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New mayor feels good about city's progress

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Things are moving forward in the City of Harrisville, the new cell phone tower is up, a new playscape and a gas shack will be installed at the harbor and the hope of bringing new business into the city is on the horizon, all things the new mayor feels will strengthen and enhance the city.

Mayor Jeffrey Gehring has only been in the seat for four months and said he loves his new job. "I enjoy the people I work with. I really enjoy the (city) council. We have a strong community-oriented group here who lives and breathes Harrisville. I couldn't be prouder or ask for a better group to work with," Gehring said.

He explained over the past four months a lot has happened, "The phone tower is up and operational, we are very excited about it. We can actually make calls now from home and they go through. No more dropped calls," Gehring said.

He said the new playscape will probably break ground this spring and the next phase

of the Harbor renovations will be starting as soon as the ice melts. This phase will focus on fuel and sewage with plans to build a new fuel shack. Gehring said he has looked over the print plans with the harbormaster and was quite pleased.

"The old gas shack wasn't bad, but this one is going to be really sharp and eye-catching. We are just waiting for the ice to go away. I think everybody is ready for winter to go away," Gehring said.

The biggest changes coming to the city, Gehring hopes, is for new business to start taking notice of Harrisville's abundant beauty and charm. One of the ways to attract new business was to help pave the way and welcome new retail marijuana storefronts.

To do this the city council unanimously voted to hire Tom Reif from Au Gres, Mich., as a planning and zoning consultant to change the city's planning and zoning ordinance to accommodate the legal sales of marijuana.

"We feel this will be a good building block for future enterprises to come to our town, to see this a viable commu-



Jeff Gehring, mayor of Harrisville, is enjoying his new position. Photo by Mary Weber.

nity and a good place to set up shop. It's a wonderful beautiful city. Let's do what we can to stimulate economy," Gehring said.

With many other townships in the county voting to opt out of having legal marijuana stores in their communities, Gehring explained the City of Harrisville felt eventually the sight of them will become mainstream and widespread.

"Our mindset was if we adopt it now, we will be fur-

ther ahead of the game versus other communities who are opting out. Some of those communities opted out because they are waiting for the state to make up (its) mind on some issues. How long is that going to take? Six months? Two years? No one knows what the time set will be. We either do it now or do it later. Our thinking was to get a jump start on it and strike while the iron is hot," he said.

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Students share ideas on how to improve school

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Students spend a great deal of their lives inside their school and many have valid ideas on how their school life can be improved. Often, however, those ideas are never heard by the people who can help to make the improvements.

In order to allow those ideas to be heard, Dan O'Connor,

superintendent of Alcona Community Schools, visited with 10 classrooms last month. He left each classroom with ideas for improvement, hope for a bright future and fulfilled a personal goal to reconnect with students.

"It was interesting and cool. Every age group I spoke with had similar themes which included after-school activities and transportation home

after those activities," O'Connor said.

He explained having additional after school activities and providing transportation home for students was already on the school's radar, but having students tell him how it would benefit them sped up the process to seek grants which could help with funding both activity and transportation costs.

Classrooms from third through twelfth grade shared ideas with O'Connor on the different types of activities which could be offered. Many students asked for a wrestling program to be brought back to the school. O'Connor said they were already working on it and just needed to find the right coach to kickstart the program.

He explained the third and fifth-grade students were far more communicative and enjoyed sharing a multitude of ideas, making his time with them very enjoyable. However, he was very impressed with the middle and high school students who sought a more grounded education and wanted basic life skill classes taught after school.

"I don't think they are looking for a home economics course, but just some basic skills. Every middle school and high school class I spoke with discussed this at length and there was a lot of interest," O'Connor said.

While listening to what the students wanted, O'Connor urged them to think of ideas which were tangible. For instance, he acknowledged, getting artificial turf for the football field probably wasn't realistic. He told them to con-

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School district considers in-county food service

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Alcona Community Schools is considering its options with the school's food service and is looking into having an in-district service rather than the outside the county service they have had for several years.

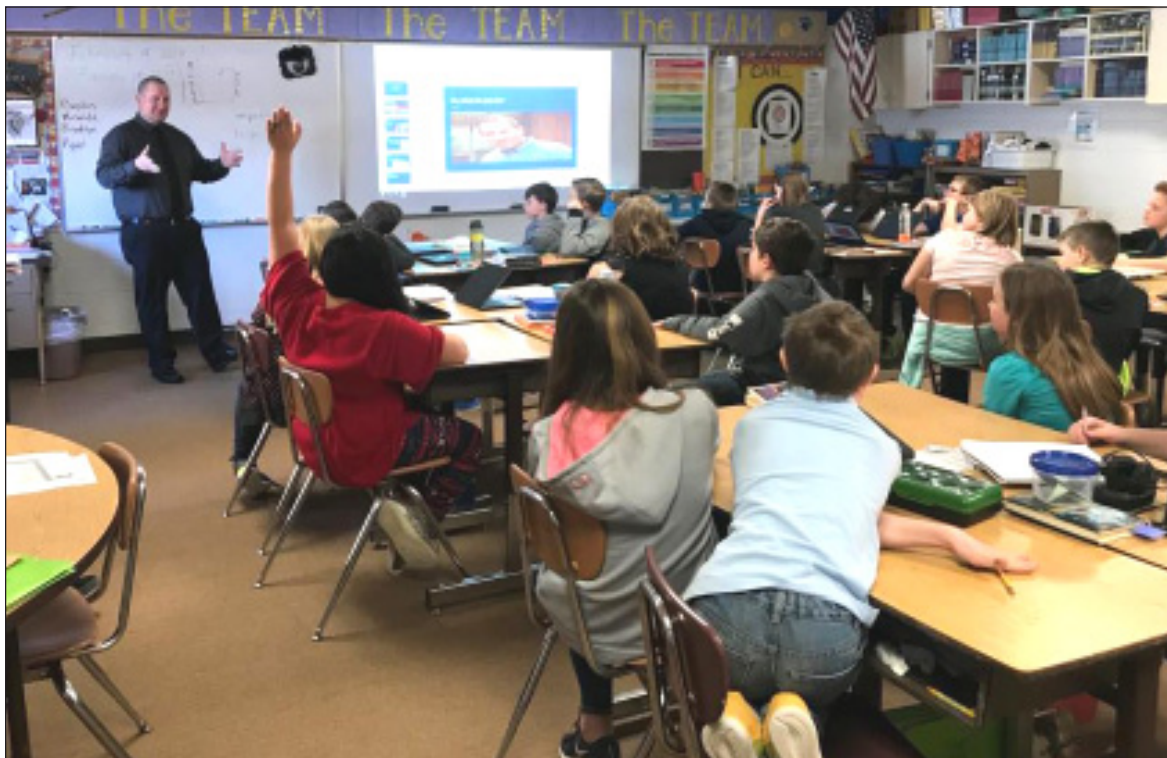
Superintendent Dan O'Connor said the service they had through Alpena Montmorency Alcona Education Service District (AMAESD) business services will be going through some changes in the coming year with retirements and employee transfers.

"When we first contracted with AMAESD it was a different financial time for the district, there was heavy changeover happening in the district office with our business manager retiring. Now with the changes at AMAESD, the board thought it would be a good opportunity to evaluate the food service and bring back a position here in district rather than contract out," O'Connor said.

In order to begin the process, O'Connor explained they did quite a bit of research meeting with other districts to find comparable models. The school then advertised for a business manager/food service director mid-February with all applications due by February 28.

"It's early, the fiscal year doesn't start until July 1, but we wanted to get out in front of this and see if we could find some viable candidates. The feedback about bringing it back to the district has been really

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Alcona Schools Superintendent Dan O'Connor talks to students in Rene Holmes' fifth grade classroom. Courtesy photo.




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Obituaries

Carol E. Hodges

Carol Elaine Hodges, 87, of Oscoda died on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at home.

She was born August 13, 1931 in Pontiac, Mich. to Virgil and Fern (Lovelace) Poland.

Mrs. Hodges is survived by one daughter, Brenda Hodges Dodson of Grass Valley, Calif.; one son, Hugh David Hodges of New Baltimore, Mich.; five grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren. and two great-great-grandchildren.

She is predeceased by her husband, Hugh Hodges Jr.; one son, Joseph K. Hodges; her parents and siblings.

The funeral was held on Saturday, March 16 at Calvary Baptist Church in Mikado. The Rev. Tim Steiner officiated. Burial will be in Pine Crest Cemetery in the spring.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice Compassus, 3217 W M55, West Branch, Mich. 48661.

Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Kathleen A. Lawver

Kathleen A. Lawver, 84, of Spruce, died on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at home.

She was born August 27, 1934 to James and Pauline (Mading) Shanahan in Inkster, Mich., where she was raised.

Mrs. Lawver was a longtime resident of Dearborn, Mich. and worked as an OB/GYN registered nurse.

She retired to Spruce in the early 1970s. She loved Hubbard Lake, especially fishing. She enjoyed traveling, dancing and taking care of her dogs.

Mrs. Lawver is survived by one son, Steve Lawver of Spruce; two granddaughters, Chrissy Lundgen and Megan Lawver; and one cousin, Walter Peters.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald Lawver in 2004, and one brother.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Diane K. McCoy

Diane Kay McCoy, 70, of Harrisville, died on Sunday, March 17, 2019 at home.

She was born June 17, 1948 to Alvin J. and Dorothy M. (Shotwell) Lapan in Bay City, Mich. She was raised in Bay City, Mich and Linwood, Mich. She graduated from T.L. Handy High School in Bay City, Mich. in 1966.

On September 14, 1968, she married Edward McCoy in Bay City, Mich.

Mrs. McCoy was a long-time employee of the Michigan Department of Human Services. She was a resident of Alcona County for more than 35 years. She was a member of St. Gabriel Catholic Church, and its altar society.

She loved playing bingo and playing cards. She was a talented seamstress and enjoyed sewing clothes for her grandchildren.

Mrs. McCoy is survived by her husband, R. Edward McCoy; one son, Jeffrey (Vicki) McCoy; one daughter, Jodie (Jeff) McCoy; two grandchildren, Willow M. (Austin Pietryga) Ralph, and Noah M. Ralph; one brother, Richard (Barb) Lapan; one sister-in-



law, Debra Aguirre; six nephews, Aaron (Viviani) Aguirre, Andrew (Alicia) Aguirre, Derek (Tory) Aguirre, Steven Lapan, Anthony Lapan, and Kevin Lapan; and dear friend and caregiver, Mandy Alvarez.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her father and mother-in-law, Ralph and Irene McCoy; and her brother-in-law, Nick Aguirre.

A funeral Mass will be held on Wednesday, March 20 at 11 a.m. at St. Gabriel Catholic Church in Black River. The Rev. Robert Bissot will officiate. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. at the church. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in the spring.

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 good from the community, but we won't do it just to do it. We have to find the right person. It's a huge responsibility. Luckily, we have had a solid number of candidates apply and a handful look very strong. We are very encouraged," O'Connor said.

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Calendar of Events

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

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, MARCH 21

Join your 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.

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.

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).

The 4-H Archery Group will meet from 5:45 to 8 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

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

International Great Lakes Cruising will be presented by Michael Beaulac at the Great Lake Maritime Heritage Center, 500 West Fletcher Street in Alpena at 7 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m. A short history will be given on the Great Lakes passenger ships as well as the recent global cruising industry's growing interest in the Great Lakes as an international destination. This event is free and open to the public. Call (989) 884-6200 for details. This event was rescheduled due to severe weather.

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

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

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.

Grand Art and Dinner will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street at 2:30 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.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Spring Break Family Matinee - Sanctuary Cinema Series at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 West Fletcher Street in Alpena from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Enjoy an hour and a half of family matinee selections of Great Lakes themed films. This event is free and open to the public. Call (989) 884-6200 for details.

A CPR/AED class will be offered free at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 Second Street in Harrisville from 10 a.m. to noon. If you need a certificate for taking the class, it will cost \$45 per person qualified. For more information, call Linda at (989) 747-8060.

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.

A snowshoe-horseshoe tournament for Special Olympics will be held at the Barton city Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road. Sign-up begins at noon, games begin at 1:15 p.m. There is a \$5 entry fee and draw for partners. There will be food, prizes, raffles and fun for all. Call (989) 736-3050 for details.

A spaghetti dinner fundraiser for Doug Rifenbark will be held at the Glennie Tavern, 3229 South State Road (M-65) at 4 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for ages 10 and under. Proceeds will go to help with medical expenses. For more information, call Shannon at (989) 464-9307 or Jessie at (586) 222-1277.

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

Enjoy an afternoon of folk music with Lee Kitzman at the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library, 211 North First Avenue in Alpena at 2 p.m. This is an all ages concert and is free and open to the public. Call (989) 356-6188 for details.

MONDAY, MARCH 25

There will be a special Get Crafty from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of

the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. The Twisted Twins from Tawas City will be at the library with all necessary supplies to make an amazing string art "State of MI." There is a \$20 supply fee. To register, call (989) 724-6796.

Community singers practice for Good Friday service at the Lincoln Methodist Church, 101 East Main Street at 7:15 p.m. For more information, call Linda at (989) 747-8060 or Susan at (989) 724-6365.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

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).

The Alcona County Democratic Party will hold its monthly business meeting at the Alcona County EMS building at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

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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Artists are encouraged to participate in the annual poster contest for Sunrise Side Wine, Brew & Food Festival's event again this summer. This year is the 25th anniversary of this event held at the Harrisville Harbor in July. The winner will receive \$200. The contest is sponsored by Harrisville Arts Council. The deadline is quickly approaching - April 5. For details, see poster contest application on the Harrisville Arts Council Facebook page or go to www.harrisville-artsCouncil.com/events.

String Art Class

The Twisted Twinz from Tawas City will teach a string art class at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on March 25 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All necessary supplies will be provided to make a string art "State of Michigan." There is a \$20 supply fee for the class. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information and to register.

Art on Display

The artwork of the Northeast Michigan Artists' Guild will be featured starting Wednesday, March 27 at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. The theme this year is "Whatever the Weather" and will feature

art of various media, including oils, watercolors, pastels, and collage. The community is invited to a reception in honor of these local artists on Wednesday, March 27 at 1:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library. The art will be on display till April 24.

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, March 25—Baked chicken, red parsley potato, squash, tossed salad, and pears.
 - Tuesday, March 26—Fish almondine, baked potato, green beans, and mandarin oranges.
 - Wednesday, March 27—Pepper steak over brown rice, mixed vegetables, and pineapple.
 - Thursday, March 28—Pork roast, mashed potatoes, baby carrots, and flavored applesauce.
 - Friday, March 29—Bourbon chicken, sweet potatoes, peas, tossed salad, and mixed fruit.
- (Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)*

Cake Pans at the Library

Everyone knows that the library is where to get books, but cake pans are available too. The Alcona County Library has recently acquired cake pans ranging from a pumpkin to SpongeBob SquarePants. Now local bakers can skip the expense of buying a pan that gets a single use. The pans come in a large plastic bag with instructions for baking and decorating. Patrons can use their library card to check it out for two weeks, wash it, and bring it back. The cake pans are held at the main branch in Harris-

ville but can be put on hold and sent to one of the local branches for easy pick up. While there, browse the shelves, the library has many books for cake inspiration, recipes, and fun. For more information, call the Harrisville branch at (989) 724-6796

Genealogical Presentation

Huron Shores Genealogical Society will present, "Did You Look?" with Kris Rzepczynski and Melissa Tennant Rzepczynski on Saturday, March 30 at the Robert Parks Library, Oscoda from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event is free and open to the public, but registration is required, call the Parks Library at (989)739-9581.

The presentation will encompass several topics including suggestions on places that tend to be overlooked or are unfamiliar with where ancestors might be "hiding." There will be a session on the Michigan naturalization records being indexed by volunteers on FamilySearch.org. Once completed these records will be available free on SeekingMichigan.org. There will also be a brief overview of the Genealogy Center of the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Ind. This library has one of the largest genealogy collections, much closer than the Family Search Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Attendees are asked to bring their lunch, there will be snacks in the morning and water and coffee throughout the day and dessert at lunch. This event is funded in part by the Iosco-Arenac District Library. For questions, call Judy Sheldon at (989)739-5497 or email the society at huronshoresgs@yahoo.com.

Child Abuse Awareness

The annual Pinwheel Garden planting to bring awareness to child abuse will be held on the courthouse lawn, on the corner of M-72 and US-23 on Monday, April 1 at noon. Community members are invited and encouraged to attend and plant a pinwheel in honor of Child Abuse

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New program encourages reading

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

"A book is a gift you can open again and again."

~ Garrison Keillor

To gift Alcona High School students with the love of reading, a new program has been introduced challenging students to read for over 600 minutes by the end of the month.

Alcona High School English Teacher Sarah Hechlik has all 168 of her students taking

club or organization donate prizes such as gift cards, gift certificate or anything you think a teenager would like," Hechlik said.

She explained gift cards and certificates can be used for just about anything including purchasing books, going out locally to eat, or activities such as bowling or going to the movies. According to Hechlik, gas cards are big with the older students, but younger students can use

outside their classrooms starting the book they are reading and prompting students to ask about it.

Every day during March, students are given a new mini-challenge. The mini-challenges are fun things such as "read my shirt day" where students wear a T-shirt with words on it. Other challenges include reading to an elementary student, reading the lyrics of a favorite song and sharing it, designing a new book



Peyton O'Leary, Luke Byce, Michael Basner, Avery Wrobel, Johnathon Hebert, Matt Turpen, Dakota Stevenson, Joe Rizzotto, and Braylin Roe participate in the reading challenge at Alcona High School. *Courtesy photo.*

the challenge. "In an effort to encourage the students to meet their goal of reading 20 minutes a day, and have fun along the way, I am offering multiple mini-challenges to celebrate reading. Each time a student participates in a mini-challenge activity their name will be entered into a raffle for prizes to be given in April," Hechlik said.

them too such as BP gas cards which can also be used to buy food, including deli items like pizza, from Kris Mart.

To further encourage students to read, Hechlik is also seeking teachers and guest community members to come into one of her classes and give a brief talk about a book they have read. Hechlik said just about any book will work

cover, sharing a book talk on social media, reading a recipe, creating it and then sharing it, reading a poem and share it or make a bookmark. "There is also 'Create a Shelfie,' where students take pictures of themselves in front of a shelf of books they have read," Hechlik said.

According to Hechlik, high school students read just about everything including series books, poetry books, sports books, nonfiction, fiction, graphic novels, science fiction, and fantasy. Many have favorite authors such as James Patterson.

What Hechlik finds amazing about her students is that most of them prefer reading a hardcover book versus a book on a tablet. "They enjoy holding a book and turning the pages. The high school, unfortunately, does not have a library. I have a small library of books in my classroom that I've accumulated, but it doesn't pique every interest. What I don't have in the classroom I try to find at the county

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~ Sara Hechlik
High School English Teacher

She explained many students fall back in recreational reading during their high school years and studies show once that happens, they are less likely to enjoy reading as an adult.

She is seeking other teachers and the community at large to participate, inspire and encourage students to reach their goal.

"To help motivate readers, consider donating a prize for the raffle drawing. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. Maybe clear out your home library and donate used books, purchase or have your

and she can send the specific information about what to include in a book talk.

She is asking if anyone sees an Alcona High School student reading, to ask them about the book. If possible, take a picture of the student reading and email it to Hechlik and she will give that student another entry into the raffle and will post the picture on a bulletin board.

Students are encouraged to put a small magnet with the name of the book they are reading on the front of their locker, teachers throughout the school also have signs

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Alcona sophomore receives MSU scholarship

Lily Bilbey, a tenth grader at Alcona High School, has been awarded a \$2,000 Michigan State University (MSU) Pre-College Achievement Scholarship. Students in eighth to tenth grades for 2018-19 who attended an MSU summer pre-college program last year were eligible to apply for this award last fall. Lily participated in 4-H Exploration Days at MSU, one of six pre-college programs offered by MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development.



Lily Bilbey

According to Les Thomas, Alcona 40H Program coordinator, MSU pre-college programs are great for helping youth explore possible career interests. "They are great fun, very educational, and help connect young people with university faculty and other resources. MSU pre-college programs also help youth envision their future so they can wisely choose their high school classes and prepare for college" Thomas said.

Selection for this scholarship is based on academic ability and potential, demonstration of extra-curricular and community service experience, demonstration of leadership and teamwork skills, ability to overcome obstacles, teacher and program director nominations and strength of student essay. The scholarship is applied toward the student's first year at MSU as a degree-seeking student.

The pre-college programs annually offered by MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development are: 4-H Capitol Experience, 4-H Renewable Energy Camp, 4-H Exploration Days, 4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp, 4-H Animal & Veterinary Science Camp, and the Michigan 4-H Youth Conservation Council.

For more information on these 4-H pre-college programs as well as other MSU pre-college programs, please visit Spartan Youth Programs at <http://www.spartan-youth.msu.edu>.

Raegen Eller, a senior at Alcona High School, was named to the Division 4 All State 1st Team and Academic All State by the Michigan High School Interscholastic Bowling Coaches Association. Results for all divisions can be seen at <http://mhsibca.com/2019-all-state/>. *Courtesy photo.*



Alcona athletes, (from left) D.J. Howe, Colin Walker, Corey Boboltz and David Sharboneau, The Fly Boys, are the winning team in the Alpena 3 on 3 basketball contest held last Saturday at the wildcat stadium. *Courtesy photo.*

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Underutilized palliative care services can help relieve pain

Dear Savvy Senior,
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Dear Searching,
 Palliative care is a very effective service that can help patients relieve the symptoms and stress that often comes with serious illness. But unfortunately, most people don't know about it, or don't understand how it can help them.
 Most people hear the words "palliative care" and think "hospice," but they are different types of care. Hospice is reserved for when curative treatments have been exhausted and patients have less than six months to live. Palliative care, on the other hand, is a medical specialty that focuses on providing relief from the symptoms such as pain, shortness of breath, fatigue, constipation, nausea, loss of appetite, trouble sleeping and even depression. It can also help patients deal with the side effects of medical treatment.
 Anyone with a serious illness can benefit from palliative care, including those with cancer, heart disease, lung disease, kidney disease, Alzheimer's, HIV/AIDS, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's and more.
 Palliative care is provided by a team including palliative care doctors, nurses, social workers and other specialists that work with your doctor to provide an extra layer of support and care. It is appropriate at any age and at any stage in a serious illness, and it can be provided along with curative treatment.
 Palliative care teams are trained to help patients understand all their treatment options as well as the quality of life ramifications, so they can make informed decisions about what's best for them.
 Often patients assume their doctors will take care of their pain and stress, but most doctors in our specialized medical system have not been well trained in pain and symptom management. That's why palliative care is invaluable.
 Palliative care was developed in the United States in the 1990s but only became a formal medical subspecialty in 2008. Today, three-quarters of U.S. hospitals with more than 50 beds have a palliative care program, and 90 percent of hospitals with 300 beds or more offer it.
 There are around six million people in the U.S. that have a need for palliative care, according to the Center to Advance Palliative Care, but most patients don't know to ask for it. If you feel that a palliative care specialist could help your husband, start by talking to his doctor and ask for a referral.



Savvy Senior

If your doctor isn't helpful, go to GetPalliativeCare.org, where you can search for a specialist in your area.
 Palliative care can be provided in a variety of places, including hospitals, long-term care facilities, doctor's clinics and at your own home.
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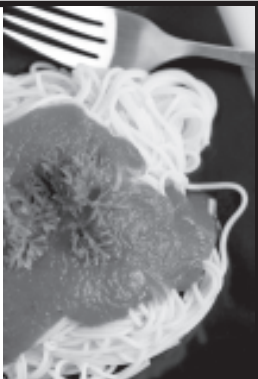
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library and check them out for my students," Hechlik said.

The March activity goes in hand with Hechlik's annual lesson plan for students to read at least a book a month for each month they are in school.

Her students are also working on authoring their own books, specifically a children's book. "Students first met with

(Alcona Elementary) first graders to find out their interests and reading level and then came back and wrote a story they thought the first grader would enjoy reading. These same students have been pen pals with the first graders, giving them additional insight for their books," Hechlik said.

Alcona High School Art Teacher Eric Carlson had his

eighth-grade students draw illustrations for the individual books. The words will meet the illustrations before the entire book is laminated and presented to a first grader to keep. It is Hechlik's goal for every first grader to receive a book written and illustrated by Alcona High School students before the end of the school year.

Raffle prize donations can be dropped off at the high school office with a note it should go to the reading raffle or to Hechlik. For donation information or to send a picture of a student reading, email Hechlik at hechliks@alconaschools.net or call the school at (989) 736-8534.

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An artists reception for the Northeast Michigan Artists' Guild will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 1:30 p.m. Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library. Art will be on display until April 24. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

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.

The 4-H Archery Group will meet from 5:45 to 8 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

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.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 29

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.

Drop-in Craft for children and teens, ages eight to 18 at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Prevention Month in April. There will be a speaker as well as information on what people can do to prevent child abuse and neglect. This event will be held regardless of the weather and is sponsored by Child Abuse Neglect and Prevention for Alcona County, along with Child and Family Services of Northeast Michigan.

Attention Cattle Farmers

Beef producers can get Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) certified at a meeting conducted by Michigan State University Extension on Tuesday, April 9 at the Elmer Township Hall, 863 W Kittle Road, Mio. The meeting begins at 6 p.m. and will conclude by 9 p.m. The session will feature education about beef quality as impacted by producer management including minimizing injection site lesions, proper antibiotic use and low stress cattle handling. Participants may take an exam at the end of the educational session to become BQA-certified and receive a certificate with a BQA registered number. In addition, specified cattle auctions will be notified of producer BQA certification.

BQA certification is being required by some packers. Their buyers will be bidding on animals at auction that come from BQA-certified producers. Packers want to be able to assure consumers that the animals are being raised and handled well, from birth until harvest. Therefore, all producers who sell any cattle at auction any time of the year are encouraged to become BQA certified. Certification is good for three years.

There is no cost to attend this meeting or to take the certification test. Instructors will work with all attendees so that all pass the exam and receive their certificate that evening. To reserve a place, or for further information, contact Phil Durst, Michigan State University Extension, at durstp@msu.edu or (989) 387-5346. Producers may also become BQA certified online at bqa.org.

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Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



B-52 lands safely At Wurtsmith A.F.B.

March 20, 1969 ~ Wurtsmith Air Force Base, Michigan— A United States Air Force B-52 bomber landed safely at Wurtsmith AFB today after experiencing inflight difficulties during an afternoon mission.

The bomber developed problems shortly after take-off when an entire engine pod, containing two jet engines, dropped from the plane. Officials on the ground decided to instruct the pilot, Major Robert M. Winn, 38, Clarksville, Tennessee, to attempt to continue the flight until the aircraft was light enough to try a landing. After flying some six hours of orbiting the installation, officials felt the aircraft had burned enough fuel to land safely.

According to Col. Lawrence W. Steinkraus, 379th. Bomb Wing commander, the crew had the aircraft under complete control at all times.

The B-52 was headed for a practice bomb run over the Gulf of Mexico when the incident occurred.

Melvin Burger's body recovered Wednesday

March 23, 1944 ~ The body of Melvin Burger, Coast Guardsman, who drowned on March 6th, off North Point enroute to his station at Thunder Bay Island, was recovered late Wednesday afternoon by the crew from the Thuner Bay Island Coast Guard Station. It is reported that the body was found but a short distance from where their small craft sank.

Melvin, with three other members, were thrown into the icy water when they were enroute to a larger boat anchored off North Point. Eugene Byce of Harrisville, Eugene Morrison of Cleveland, Ohio; and Frank Maurer of Alpena, the other members of the party were rescued.

Funeral arrangements have not been announced by the family at this writing. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Burger of Barton City are the parents.

Alcona Herald sold

March 23, 1944 ~ The Alcona County Herald at Lincoln was sold this week to Merrill Weber of Detroit. Mr. Weber has been connected with several newspapers throughout the state the past few years.

The Herald suspended publication following the death of R. E. Prescott in November. It is planned by Mr. Weber to resume publication in the near future.

It had unarmed nonnuclear bombs aboard and there was no danger of explosion of any kind.

Two engines, the other pod on the same side of the aircraft, were shut down to enable the crew to better control the aircraft.

The aircraft contained some 200,000 pounds of fuel and burned all but approximately 81,000 pounds before the landing was attempted.

An investigation into the cause of the incident will be conducted.

Harrisville Hotel sold to Hubbard Lake couple

March 20, 1969 ~ Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Falkenhagen of south shore, Hubbard Lake, have purchased the Harrisville Hotel. They plan extensive remodeling before announcing an opening date.

Former owner and operators of the hotel were Wm. Noyes, Francis Babcock, Joseph and Esther J. Evans, Esther Sellers, Edith Martin, Cora Jones and James and Maude McCullough.

Retires after 31 years with USDA

March 20, 1969 ~ On February 28, 1969 Forrest O. Potter retired after nearly 31 years of service with the United State Department of Agriculture.

He was employed at the time of his retirement with the Farmers Home Administration at Owosso, Michigan, as County Supervisor of Saginaw and Shiawassee counties.

Potter started his employment with the USDA at Harrisville in May of 1935 and was here until July 1, 1947 when he was transferred to the Escanaba office in the upper peninsula. In September of 1947 he was transferred to the Port Huron office where he handled the activities in St. Clair, Macomb and Wayne counties.

In December of 1949 he was transferred to the State Office in East Lansing where he was an appraiser and Engineer until July of 1953. At

that time he changed employment and was a salesman with the Tri-county Farm Service, selling farm buildings, until October, 1956. At that time he became reemployed with the Farmers Home Administration in Owosso, and remained there until his retirement.

Monday evening, March 17, 1969, about fifty employees of the FHA and friends gathered at Nainsymths Restaurant in Saginaw to honor Forrest at a retirement dinner. His wife, Bonnie, daughter Jill and Judy, and son Gilbert, and wife, were present. Another son, James, was unable to attend.

Nyle Katz, State Director of the Farmers Home Administration, presented him with a certificate of recognition for the completion of thirty -one years of service as a Federal employee.

It was signed by the new Secretary of Agriculture, Clifford M. Hardin. This was the first certificate that he had signed since taking office as the new Secretary. Forrest was also presented with a new set of golf clubs as a gift from the group.

His wife Bonnie says that he will probably spend most of his time on the golf course during the day, but at least she will know where he is during the evenings.

Hubbard Lake to receive fish planting

March 20, 1969 ~ Mr. Gary Schnicke, fish biologist for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (Conservation Department), has informed Lou Kramer of Hubbard Lake, that he has requisitioned a large planting, legal size and better, of rainbow trout. These plantings will take place the first part of June, with no charge to the community.

Over a period of many years, the Conservation Department has planted many fish. Last year the depart-

ment made some excellent plants of rainbow trout, a number of which measured over 14 inches. Some good sized rainbow trout were taken from Hubbard Lake last fall.

This stepped up program of planting rainbow in Hubbard Lake, is just another way to give value received to the avid sportsman angler. The Conservation Department has set up a program that should give an annual fish planting of rainbow trout in Hubbard Lake.

Super Crossword

Answers

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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	
March 10	34	29	0.36	4.2	26	W
March 11	33	22	0.00	3.4	23	WNW
March 12	35	14	0.00	5.4	22	WNW
March 13	36	31	0.06	5.1	18	SSW
March 14	46	32	0.18	3.7	27	SSW
March 15	40	27	0.00	4.4	27	SW
March 16	38	18	0.08	2.7	20	NW

Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	2018-2019 Season		
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.60	0.9	0.49
March to Date	0.76	2.6	1.04
2019 Season to Date	3.45	56.3	4.15

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. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the international word (NATO phonetic alphabet) for the letter "O"?
2. **GEOGRAPHY:** Which U.S. city lies further west: Los Angeles, California, or Reno, Nevada?
3. **MUSIC:** Which Latin rock band had a hit with the 1999 album "Supernatural"?
4. **LITERATURE:** Which 19th-century author wrote a book of short stories called "Twice-Told Tales"?
5. **LANGUAGE:** What does the phrase "fifth column" refer to?
6. **ANATOMY:** What part of the human body is referenced by the adjective "hepatic"?
7. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** What was the name of President Bill Clinton's family cat?
8. **NICKNAMES:** Which West Coast city's nickname is "Emerald City"?
9. **ORGANIZATIONS:** How many countries are members of Interpol, an international police organization?
10. **MOVIES:** Who played the character "Iceman" in the 1986 movie "Top Gun"?

Answers: 1. Oscar; 2. Reno; 3. Santana; 4. Nathaniel Hawthorne; 5. A group of spies or traitors within your own defensive line; 6. The liver; 7. Socks; 8. Seattle; 9. 194; 10. Val Kilmer .(c) 2019 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On March 30, 1855, in territorial Kansas' first election, some 5,000 "Border Ruffians" invade the territory from western Missouri and force the election of a pro-slavery legislature. Although the votes cast exceeded the number of eligible voters, Kansas Gov. Andrew Reeder reluctantly approved the election to prevent further bloodshed.
- On March 28, 1915, the first American is killed eight months into the conflict that would become known as World War I. Leon Thrasher, a 31-year-old mining engineer and native of Massachusetts, drowned when a German submarine torpedoed the cargo-passenger ship Falaba off the coast of England.
- On March 31, 1931, Knute Rockne, the legendary Notre Dame football coach, is killed in a plane crash near Bazaar, Kansas, at age 43. His players included All-American George "Gipper" Gip, the inspiration for Rockne's now-famous motivational line "Win one for the Gipper."
- On March 25, 1958, boxer Sugar Ray Robinson defeats Carmen Basilio to regain the middleweight championship, the fifth and final title of his career. Robinson is considered by many to be the greatest prizefighter in history.
- On March 26, 1969, a group called Women Strike for Peace demonstrates in Washington, D.C., in the first large antiwar protest since President Richard Nixon's inauguration in January. Criticism of Nixon's handling of the Vietnam War mounted steadily during his term in office.
- On March 29, 1971, Lt. William Calley is found guilty of premeditated murder at My Lai by a U.S. Army court-martial. Calley, a platoon leader, had led his men in a massacre of 200 Vietnamese civilians, including women and children, in Quang Ngai Province in March 1968.
- On March 27, 1990, the U.S. government begins broadcasting TV programs into communist Cuba. TV Marti was conceived in the 1940s to beam news and propaganda throughout the world, particularly to communist nations.

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Super Crossword

SMALL FRUIT STARTERS

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Tempting type</p> <p>8 1930s boxing champ Max</p> <p>12 Fruit discard</p> <p>16 Bit of fiction</p> <p>19 Neighbor of Djibouti</p> <p>20 Backward</p> <p>22 Love of Lennon</p> <p>23 Polar bear's long sleep</p> <p>25 Rival of JVC and LG</p> <p>26 Desert region of Israel</p> <p>27 Fruit discard</p> <p>28 IRS worker: Abbr.</p> <p>29 "Shakedown" singer Bob</p> <p>31 Stair feature</p> <p>34 Gem colored by trace amounts of boron</p> <p>37 List-limiting abbr.</p> <p>40 Dietary unit</p> <p>43 Actor Bana of "Troy"</p> <p>44 Sit for a photo</p> <p>45 Cold person's bumps</p> <p>48 Chose (to)</p> <p>50 Bestows</p> | <p>51 Thinnest coin</p> <p>52 Beddy-bye garb</p> <p>55 Palme — (Cannes prize)</p> <p>56 Author Deighton</p> <p>57 "You bet!"</p> <p>58 Joyous hymn</p> <p>60 Camera since 1924</p> <p>64 Big — (large German gun)</p> <p>66 Eminent senior member</p> <p>70 LAX guess</p> <p>71 Dog sound</p> <p>73 Pig sounds</p> <p>74 — Tac</p> <p>75 Author Levin</p> <p>76 It might be next to a napkin holder</p> <p>80 Hurls</p> <p>82 Tropical fish</p> <p>83 "Around — parts ..."</p> <p>84 Prefix with hazard</p> <p>86 N.Y.-to-L.A. dir.</p> <p>87 Part of USMA: Abbr.</p> <p>89 Exhaust</p> <p>90 Watchful person</p> | <p>92 Marshy inlet</p> <p>94 Thrills, informally</p> <p>98 Flight hub in East Boston</p> <p>101 Often-twisted treat</p> <p>102 TT carmaker</p> <p>105 Bucharest's land</p> <p>106 A, in Spain</p> <p>107 Thanksgiving follower</p> <p>110 Individual</p> <p>112 Sri —</p> <p>113 — Poke (candy)</p> <p>114 Mineo of film</p> <p>116 Author Ephron</p> <p>120 Individual</p> <p>121 Pun on a phrase meaning "square one" that hints at this puzzle's theme</p> <p>127 NFL 6-pointers</p> <p>128 Best Actress of 2016</p> <p>129 Ordinary</p> <p>130 Topping type</p> <p>131 "FYI" part</p> <p>132 Flew through, as a test</p> <p>133 Reduced</p> | <p>2 Great Lakes tribe</p> <p>3 Little dent</p> <p>4 Verbalize</p> <p>5 Fissures</p> <p>6 Always, to a poet</p> <p>7 Sideline cry</p> <p>8 Actress Besch or Andersson</p> <p>9 Working without —</p> <p>10 Be fallible</p> <p>11 Relating to kidneys</p> <p>12 Big bird dog</p> <p>13 Prefix with linear</p> <p>14 "— Beso"</p> <p>15 High-IQ club</p> <p>16 Definitely</p> <p>17 Holy smoke?</p> <p>18 Got on, as a bus</p> <p>21 Indefinite</p> <p>24 "Cross my heart"</p> <p>30 Kingdoms</p> <p>32 Exhaust</p> <p>33 Skip over, as a sound</p> <p>34 Cell buzzer</p> <p>35 Carried out</p> <p>36 Like coated cupcakes</p> <p>37 Yolk holder</p> <p>38 Eau de — (cologne)</p> <p>39 Design on an album, say</p> | <p>41 LP speed</p> <p>42 Bit of land in le Rhône</p> <p>46 Dispatched</p> <p>47 Gleams</p> <p>49 Old name in video game consoles</p> <p>53 Actor Eisenberg</p> <p>54 Formed a lap</p> <p>57 Unit of length</p> <p>58 Cylindrical pasta</p> <p>59 Cable TV's — Geo Wild</p> <p>61 Words to an absent lover</p> <p>62 Fatigued by worry</p> <p>63 Santa — (some hot winds)</p> <p>64 Finest</p> <p>65 Oahu locale</p> <p>67 Easy gaits</p> <p>68 Rig fuel</p> <p>69 Mambo great Puente</p> <p>72 In shape</p> <p>77 Wrestler's restraining move</p> <p>78 Mu — pork</p> <p>79 Make operational again</p> <p>81 Exchange</p> <p>85 Origami bird</p> <p>88 Bit of foliage</p> | <p>90 Roman "I"</p> <p>91 Thanksgiving tuber</p> <p>92 Just issued</p> <p>93 Hagen of Broadway</p> <p>94 Groups of odds and ends for sale</p> <p>95 Florida city near Epcot</p> <p>96 Least fatty</p> <p>97 South, in Mexico</p> <p>99 Suffix with direct</p> <p>100 Roman "3"</p> <p>103 Ban from law practice</p> <p>104 Does nothing</p> <p>108 Actress Sagal</p> <p>109 Vital blood line</p> <p>111 Pop or jazz</p> <p>114 January 1 song word</p> <p>115 Laid up, say</p> <p>117 Truth bender</p> <p>118 "Bus Stop" writer William</p> <p>119 Up in years</p> <p>122 Med. plan</p> <p>123 Aussie bird</p> <p>124 Fabled bird</p> <p>125 "My — Sal"</p> <p>126 Nobel-winning poet</p> <p>Andric</p> |
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was 20th-century American author and futurist Robert Anton Wilson who made the following sage observation: "Only the madman is absolutely sure."
- Lightning isn't solely a phenomenon of Earth: Astronomers have noted lightning bolts on Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Venus.
- Historians say that Russia's Peter the Great was nearly 7 feet tall.
- Athletes playing baseball on steroids have been in the news in recent years, but drugs are nothing new in America's national sport. During the late 1960s and '70s, Dock Ellis was a valued pitcher who played for several teams, including the Pittsburgh Pirates. On June 12, 1970, Ellis took LSD, thinking it was an off day for his team. By the time he realized that the Pirates were scheduled to play the San Diego Padres that evening, it was too late. The drug proved to have no ill effect on Ellis; in fact, he pitched a no-hitter. When he recounted the event to a reporter 12 years later, he said he remembered only bits and pieces of the game, though he felt euphoric. Many years later, after being treated for addiction, Ellis became a coordinator for an anti-drug program in California.
- A woman in Tennessee was once arrested for biking while intoxicated -- and she was on a stationary bike at the gym at the time.
- A newspaper reporter once asked Gen. Charles de Gaulle, leader of the Free French Forces during World War II and later president of the French Fifth Republic, if he was happy. De Gaulle replied, "What do you take me for, an idiot?"

Thought for the Day: "Before you become a writer, you must first become a reader. Every hour spent reading is an hour spent learning how to write." -- Robert Macfarlane
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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: H equals E

KB TSAHS JT FHHL ITEFV ISTP
CHJJKBC VHYVKUF, MH MSH
YEE JTEA JT ASKBF YB TUHYB
PTJKTB LTJKTB.

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HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

Harrisville Township 2019-2020 proposed budget hearing was held March 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the township hall. Supervisor Spitznagel called the hearing to order with the "Pledge of Allegiance." The full board was present, no guests. The supervisor went through the proposed budget explaining where there was changes from last year's budget. Also the Property Tax Millage Rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget. After some discussion the hearing was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held March 12 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The supervisor opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." The full board was present, no guests. Clerk's minutes read and, Harvey/Johnston: Approved. Treasurer's report given and Healy/Harvey: Accepted and reconciled with the clerk's office. At this time a letter was read. The State Tax Commission at its February 12 meeting approved the enclosed Certificate of Achievement. This certificate acknowledges Harrisville Township, Alcona County for receiving a perfect score on the 2018 AMAR review. The commis-

sion wishes to congratulate the township and thank you for your continued efforts to provide fair and equitable assessing in the State of Michigan. Jamieson/Johnston: By Resolutions No. 31219, to adopt the 2019-2020 proposed budget as presented at 6:30 p.m. hearing. Roll call vote, five ayes. Resolution carried. Healy/Harvey: By Resolution No. 31219-A, allowing a qualified property owner to file a written request with the July or December Board of Review to claim a primary residence exemption. Roll call vote, five ayes. Resolution carried. Harvey/Healy: To continue with the hoop house agreement. Motion carried. At this time, county commissioner Craig Johnston joined the meeting and updated the board on the county's happenings. Healy/Johnston: To support the Alcona County Wide Clean-up on May 18. Motion carried. Johnston/Healy: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Roger Jamieson
Township Clerk
Published prior to board approval.

ALCONA TWP. SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township's March board meeting was called to order with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: MacNeill, LaLonde, Gauthier, Bouchard and Mead. Motion to close regular meeting and open budget hearing; to accept the 2019-20 budget and to include the truth in taxation to collect the maximum allowed by the Headlee Amendment; to approve the 2019 General Appropriations Act Resolution No. 2019-01; to close budget hearing and resume regular meeting; approve bills as presented; to approve January and February board minutes; to approve financial report; to accept Stephanie Daugherty to the Alcona Township Fire Department; to sign agreement with Pivot Point Partners for assessors app.; to approve hall rental rates. All motions passed.

The planning commission will continue to look into allowing medical marijuana sales in the township. The board will discuss this at the April meeting. This synopsis published prior to board approval.

Dawn LaLonde
Clerk

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Gehring said in talking with Reif the process to change the zoning ordinance will take 60 to 90 days.

Gehring was pleasantly surprised the majority of Harrisville residents were backing the council's decision to embrace inviting new business to the city. "There was very little (flak) from the community about this issue. Overall, the experience and feedback we are getting has been positive," Gehring said. He explained he has already heard rumblings of new interest in vacant retail space in the city.

Gehring said overall the community seems to be behind the city council. He feels they have been seeing renewed interest by the community at city council meetings and he is happy people attend and are engaged in what is going on in their city.

In addition to all the good things happening in the city, a few things happened toward the end of last year which rocked the community. First a long-standing restau-

rant, Ki Cuyler's Bar and Grill, burned to the ground at the end of November and then, there was the sudden and devastating loss of a very devoted member of the community and valued employee of the city's department of public works (DPW) when Louis Campbell died in late December.

"We still have not recovered from the loss of Louis," Gehring said. "We still expect him to walk through the door and expect to see him throw a wave whenever he was passing down the street. We have hired a new young man, Logan Tompkins. He is still on probation but is trying to learn everything he can quickly.

"It's a challenging endeavor, there is a lot the DPW does with the water and sewer that goes unnoticed and unappreciated. Of course, there is no replacing Louis. We told Logan he better wave to everyone he passes."

The City of Harrisville council meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the city office located at 200 Fifth Street.

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sider working with a mentor, faculty or staff members who could help them grow their idea before presenting it to the board of education and gave them the example of a student a few years ago who wanted a music program and now the school has one.

According to O'Connor, the school board wanted to be more connected to students and brought in a student liaison to the board at the beginning of the school year, but he also wanted to reconnect with students.

"One of my biggest fears from transferring from teacher/coach to (elementary) principal and then (high school) principal to superintendent, was I would lose interaction with students. That interaction was the reason I got into teaching in the first place. I don't want to lose touch with who is most important - it's the students. It was good talking with them, they had a lot of good ideas, I hope they never lose that excitement," O'Connor said.

He explained most of the third graders and many fifth graders did not know who he was and almost all students had no idea what a superin-

tendent did for the school. "I was principal at the elementary school when the fifth graders were in kindergarten, so they and the third graders really didn't know me. While talking to them they quickly realized I call the snow days. I had to explain it was probably the least favorite part of my job and one of the most stressful. I explained the process and all the work that went into canceling school due to weather," O'Connor said.

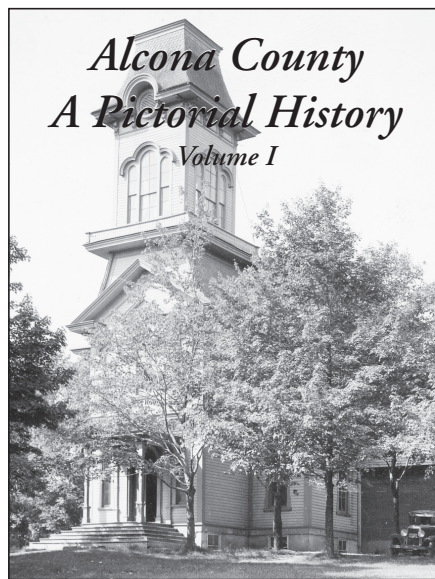
He plans to follow up with the classes he met with in May to discuss what has transpired since their last meeting and, hopefully, gain some new insight on what students would like to have available to them.

"We want students to feel comfortable in telling us their ideas or ask questions. I encourage them to talk or email me. We want to try and do everything we can to help kids be as involved in school activities as possible," O'Connor said.

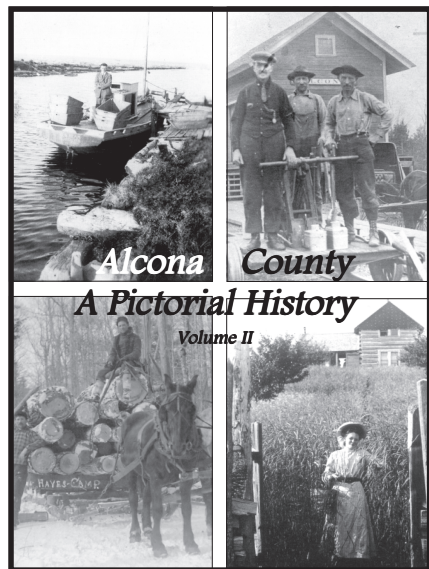
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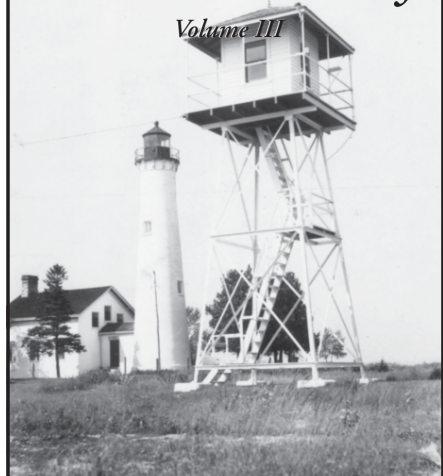
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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on March 11 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, Thomas; Kaiser; Baird; Luenberger; Peterson; and Ferguson; city attorney Cook; and guests.

Motion by Luenberger, support by Baird, to approve the minutes of February 11. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Thomas, support by Ferguson, to pay the bills in the amount of \$18543.25. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Gehring shared correspondence from Edgewater Resources concerning the bid offer and recommendation from them to approve the bid of \$384,058 from Meridian Contracting Services, Inc. as the phase 3 contractor for the Harrisville Harbor dock reconstruction project phase 3. Motion by Baird, support by Peterson, to award the Harrisville Harbor dock reconstruction project phase 3 to Meridian Contracting Services, Inc. as the phase 3 contractor, along with their submitted subcontractors, for the base work, alternates 1 and 2 and voluntary alternates 1 and 2 for their combined bid price of \$384,058. Motion carried: 6-0.

Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger, for mayor to sign contract with Meridian Contracting Services, Inc. for the harbor dock reconstruction project, Phase 3. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring presented to council the request from Melrose Pyrotechnics to approve the request for a fireworks display permit for the Fourth of July fireworks to take place on Saturday, July 6 at the harbor. Motion by Luenberger, support by Baird, to approve the request of Melrose Pyrotechnics for the state of Michigan fireworks display permit at the harbor on Saturday, July 6 and to authorize the mayor to sign the permit request. Motion carried: 6-0.

In old business, mayor Gehring updated council as to the status of the NEMCOG telecommunication gear for the city. The mayor indicated that he has been informed by the representative from NEMCOG that the state is delayed in purchasing the equipment for distribution.

New business: Motion by Baird, support by Thomas, to pay end of year bills. Motion carried: 6-0. Mayor Gehring opened the General Fund Budget, 2019-2020 Truth and Taxation Hearing at 7:30 p.m. The treasurer and finance committee chair reviewed the general fund budget, fire, liquor, equipment pool, major, minor streets with council for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Mayor Gehring announced, as part of the truth and taxation requirement, that the City of Harrisville would collect the maximum millage of 6.0032 mills for the general fund, as required by law. The meeting was opened to the public with discussion about city sidewalks and Christmas lights. The meeting was closed at 7:43 p.m. Motion by Ferguson, support by Kaiser, to approve the new general fund, fire, equipment pool,

liquor, major and minor budgets, as presented to council, for fiscal year 2019-2020. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring discussed elected officials salaries for the year 2020. A recommendation will be brought to the April city council meeting. Mayor Gehring advised council on the new city employees contracts for 2019-2020. Logan Tompkins, junior maintenance employee, is working on a 90-day probationary period. Mayor Gehring recommends an increase of \$1.50 per hour to senior maintenance worker, Tom Keerl's hourly wage of \$12. Motion by Baird, support by Thomas, to increase senior maintenance employee Tom Keerl's hourly wage \$1.50 to \$13.50 per hour. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring presented to council Tax Exempt Resolution No. 2019-02 as requested by assessor Randy Thompson.

"Now, therefore be it resolved, that pursuant to PA206 of 1893, the City of Harrisville, Alcona County, authorizes a qualified property owner to file a written request with the July or December board of review to claim a primary residence exemption as determined by the date an affidavit claiming the exemption was filed under subsection 2 (MCL 211.7cc). The foregoing resolution offered by city council member Luenberger and supported by city council member Ferguson. Aye: Luenberger, Thomas, Kaiser, Baird, Ferguson and Peterson. Nay: None. Resolution carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring recommended the appointment of Joe Lukasiewicz to fill a vacancy on the Harrisville Harbor Commission. Motion by Thomas, support by Peterson, to approve the appointment of Joe Lukasiewicz to the Harrisville Harbor Commission. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring recommended to council the approval of a request from Les Thomas, 4-H Program Coordinator, for permission for the Alcona 4-H Advisory Board to vend food items at the Fourth of July celebration at the harbor. Motion by Thomas, support by Baird, to grant approval of the request for the 4-H Advisory Board to vend food items for the Fourth of July celebration on Saturday, July 6. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring recommended the approval of a request from Craftmakers' Cabin to use city property for a Craft Supplies Trunk Sale, Saturday, July 20 and Saturday, Aug. 17, 2019, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Motion by Ferguson, support by Kaiser, to approve regularly scheduled city council meeting is Monday, April 8 at 7 p.m. Published prior to council approval.

Mayor Gehring recommended the approval of a request by the Harrisville Arts Council for the use of city property for the 2019 Harmony Arts and Crafts Festival Weekend, August 31 and September 1. Motion by Ferguson, support by Peterson, to approve the request by the Harrisville Arts Council for the use of city property on US-23 and the city property south of M-72 for the 2019 Harmony Festival Weekend.

Motion carried: 6-0. Discussion opened by Mayor Gehring concerning the services agreement as presented by Tom Reif of Michigan Municipal Cannabis Consultants. Motion by Ferguson, support by Thomas, to accept the Michigan Municipal Cannabis Consultants fee of \$5,000 to assist the Harrisville City Council and planning commission with the entire process of development and authoring of General Police Power Ordinances and amendments to the city zoning ordinance for the purpose of allowing and regulating commercial marijuana facilities in the City of Harrisville under the Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing and the Michigan regulation and Taxation of Marijuana Acts of the State of Michigan. All council and commission meetings necessary to that end are included in the process. Motion carried: 6-0.

Motion by Luenberger, support by Thomas, to amend the 2019-2020 general fund budget to show \$5,000 from the prior year fund balance for payment of the \$5,000 consultation fee for professional services. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring welcomed Rich Gillispie from Alpena Septic. Mr. Gillispie informed the council of the services available through Alpena Septic Service. Reports: harbor commissioner Baird and harbor master Ferguson reported bids were reviewed for phase 3 dock reconstruction and only one met the criteria. Awarded to Edgewater Resources.

Planning Commissioner Baird reported that the planning commission will meet for a regularly scheduled meeting on April 3 at 6:30 p.m. The commission will continue work on updating the zoning ordinances. The old city website has been shut down and www.harrisvillemi.org is up and running. The web designers welcome suggestions for this site. RRC representative Cheryl Peterson distributed information to council which the RRC committee is using as a framework to guide their work. Judy MacNeill informed council of a personal contact who is willing to work with the RRC in developing a marketing strategy free of charge.

Fire department ast. chief Keerl reported that the Medical First Responders class is going well. Comment Cards: None. Council last comments: Alderman Baird suggested the use of a credit card for the fire department chief's use. Ferguson moved meeting to be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m. Next regularly scheduled city council meeting is Monday, April 8 at 7 p.m. Published prior to council approval.

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CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board met March 13. Motions to approve the agenda; February 27 minutes; March 3 special minutes; pay bills and place treasurer's report on file; accept hall custodian's resignation; and amend the budget. Motion to adjourn 8:16 p.m. Next township meeting is March 27 at 7 p.m. at the township hall.

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Applicants wanted: Mikado Township is seeking applicants for Ordinance Enforcement officer and Zoning Administrator and two positions for the Board of Review. Mail letter of interest to: Mikado Township Clerk, P.O. Box 60, Mikado, Mich. 48745 no later than April 5, 2019. Please include phone number. For more information, call (989) 736-7721. Rita D. Sands, Mikado Township Clerk.

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Alcona school district faces new challenges

By Dan O'Connor
Superintendent

Alcona Community Schools

While the district's top priority is educating students, there are times when new challenges emerge that impact how staff spends their time on a day-to-day basis. One of those challenges that has arisen is student use of e-cigarettes or vaping in school.

It's estimated that at least 25 percent of teenagers are vaping regularly, which is double the amount of students that use tobacco (*Korbey, 2018). Due to the

ease of ordering the products online without age verification, youth have access to purchase without hurdles.

The many styles of devices that can be used to vape add to the complications because many times, they can look like a common item (such as a USB drive). The district is working to educate staff and monitor all areas of the building, but without an odor, it's been a difficult problem to address thus far.

If you think your student is vaping and would like help trying to help them quit, feel

free to reach out to the high school office and we will connect you with helpful resources.

Other notes...

• It was another fantastic Maple Syrup Celebration hosted by the Alcona FFA on Saturday, March 16 with over 800 attendees. Thank you to the community for the outstanding show of support.

• In the next three weeks, student schedules for 2019-2020 will be in the early stages of taking requests from students. Your student will be bringing home a form with general information and a list of potential courses.

• The district made a calendar adjustment in early March to begin to accommo-

Superintendent's Corner

By Dan O'Connor

Alcona Community Schools



date the high number of snow, ice, and cold days during the 2018-2019 school year and will be holding school for a half day on Good Friday. If your student cannot attend, please contact your building office to communicate the absence.

(*Resource: Korbey, H. 2018, June 29 Schools Re-

spond to the Rise of Student Vaping. Retrieved from <https://www.edutopia.org/article/schools-respond-rise-student-vaping>.)

(Dan O'Connor, Alcona Community Schools superintendent can be reached by calling (989) 736-8685 or through Alcona Community Schools Facebook.)

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