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The Alcona FFA demonstration team consisting of (second from left) Pierce Bilbey, Antavius Mikazes and Malcolm Dix, with Alcona FFA Adviser Connor Hubbard, were awarded a second place gold award for their beekeeping demonstration. *For more, see page 2. Courtesy photo.*

Curtis Township recall election date set

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Voters in Curtis Township will decide whether to keep the current supervisor for the remainder of his term or elect a new supervisor during a recall election to be held on Tuesday, May 7.

According to Alcona County Clerk Stephany Eller, the recall election has been a learning curve for her. Eller told commissioners at a county board meeting it was an interesting process. "I didn't know this was how it worked, I've never handled a recall election and I don't think there has been one in our county for many years, if ever."

Voters will be choosing either Darrell R. Kenyon, a Democrat, to finish out his term as supervisor for Curtis Township or elect Gary C. Griffith, who has no party affiliation, to be the township's supervisor.

"Whoever wins the election will serve out the term which has about two years remaining. There could be enough votes for Kenyon to remain in office, or not. I just received the ballots this morning," Eller said. She explained a write-in candidate could also be voted in but she has not heard of anyone wishing to be a write-in candidate for this election.

The recall petition against Kenyon, filed by Christopher Clouse, was approved by the election commission last November.

The petition language stated: "Supervisor Darrell E. Kenyon misrepresented the Curtis Township Hall's operating expenses to justify his decision to decline permanently obtaining the building from the Oscoda School District. Supervisor Kenyon continues to misrepresent his intentions regarding township facilities and exclude the public from the decision process. Subsequently depriving residents of a taxpayer maintained facility adequately sized for community functions."

During the petition hearing the election commission, consisting of Judge Laura A. Frawley, Alcona County Treasurer, Cheryl Franks, and Eller, heard from both Clouse and Kenyon before making a unanimous decision that the wording on the petition was clear and factual in nature to support its circulation.

Kenyon spoke at length during the hearing and repeatedly told the election commission the allegations on the petition were not true. Judge Frawley addressed Kenyon explaining it was not the election commissions job to determine the truth of the allegations, just whether they were factual in nature and whether they were clear enough for Kenyon to understand and sufficient for the public to make a determination once the petitions were circulated.

Clouse circulated the petition and after enough signatures were garnered the recall election date was set.

New village president smiles through adversity

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Learning a new job can take time, it's stressful even when everything is going right. Unfortunately, for the new president of the Village of Lincoln learning the job came with a load of challenges this winter, yet she is still smiling and looking forward to the future.

Sheila Phillips isn't afraid of hard work when it comes to her community. For years she has devoted herself to community efforts working as a county commissioner, a volunteer on the fair board and has filled several other community seats including being a board member and chairperson of Thunder Bay Transit Authority.

Being as active as she has on many boards, Phillips is used to putting out fires of one kind or another. "Learning this job has been baptism by fire," Phillips said, referring to all the mechanical equipment failures the Village of Lincoln had this winter.

The equipment includes a 30-year-old dump truck with a salt spreader, a pick-up truck with a plow, and a front-end loader, and all have had issues this winter. There was one week in February when three major pieces of snow removal equipment broke down.

"The drive train on the pick-up went out and our dual wheel dump truck had a back wheel fall off when it was loaded with salt. The salt spreader on the dump truck had issues before I was even elected and was fixed temporarily. We were hoping to get through the whole winter with it and then look into options to correct the problem. Unfortunately, when we had to unload the salt to tow the dump truck, it made fixing the spreader no longer an option. It is done and not repairable," Phillips said.

In addition to those items, the turbocharger on the village's front-end loader died. Phillips is still waiting to find out if it can be rebuilt as the part it needs is no longer made.

"Thank goodness we have Kenny LaLonde and others who work for the road commission to help out and keep us up and running. I don't know what we would have done without them this winter," Phillips said.

To make matters more difficult, the village has not had a maintenance person since January, however, a young board member, Brett Wambold, did step-up to help. Phillips said she and the rest of the village council appreciated his efforts, especially



Sheila Phillips, the new president of the Village of Lincoln, holds the Stormwater, Asset Management and Wastewater report the village just acquired as the result of a grant received in 2015. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

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Obituaries



Denise R. Powierski

Denise Rose Powierski, 58, of Lincoln, died on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at McLaren Northern Michigan in Petoskey, Mich.

She was born December 5, 1960 to Frank and Doreen (Rousseau) DePoole in Louisville, Ky. She was raised in Detroit, Mich.

On April 22, 1995, she married David Powierski in Farmington Hills, Mich. They were residents of Texas and Garden City, Mich. before moving to Lincoln in 2000.

Mrs. Powierski was an active member of her community, and she enjoyed taking care of children. She volunteered for the Boy Scouts, in local schools, and Relay for Life.

Mrs. Powierski is survived by her husband, David; three sons, Tony DePoole of Texas, Aaron DePoole of Ann Arbor, Mich. and Jeff (Mehgan) DePoole of Ann Arbor, Mich.; one daughter, Rose (Matt Fisher) Powierski of Lincoln; four grandchildren; two sisters, Debbie (Ed) Bailey and Maureen DePoole; one brother-in-law, Jim Oakley and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Diana Oakley and Carolyn DePoole Wall.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, April 6 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oscoda from 10 a.m. until the memorial Mass at 11 a.m.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospital Hospitality House, McNally House, 1701 N Michigan Ave., Saginaw, Mich. 48602.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Tina B. Howell

Tina B. Howell, 55, of Mikado, died on Monday, March 18, 2019 at home.

She was born April 28, 1963 to Dewel and Delphine (Church) Powers in Rochester Hills, Mich., where she was a long time resident.

In 1994 she moved to Mikado. She enjoyed her collections, as well as arts and crafts, especially woodburning and jewelry making.

Ms. Howell is survived by one son, Justin Howell of Mikado; her Fiance, Wayne Dumont of Mikado; her mother, Delphine Powers of Rochester, Mich.; two sisters, Catherine Dougherty and Donna Baldrige; and her nieces and nephews, Terry Daugherty, Tass Baldrige and Shiloh Baldrige.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Private services will be held.

Carol M. Hemry

Carol M. Hemry, 78, of Barton City, died on Monday, March 18, 2019 at home.

She was born February 27, 1941, to James and Laura (St. Charles) Clough in Detroit, Mich. She was raised in Dearborn, Mich.

Formerly a resident of Dearborn, Mich. and Canton, Mich., Mrs. Hemry has lived in Barton City for the past 15 years.

She enjoyed doing crossword puzzles, jigsaw puzzles and reading.

Mrs. Hemry is survived by two daughters, Kelley (Karl) Albrecht and Laura Wilson; one son, Bradley Paquette; eight grandchildren, Amber Paquette, Gary Albrecht, Kyle Albrecht, Troy Albrecht, Bradley Reed, Kathleen Miller, Meagan Miller, and Jon Wilson; three great-grandchildren; two sisters, Jean Hawes and Brenda Bodenbach; and one brother, Jerry Clough.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald Paquette, and two brothers, Dick Clough and James Clough.

Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln. A graveside service will be held in the spring.

Rex I. Spurlock

Rex Irwin Spurlock, 88, of Black River, died on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

He was born to James and Betsy (Mathis) Spurlock on October 4, 1930 in Gainesboro, Tenn. After graduation from high school he joined the U.S. Air Force and served in the Korean War.

When he returned from the service, Mr. Spurlock moved to Detroit, Mich. He earned a millwright certification and worked at General Motors.

In 1959 he married Ruthanne Nachtwey. In 1970 the family moved to Black River and he began working at Abitibi in Alpena.

He enjoyed gardening and carpentry and was an active member of his church and community.

Mr. Spurlock is survived by his wife, Ruthanne; two sons, Robert Spurlock and Edward (Carol) Spurlock; two daughters, Lisa (Mary) Spurlock and Fern (Don) Ward; one brother, James Spurlock; two sisters; and three granddaughters.

He was preceded in death by one son, Rex Anton Spurlock.

The funeral was held on Saturday, March 24 at St. Gabriel Catholic Church. The Rev Robert Bissot officiated. Memorial donations may be made to the Alcona Humane Society, P.O. Box 310, Lincoln, Mich. 48742.

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Alcona FFA

The 2019 State FFA Convention was held Wednesday March 6, through Friday March 8, at Michigan State University.

The Alcona FFA chapter's demonstration team consisting of Anavius Mikazes, Pierce Bilbey, and Malcolm Dix com-

peted at the State Convention. Cecelia Spears competed in extemporaneous public speaking at the state level as well.

The demonstration team or better known as the "Bee Boys" with their beekeeping demonstration came in second place in the state. They were awarded a second place gold award.

Cecelia Spears received a bronze award. The delegates and other FFA members from Alcona who attended the State Convention were Makala Mendyka, Nelson French, Hunter Winter, and Aidan Wrobel.



Cecelia Spears

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Calendar of Events

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.

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.

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.

Enjoy a newly released DVD and theater-style popcorn at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. This family movie matinee will be held at 2 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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.

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.

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.

Improv Star Party from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Alpena Public Library, 211 North First Avenue. Enjoy a Creative Chaos Comedy Club show then check out the stars with the library's telescopes. There will be music, coffee and hot cocoa. All ages welcome, but registration is required. Improv recommended for ages 15 and up. To register, call (989) 356-6188.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

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.

Huron Shores Genealogical Society presents "Did You Look?" with Kris Rzepczynski and Melissa Tennant Rzepczynski from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Robert Parks Library in Oscoda. Registration is required, (989) 739-9581. This event is free and open to all. Bring a lunch. There will be snacks in the morning, water and coffee throughout the day and dessert at lunch provided. Contact Judy Sheldon at (989) 739-5497 or email huronshoresgs@yahoo.com for details and to register.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

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

Celebrate Women's History Month and the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Alpena County Library, upstairs. The public is invited to attend. This event is sponsored

by the League of Women Voters. Call (989) 356-0353 for details.

MONDAY, APRIL 1

Community singers practice for Good Friday service at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 Second Avenue in Harrisville at 7:15 p.m. For more information, call Linda at (989) 747-8060 or Susan at (989) 724-6365.

Child and Family Services of Northeast Michigan and CANPAC will host the annual Pinwheel Garden planting on the Harrisville courthouse lawn, on the corner of M-72 and US-23 at noon. The community is invited to plant a pinwheel in honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month. Call Tamara Quick at (989) 370-0239 for details.

Get Crafty for Adults from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. The project for April is Ukrainian Easter Egg decorating. There is a \$10 charge. To register, call (989) 724-6796.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

Knitting Klub and Crochet will meet from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. All levels welcome. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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.

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Away at School

- Sarah R. Bartz, of Hubbard Lake, graduated from Grand Valley State University in December 2018 with a Bachelor of Science degree.
- Jacob S. Kozlowski, of Ossineke, graduated from Grand Valley State University in December 2018 with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree.

Shooting Award

Jena Wambold of Harrisville recently competed at the Southeast Michigan 4-H Target Archery Shoot at the Springfield Oaks County Park in Oakland County, Mich. where she took second place in the junior division of the open class. She is a member of the Alcona 4-H Archery Club as well as the Hot Shots 4-H Shotgun Club. Anyone who is interested in learning more about Alcona 4-H Shoot-

ing Sports, is encouraged to contact the Alcona MSU Extension Office at (989) 724-6478.



Jenna Wambold

Sanctuary Lecture Series

The "Search for the Lost Whaling Fleets of the Western Arctic" will be featured at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 West Fletcher Street in Alpena on Thursday, April 4 at 7 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m.

In August 2015, a team of maritime archaeologists from NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries traveled to the Arctic to search for 19th century whaling shipwrecks. The "Search for the Lost Whaling Fleets of the Western Arctic" expedition conducted seabed mapping surveys along the coast of the Chukchi Sea. In 1871, 32 whaling ships were trapped in sea ice in this area and abandoned. Prior to the expedition, this near-shore area was largely unexplored and poorly mapped. The purpose of the search was to determine if, 144 years after having been abandoned, was there any wreckage of the lost ships, and if so, to document their status and condition. Approximately 20 square miles of seabed was mapped; six wreckage sites were identified and three documented. Using a drop camera system, the sites were found to be relatively intact pieces of wreckage that appeared to be from at least two of the whaling ships lost during the years whaling was conducted in the area from around 1850 until the beginning of the 20th century. The data collected will be used to help preserve the significant underwater cultural heritage of this important place in the global whaling heritage landscape.

For more than four decades, Brad Barr has been actively engaged in marine and coastal protected areas management and preservation. He received his undergraduate and graduate degrees at the Universities of Maine and Massachusetts, and his PhD from the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He is a senior adviser in the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries' Marine Heritage Program.

For more information, contact Stephanie Gandulla Steph.Gandulla@noaa.gov or call (989) 884-6200.

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RICE	CARAMBA	UBER
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FIELD	ROSH	MISER
UTE	ABCS	JACK
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Senior Menu

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

- Monday, April 1—Beef roast, mashed potatoes, baby carrots, and pineapple.
 - Tuesday, April 2—Chicken and noodles, Prince Charles blend vegetables, pea salad, and peaches.
 - Wednesday, April 3—Breaded pork chop, baked potato, cauliflower, coleslaw, and mixed fruit.
 - Thursday, April 4—Goulash, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, and mandarin oranges.
 - Friday, April 5—Baked fish, red bliss potato, green beans, and tropical fruit.
- (Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

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**Alcona Community Schools
Kindergarten Round-Up**

For the 2019-2020 school year will be April 9, 2019. Parents of children who will be five years old this fall, should call the school now to schedule their child for a Round-Up appointment.
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Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of March 18-24, 2019

113 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 2 Arrest; 1 Drive While License Suspended; 1 Warrant; 6 Citations.

Complaint Statistics			
Car/Deer Accidents	12	Traffic/Traffic Stop	43
Medical	23	Warrant Arrest	1
Property Damage Accident	3	Assist	2
Animal/Dog	6	Well Being Check	2
Suspicious Event	5	Littering	1
Alarm	4	Suicidal Subject	1
Assault	1	Larceny	1
Civil	5	Probation Violation	1
Drive While License Susp.	1	Trespass	1

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	12	Caledonia	4	Curtis	6
Greenbush	6	Gustin	11	Harrisville	18
Hawes	10	Haynes	11	Mikado	9
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since he had never done that type of work before.

She explained while the village equipment had so many issues, they did receive several complaints from residents, which she understands, however it was beyond village control.

While the village was trying to get its equipment fixed, it rented equipment from the road commission, which brought a host of new problems into play including having to find operators with commercial driver's licenses (CDL). The equipment the village owns does not require the operators to have a CDL, however, the rented equipment did.

Even though Phillips feels like she has just continually been putting out one fire after another over the last three months, things are looking up.

The village has found a new maintenance person, Allan Reaume, which will help to relieve some of the pressure the village has been under. "He's taking on a huge position so he will have lots to learn. We already have a few things for him to begin working on, a few potholes which need to be filled," Phillips said.

Other good news Phillips shared was the recent acquisition of its Asset Management Plan Report. The report is the result of a \$331,680 Stormwater, Asset Management, and Wastewater Grant (SAW Grant) program through the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) which the village received in 2015. The grant did not ask for matching funds so there was no cost to the village to get the report.

While preparing the report, inspectors viewed and filmed

the sewers in detail and gave a complete report on their condition. "It was a big project and took a long time to finish, but it is finally done. They even supplied us with a thumb drive so we can see the drain as of the date the inspection was done.

"Having this is a very good thing for the village. It doesn't fix the issues, but we need to know what condition it (the sewer) is in, so we can keep it maintained. The system is getting old. Because of this report, we know where to focus our attention. We now know of at least three storm drains which will have to be fixed in the downtown area and a culvert which needs to be replaced." Phillips said.

Another bright spot in the village is the planning commission, which has approved the updated master plan for the village. Phillips said it will be presented to the council at the April board meeting for adoption. Having the updated master plan puts the village one step closer to becoming a Redevelopment Ready Community (RRC).

The committee will still need to do an updated park and recreation plan, but according to Phillips when it is complete a website will be available for anyone considering opening a business in Lincoln. "Through it, they will see what the village offers attracting them to build and open businesses here," Phillips said.

One new business has pulled permits and broken ground for a Dollar General store just south of Kris Mart on Barlow Road. Phillips explained getting the store in Lincoln did not happen overnight and was the result of a few years of hard effort by the

Downtown Development Authority.

Phillips explained the village council recently opted out of having marijuana storefronts but will revisit the issue again at some point. She explained the council did not have a clear view on how the residents voted on legalizing marijuana because some residents vote in the village, some vote in Gustin Township and some in Hawes Township.

According to Phillips, the council felt since it did know residents in both Gustin and Hawes voted it down and because it was a new program, which is still illegal on a federal level, it would opt out for now and see how it plays out in other communities first.

She explained having marijuana stores could make getting federal grants for the village impossible and they rely on those grants for road money through Act 51. "Because it is still illegal on a federal level, if they choose to, they could pull those grants to any community and even the state.

"This doesn't mean the Village of Lincoln will never look at it again, but for right now, there is a lot of unanswered questions and rather than be the Guinea pig we will let other communities try it first and see what happens," Phillips said.

Even though the village will lose out on the new marijuana businesses and the 15 percent sales tax they would bring in, the council was unsure of how those monies collected in the stores would be secured. Marijuana entrepreneurs will not be able to put funds earned in a regulated bank because banks are federally insured.

Other things the village is working on is an official purchasing policy, a personnel policy, and a procedure manual. They will also need to decide on whether to replace its very old rusting dump truck, which can no longer be used as a salter, with leased equipment or contract the work it performed out.

Overall, Phillips is very pleased with the village council and has a great deal of respect for its passion for the community. "Some of us are learning things together. So far, I feel pretty good about everything. There has been bumps in the road, but we are working through it or at the least, give it our best shot," Phillips said.

"I don't know everything, but I will do my best to learn what I need to guide the village. The village is the people and they are the ones who will say 'this is how we see our village.' We want our village to be the best it can be and that should be everybody's goal. We want this to be a place where people will want to raise their families and retire in. We want a family-friendly community and that takes the village, everybody in the village, working together."

Village of Lincoln council meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of the month at 117 W. Fiske Street in Lincoln.

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month. If the schools are closed due to bad weather, the pantry will be closed.

Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will hold their membership meeting at 11 a.m. at the 19th Hole Restaurant on US-23 north of Alpena. Lunch will be served at noon. Call (989) 727-4080 or (989) 356-4959 for details.

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

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207

Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

A retirement planning program with Bruce Miller will be held at 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

Alcona retirees meet for a potluck lunch and bingo at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring a dish to pass. 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).

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.

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Children will learn fun money-saving basics with a representative from Huron Community Bank during "Money Week" Storytime and Craft from noon to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Children will receive a free book and gift. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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

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

MONDAY, APRIL 8

Senior commodities will be distributed from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

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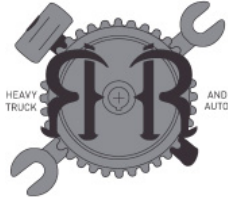


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Senator Pridnia calling it quits after 12 years in state legislature

March 30, 1994 ~ Alcona County will lose its personal champion and spokesman in the State Senate at the end of the year.

In a surprise announcement released on Friday, 36th District State Senator John Pridnia of Hubbard Lake said that he will not seek reelection this fall to the Senate.

Pridnia, who represents the largest Senate district in the state, including 16 counties running from Lake Huron to Lake Michigan, stressed his "desire to spend more time with his family and to return to a more private lifestyle."

Pridnia currently serves as the Assistant Senate Majority Leader.

Regarding his decision not to seek reelection, he said that "It has been a great honor to serve the residents of Northern Michigan during the last

12 years, but that service came with a price. That price included being away from my family more than one would find reasonable. Additionally, there has been a great loss of our ability as a family to enjoy much of a private life," Pridnia added.

Pridnia, 51, is a former Harrisville business owner and resident who now resides in Hubbard Lake.

He has served for 12 years in the state legislature, first serving four terms as state representative, and then successfully running for state senator. With redistricting,

Pridnia was expected to run for the new 37th Senate District seat, which would include much of his present district plus five Upper Peninsula counties.

As the 36th District Senator, Pridnia serves as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Health Policy and Senior Citizens, Vice-Chairman of the Transportation and Tourism Committee, a member of the Great Lakes Commission, a committee member for the Council of State Governments, and a member of Library of Michigan Board of Trustees.

Branch plant to locate in Lincoln

March 27, 1969 ~ The Lincoln Development Corporation has announced that a Romulus based industry will locate a branch manufacturing plant in the village. The Clyde F. Rickert, Inc., manufacturers of precision carbide and steel tools and dies for the automotive and related industries, plans opening of operations in June.

The firm will be located on Traverse Bay Road, adjacent to the Masonic Temple.

Ownership is held almost exclusively by members of the Rickert family, with Clyde Rickert as president and Monty L. Kruttlin executive vice president and sales manager.

Gary Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Collins, former Mikado residents, has been named to manage the plant, which will start with a force of twelve to fifteen employees.

Boy Scout Court Of Honor held

March 27, 1969 ~ Troop 93, Boy Scouts of America, held a Court of Honor on Sunday, March 23, 1969 at the Harrisville Methodist Church dining room.

The Court of Honor opened with the invocation given by Bill Fogelsinger, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag, led by Tenderfoot Melvin Girard.

Eagle Scout John Anstead, Mike Kerr and Mike Proconier gave a candle lighting ceremony signifying the 6 ranks in scouting, the 3 points of the Scout oath and the 12 points of the Scout law.

Bill Fogelsinger, Institutional Representative, presented the participating boys of the recent Polar Bear Campout with their distinctive leather patch denoting them as qualified Polar Bear Campers.

John Wittenberg, Assistant Scoutmaster, presented Melvin Girard, Tommy Schultz and Claude Kruttlin with their Tenderfoot ranks.

Lynn Proconier, committee chairman, presented Robert Bianchi and Scott Lindow with their second class ranks.

Gene LaChapelle, Roundtable Commissioner of the Yucca Council, El Paso, Texas, presented Bradley DeJarlais and Carl Tobias with the rank of first class.

Assistant District Commis-

sioner Dr. Winston Carpenter presented David Martin with the rank of Star Scout.

The mothers of all the boys pinned the badges of rank on their sons and the boys in return pinned miniatures of their ranks on their mothers' lapels.

Committeeman Carl Stein presented the following merit badges:

1. John Anstead - First Aid to animals.
2. Bradley DeJarlais - camping
3. Kim Klein - camping
4. David Martin - camping, and cooking
5. Carl Tobias - camping, and swimming.

Mr. LaChapelle, an Eagle Scout, Mr. LaChapelle, an Eagle Scout, former charter member of Troop 93, thirty-eight years ago and still active as a roundtable commissioner of the Yucca Council, El Paso, spoke to the boys with regards to scouting and how a boy who gives knowledge will always receive more in return that he gives.

Scoutmaster Klein gave a run down of coming events for the Troop during the spring and summer months. In all, it looks like a busy season for Troop 93.

Eagle Scout John Anstead dismissed the Court of Honor with the Boy Scout benediction.

Cubbing

March 27, 1969 ~ The Cub Scout pack meeting will be held Sunday, March 30, at 2:00 p. m. at the Harrisville Vets Club.

At their last meeting Den 2 made indian bracelets and necklaces;

Dens 3 and 4 visited the Library and Mrs. Cole helped study a few books on indians and showed a cartoon; Den 5 made indian masks and drums.

"What It Means To Be An American"

By Johnny Bielusiak

It is real nice to be in America. It means to be free to go on trips whenever you want to or to play on the swings, to be free to run boat races and to go to church, or to school to learn to read and write. To talk anywhere and to play.

"What It Feels Like To Be An American"

By Mark Bartoszek

I feel proud to be an American because I'm free. And I have religious freedom, go to your own church, vote for anyone you want, be what you want to be and most of all you can do what you want to do. Nobody to push you around in the streets. You can wear what you want to wear. You can't be searched without a warrant, You can have freedom of the press, freedom of speech. You have the right to petition our government if we don't like something. We have the right to trial by jury and freedom of property.

CryptoQuip answer

While the movie might have further subsequent versions, this will be the first among sequels.

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Weekly Report						
Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
March 17	36	15	0.00	3.1	19	SW
March 18	36	18	0.00	3.3	22	SW
March 19	36	25	0.00	4.2	18	SSW
March 20	42	28	0.00	6.3	24	SW
March 21	36	31	0.00	1.8	12	NE
March 22	35	24	0.00	6.0	31	NNE
March 23	42	18	0.00	3.3	14	N
Precipitation Summary (Inches)						
2018-2019 Season						
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content			
Weekly Total	0.00	0.0	0.49			
March to Date	0.76	2.6	1.53			
2019 Season to Date	3.45	56.3	4.64			

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. **ENTERTAINERS:** Which pop music singer was born with the name Georgios Kyriacos Panayiotou?
2. **HISTORY:** Who was the first woman to hold federal office in the United States?
3. **MEDICAL:** What is a more common name for "myocardial infarction"?
4. **MUSIC:** Which singer had a 2010 hit single with "Rolling in the Deep"?
5. **GENERAL LANGUAGE:** What is the NATO phonetic word for the letter "I"?
6. **SCIENCE:** What is the only type of rock that is less dense than water?
7. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a group of jellyfish called?
8. **MOVIES:** Who voiced the character of "The Iron Giant"?
9. **LANGUAGE:** What are the Carabinieri in Italy?
10. **U.S. GOVERNMENT:** How many states are required to ratify an amendment to the U.S. Constitution?

Answers: 1. George Michael; 2. Jeannette Rankin, elected in 1916 as a U.S. representative from Montana; 3. Heart attack; 4. Adele; 5. India; 6. Pumice; 7. A swarm, a bloom or a smack; 8. Vin Diesel; 9. Military police with civilian duties; 10. Three-fourths, or 38 of 50 states (c) 2019 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On April 7, 1776, Navy Capt. John Barry, commander of the American warship Lexington, makes the first American naval capture of a British vessel when he takes command of the warship HMS Edward off the coast of Virginia. The capture turned Barry into a national hero.
 - On April 1, 1877, prospector Edward Schieffelin begins his search for silver in southern Arizona. Later that year, Schieffelin discovered one of the richest silver veins in the West. He named it the Tombstone Lode.
 - On April 6, 1896, the Olympic Games, a long-lost tradition of ancient Greece, are reborn in Athens. King Georgios I of Greece and a crowd of 60,000 spectators welcomed athletes from 13 nations.
 - On April 4, 1968, Martin Luther King Jr. is shot to death at a hotel in Memphis, Tennessee. A single shot fired from a nearby motel by James Earl Ray struck King in the neck. The death of America's leading civil-rights advocate sparked a wave of rioting around the country.
 - On April 2, 1972, silent film actor and filmmaker Charlie Chaplin prepares for his first voyage to the United States since 1952, when he was denied a re-entry visa amid questions about his leftist politics. Chaplin returned to accept an honorary Academy Award.
 - On April 3, 1996, at his cabin in Montana, Theodore John Kaczynski is arrested by FBI agents and accused of being the Unabomber, the elusive terrorist blamed for 16 mail bombs that killed three people and injured 23. "Unabomber" was an acronym for university, airline and bomber.
 - On April 5, 2000, Lee Petty, an early star of NASCAR, dies at the age of 86 in North Carolina. Lee Petty won more than 50 stock-car races during his career, including three NASCAR championships and the first Daytona 500, held in 1959.
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Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Spanish sailing ships</p> <p>9 Regrets</p> <p>13 Disney's Ariel, e.g.</p> <p>20 Classic Italian song</p> <p>21 About</p> <p>22 Powell of "Rosalie"</p> <p>23 Agitates</p> <p>24 Ticket for a suitcase at an airport</p> <p>26 Model Banks</p> <p>27 "Let me think ..."</p> <p>29 1836 Texas siege setting</p> <p>30 Farm baby</p> <p>34 "Cleopatra" director</p> <p>41 Health insurance invoice</p> <p>45 Off the clock for a while at work</p> <p>46 "Law & Order: —" (TV spinoff)</p> <p>47 Libertine</p> <p>48 Fore-and-aft rig section</p> <p>51 Actress Capshaw</p> <p>52 Alabama march city</p> <p>54 Suffix with ranch</p> <p>56 Lighten up</p> | <p>57 Trait sources</p> <p>58 Randy Quaid thriller about a menacing car</p> <p>62 Cherry, e.g.</p> <p>63 Biblical wife of Isaac</p> <p>64 "Showdown" rock gp.</p> <p>65 "Aha!"</p> <p>67 "Westworld" ainer</p> <p>70 Those, to Juan</p> <p>71 Lisa, vis-à-vis the Simpson</p> <p>75 Anjou, e.g.</p> <p>76 Pigs' hangout</p> <p>77 Towed-away car, maybe</p> <p>78 Route</p> <p>79 "Yep, sounds about right"</p> <p>81 Star of Earth</p> <p>82 Pic on a web page, say</p> <p>86 Start to use</p> <p>89 La — Tar</p> <p>90 Dallas-to-NYC dir.</p> <p>91 Circular gasket</p> <p>93 Paella need</p> <p>94 "Ay, —!" (cry from Bart Simpson)</p> | <p>97 Ride ordered via app</p> <p>99 — Nabisco (old corp.)</p> <p>100 "Conga" singer Gloria</p> <p>102 Shameless untruth</p> <p>105 Branch of knowledge</p> <p>108 — Hashana</p> <p>109 Ungiving sort</p> <p>110 Western tribe</p> <p>112 First lessons</p> <p>116 Like the god Anubis</p> <p>122 Anchor in a forest</p> <p>126 Brother of Wilbur Wright</p> <p>127 Watch datum</p> <p>128 Electronic device's evaluation state</p> <p>129 "Sure, hon"</p> <p>130 Tater</p> <p>131 This puzzle's nine longest answers use only the first half of it</p> | <p>6 Type widths</p> <p>7 Actress Lucy</p> <p>8 Jr.-to-be</p> <p>9 Flesh on a rack</p> <p>10 A, in Iberia</p> <p>11 Work unit</p> <p>12 George of "King Rat"</p> <p>13 Tons of a vitamin, say</p> <p>14 Oxygen, e.g.</p> <p>15 Do one's part again?</p> <p>16 — -jongg</p> <p>17 Prop- ender</p> <p>18 Summer Games gp.</p> <p>19 Dwight Gooden's nickname</p> <p>25 Eur. nation</p> <p>28 Nero's 1,150</p> <p>31 Just slightly</p> <p>32 — Zedong</p> <p>33 Highest-quality</p> <p>35 AFL- —</p> <p>36 Urge along</p> <p>37 Annoyed</p> <p>38 Be on a slant</p> <p>39 Not punctual</p> <p>40 Barely gets, with "out"</p> <p>41 Orig. texts</p> <p>42 "Nurse Jackie" actress</p> <p>43 All-work-and-no-play Jack, per an adage</p> | <p>44 Michael of "Juno"</p> <p>49 Goat's bleat</p> <p>50 PC character format</p> <p>53 West and Busch</p> <p>55 Took way too much, in brief</p> <p>57 "Shucks!"</p> <p>59 Dean who invented the Segway</p> <p>60 Laid up</p> <p>61 Lerner's partner</p> <p>62 — -wip (dessert topping)</p> <p>63 In medias —</p> <p>66 Control on a sound mixer</p> <p>67 1971 Donny Osmond hit</p> <p>68 Non-barking hunting dog</p> <p>69 Italian gold</p> <p>72 Red Sox Hall of Famer Bobby</p> <p>73 Ill-bred guy</p> <p>74 Jekyll and —</p> <p>75 Jack of old talk TV</p> <p>77 Tire snagger</p> <p>80 Goopy camp snacks</p> <p>81 Haste</p> <p>83 "Give — call"</p> <p>84 Disney deer</p> | <p>85 Ample, to Li'l Abner</p> <p>86 With 114-Down, phone number part</p> <p>87 Part of DVD</p> <p>88 Bi- x four</p> <p>89 One exiling</p> <p>92 Univ. senior's test</p> <p>94 Prince Charles' wife</p> <p>95 Sweetie, in modern lingo</p> <p>96 Referred</p> <p>98 Green: Prefix</p> <p>101 Doe or sow</p> <p>103 Pesticide banned in '72</p> <p>104 "— & Greg" (old sitcom)</p> <p>106 So-so grade</p> <p>107 Greek Week groups</p> <p>111 "— Kett"</p> <p>113 — tube (TV)</p> <p>114 See</p> <p>86-Down</p> <p>115 "Let it stand"</p> <p>116 Great delight</p> <p>117 Plural "is"</p> <p>118 Rite Aid competitor</p> <p>119 Farm baby</p> <p>120 Fast swim</p> <p>121 Very big bird</p> <p>123 Priest's study: Abbr.</p> <p>124 Sci-fi ability</p> <p>125 Suffix of ordinals</p> |
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was Isaac Asimov, professor of biochemistry and beloved Grand Master of science fiction, who made the following sage observation: "There is a cult of ignorance in the United States, and there always has been. The strain of anti-intellectualism has been a constant thread winding its way through our political and cultural life, nurtured by the false notion that democracy means that 'my ignorance is just as good as your knowledge.'"
- According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, if you're like the average American, you drink 22.7 gallons of coffee every year. The surprising thing about that statistic isn't how much it is, though -- it's how little. It seems that in the 1940s, Americans were drinking twice that amount of java.
- You might be surprised to learn that gravity makes you shorter. It's true; gravity compresses your spine -- in a weightless environment, you would be 2 to 3 inches taller than you are here on Earth.
- George W. Church, the founder of Church's Fried Chicken, didn't actually enter the restaurant business until after he retired. In his first career, Church ran a chicken hatchery and sold incubators.
- Those who study such things say that 1 percent of the world's lizard species have no males. The females reproduce by parthenogenesis, which produces offspring that are clones of their mothers.
- Before Charlton Heston became a famous actor, he earned cash by serving as an artists' model -- and posed in the nude.

Thought for the Day: "Mistakes are a part of being human. Appreciate your mistakes for what they are: precious life lessons that can only be learned the hard way. Unless it's a fatal mistake, which, at least, others can learn from." -- Al Franken

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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: Y equals T

VOBEK YOK GQUBK GBWOY OSUK
 NDLYOKL CDZCKIDKAY UKLCBQAC,
 YOBC VBEE ZK YOK NBLCY SGQAW
 CKIDKEC.

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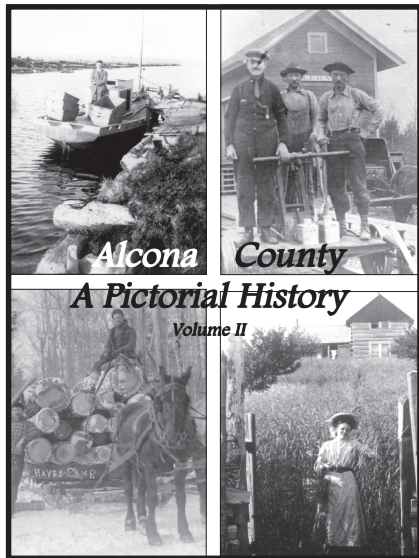
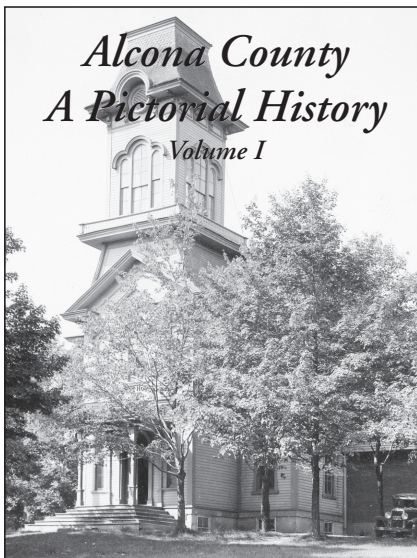
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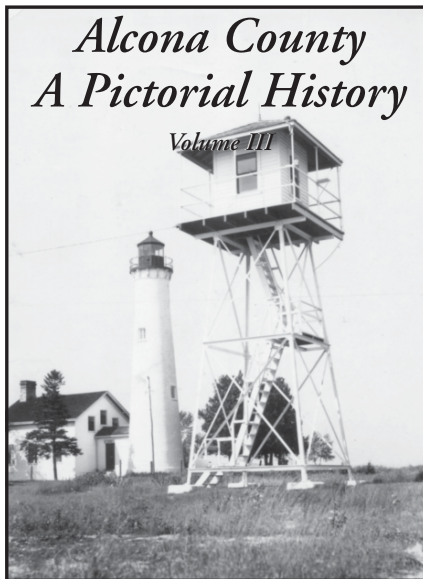
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