union** is accepting applications for 2019 Jerry Erickson Educational Scholarships. This year, Northland has allocated \$10,000 in scholarship funds. Northland student members can earn awards up to \$10,000 to use for college expenses.

"Our commitment to financial education begins with our members. Northland is honored to recognize those who plan, study, and sacrifice to earn college degrees," said Deanna Reeves, vice president of member service.

The scholarship program is named for the late Jerry Erickson, who served as a volunteer at the credit union for 46 years. Scholarship applications are decided with equal importance placed on academic achievement, community service/involvement, and essay content. Members can download applications at Northlandcu.com. The application deadline is March 1,

• The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) is accepting applications for its 2019 competitive scholarship season. Current and former graduates of high schools in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle are invited to apply.

Scholarship opportunities through CFNEM are based on a wide variety of criteria including the student's high school, year of graduation, college they plan to attend, or their planned field of study. Many scholarships are for students who have already graduated from high school, and also for those planning to attend a certificate program or trade school.

To be eligible, students must complete the application by the March 1, 2019 deadline. The majority of scholarships must be applied for directly through the community foundation's online platform. Students applying for awards will complete one online application and will be considered for any scholarship for which they are eligible. Scholarship applicants should visit the "Scholarships" section of the community foundation's website at cfnem.org, as well as the affiliate websites.

The Addison Bushey Memorial Scholarship is a new scholarship for Alpena Community College students enrolled in the nursing program, with preference given to students interested in the obstetrics and gynecology field of nursing. This scholarship is for residents of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle Counties.

The Community Foundation also holds scholarships that are available for students through CFNEM's affiliate foundations: the Iosco County Community Foundation (iccfonline.org), the North Central Michigan Community Foundation (ncmcf.org), and the Straits Area Community Foundation (sacf.net). These counties include Cheboygan, Crawford, Ogemaw, Oscoda and Iosco. Affiliate scholarship applications are accessed through a separate online platform, available through each affiliate website.

Scholarships awarded during the 2019 competitive scholarship program are for the 2019-20 academic year and are paid directly to the educational institution the student has chosen. The anplication deadline for CFNEM and affiliate foundations' scholarships is March 1.

Obituaries



Philip J. Fisher

Philip J. Fisher, 66, of Grand Blanc, Mich. died on Thursday, January 24, 2019 at home.

He was born July 9, 1952 to Thomas E. and Helen J. (Medor) Fisher in Detroit, Mich. He was raised in Detroit, Mich. and Durand, Mich.

Mr. Fisher was a long-time resident of Flint, Mich. and Grand Blanc, Mich. where he made his career with the Grand Trunk Railroad as a locomotive engineer.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1972 to 1975 and was stationed in Panama.

He enjoyed reading and watching sports. He loved music, good food and his family.

Mr. Fisher is survived by his mother, Helen Fisher of Spruce; two sisters, Sally Ann Fisher and Laurie (Joel) Choate; nine nieces and nephews; and numerous greatnieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Thomas E. Fisher on January 12, 2000 and one brother, Thomas J. Fisher on November 19, 2010.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Helen M. Skiver

Helen Marie Skiver, 85, of East Tawas died on Monday, Jan. 21, 2019 at home.

She was born January 6, 1934 in Alcona County to Nickolas and Helen (Lessard) Ranger.

On December 27, 1951, she married Harold Skiver.

She was employed at Tawas St. Joseph Hospital for

She enjoyed collecting dolls and antiques, gardening, watching birds and spending time with her family. She was an active participate in Relay for Life and enjoyed making quilts with her friends in the Stitching Ministry of Holy Family Catholic Church.

Mrs. Skiver is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth Borowski of Tawas City and Catherine Koehn of Rose City, Mich.; three sons, Raymond Skiver of East Tawas, Harold (Charlene) of Tuscaloosa, Ala. and Keith Skiver of Harrietta, Mich.; 17 grandchildren, Jessica (Dean) Guoan, Julie Schaaf, Leighanne Skiver, Sheldon Skiver, Dena Koehn, Tamara (Andrew) Hart, Aryn (Ted) Oliver, Lori Debusk, Helen Skiver, Bryan Koehn, Shane (Tina) Redfield, Norman Lee Redfield, Nicholas (Pamela) Skiver, Christopher Liztner, and Shane Skiver; 24 great-grandchildren Kyle Nelkie, Karlee Nelkie, Timothy Guoan, Jason Guoan, Jeffery Guoan, Colin Schaaf, Elise Mckenzie, Allison Litzner, Lilliana Hart, Caleb Hart, Cameron Skiver, Dominic Skiver, Alexis Anderson, Laura Redfield, Lindsy Redfield, Kami Redfield, Krista Curtis, Cody Curtis,



Kali Steele, Kyler Steele, Keagon Gingerich, Samual Hill, Madison David, and Mackenzie Perkins.; three sisters, Norma Williams, Beatrice Wojnar and Vergiline (Joe) Smith; one brother, Don (Erlene) Ranger; one sisterin-law, Bonnie Ranger; and nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Skiver was preceded in death by her husband, Harold, on March 9, 2010; two daughters, Laura Redfield and Theresa Martin; two grandchildren, Jason Skiver and Hannah Sleeseman; four brothers, Dale Ranger, Robert Ranger, Lloyd Ranger, and Raymond Lessard; three sisters, Christine Kurkerwicz, Margaret Zingaro and infant sister, Mary Ranger.

A memorial Mass will be held on Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019 at 11 a.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church in East Tawas. Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Memorials may be made to St. Vincent DePaul Society of Tawas City, 115 West First Street, Tawas City, Mich. 48763.

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Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, **JANUARY 30**

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, **JANUARY 31**

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.

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).

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

A soup and dessert supper will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road. have a big bowl of one kind or several small bowls for \$6. For more information, call (989) 736-3050.

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

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.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3

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 plavers 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.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Senior commodities will be distributed from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

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, **FEBRUARY 6**

Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will hold its membership meeting at 11 at the 19th Hole Restaurant on US-23 North in Alpena. Lunch will be served at noon. A representative from Blue Cross Blue Shield will be on hand to answer questions. Bring a can of food for the needy. Call (989) 356-4959 or (989) 727-4080 for details.

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

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Alcona retirees will meet for a potluck lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-

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Winterfest senior representatives are (from left) Hunter Clark, Brianna Fogel, Malcom Dix, Trinity Keyser, Dylan Faszczewski, Hannah Brege, Justin Smigelski, Grace Gombos, Damion Stewart and MeKayla LaFave.

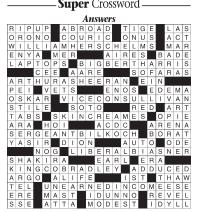
NOTICE

The Alcona County Board of Commissioners will hold public workshops before each regularly scheduled meeting between 9:00 a.m. and 9:45 a.m.





Winterfest class representatives are (from left) freshmen Kaiden Berryhil and Natalie O'Dea; sophomores Anna Loyer and Nicholas Rasmussen; and juniors Megan Grove and Dominic Howe. *Photos by Cheryl Peterson*.







"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind."

—Theodor Seuss Geisel (Dr. Seuss)

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market. The forest service requires that material to be chipped up. If we were not here what would happen to that? They would have to landfill or burn all that waste. We are the ultimate in recycling, turning waste product into renewable energy," Taratuta said.

nity if we go away," Taratuta said.

Phil Jordan, former president of the Village of Lincoln, explained that if Viking Energy does not get a contract it would just about devastate the village. "They pay close to one third the total taxes the Village of Lincoln collects. The



Josh Shubert, of Ossineke, is the unit supervisor for Viking Energy. He has been employed with the company for five years and enjoys his job working in the control room where he can monitor the entire plant's operations and emissions. Photo by Mary Weber.

The energy Viking produces runs industry and brings light and heat to about 13,000 households. To do this, approximately 500 tons of waste wood combined with 30 tons of chipped tire waste is used per day. Currently, the bioenergy facility operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and contributes approximately \$5,000,000 per year into the local economy.

However, Taratuta explained, in the whole scope of renewable energy, wood-fired power plants such as Viking are not a big player. Much of renewable energy in Michigan now comes from large scale wind farms which have 30 to 50 wind turbines on them.

"Being a big player, however, is all relative, because, in northeast Michigan, Viking Energy is a big player by providing a service and good jobs. The issue is the impact we will have on the local commuloss of good jobs would be a hardship. Our main concern with Viking was always safety for our community and in the last 12 years I've been here they have been within the guidelines of the EPA (United States Environmental Protection Agency)," Jordan said.

Viking Energy has been a much appreciated community partner according to Sheila Phillips, new village president. "They provide good iobs which allow employees to support families. They are a good neighbor and have helped the village by working on community projects such as the Flights of Imagination children's park, assisting the village by repairing broken equipment, working with the countywide clean-up by providing a place for tire dropoffs and reducing costs for disposing tires. They have also been a major sponsor of the Alcona County Fair," Phillips

"We are confident we will get a contract soon. Without one we will not survive, but we must have a contract where we make enough money to pay our bills, our fuel suppliers, operational and maintenances expenses for our plant," Taratuta said.

"This little power plant in northern Michigan is one of the best run wood-fire power plants in the country with a reliability rate of 98 percent. Our workforce is second to none and we are committed to doing what it takes. That's saying a lot for a 30-year-old power plant."

Year round, Viking Energy offers the community free recycling of clean yard waste, brush and wood debris which can be dropped off at its site, which is located at 509 W. State Street in Lincoln during normal business hours Monday through Friday. It does not accept tires from the public.

Organization and school tours of the facility can be arranged by calling (989) 736-



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The Alcona County Board of Commissioners are seeking individuals interested in serving on the Veteran's Affairs Committee. Applicants must be residents of Alcona County who have served honorable active duty in the Unites States Armed Forces. Letters of interest will be accepted until February 11, 2109 at 4:00 p.m. in the Alcona County Clerk's office, Box 308, Harrisville, MI 48740





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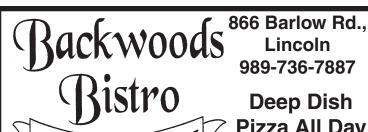
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Lady Tigers slip by Hillman

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

Hillman had the edge after the first quarter. Alcona took over from there.

The Alcona girls varsity basketball team claimed a road win at Hillman last Thursday night, 49-44.

"We came out a little slow and put ourselves in a bit of a hole, but fought back and played pretty well in the second and third quarters," said head coach Mark Feldhiser. "We stepped up and made seven-of-nine free throws, including the last six in the fourth quarter. Anytime we can get a road win, especially at a place where we haven't had much success, we will walk out of there satisfied."

Hillman led the game 13-10 after the first quarter but by the half Alcona had turned things around to lead 24-19. Entering the fourth it was a 38-28 Alcona lead.

"Hillman started out slow this year, but they are well coached and have been playing much better of late, so this was a good win for us," Feldhiser said. "One of the keys is that we were able to hit a few threes. We really haven't been shooting too good lately, so that was definitely a positive sign. This leads to the balanced scoring that we were seeing at the beginning of the year. It was a good sign to come out on top in a close game. We have played a few of these already this year and this will help us later in the year."

Leading the team in the half and 34-17 entering the win was Megan Grove with 12 points. Liz Henderson and Hailee Gordy netted nine each. Faith Wallenmaier netted seven and Brianna Fogle and Rachel Layton netted six apiece.

On Monday, Jan. 21 the Lady Tigers picked up a lopsided NSL win over Fairview,

The Lady Tigers led just 11-8 after the first quarter but had things in hand from there, leading 26-10 at the

fourth.

"We got off to somewhat of a slow start, but overcame that and got a win," Feldhiser said. "Everyone contributed and we really spread the scoring around.'

Grove led the team with 18 points and Layton netted

Alcona (7-4 overall, 6-2 NSL) hosted Hale on Monday and returns to action Monday at Whittemore-Prescott.

Tigers nab wins over Hillman and Fairview

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

A slow first quarter didn't hinder the Alcona boys varsity basketball team last Friday night. The Tigers were hosting Hillman in a North Star League battle on homecoming night, and prevailed to pick up a 45-43 victory.

"It is always nice to get a win on homecoming," said head coach Ryan Bilbey. "Hillman is still a good team who hustles and plays excellent defense. Our boys handled the ups and downs of the game better and played like they needed to in the fourth quarter. We had an 11-point lead in the second half and they showed grit to close out the game when things tight-

Hillman outscored Alcona 7-6 in the first quarter, where aside from a Dominic Howe three-pointer, Alcona struggled to get going.

The second quarter was a different story however, as Alcona buried three treys, two from Pierce Bilbey and one from Damion Stewart. Three others hit for two each as Alcona leapt ahead 22-20 at the half.

Stewart broke free for a pair of buckets in the third quarter and Josh Kilbourn sank home a three as Alcona pulled away to lead 36-30 entering the fourth.

Hillman came within a single possession in the closing minutes, however Kilbourn hit a pair of clutch free throws with just seconds left to ice the win.

"Pierce hit some clutch threes in the first half and in the fourth quarter to extend our lead to seven," Bilbey said. "Howe played his best game and was a force defensively. I

also was very happy with Hunter Clark, who pulled down 10 rebounds.'

Leading the way in the win was Stewart with 11 points. Bilbey had nine points, Howe and Antavius Mikazes had seven points each. Kilbourn had five points, Hunter Clark had three points, Aidan Wrobel netted two and Zach Stephenson had one.

On Tuesday, Jan. 22 the Tigers rolled to an easy NSL win at Fairview, 70-29.

"The boys played some unselfish basketball," Bilbey said. "We executed our game plan but we had a few too many turnovers in the first half. Once we cleaned it up in the second half, we really started to click. The third quarter defense was very tough and that's what I like to

Alcona got things going quickly, as Hunter Clark worked his way down low to score eight points. Bilbey and Stewart buried a threepointer each as it was a 20-6 Tiger lead after one.

Bilbey hit for two more from behind the long line in the second quarter, prompting the Tigers to take a 31-12 lead at the half.

Stewart had a good third frame as well, getting six points in the paint as the Tigers rolled to a 48-19 lead entering the fourth.

Mikazes netted six points in the final stanza and finished with a game-high 17 points, Stewart netted 12, Bilbey finished with 11 and Hunter Clark had 10. Kilbourn netted eight.

Alcona (6-6 overall, 5-3 NSL) was at Hale on Tuesday The Tigers host AuGres on Thursday, Jan. 31 and Whittemore-Prescott on Tuesday, Feb. 5.

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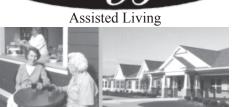
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Fishing hard water, staying mobile

By Gregg Schefferly

Outdoor Writer

Ice fishing for walleye on Hubbard Lake can be a tough nut to crack. When anglers head out to go fishing they generally make their decision on where to fish based on other anglers' reports or on a hunch.

They simply head out hoping for the best; drill some holes, set tip-ups, and jig. It's hit or miss. Occasionally, an angler will set up on fish and catch one or two. Often times they set up, hang out until dark, and the evening ends with a goose egg the size of the setting sun. Occasionally, they'll set up perfectly, there's nothing better than landing on fish and catching your limit in a short time.

This is what keeps every angler going. It's very intense. Nothing gets adrenaline pumping faster than flags flying and walleye hammering your jigs. It's especially crazy when walleye are hitting your jig as soon as you drop it down.

The problem with Hubbard Lake is that it's a big bowl without much structure other than drop offs. In it are schools of baitfish (dinner) and walleye (predators). Because there isn't much cover in which the bait fish can conceal themselves, they continually move about the lake feeding. This is why it's so tough to stay on fish in the winter. During the summer anglers can use their fish finder to locate fish, but during the winter, unfortunately, it's not an option. So, many anglers will use the most recent intel to choose where to fish, set up, and stay until sunset.

The problem with this is fish are continually on the move -- just because they were somewhere yesterday doesn't mean they'll be there today.

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Exploring the Outdoors

By Gregg Schefferly

themselves to a single spot, you have to stay mobile. It's much more effective to split up and start fishing near the spot the fish had recently been caught. This is where a flasher and jig rods are effective. Tip ups take longer to set and are an anchor for anglers. Two or three guys using a jig pole and flashers can cover a lot more ice.

The flasher allows anglers to see if there are any fish checking out their offering suspended below the jig pole. For best results, drop a line, jig 15 minutes, and if nothing happens, pick up and move.

When searching for fish, moving approximately 100 yards at a time is all that's needed. If two or three fishing buddies are involved, there are few different methods to try. One is to head off in different directions moving continually until someone finds fish.

The second is to leap frog. Simply put, several anglers should keep moving ahead of each other until someone starts catching fish. The final method is to fish and move parallel to one another. This allows anglers to cover different depths of water. Once fish are located it's time set the tipups.

Modern ice fishermen are equipped with some pretty cool stuff in comparison to anglers of the past. Power augers and GPS units with maps show contour lines allowing anglers to target structure. Both flashers or underwater cameras have a time and place. Flashers are perfect for this style of fishing. Not only do they verify the depth, they also show when fish are present. By watching the screen an angler can see how the fish react to a jigging style. If they don't bite, the jigging style or lure should be changed.

Once fish are located, it doesn't take long to drill enough holes for tip-ups and jig poles, set up the shanty, and fire up the heater. Of course, sometimes the fishing is so fast-paced there isn't time for all of that. There are times when the fish are biting so fast that it was next to impossible to even find time to alert buddies.

Some anglers have a tendency to pick up and move a long distance to another area that's known to produce. At times this is good, but if fish were caught in a location yesterday, keep in mind that Gregg Scheffe returned to use coln where he ing, fishing, and free to contact him pictures of the inglification.

walleye don't generally move fast or far. When they follow or look for baitfish they typically only move a short distance away -- it's just a matter of finding them.

I can't tell you how many times I've heard stories of anglers fishing for a long period of time without any success. Nothing is more infuriating than to sit there trying to stay warm with nothing happening other than watching someone less than 100 yards from you catching their limit. Close doesn't put fish on the table.

Another common occurrence is a hot hole. There can be five buddies fishing with 15 tip-ups set in close proximity and one tip up is constantly catching fish. Sometimes there can be two or three tip-ups surrounding the hot hole and they don't catch a single fish. This is why moving short distances is so important.

Anglers who've spent a lot of time on Hubbard Lake know that somewhere on that lake the fish are biting, but without a lot of luck or some help it can be like finding a needle in a haystack.

Several years ago I was laid off every winter and spent a lot of time on that lake. During that time I met a lot of anglers, like myself, who spent a good deal of time fishing every winter. Several of us worked together and shared information about finding fish. A single phone call could quickly change the outcome of the day.

When that alarm goes off and the temperature outside is in the teens, it isn't easy to get out of bed. However, there's something very special about having tip-ups set, and watching the flags start flying as the sun pops over the horizon.

In addition to walleye, big yellowbellies aren't uncommon. It's not unusual for walleye anglers to catch perch in the 14 to 16-inch range. So, as the ice conditions improve, why not grab a couple of buddies and try your luck staying mobile to locate a nice catch of walleye.

Good fishing.

(After spending several years in Afghanistan, Alaska, North Dakota, and Wisconsin, Gregg Schefferly has recently returned to writing and Lincoln where he grew up hunting, fishing, and trapping. Feel free to contact him or send him pictures at northwriter@hotmail.com.)

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Lessons learned by a large white dog

By Mary Weber

Columnist

"If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die, I want to go where they went." ~ Will Rogers

Our family recently suffered the loss of one of our treasured fur-beings and it has left a Grand Canyon size hole in our home and hearts.

The hole is especially large because Lincoln, a Great Pyrenees, was a Grand Canyon-size dog.

Never having owned a Pyr, as they are affectionately called, I was ill-prepared about what to expect from this giant breed. Thank goodness he was up to the task of teaching us everything we needed to know -- and then

Lincoln came to us by way of the Alcona Human Society (AHS). I was working for AHS nearly 12 years ago when I heard a young purebred male Pyr was being surrendered. I remember the moment like it was yesterday because my heart skipped a beat at the thought a Pyr puppy was coming in.



Lincoln

I had been a fan of the breed since my early 20s when I began searching for my first dog. Growing up in the city downstate, I was dogless as a child. My parents didn't see the value in long-term, high-care pets. Instead, I grew up with shortlived goldfish, canaries and a dime store turtle, who much to my parent's surprise, lived for several years -- but was a poor excuse for a dog's affec-

Having just purchased my first home in Royal Oak, Mich., I was ready to search for the perfect dog for my young family when I spotted a polar bear looking dog casually leashed to a stroller. A toddler nearby was busy picking dandelions.

The sight of that mammoth white dog struck me as he never took his eyes off the child. It reminded me of the Nana dog in Peter Pan whose sole existence was to guard and care for the children.

It was exactly the kind of dog I wanted for my family, so I researched the breed. I read books, went to Pyr competitions and talked to breeders. Through my research, I ultimately decided a Pyr would need more room than my small Royal Oak bungalow on a postage stamp size lot could offer. I opted for a more manageable Golden retriever instead.



Alcona's Backyard By Mary Weber

Nearly 25 years later, I had the home and acreage a Great Pyrenees could feel comfortable with. Still, we already had two large, older female dogs. It didn't seem right to bring home this gigantic male. "Besides," I told myself, "he'll be adopted in just a few days time and have the 'Pyr-fect' home."

I figured if I didn't see the dog, I'd be fine letting someone else adopt him. A week went by with no adoption. I made excuses not to go back in the kennel area, but one day, when no one else was in the shelter, I heard just one bark. It was a low deep bark, a bark of royalty in the dog world, the kind that deserves respect and attention. I just had to go and see him.

nearly at the end of my patience when I finally sat down and had a heart-to-heart talk with the big guy. He seemed to understand and we came to an agreement. I'd quit trying to confine him and he'd quit chewing up my belongings, but Lincoln was a jokester, and I still had more to learn.

Lincoln taught me Pyr's are nocturnal beings. They were bred to watch their flocks of sheep on the Pyrenees mountains, so Pyr's quite often sleep with one eye open. This became evident one night when I couldn't sleep and decided to get up and watch TV in the family room.

Not wanting to disturb the whole house, I slowly, and

I slowly, and very quietly tiptoed out of the bedroom. I was still tiptoeing down the hall when I heard a slight click. I turned around to see Lincoln tiptoeing behind me. Since I stopped and turned around, Lincoln did too. After he looked behind him, he turned back and let me know the coast was clear, no one was following us.

The minute he looked at me with those soulful brown eyes, my heart melted. I opened the cage door and he embraced me with more love and affection than any animal had ever shown me.

I still had to swing the thought of adopting this furbeast by my husband and our old-lady dogs, but Lincoln had a way about him and they fell in love with him as easily as I did.

Having read so much on Pyr's long ago, I really thought I knew all about this dog. Lincoln, however, was about to teach me a lot more.

It turned out this ninemonth-old 95-pound puppy had separation anxiety. Quite often he would take the few minutes we left him alone out on things of mine, socks, slippers, books and even a brand new pair of prescription glasses to the tune of \$350.

I found out the hard way that Lincoln did not like to be crated. It couldn't be helped, I had to go away and he would have to be left alone. I coaxed him into the very large heavy duty crate with treats and then shut and latched the door. I told myself it was for his own good so he wouldn't get in trouble.

Upon my return, Lincoln greeted me at the front door wearing part of the crate. The rest had been bent and dismantled and, to really let me know how much he detested the crate, defecated on.

We built him a huge walkin dog house with a large cyclone fence around it. He never once went into the house and would only bark, that same ominous demanding bark, repeatedly until we let him out.

It was a struggle. I was

very quietly tiptoed out of the bedroom. I was still tiptoeing down the hall when I heard a slight click. I turned around to see Lincoln tiptoeing behind me. Since I stopped and turned around, Lincoln did too. After he looked behind him, he turned back and let me know the coast was clear, no one was following us.

I didn't really believe what he had just done. Was a dreaming? I took a few more tiptoe steps, stopped and looked around. Lincoln stopped tiptoeing and looked behind him again, probably a little annoyed I didn't trust him the first time. When he turned to look at me again, I could've sworn I heard him say, "Honest lady, no one is following us."

Whenever I couldn't sleep, Lincoln and I would get up and reenact that tiptoe scene and have a good chuckle each time I stopped to turn around.

As an adult, Lincoln weighed 120 pounds with a hefty appetite for good food. On all fours, he was the same height as our dining table and he used this to his advantage, grabbing anything edible within his reach. His favorite to-go snack was a stick of butter but he'd try for other things if he thought he could get away with it.

Knowing he'd grab anything on the edge of the table I'd often move food items to the middle before sitting down for dinner. Once I placed a large glass of milk in the middle of the table before returning to the kitchen for plates and silverware. I came back to find Lincoln standing with two front feet on the table licking up the last of the milk with his gigantic long

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The Village of Lincoln is seeking applications for the position of Maintenance Person. The position is for approximately 30 hours per week. A complete job description and application may be obtained online at: lincolnmi.com or by contacting Village President Sheila Phillips at 989-335-0012. Applicant must have a CDL and be able to pass a background check. Applications will be accepted until Monday February 4th, 2019 at 5 p.m. Application should be mailed to:

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Valentine's Dance at the Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road at 7 p.m. There will be food and raffles. Call (989) 736-3050 for details.

Valentine's Dance from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church. Live music provided by Skylark, featuring the vocal stylings of Kim Casey. Tickets are \$10. This is a fundraiser for Community Outreach including the Alcona Food Pantry. For tickets, call (989) 724-5450.

My Brother's Hope Free Store will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

My Brother's Hope Potluck Cafe will be serving a meal from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23). For more information, call (989) 335-

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

The Alcona Spanish Club will host an all-you-can-eat

Taco and Nacho Bar Fundraiser at Shotmaker's Sports Bar and Grill in Harrisville from 3 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults, children ages 10 and under \$5. Drinks are not included. There will be a bake sale, raffles and auctions. All proceeds will go towards the Spanish Club's trip to Peru in June.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Play pinochle at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road, at 2:30 p.m., everyone is welcome.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

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).

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WEDNESDAY, **FEBRUARY 13**

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.

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Paul Corcoran was on U. S. mine layer

Writes Interesting Letter of Trip to London and of Other Sights

January 30, 1919 ~ The following letter was written by Paul Corcoran, whose work was on the mine layer "Shawmut" in the North Sea.

Yorktown, Va., Dec. 29, 1918 Dear Mother:—

Tho't I would write you a few lines to let you know we had arrived back in the U. S. A. all O. K. We arrived here yesterday after a very pleasant trip from Weymouth, England.

I went down to London on the 7th of December for five days' leave. London is a great city but there isn't nearly as much traffic there as in New York. I saw all the principal sights, including the Tower, National Museum, National Art Galleries, etc. Went to mass at St. James cathedral, a splendid structure—so is Wetminster Abbey. I saw Buckingham palace and Windsor castle. I called on the King but he wasn't at home so I didn't have the privilege of meeting him. The city is full of sailors and soldiers of all nations. East Indians in kakhi wearing a white burnoose around their heads.

The English as a whole treat the "Yanks" as they call us very well. They don't seem to be able to do enough for us. I was talking to a "Bobby" in front of the hotel we were staying at one night and he said: "I like to see you talking to the good girls here, but we hate to see you with the street women." I told him he had little to fear on my account, but they have driven most of the street walkers from the cities. They are of course a menace to the soldiers and sailors, who must be protected at any cost. It only shows that one of my hereditary enemies was taking an interest in us.

We were met at the train by Y. M.C. A. men and taken to different hotels to stay; about 40 of us from the Shawmut were taken to the Grafton Hotel on Tottingham Court Road, about 10 mnutes walk from the Strand. The biggest Y. M. C. A. hut in the world is the Eagle Hut on the Strand. I ate there three or four times as it was cheaper than the hotels and restaurants. There are thousands of cannon in and around Covent Square Garden, that were captured from the Germans by the British. They were mostly broken by the Huns before abandoning them.

I intended to get a lot of sleep on my leave but I spent most of my time poking around looking up spots I had read about. I wish Tom could have been there too. I forgot to tell you that when we left Inverness, Scotland, for Weymouth we passed thru Scapa Flow, which will be famous for all time as the place where the German fleet surrendered. The British fleet knew we were coming and manned the rail as we passed

by between the ships; all their bands played the "Star Spangled Banner" and they all stood at salute. They gave us three cheers which we, of course, returned. There were 20 battleships and around 60 destroyers. There were 14 of us mine layers and it was a high honor they accorded us in naval custom, to review the pride of England. Before we reached the German ships the captain passed the word" that he would put the first man in the "brig" that let a peep out of him when we passed the ex-German ships. They were still manned by German crews under British guards. They all came on deck as we passed but there wasn't a word said or sound made on either side. They are fine big ships but sadly in need of paint and care.. It was a sight that I will never forget as we

passed ship after ship of a navy that refused to fight. I suppose they wondered what the queer looking ships (mine layers) were, but there was no doubt of our nationality as "Old Glory" floated over the stern of us. There were a number of subs, there, too, but the crews had been taken off them and returned to Germany to save their lives, as the British are very bitter against the U boats.

I will tell you in my next letter about our Christmas at the Azores and going to mass Christmas eve. in a sail loft. They are going to give us each a furlough but I can't take one as money is pretty scarce. I got three papers today (Reviews I mean) and very glad to get them. Will write again soon. Send mail care Postmaster. N. Y.

Love to all. Paul.

Alcona girls defeat Roscommon

January 30, 1969 ~ The Alcona girls defeated Roscomm on on January 22 by a 27 to 26 count. The game was a close hard fought defensive contest throughout. Roscommon held a 6-2 quarter lead, but Alcona came back to narrow the gap to one point at half time, 11 - 10. The Tigers outscored their opponents in the third frame to hold a 20-13 lead going into the final period and held off a final rally by the Bucks to

come out ahead at the final buzzer.

Ki Ann Kruttlin took high scoring honors with 12 points. Debbie George tallied six, Mary Somers four, and Denise Wing and Sue Frederick two each.

Guards Sue Frederick and Pat Pikl led the team in a fine defensive effort, with Sue leading in rebounds.

The victory put the girls over the .500 mark with a 3 - 2 mark in league play.

Lieut. Vean W. Miller arrives home Sunday

Saw Service on Five Fronts— Comes Through in Fine Shape.

January 30, 1919 ~ Lieutenant Vean Miller, son of Wm. M. Miller of Alcona, arrived home Sunday morning having been honorably discharged at Camp Dix, New York, following his arrival there from overseas. Lieutenant Miller's father is very low and when it became known sometime ago that the ailment was incurable, efforts were made to have the son released that he might visit his father. It is because of these efforts that father and

son were able to greet each other last Sunday.

Lieutenant Miller saw service on five fronts during the big war. He enlisted as a private in old Alpena Co. D. later a part of the fighting 32nd. which has been cited repeatedly for gallantry in action and which saw extremely hard service throughout the war. Vean saw strenuous service and came thru practically unharmed and with stripes honestly earned.

Appreciation party for the A. Cordes

January 30, 1969 ~ Barton City— An "Appreciation P arty" was given at the V.F. W. Hall in Barton City on January 25th., for Archie and Mary Cordes in recognition of their many years of service and friendship in our area. Music was furnished by Del Shea, of Barton City, and friends, Russell and Ellen, of Gaylord. A pot luck lunch was served to about two hundred guests and a good timewas reported by all.

Guests from out of town were: Fred and Nancy Dehnke of Royal Oak, Helen Dehnke and family of Berkley, Mr.

and Mrs. Norman Dehnke and family of Bloomfield Hills, Mr. and Mrs. Edward VonFintel of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson of Oscoda, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Haneckow of Oscoda, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Steadman of Harrisville, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lindow, Doris Gauthier and Marian, also of Harrisville, the Dick Gillies and the Bill Gillards of Lincoln, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Katona of Glennie. Lyle and Sandra Beck, the new owners of the Cordes Grocery, wished Mary and Archie "good health and happiness", and all wished the Becks "the best of luck in our community."



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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2019

Weekly Report

Miles Per Hour

	Temperature (F°)					
<u>Date</u>	<u>High</u>	Low	Water <u>Content</u>	Av. Wind <u>Speed</u>	High <u>Speed</u>	Dominant <u>Direction</u>
January 20	7	-4	0.01	9.5	39	NNE
January 21	14	-6	0.00	2.5	15	Ν
January 22	23	0	0.21	9.7	34	SW
January 23	31	22	0.14	2.0	14	SW
January 24	30	14.2	0.00	1.9	12	N
January 25	19	-4	0.00	2.5	20	WNW
January 26	11	-13	0.00	2.7	15	WNW

Precipitation Summary (Inches)

<u>2018-2019 Season</u>					
	Water <u>Content</u>	Snow <u>Fall</u>	Normal <u>Water Content</u>		
Weekly Total	0.36	6.9	0.37		
January to Date	0.80	11.1	1.51		
2019 Season to Date	0.80	20.1	1.51		

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



CONTINUING

- 1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the number of the U.S. highway that runs along the West
- 2. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the fastest bird in the world?
- 3. LITERATURE: What is the name of the wood carver in "The Adventures of Pinocchio"?
- **4. MOVIES:** Which 1980s movie featured the tagline, "One man's struggle to take it
- **5. ASTRONOMY:** How long is a year on the planet Mercury?
- 6. BUSINESS: Which automaker sold a line of cars called the Fairlane?
- 7. ANATOMY: How many times does the average human heart beat each day?
- 8. TELEVISION: Which 1960s television drama featured the catchphrase, "Book
- 9. ARCHITECTURE: Who designed the famous home called "Fallingwater"?
- **10. COMICS:** What is the name of the dog in the "Dennis the Menace" comic strip?

Answers: 1. U.S. Route 101; 2. The peregrine falcon, which can exceed 200 mph in a dive.; 3. Geppetto; 4. "Ferris Bueller's Day Off"; 5. 88 days; 6. Ford Motor Co.; 7. More than 100,000 times; 8. "Hawaii 5-0"; 9. Frank Lloyd Wright; 10. Ruff (c) 2019 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword ED **84** 2006 Sacha **124** Whoop it up 71 Hoopla **ACROSS** 47 German 30 Soccer star 72 Actress Mitzi 1 Shred article Baron Cohen 125 Berlin-to-Chastain 6 To another 48 U.S. architect Prague dir. **32** Body of work 73 Gold, in Italy film 85 Nobelist 75 Daring country I.M. 126 "- girl!" ("All 33 "Harrumph!" 34 Rage 49 Pet treaters 77 On deck, say 12 Buster right!") Arafat 127 Unboastful 35 "Oh wow!" Brown's dog 86 Celine of 50 Slaughter **79** Tree with 16 Mexican with a bat 128 Pastoral **36** Off course fan-shaped song 87 Many a repo 38 Birthplace of article 52 Abnormal verse leaves 19 University of plant swelling **89** Poetic form 80 Up to, in ads St. Francis 90 Holiday drink DOWN 40 Desertion of 56 Schindler 81 Young male, Maine's city 92 Left-leaning 20 News anchor with a list 1 Disk at the one's faith in hip-hop 58 Deputy of 41 Highway 82 Having five Katie slant ... and end of a spur 21 Arduous task an envoy. "Lou Grant" 2 "Three pull-off sharps Sisters" sister 42 Polynesianand old CBS 83 Central point 22 Not be idle star 97 "Hips Don't 23 Discoverer variety show **3** 61-Down themed **88** Joined with of Uranus host Lie" singer producer lounges 91 React to, as 4 Open, as a a bad pun .. and "The 63 Ballpark gate **101** — Grey 43 Quad bike, Office" 102 Special span **93** Moray, e.g. 64 Explorer shutter e.g. 44 Classic car 94 "Norma -Hernando co-star **103** Large, 5 Luau paste 95 Suffix with 26 Spoil hooded 6 Peaks 45 Actress Blyth de 65 Rose color 27 "Orinoco snake ... and 7 Nobelist **46** Turndowns compliment Flow" singer 66 Klee output "60 Minutes" 51 "Of course!" 96 Fried quickly Niels 28 Sea. to Luc **67** Bistro bills **8** Long to undo **53** 1996 role for 97 Glides on ice reporter for 29 Buenos — 68 Olay product 26 years 9 NHL's Bobby Madonna 98 Job opening 30 Commanded ... and "My 107 Cited as 10 "— for Alibi" **54** Steeping fillers 31 PCs on Cup Runneth evidence 11 1983 Mr. T 99 He directed sauce planes, often Over" singer 111 Ship sailing comedy 55 Snacker on "Life of Pi" 33 Long-range 100 Most adept 73 Sheriff Andy past sirens "— is human termites Taylor's tyke 112 **57** Capone and 104 Gaucho rope German gun of WWI ... 74 Coach Ordinary' 13 Bays, e.g. Unser 105 Mali's cont. 59 Dupe and "Apollo Parseghian 113 Suffix with 14 Detective. 106 Kin of khaki 13" Oscar 107 Natty tie **75** — polloi 66-Across slangily **60** Plus more: **76** "T.N.T." rock **114** Liquefy nominee 15 Suffix with Abbr. 108 'Vette, e.g. **37** Letter #3 115 Rolodex no. 61 Reef stuff 109 Atelier tripod band priest 38 Bern's river 77 Game venue 116 Money from 16 Hedy of film 62 Guitar 110 Reflect (on) pioneer Paul **39** To the extent **78** Officer 17 National park 113 Rural hotels investments that played by ... and in Maine wise guy, 116 Thurman of eh?" **40** 1975 Phil Silvers 18 Italicize, "Prime" Reagan 117 Tokyo, once Wimbledon cabineteer 69 Caring ... and e.g. winner ... and 1970s-'80s 121 Previous to 24 Electrical 70 Martin Luther 118 Fizzling thing "Shape of New York 122 Jib holder current unit opponent 119 Opal finish? You" singer 123 "No clue" 25 Move quickly 120 Hosp. scan City mayor Johann 13 14 17 19 20 21 23 26 24 25 27 28 29 30 32 39 38 48 49 50 52 53 54 55 56 160 59 162 63 64 65 66 67 68 169 72 73 74 84 78 80 | 81 | 82 79 83 85 86 87 89 90 96 91 92 93 94 98 100 103 104 | 105 | 106 107 108 | 109 | 110 111 112 113 115 117 | 118 | 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128

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- On Feb. 6, 1820, the first organized immigration of freed slaves to Africa from the United States departs New York on a journey to Sierra Leone, in West Africa. The expedition was partially funded by the U.S. Congress, which appropriated
- On Feb. 9, 1900, the silver trophy known today as the Davis Cup is first put up for competition when American collegian Dwight Filley Davis challenges British tennis players to come across the Atlantic and compete against his Harvard team. In 1904, Belgium and France entered the competition.
- On Feb. 8, 1924, America's first execution by lethal gas is carried out in Nevada. The executed man was Tong Lee, who was convicted of murdering a rival Chinese gang member. Lethal gas was seen as a more humane method of carrying out death sentences.
- On Feb. 4, 1938, Walt Disney releases "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," the first animated feature to be produced in English and in Technicolor. Naysayers warned him that audiences, especially adults, wouldn't sit through a featurelength cartoon fantasy about dwarfs. The film was a smash
- On Feb. 10, 1962, downed American U-2 spy plane pilot Francis Gary Powers is exchanged by the USSR for Soviet Col. Rudolf Abel, a senior KGB spy captured in the U.S., on the Glienicker Bridge linking East and West Berlin. The event inspired the 2015 film "Bridge of Spies."
- On Feb. 7, 1964, Pan Am Yankee Clipper flight 101 from London Heathrow lands at New York's Kennedy Airport -- and "Beatlemania" arrives. The Beatles were greeted by 3,000 screaming fans who caused a near riot.
- On Feb. 5, 1994, Byron de la Beckwith is convicted of the assassination of civil-rights leader Medger Evers 31 years earlier, ending the lengthiest murder case in American history. Two earlier juries refused to convict. The third sent Beckwith to jail for life.

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Strange But True By Samantha Weaver

- It was Leroy "Satchel" Paige, arguably the best pitcher in baseball history, who made the following sage observation: "Never look back. Something might be gaining on you."
- The "Harley" in "Harley-Davidson" comes from William Harley, one of the motorcycle company's three founders. His is a common surname in England with roots in Old English, in which language it means, literally, "pile of rocks."
- A narwhal's horn isn't a horn; it's a tooth -- the left front tooth, to be specific. As such, it's considered to be a tusk, making the narwhal the world's only animal with a tusk that's straight rather than curved. The tusk was highly prized in the Middle Ages, fetching as much as 10 times its weight in gold for those fortunate enough to have one to sell.
- Those who study such things say that millions of trees are planted accidentally when absent-minded squirrels forget where they buried their nuts.
- · Charlie Chan, the fictional Honolulu detective, was created in 1919 by novelist Earl Derr Biggers. The books featuring Chan became so popular that the character made the leap to radio, movies and television. Even though more than a dozen actors have portrayed the detective over the years, not one of them has been of Chinese ancestry.
 - A scorpion can live for an entire year without eating.
- In the 1830s you could give someone a "blizzard." Back then, of course, the word wasn't referring to a snowstorm; rather, that phrase meant to give someone a piece of one's mind.
- In the original calculations made by NASA experts, a landing on the moon was thought to have only a 5 percent chance of success.

Thought for the Day: "One dog barks at something, the rest bark at him." -- Chinese proverb

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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: D equals T

QCD BARSHW RAJCS BAVBSKVCVF UARS JSKW HMVFSKANU UNXSK-

XADSVD YKSPU:

"DQS YMH VSPU YSSKU."

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Peru Continued from page 1 -

or sounds like the way going to watch a condor, the largthere does," she said.

Kozlow explained as a parent she is committed to teaching her daughters, 13-yearold Abby and 11-year-old Lily as well as her niece about the world outside of Alcona County.

"There are people who have different ideas and different home styles, they eat different food and wear different clothes, yet fundamentally are the same as us in so many ways. Any way I can encourage or be a part of kids seeing more of the world and being exposed to cultures and arts and other ways of life, I am absolutely going to try and participate in. If I get to go myself, even better. I will say my own girls are very put out they don't get to go to Peru, but I told them their time will come," Kozlow said.

The group will fly out of Detroit Metropolitan Airport, will land in the Peruvian capital city of Lima before heading to Arequipa where a trip to the Colca Canyon awaits

est flying bird in the western hemisphere, take flight in the 13,648 feet canyon.

They will experience a visit to hot springs where water flows from active, nearby volcanoes, and a chance to see the beginning ceremony of the Fiesta del Sol-Inti Raymi, (Incan festival of the sun), an to seeing the picturesque town of Japura where the mountain of Vinicunca offers a natural rainbow of colors on its range. It is known as the mountain of seven colors where llamas, alpacas, sheep and horses call it home. "This is my fourth visit to Peru, but I have never seen the moun-

students are looking forward

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Jennifer Kozlow Peru Trip Chaperone

important religious festival of the Incan empire.

The group will take a guided tour of Machu Picchu, Lake Titicaca and a motorboat trip to visit Los Uros where they will see over 30 floating reed islands which people live on.

Willey and many of her

tain of seven colors. I'm pretty excited," Willey said.

The trip will include many historical sites including temples, tombs, archaeological ruins, palaces and cathedrals including the Basilica Cathedral and a visit to the pre-Inca salt mines of Maras. Before leaving Peru, the group will attend a water, light and music show at the Magical Circuit of Waters, the largest water source complex in the

Miranda Baker said she is very glad her aunt is attending the trip. Baker is, however, a little nervous about the food. "I've been a vegetarian for three years and many of the traditional foods in Peru involve meat but I'm excited to learn about the culture," Baker said.

Both Baker and sophomore Camaron Harris, said they were very nervous about the flight as neither of them have traveled by plane before. Both said it would be worth the flight to see Machu Picchu and Vinicunca, the mountain of seven colors.

Harris feels the trip will enhance what she has learned in Spanish class but wonders if what she knows will be enough. "I'm not very confident in my Spanish. I know I could speak to someone and have a conversation, but it's a little nerve-wracking," Harris said.

Willey hopes this trip will open new opportunities for the students and will be the beginning of many trips abroad for the school. She has already begun signing students up for the next planned trip to Costa Rica in June of 2020 which offers a reduced fare of \$2,625 if students sign up before March.

Willey encourages the community to attend the taco nacho event Shotmakers on February 10 from 3 to 7 p.m. to support the students. A bake sale, auction and 50/50 raffle is planned. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and under. Shotmakers is located at the corner of US-23 and M-72 in Harrisville. Auction items and baskets are still requested and ap-

For more information on either the Peru or the Costa Rica trip contact Willey by email at willeym@alconaschools.net.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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The mortgage described below is in default: Mortgage made by Matthew John Grams a/k/a Matthew J. Grams and Emily E. Grams, husband and wife, to GreenStone Farm Credit Services, FLCA, mortgagee in a mortgage dated October 18, 2016, and recorded in the office of the Alcona County Register of Deeds on October 18, 2016, in Liber 526, pages 1,485-1,489, instrument No. 201600003312 of Alcona County records.

The balance claimed owing on the mortgage at the time of this notice is five hundred seventythree thousand one hundred fiftyone and 68/100 (\$573,151.68) dollars. The mortgage contains a power of sale, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the debt secured by the mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, take notice that the mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the property described in the mortgage at public auction on Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2019, at 10 a.m., at the south entrance of the Alcona County Courthouse, 106 5th Street, Harrisville, Michigan (that being the place where the Alcona County circuit court is held). The mortgagee will apply the sale proceeds to the debt on the mortgage, as stated above, plus interest charges at the rate of 13.25 percent, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law or contract, and also any amount which may be paid by the mortgagee to protect

its interest in the property. The property to be sold at fore-

closure is described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as follows,

Parcel 1: Commencing at the southeast corner of Section 18, T26N, R9E; thence N. 89 deg. 41'54"W along an existing fence line 993.25 feet; thence N. 00 deg. 45'05"W 988.05 feet; thence S. 89 deg. 14'55"E 993.22 feet; thence S. 00 deg. 45'05"W along the east line of said section and the centerline of Coville Road 412.65 feet: thence N. 89 deg. 14'55"W 316.80 feet; thence S. 00 deg. 45'05"W 198.00 feet; thence S. 89 deg. 14'55"E 316.80 feet; thence S. 00 deg. 45'05"W along the east line of said section and the centerline of Coville Road 369.60 feet to the point of begin-

Township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan. Tax Parcel ID No. believed to be, for reference only: 060-018-400-080-00.

Parcel 3: Commencing at the northwest corner of the W-1/2 of the NW-1/4 of Section 20, T26N, R9E; thence south along the centerline of Coville Road 16 rods to the point of beginning; thence east 20 rods; thence south 16 rods; thence west 20 rods; thence north 16 rods along the centerline of Coville Road to the point of beginning.

Township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan. Tax Parcel ID No. believed to be, for reference only: 060-020-200-015-00. Parcel 4: Beginning at the south-

west corner of Section 17, T26N, R9E; thence N. 00 deg. 05'51"W along the west line of said section and the centerline of Coville

Road 1205.37 feet; thence N. 89 deg. 30'32"E 295.09 feet; thence S. 00 deg. 05'51"E 21.82 feet; thence N. 89 deg. 30'52"E 1022.25 feet; thence S. 00 deg. 07'20"E along the west 1/8 line of said section 841.61 feet; thence N. 85 deg. 08'19"W 208.51 feet; thence S. 05 deg. 19'38" W 365.56 feet; thence S. 89 deg. 38'14"W along the south line of said Section 1,075.40 feet to the point of beginning. Description taken from survey recorded in Liber 441, page 990, Alcona County records. Township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan. Tax Parcel ID No, believed to be, for reference only: 060-017-300-080-00.

The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of sale pursuant to MCL §600.3240, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: January 16, 2019 GreenStone Farm Credit Services, FLCA, Mortgagee Drafted by:

J. Joseph Purtell, Attorney for Mortgagee Birchler, Fitzhugh, Purtell & Brissette, PLC 900 Center Avenue

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Alcona County Board of Commissioners is seeking applications for the position for janitorial/ custodian assistant. Part time position, 28 hours per week, afternoon and evenings. Duties include, but are not limited to; cleaning floors, restrooms, windows, clear sidewalks of ice and snow, perform monthly safety checks. Must be self-motivated, able to pass background check, stand and walk for long periods, traverse up and down steps, able to lift 50 pounds. Application and job description is available at www.alconacountymi.com, in the Alcona County clerk's office, 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740, or call (989) 724-9410. Application deadline is Monday February 18, 2019 at noon.

The Alcona County Road Commission is accepting bids for purchasing our annual materials and asphalt project bids for the 2019 year.

Bid price must include cost of delivery to Lincoln, Michigan. Information and specifications for bid forms may be obtained at the Alcona County Road Commission, 301 N. Lake St., Lincoln, MI 48742, 989-736-8168, website roads@alconacrc.com, www.alconacrc.com. Sealed proposals must be received by Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 4p.m.

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

Caledonia Township Board met on January 23. All board members were present. Motion to approve the agenda; January 9 minutes; pay bills; hire RS Scott to write a grant for the Northend Park; decrease hall rental fees;

and send Dean MacKinnon to the board of review workshop. Motion to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. All motions passed. Next township meeting is February 13, at 7 p.m. at the township hall.

Kerry Scott, Caledonia Township Clerk

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tongue. The glass was never moved and not a drop of milk was spilled.

Poultry was irresistible to Lincoln. If a piece of chicken fell off a plate, he would be there to swallow it whole before it ever reached the floor.

One Thanksgiving he let us know exactly how much he loved poultry after I had mistakenly left a half-carved turkey carcass on the kitchen counter. We were in the dining room enjoying our meal when I heard a slight thump from the kitchen. I walked in to see Lincoln up on the counter eating the insides of the turkey wearing the carcass much like a turkey hat. He was quite displeased I scolded him and took his turkey hat away. He pouted about it for two days, giving me the look we called the Pyr stink-eye.

Lincoln would remind us to always watch our step. Having a five and a half foot spine, he took up a lot of room lying down and would always lie where the most traffic was occurring. We grew accustomed to stepping over him without thought, but occasionally, especially if he wasn't getting the attention he deserved, he'd stick his paw out and trip us when we least expected it.

Lincoln taught us that Pyr's, as a rule, do not take direction and anything we asked of him was merely a suggestion, not a command. It was beneath him to fetch, sit, come, stay, heal or stop on command and when we made these suggestions, he would completely ignore them and again, we'd get the stinkeye.

While all this may have pet owners swearing off from ever considering a Pyr, it was these traits which we grew to love about him. Now he is gone, it's the things we miss the most. That dog made us laugh.

Lincoln was probably the most perceptive being I've ever known. He would know when we had a bad day and intuitively rest his head on our lap. He didn't do it for attention, he simply wanted to comfort us.

He guarded us like his flock of sheep, always keeping a close eye on us. If a child came into the house, he instinctively cradled the child so no harm could come to them. He had a soft spot for older folks as demonstrated to us when my husband's mother, Agnes, a spry 95 years young, moved in.

Lincoln was already a senior dog when Agnes arrived and although he was past his optimal life span and very arthritic, for the last two years he never left his Lady Agnes' side until his last day. He was in so much pain he could



no longer get up when she did but kept an eye on her the best he could.

He wouldn't leave this world until I promised I would take care of his Lady Agnes. As I looked into those same big brown puppy eyes that stole my heart many years ago, I told him about his future life without arthritis pain. I told him someday I would find him at the rainbow bridge where he would be playing like a puppy. He looked at me, winked his eye and laid his head down in my lap for the last time.

Lincoln taught us so many things; that good dogs can be found in a shelter, patience and love pay off, and guard with vigilance, especially the very young and the very old.

He taught us to look where we are going, to value our

possessions and never miss an opportunity for a tasty snack. To bark if necessary and that sometimes just being there is more important than words.

Above all, he taught us to not take life too seriously and laugh whenever possible.

At night, when I go tiptoeing down the hallway, I still think I hear Lincoln tiptoeing behind me.

(Mary Weber was born and raised in the suburbs of Detroit, Mich. She moved to Alcona County in 2005 with her husband, Willy, when he retired. Life in the north woods, away from city life presents new experiences not only with nature but with a community of caring, friendly people, they now consider family...and they love every minute of it.)

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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on January 14 at the city office. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by mayor Gehring and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said.

Present: Mayor Gehring, treasurer Keerl, clerk Pierce and council members, Peterson, Kaiser, Baird, Ferguson and guests. Absent: Attorney Cook.

Mayor Gehring offered the city's condolences to Louis Campbell's family and remarked that Louis had been a maintenance employee for the city for 17 years. Louie's vast knowledge of the city maintenance requirements and his friendly demeanor were a staple in the city on a day-to- day basis. Having grown up in Alcona County, Louis could be counted on to share his memories and knowledge about most people and places in the area. Louis's friendly smile and acknowledging hand wave were something everyone could count on. His presence will be greatly missed in our city.

Motion by Ferguson, support by Baird to approve the minutes of December 10, 2018 amended with corrections. Motion carried 4-0. Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to pay the bills in the amount of \$24,251.15. Motion carried 4-0. Motion by Baird, support by Ferguson, to confirm David Cook as city attorney. Motion carried 4-0. Mayor Gehring addressed the appointment confirmations of Alderman for Wards I and III. Motion by Baird, support by Ferguson, to confirm and appoint Abigail Thomas as alderman Ward I. Motion carried: 4-0. Motion by Kaiser, support by Baird, to confirm and appoint Barbara Luenberger to alderman Ward III. Motion carried: 4-0.

The oath of office was administrated by clerk Pierce. Thomas and Luenberger were invited to take their place at council table. Congratulations to the new council representatives.

Motion by Baird, support by Peterson, to set city council meeting times, at city hall, as the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Baird, support by Ferguson, to appoint Barbara Luenberger as mayor pro tem. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Thomas, support by Peterson, to appoint Marjory French as deputy clerk for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Luenberger, support by Ferguson, to appoint Rita Kaiser as deputy treasurer for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Ferguson, support by Thomas, to appoint Jim Kaiser as street and sidewalk administrator for 2019. Motion carried: 6-0. Motion by Luenberger, support by Peterson, to reconfirm clerk as city census administrator for 2019. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Baird, support by Kaiser, to confirm Abigail Thomas as chamber of commerce representative for 2019. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Thomas, support by Peterson, to confirm Jim Kaiser as FEMA representative for 2019. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Ferguson, support by Baird, to confirm Nick Failla as city web site coordinator for 2019. Motion carried 6-0.

In old business, mayor Gehring updated council as to the status of the playground grant and additional updates with Nico Tucker, state representative for the state playground grant award.

Motion by Peterson, support by Thomas, to appoint Barbara Luenberger and Jim Kaiser to the finance committee for the term ending December 31, 2019. Motion carried: 6-0. Motion by Luenberger, support by Baird, to confirm appointment of Richard Dunn to the tax board of review for the term ending December 31, 2019. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger, to appoint Ann Thibodeau-Ashford to fill a vacancy on the planning commission. Motion carried: 6-0. Motion by Ferguson, support by Baird, to give clerk approval to advertise, once a month, with brief job descriptions, for the following vacancies to be filled: planning commission- four vacancies, (city resident), zoning board of appeals, one vacancy and one alternate, (city resident), tax board of review, one vacancy and one alternate (city resident). Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Luenberger, to reconfirm and accept the investment policy as presented by the treasurer for 2019 using the following banks: Huron Community Bank, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, Northland Area Federal Credit Union, and M Bank. Motion carried: 6-0.

Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger, for the Harrisville Lions Club to use city property at the Mill Pond raceway and Mill Creek -- including use of the harbor pavilion area -- for the annual Duck Race scheduled for Saturday, July 5 and 6. The Harrisville Lions Club is also asking permission to place the advertising "ducks" around town the week before Memorial Day. Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger, to allow Lions Club to place advertising ducks in strategic places around town, excluding attaching ducks to Main Street fences. Motion carried: 6-0. Motion by Peterson, support by Thomas, to award Jackie Trimmer, beautification chairperson, the sum of \$500 for the annual planting of the flower pots on Main Street. Motion carried: 6-0.

Motion by Baird, support by Peterson, to grant permission to Maria Minch to hold the second annual Rosemary Memorial 5K Run on Saturday, June 29. Motion carried: 6-0.

Motion by Ferguson, support by Luenberger, for approval for clerk to submit the MDOT application for use of M-72 and US-23 for annual activities use permit for 2019. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger, to reappoint Dennis Swanson, Janet Mansfield, Walt Wynblat to the harbor commission, term ending December 31, 2021. Motion carried: 6-0.

Reports: Mayor Gehring gave Verizon cellular update. Cell service is up and running. Clerk Pierce reported the Summer Concert dates have been set for July 10, 17, 24, 31, and August 7, 2019. Voting, as determined by city council members, for the most festive holiday lighting in the city this season, with a Consumers Energy \$50 gift certificate to the winner, goes to: Beth Welton of 204 S. Third Street. Congratulations. Treasurer Keerl asked about process to update new website, He has also received the first of three state licenses required to operate and maintain the city water and sewer facilities. Keerl also informed council that there will be a representative from the Michigan Rural Waterways Association coming weekly to help with the testing and any updates of

the city wells. Suez of Alpena will help with the testing of the waste water system on a monthly basis.

Motion by Baird, support by Ferguson, to advertise for a city maintenance worker position. Motion carried: 6-0. Mayor Gehring, treasurer Keerl and alderman Luenberger will be the members of the hiring committee to review all applications and be part of the interview process.

Discussion by Baird to create a vacancy on the harbor commission so there are sufficient members for a quorum. Motion by Luenberger, support by Ferguson, to remove Bob Sanderson from the harbor commission to create a vacancy to be filled to have a quorum. Motion carried: 6-0. Harbor commissioner Baird shared that the harbor will be visited by the DNR as to the ongoing dock project. Tiffany Wilson can be contacted at the harbor, (989) 724-5712, in the absence of harbormaster Jim Ferguson.

Planning commissioner Baird reported that the planning commission has elected new officers, Tony Haight is chairperson, John Swise is vice chairperson, Barbara Luenberger is secretary. Marijuana ordinances were discussed. The planning commission approved the planning commission final report 2018 as prepared by Cecile Pizer.

Alderman Mary Peterson has agreed to be city council representative to the Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) core committee. Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger, to appoint Mary Peterson as city council representative to the RRC. Motion carried: 6-0.

Fire chief Dan Klukowski reported the total of fire runs and Medical First Responder calls for the month of November. Chief Klukowski also reported he has received five applications for fire fighter volunteers for the department. Scott Rice, director of Alcona County EMS, will be teaching a Fire Fighter I course in October, and all new volunteers are encouraged to take the certification course. Chief Klukowski is also looking to generate interest in a Medical First Responders class.

Airport assistant manager Colleen Higgins reported that the terminal building has been cleaned with removal of much of the old furniture and repairs on the building have been done as well. Comment cards: Guest Patty Thomas reported on a Planned Women's March on January 21 in Harrisville. Also, the library will host a conversation on the Waterways display which the library hosted, on January 19. Cecile Pizer commented on the possibility of televising city council meetings.

Council last comments: Alderman Ferguson thanked the voters in the community for the opportunity to serve the city as an elected alderman

Next city council meeting is February 11 at 7 p.m.

Ferguson moved meeting to be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m. Published prior to council approval.



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