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## Alcona students show giving spirit with the gift of reading

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

The giving spirit of Alcona County flourishes this time of year. The excitement of giving is addictive and has spread to some of the community's youngest residents.

This year it spread to the fourth-grade class of Chelsea Neuenfeldt, a teacher at Alcona Elementary School. The class collectively showed its kind and giving spirit by raising funds and purchasing a book for every student of the school.

Neuenfeldt said the idea to share a gift of reading began back in August with a campaign through Scholastic Books for her own class. "I planned to raise money to give students a new book each month we are in school since we are limiting library use (during COVID-19 restrictions). Within 24 hours I had

met and exceeded my goal of raising \$600 from our community," Neuenfeldt said.

She shared the good news with her class and they were excited to receive their first book. At approximately the same time the school began a positivity project. Due to that project, Neuenfeldt's class began learning about how other people's happiness can affect their own lives.

"If we wanted to be happy, we needed to strive to make the people around us happy. My students got a spark and discussion began about how it would be nice if we could get all the kids at school a book to keep," she said.

The class began a campaign called "Winter Wonderland of Books," and shared it on as many social platforms as they could. They reached the goal of \$400 the first week and proceeded to surpass it by raising \$550.

"My students then picked teachers and classrooms to work with. I put together a lesson to teach my students how to create a Google Form to poll the teachers on how many students were in their class and what books the students were interested in," Neuenfeldt said.

Once the responses were gathered by the fourth-grade class, the students began shopping online at the Scholastic Book site trying to meet and stay within their budget.

Unfortunately, the book order arrived the day the elementary school closed in December and went to remote learning during a spike in COVID-19 positive cases.

"Once class resumed last week it only gave two days for the fourth graders to wrap and label 300 books. My students are very hard workers.

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Gracie Travis (front left), Rainey Miller (right center), Jody Somers (front center), Lila Somers (middle center), Brenton Merrill (back left), and Damien Davenport (back, sitting), and the rest of Chelsea Neuenfeldt's fourth grade class finish a project to give all students a book to keep for the holidays. *Courtesy photo.*

## County Commissioners approve 2021 budget

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

The Alcona County Board of Commissioners held their last meeting of the year and approved the general fund budget of \$5,488,386 for the 2021 fiscal year running January through December.

Alcona County Commissioner and finance committee spokesperson, Adam Brege, explained while the proposed budget is balanced, it is not without having to dip into funds which, in the past, was normally saved from year to year.

"While it is balanced, that

doesn't mean the county has enough money. We don't. It only balances by using funds from the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund (DTRF) and some funds from the county's general balance fund," Brege said.

The county proposed that in 2021 it may have to dip into the DTRF funds, something it only started doing last year, for a little over \$324,000 and into the general fund balance monies, a practice it has been doing since around 2008 for nearly \$376,000 to make ends meet. He was optimistic, however,

and said while, theoretically, those funds were there if they needed them, it doesn't necessarily mean they will be used.

To keep the budget balanced for 2021 and future years, the commissioners have begun to take steps to address retirement costs but have not made any significant changes to the 2021 budget in that regard.

Brege reinforced that no reduction in staff was being considered and no specific changes to employee benefits were made to balance the coming year. In fact, they were

able to maintain or reduce insurance costs for 2021. However, there are no raises planned for 2021 and hiring will only be considered on a case-to-case basis depending on department needs and the ability to stay within the budget.

Brege said the county's general fund includes many of the day-to-day county operations/duties such as the trial court, prosecuting attorney, clerk, treasurer, assessor/equalization, register of deeds, building and grounds, law enforcement, jail, emergency services and

medical examiner.

A non-general fund budget for 2021 was also approved but Brege said that fund varies. The non-general fund includes items such as the county road fund, ambulance fund, friend of the court, brownfield redevelopment, building inspection, library fund, and a long list of other line items.

While the 2021 general fund budget is balanced -- meaning on paper revenue is equal to expenditures -- the non-general fund budget did not balance on paper but will

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# God Bless America



# Calendar of Events

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23

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.

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

The Alcona County Library and all branches will be closed for Christmas Eve.

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25

The Alcona County Library and all branches will be closed for Christmas.

Reformers Unanimous, a faith-based addictions recovery program, will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 South State Street. For more information, call Pastor Wayne Whitten at (989) 335-0172.

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31

The Alcona County Library and all branches will be closed for New Year's Eve.

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021

The Alcona County Library and all branches will be closed for New Year's Day.

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

The Alcona County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Board will meet by video conferencing at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting room in the lower level of the Alcona County Building located at 106 Fifth Street in Harrisville. For more information and video participation information, contact Tammy Ranger at (989) 619-5865.

*(Editor's Note: Entries for Calendar are always welcome. The deadline is Friday at noon. They will be published in chronological order as space allows. Entries should be turned in at least two weeks prior to the date of the event. Events sponsored by businesses or individuals to make a profit or governmental units for meeting notification are not eligible for this free public service. Sorry, bingo, garage sales, raffle ticket sales, or political campaigning information is not eligible.)*

## Dorothy Ann (Glus) Himick

Dorothy Ann (Glus) Himick was born on November 1, 1919 in Edinboro, Pa. Her parents, Prokup and Mary (Warian) Glus emigrated to America from Austria with four children. They settled on a farm in Edinboro, Pa. where they had seven more children, including Dorothy.

They worshiped at St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church in nearby Pageville.

At home, they all spoke their native Slavish language. Dorothy learned English when she started school. In 1938 she graduated from high school, which was unusual for a farm girl of her time.

During the war years, she worked at an aluminum plant making airplane wings. She was a real "Rosie the Riveter."

She met the love of her life when her brother, Paul, brought his best friend, Edward Himick, home to the farm for a visit. Dorothy and Ed married in Detroit, Mich. on February 9, 1946. They lived in Allen Park, Mich., where Ed was employed by the city, working his way up to Superintendent of Public Works.

There, they raised their three sons, Edward Jr., Brian and Bruce. After 30 years there, Ed retired in 1974. Sadly, they only had only a short time to enjoy Ed's retirement. He passed away suddenly on July 10, 1976

In 1984, Dorothy, now known to all as Baba (Russian for Grandmother) moved to Harrisville to be close to her son, Brian, and his family. He built a house for her next door to his on Stockton Road.

There she gardened, took care of her own lawn, and helped raise four of her grandchildren, teaching them the importance of "knowing their prices" and using coupons.

When she was no longer able to live on her own, she moved into Lincoln Haven



in Lincoln, where the staff took great care of her. Her family, now including eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren, would visit often her.

After 101 years of a full and happy life, her stubborn and generous heart stopped beating on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2020. Her granddaughter, Anna Himick, was by her side holding her hand.

Dorothy was predeceased by her parents, Prokop and Mary Glus, all 10 of her brothers and sisters, and her husband, Edward Louis Himick.

Surviving are her sons, Edward (Linda) Himick Jr. of Savoy, Ill., Brian John (Valerie) Himick of Traverse City, Mich., Bruce Robert (Debra) Himick of Royal Oak, Mich.; eight grandchildren, Michael and James Himick, Brian Jr., Meghan, and Anna Himick, Rebecca DeSmet, Tanya Grasl and Bruce Himick Jr.; 12 great-grandchildren, Kate Himick, Luke and Tatiana Himick, Damion Stewart, Carson Spears, Max, Henry and Noah DeSmet, Evelyn and Abel Grasl, Carter and Leland Himick; and two great-great-grandchildren, Kaiden and Aubrey

She will be buried next to her beloved husband, Ed, in Michigan Memorial Cemetery in Flat Rock, Mich., on Monday, Dec. 21 at 11:30 a.m. Sharing the plot are her brother, Paul Glus and his wife, Helen.

There will be a Celebration of Life gathering later next spring or summer.

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## Obituaries

### Kenneth "Butch" G. Manning

Kenneth "Butch" George Manning, 65, died on Sunday, Dec. 13, 2020 at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, Mich.

He was born January 23, 1955 in Harrisville Township to Kenneth Jay and Florence Virginia (Loyer) Manning.

He graduated from Alcona High School.

His love of being and working outdoors led him to open Lincoln Sand and Gravel & Lincoln Tool Company.

He began a life long love of snowmobile racing as a teenager. Through his love of snowmobile racing, Mr. Manning was the promotor of the Lincoln race for many, many years. From building the best track in the circuit to funding the race out of his own pocket, many times when sponsors were not available. He was called many times for his expert advice on other tracks being built.

He was also a supporter of the Lincoln Lions, Alcona Fair, and the 4H programs. He was big believer in supporting programs for the youth.

Another great passion was fishing. Continuing the spirit of competition with friends and family he began tournament fishing in the 90s. Recently, he had begun enjoying the smaller fishing scene on Drummond Island.

No matter what he did in life, he believed it was always about family. Whether it was about multiple businesses, hobbies or anything else life brought his way, it included family.

Mr. Manning is survived by one daughter, Lilly Manning of Harrisville; two sisters, Sandra Dubie of Harrisville and Lora (Jim) Roberts of East Jordan, Mich.; two brothers, Warren Manning of Kissimmee, Fla., and Rex (Sherry) Manning of Harris-



ville; six nieces and nephews, Jessica Dubie, Nick Dubie, Danica Manning, Rylee Manning, Greg Manning and Charles Manning; and several great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Kenneth and Virginia "Honey" Manning.

## Local Notes

### Cooking for One

Michigan State University (MSU) Extension is offering a free Cooking for One, six-class series on Tuesdays from January 5, 2021 through February 9, 2021 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Cooking for One uses real life examples and opportunities to brainstorm ways to make cooking for a small household easier while keeping food safety, nutrition, and budget in mind.

Over the course of six on-line, interactive lessons, participants will learn ways to make cooking simple and enjoyable, learn helpful tips for making healthy choices like eating well and being active, and receive and discuss real recipes made for one. This class is also for people interested in jazzing up those pesky leftovers.

Learn more and preregister by January 3 in the confidential system by visiting [www.events.anr.msu.edu/cooking41\\_nemcsa](http://www.events.anr.msu.edu/cooking41_nemcsa) or contact Elaine Palm at [bristol17@msu.edu](mailto:bristol17@msu.edu).

### Snowmobile Trails Closed

Many state-designated snowmobile trails in Alcona County are temporarily closed due to safety challenges caused by heavy, wet snow that blanketed the area Saturday, Dec. 12.

Trees and branches, weighed down by the heavy snow, broke and fell onto trails, creating hazardous obstacles. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the Huron-Manistee National Forest and the Alcona County Parks and Recreation Department have determined that riding conditions are unsafe at this time.

Snowmobile Trails No. 96 (west of Trail No. 665), 961, 962, 963, 964, 966 and 971 will remain closed until the debris is cleared, and reroutes will not be identified due to

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### Carl Ray Hompstead

"A Man of His Word"  
PRAISE THE LORD!

August 14, 1944 to  
December 3, 2020

Born to Ray Pershing and Freda Mae (Rice) Hompstead at the Rice farmhouse in Lincoln.

• 15yrs of age – "Saved by the blood of the Crucified One" at Camp Barakel in Fairview, Mich.

Siblings: Diann (Larry) Beaty, Ruth (Glen) Buck, Patsy (John) DeWyse, Carla (Tom) Priem, George (Elizabeth) Hompstead, and David (Paula) Hompstead.

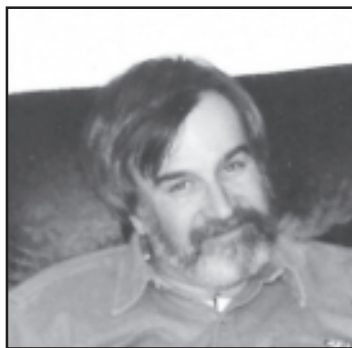
Also beloved Uncles, Aunts, Cousins, Nephews and Nieces.

Moving to Bay City, Mich. at an early age, Carl grew to love fixing things and knot-tying. He applied these skills throughout his life. Carl graduated from Handy High 1962.

While attending Ft. Wayne Bible College with best friend Keith Clough, Carl met Coni L. Breon from Peoria, Ill. They were married July 26, 1969.

Carl worked at Saginaw Steering Gear; then the couple joined Teen Ministry Youth For Christ, serving over 7 years.

In 1978 Carl developed his own business, CATS -- Cross Antenna & Tower Service -- becoming a Steeple Jack. Delta College TV Department and extended training in strobe lighting laid the foundation for servicing major TV and Radio stations throughout Michigan. All four sons learned to assist ... "Got it?" Satellite Dish Installations took Carl across America; and two trips to Roatan, Honduras for tower maintenance were special high lights. The dear friendships acquired during



these busy years touched Carl's and Coni's lives richly.

Faithful attendance to Evangelical Free Church of Bay City for 56 years, Carl served as Elder and Teacher, enveloping numerous loved Church Family who influenced his life ... "So Thankful."

The most precious blessing to Carl and Coni is Family -- names are important. Six Children, Cam Ray (Shannon), Corsu Lea (Stephen), twins, Cean Rede (Abbie) & Chepard Reve (Kari), Courtney Regan (Shawntaye), and Chela LeAnne (Bryant).

Twenty Grandchildren, Cami (Mike), Cyler, Trey and Taylor, twins, Kaitlyn and Cassidy, Kiley, Dane, Ella Grace and Breon, Arianna, Chepard, Larissa and Elyse, Seth, Tayedom and Caspian, Tru, Destin and AyraLana.

And first Great-Grandchild, Averi.

"SO BLESSED!"

Carl has acquired his goal in running the race to pursue righteousness. The greatest honor to him would be for all whose lives were touched by, Carl to join the race. "Just Do The Right Thing." II Corinthians 5:21

A private funeral service for the family of Carl Ray Hompstead was held at 2:30 p.m. at Evangelical Free Church on December 12, 2020.

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### Roland F. Tulgetske Jr.

Roland F. Tulgetske Jr., 69, of Mikado, died on Monday, Dec. 14, 2020 at home.

He was born March 1, 1951 to Roland F. and Viola (Johnson) Tulgetske Sr. in Rogers City, Mich., where he was raised.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He moved to Oscoda in 1993.

He was a train enthusiast and had quite the collection of trains. He enjoyed fishing and loved "going for a drive."

Mr. Tulgetske is survived by one daughter, Melisa (James) June; one son, Eric (Melissa) Tulgetske; six grandchildren, Garry Tulgetske, Alliyah Gosney, Seth Tulgetske, Christopher June, Jacob June, and Daniel June; one sister, Linda (Alan) Sexton; two brothers, Gerald (Georgina) Tulgetske and Robert Tulgetske; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Carol Tulgetske and Barbara (Darwin) Brege and one brother, Ken Tulgetske.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

### Douglas E. Cameron

Douglas Ewan Cameron, 79, died peacefully in his sleep on December 15, 2020. He was born in New Brunswick, N.J. on April 5, 1941. He grew up in Oak Ridge, Tenn. where his father was a chemist with the Atomic Energy Commission (Manhattan Project). In 1954-55 he lived in Frankfurt, Germany where his father had a Fulbright grant to work at the Max Plank Institute.

He graduated from Oak Ridge High School in 1959 and attended Miami University with an ROTC scholarship. He was a member of Theta Chi. He attended the University of Akron receiving his Masters in 1965. He received his PhD in Mathematics from Virginia Technical Institute and State University in 1970.

He taught at the University of Akron from 1970 through 1998 retiring as a Professor Emeritus of Mathematical Sciences.

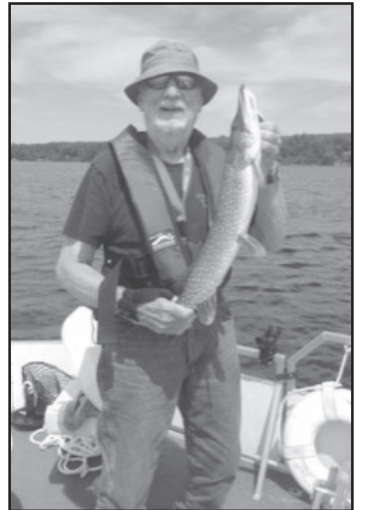
In his professional career he also taught at Ohio University (1976-77) and Clemson University (1992-93) as an exchange professor. January - June 1979 he and is family lived in Moscow, Russia (formerly the USSR) to study the history of topology. He published 27 professional papers and one textbook (Modern Abstract Algebra) with David C. Buchthal.

He always acknowledged that his wife, Nancy, was the inspiration for his grants for Russian studies and his historical specialty.

He was an active member of the Akron Jaycees and was on the Board of Governors of Akron Golf Charities.

In retirement he and Nancy spent half the year at their home on Hubbard Lake, Mich. and half in Copley, Ohio. They also continued their love of traveling going to 106 countries as of January 2020.

He was very active in the Hubbard Lake Sportsman and Improvement Association serving as East Side



Director, Vice President, President, and Newsletter Editor. He received the Outstanding Member award in 2008. He was currently the President.

He and Nancy were involved in Good Samaritan Hunger Center and Interfaith Caregivers in Akron, Ohio. He published his first novel, "The Body in the Perch Pond" in 2012 and went on to write 18 more ending with "The Body in the Blaze" in 2020. Lately he was working as a guide at the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse on Lake Huron in Harrisville, Mich.

He precedes in death his wife, Nancy Calhoun Cameron, (whom he married in 1976); son, Christopher (Rose); grandsons, Matthew and Jack; daughter, Laurel Shurlow (Rex); stepson, John David Bokas (Katie); and three grandsons, Cameron, Ian and Aaron; stepson, Gary Andrew Bokas (Bill Mustard); stepson, William Calhoun Bokas (Tanya); and brother, Alex.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Angus and Jane (Gray) Cameron, and his brother, Allan.

Memorials can be made to Hubbard Lake Sportsman Improvement Association, P.O. Box 111, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747, Alcona Humane Society, 457 West Traverse Bay Road, Lincoln, Mich. 48742, and Alcona Historical Society, P.O. Box 174, Harrisville, Mich. 48740.

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be amended as needed when commissioners meet again in early January.

“Between staff working from home due to COVID-19 (restrictions), changes in the staff in the court system and some information that needed to be collected, the Friend of the Court fund, Drug/Sobriety Court fund and the Michigan Small City Housing Grant VI, did not get balanced in

time for submission,” Brege said.

According to Brege, the county road fund, which does not show equal revenue to expenditures, is mainly under the jurisdiction of the Alcona County Road Commission and while the board of commissioners must approve the fund, it has no control over where that money goes.

Work for the 2021 budget began a little earlier than usual this past year, which typically starts in September when worksheets are sent to department heads to make predictions about potential income and anticipated expenditures. The worksheet also includes the current year’s amended budget, activity to date and a few prior year’s amended budgets to spot trends. Brege said the finance committee began meeting earlier this year to try and get ahead of the game.

The biggest hurdle, according to Brege, has been the same for several years; balancing the budget with flat tax income. “We are getting by with the same level of tax funding we had in 2008. The cost of doing business over the last 12 years, however, has gone up. The main engine that drives the management of Alcona County is the people who staff our buildings. (All working) to make sure the processes required to implement, track and manage our local government is running properly,” Brege said.

Brege said many offices are understaffed. For example, “the register of deeds consists of only two people, the elected official and a deputy. Elected officials are not permanent fixtures and you do not have to have any experience in that field to be elected. If a new register of deeds was elected after the next cycle and they appoint a new deputy, then nobody in that office may have the experience to carry on.

“I think elected offices should be staffed with the ability to operate without an official so they can train and prepare the person and their deputy for the duties and ex-

pectations for that office,” Brege said.

According to him, the same scenario could apply to the clerk, treasurer, or commissioner’s office. “If a new candidate gets voted in, you lose all the experience of the previous office holder, which when staffed at current levels makes getting the job done properly very difficult.”

Brege said it would be smart to have a county administrator, an employee some counties similar to Alcona County have. Due to budget constraints, Alcona County has never had a county administrator.

“I am starting my third term and I am still learning the nuances of state reporting, audits, and grant tracking. Now we will be starting the year with two new commissioners. If there was an administrator to keep the processes moving along in the required fashion, the learning curve would have less impact,” Brege said. He felt while his opinion has a solid concept, with current funding, it is not realistic.

The last year has been hectic for county offices, according to Brege and they have had to deal with numerous changes weekly due to the impact of COVID-19 restrictions, regulations and rules which made it hard to get an accurate picture of how it will affect the 2021 budget.

He cited one major area of concern regarding the 2020 budget and future budgets was the caveat the state gave in the fourth payment of revenue sharing for the funds to be spent entirely on COVID-19 expenses.

“These funds were already relied upon for regular use, so the new rule required extra work to be able to use the funds. We put this (2021) budget together as we would have during any other year because we can’t predict what the state or federal government are going to hand down next,” Brege said.

Alcona County Commissioners meet publicly on Zoom every first and third Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. A log-in link can be found on the [alconacountymi.com](http://alconacountymi.com) home web page under information.

A special organizational meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 4, 2021 at 2 p.m.

Currently, the Alcona County Building is closed to the public due to COVID-19 restrictions, but staff is still working and business can be conducted by phone or email. A listing of county phone numbers and departments can be found in the 2020 Alcona County Review Service Guide.



**top ten**  
**Fastest Growing States\***

1. Arizona
2. Idaho
3. Utah
4. Washington
5. Colorado
6. Florida
7. South Dakota
8. Texas
9. Nevada
10. South Carolina

\*per capita  
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He has many growing concerns. Lately, the farmer is **answering** Cryptidly.

### Super Crossword

**Answers**

STASH	ISAK	LADD	FARES
HIPPODROME	ARIA	IVANA	
UNSOLVEDMYSTERY	RAITT		
TOOTED	OSAKA	OPENSEA	
	SAN	BESTWESTERN	
PRANK	LITHE	ALOT	
RECOILINHORROR	NOMADS		
ODENSE	ORR	BOT	RENEW
MODESTO	ONLINEROMANCE		
TUTU	WEE	SAD	NIKE
TAG	PUTINTO	ACTION	ESP
OTRA	CION	NSA	DRAB
DOUBLEFANTASY	SIDETWO		
ANERA	NOS	EMT	ZITHER
DELANO	GREATADVENTURE		
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## Students

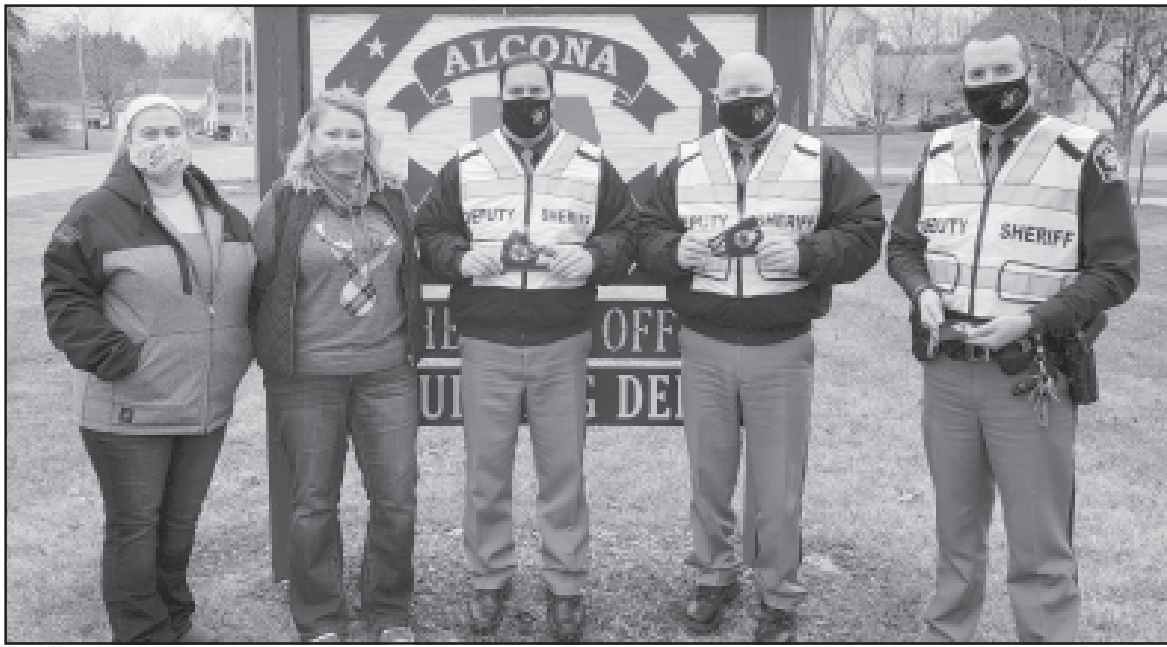
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They were all so happy to be able to get the project finished. I delivered the books to students last Friday and we had a schoolwide Google Meet to share the experience with students.

“We ended up with about 30 extra books which the class decided to donate to two local daycares and the Alcona County Library,” Neuenfeldt said.



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The Alcona Blue Light Movement, which began several months ago to purchase blue light bulbs for outdoor lights on local residences to show support for law enforcement, raised more money than needed. As a result, organizers Kaitlyn Franklin and Candy Fulsher received recommendations from Alcona County Sheriff Scott Stephenson on how those funds could support the sheriff's department. The extra \$600 was used to purchase 10 safety vests and 17 reusable face masks, which were donated recently, (from left) Franklin, Fulsher, Stephenson, Undersheriff Keith Myers and Deputy Rob Clink. *Courtesy photo.*

## Pastor finds purpose in Alcona County

**By Mary Weber**  
*Staff Writer*

Finding one's purpose in life doesn't always begin with a clear image of what path to follow. Sometimes that path takes a few twists, which is the case for a young pastor who is finding what was missing from her life in rural northeast Michigan.

Pastor Angela Lovegrove, who came to minister the First United Methodist Church of Lincoln, Harrisville and Ossineke last July, said it wasn't until she finished getting a bachelor's degree in plastic engineering and technology at Ferris State University in 2017 when she began to think of becoming a pastor.

"While I enjoyed the engineering program and my internships, I just felt like something was missing from my life. I started thinking about other fields when friends suggested I would make a great pastor. After that, things just fell into place," Lovegrove said.

Despite her father passing away when she was only five years old, Lovegrove said she lived a fairly normal life. She was raised in the Grand Rapids, Mich. area with her mother, two older brothers and an older sister.

"Enjoyed reading as a child and playing video games, which I still enjoy. My mother would limit us to 30 minutes a day on the games, which now, I'm glad she did," she said.

Lovegrove enjoyed hanging out with her sister through much of her youth. In middle school, she joined the band and played the flute, in high school, she joined the bowling team.

While religion was important to her mother, Lovegrove, like her siblings, grew away from the church as a teenager. "Mom did her best to get us kids interested in church, but we could skip church if we still read the Bible, so we did that instead. I did start going to a Methodist Church in high school with a friend though," Lovegrove said.

She wasn't sure why her friends thought she would make a good pastor but said it probably had something to

do with her ability to be a good listener and that people enjoyed listening to what she had to say as well.

After attending a few conferences, Lovegrove narrowed her seminary options to three sites and was accepted with a full scholarship to Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington D.C. which she graduated from last May.

According to Lay Leader of the Harrisville United Methodist Church, Meg Nisbet, being thrust into the position of pastor for three congregations, known as a three-point charge, so soon after graduating seminary school is a lot, but having to do so during a pandemic would try even the most experienced clergy.

"What is wonderful about Pastor Lovegrove is that she has taken this on, she is reaching out to congregates throughout the church's off and on-again closures in a variety of ways, on YouTube, live Internet feed and through pre-recorded DVDs for people without Internet to watch from home," Nisbet said.

The church also offers a weekly prayer conference call where members can chat with Lovegrove, each other and offer prayer.

The new pastor said the three-church position for her is a lot, but the COVID-19 restrictions haven't been too difficult, especially since she has no pastoring experience to compare it with.

She is praying the church can open its doors for Christmas service, but if that isn't a possibility this year, they will take it one day at a time and continue as they have been.

Lovegrove is trying to do everything she can to keep her church congregation and community safe while still keeping people connected to the church. Once the restrictions pass, she would like to see more events at the churches, such as soup and pie suppers, and invite the public to attend.

Within the three churches, Lovegrove pastors about 80 members, and while her pastoral duties, learning about her congregations and the area has kept her busy, she



Angela Lovegrove

has been enjoying some of the nature Alcona County offers such as living close to Lake Huron and hiking in Negwegon, which she felt was truly beautiful and uplifting. She is also spending time with her cat, Milo.

Lovegrove is grateful for all the support and the love the community has shown. She is looking forward to serving her three-point charge for at least another year, if not longer, depending on how long her appointment is extended.

### NOTICE

The Village of Lincoln is seeking applications for someone to serve on the Village Council. The applicant must be a registered voter in the Village and be willing to serve for 2 years. This position has been created by a vacancy on the current board.

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### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND IN PART

#### AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE" WHICH WAS ADOPTED FEBRUARY 10, 2015, AS AMENDED, TO REZONE THE WEST HALF OF PARCEL 041-401-005-015-00

THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENBUSH, ALCONA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

1. The Township of Greenbush Zoning Ordinance of February 10, 2015, as amended (hereinafter the "Ordinance"), shall be amended to rezone the west half of parcel 041-401-005-015-00, as follows, to wit:

Rezone the west half of parcel 041-401-005-015-00 from the Low Density Residential District to the Commercial District.

2. CONFLICTING ORDINANCES: All other ordinances and parts of ordinances, or amendments thereto, of the Township of Greenbush in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This ordinance amendment shall take effect on December 23, 2020 following publication in the Alcona County Review on December 16, 2020.

At the December 8, 2020 regular Township of Greenbush monthly Board Meeting a motion was made by Clerk Shannon Story, seconded by Trustee Steve Franks to adopt the ordinance.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted aye: Supervisor C. Lee Major, Clerk Shannon Story, Treasurer Pat Dailey, Trustee Mark Parent, and Trustee Steve Franks. the following voted nay: none, and the following were absent: none.

Supervisor C. Lee Major declared the ordinance adopted.

# Students learn through on-hand experience

**By Mary Weber**  
Staff Writer

Alcona Elementary School second grade students have been busy engaging in the

Great Lakes Birds Stewardship Project.

Through the project, students worked with teachers and virtual community part-

ners to learn bird habitats, identification, adaptations and how to use the knowledge to enhance the school's new forested land.

Jennifer Schroeder, the school's science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) teacher said second grade students built birdhouses for a specific species of bird they observed around the school grounds.

"Students then chose a site on the new land to hang the birdhouse based on the knowledge they learned about the species and what it needs to survive. We will be checking this spring to see how their choices turned out by seeing who moved in," she said.

The species the students studied included tufted titmouse, chickadee, downy woodpecker, house wren and nuthatch.

In addition to observing and building houses for specific species, students made a model of an animal of their choosing but were required to give the animal two adaptations that help it survive in their habitat. They then created a habitat for that animal which provided food, water, shelter and space.

Schroeder said while this year has been met with many challenges through COVID-19 restrictions, the teachers at Alcona schools continue to find new ways to meet the students' needs and deliver real-life experiences they can apply to learning.

Schroeder has been teaching STEM classes to multiple elementary school grades while supporting the teachers with their lessons.

Fourth-grade students have been utilizing the new property to study the land using remote cameras. Third-grade students are studying soil and engineering to fix a wall on the school land holding pond that was damaged by erosion.

Even learning remotely, which students had to do for part of the past month due to a COVID-19 closure of the school, students were still utilizing the new 40 acres of land. "While we were remote learning the fourth graders studied the phenomenon of eyeshine from the deer in the photos. Our new property has been a wonderful place to engage students of all grades," Schroeder said.

Students in third grade are also raising another sturgeon in their classroom which will be released when it is bigger this spring.

Supplies for the bird habitat project were purchased through part of a grant through the MiStem network which helps to create an ongoing culture of STEM in schools. The STEM programs are also supported by the Northeastern Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative.



Alcona Elementary second graders, Liam Earegood (left) and Chazz Barton show off the finished birdhouse they made together. The second graders in Kelli Samp's class learned all about bird habitats, a project led by Jenny Schroeder, the school's science, technology, engineering and math teacher. *Courtesy Photo.*



In honor of the Harrisville Fire Department, Friends of the Harrisville Fire department Auxiliary has given the magic of Christmas to several local children this season. Members of the auxiliary/Fire department shopped for gifts to give six children affiliated with The Chosen Ranch of Harrisville and Lincoln. (Left) Heather Indish-Nardi, a representative of the Chosen Ranch accepts the donation from Sandy Mendyka, resident of the Friends of the Harrisville Fire Department Auxiliary and Ryan Mendyka, Harrisville Fire Department Medical Chief. Anyone who would like to donate to the Friends of the Harrisville Fire department may contact Sandy Mendyka at (586) 202-8016. *Courtesy photo.*

Thank you to all who generously donated money, time and resources to the Little Food Pantry. Harrisville United Methodist Church, Meg Nisbet, Barbara Potter, Harrisville Yoga students, Bradley Cecil and Dave Cook Law office. Thank you Cedarbrook Trout Farm, Harrisville Harbor, Harrisville State Park, Helen Roberts and Jim and Betty Prohaska for providing outdoor space for yoga classes.

**Due to COVID19 restrictions, the Harrisville Goodfellows will not have Santa visiting households on Christmas Eve. In honoring their tradition, which has been happening for decades, please go outside your house at 6 p.m. on Christmas Eve and ring a bell...helping to keep their magic alive!!!**




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The corona vires epidemic this year has caused us to practice caution.

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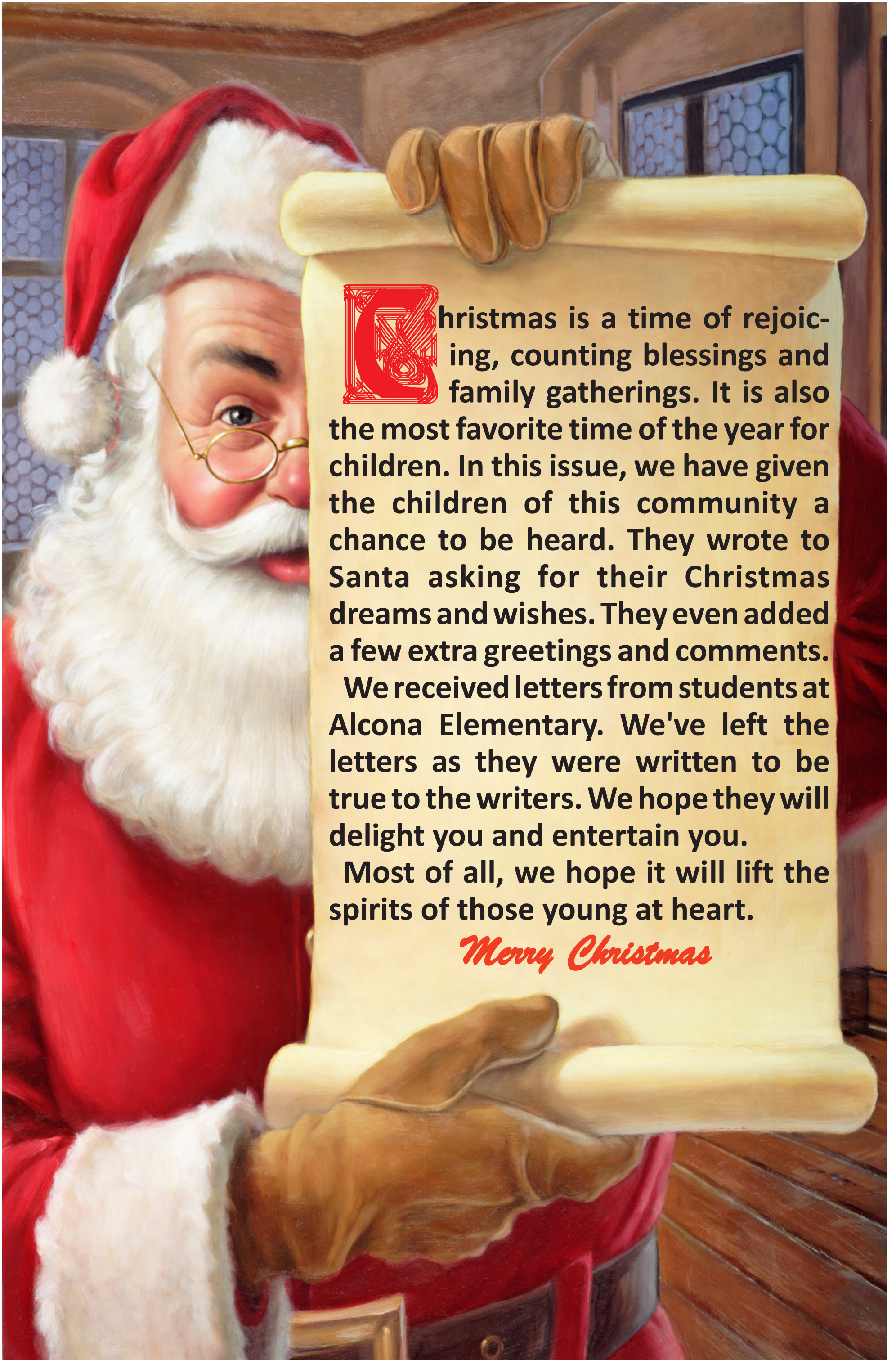
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**C**hristmas is a time of rejoicing, counting blessings and family gatherings. It is also the most favorite time of the year for children. In this issue, we have given the children of this community a chance to be heard. They wrote to Santa asking for their Christmas dreams and wishes. They even added a few extra greetings and comments. We received letters from students at Alcona Elementary. We've left the letters as they were written to be true to the writers. We hope they will delight you and entertain you. Most of all, we hope it will lift the spirits of those young at heart.

*Merry Christmas*



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**Alcona County Register of Deeds**  
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**Mr. Robinson's Class**

Dear Santa I would like a golden Lettered shined football one reason why I have been good this year I have helped my Mom and dad... sincerely, Owen Dear Santa, Hi Santa my name is Gracie and all I want for Christmas is a hoverboard, Harry potter wand collectibles, barbie camper with barbie dolls included. LOLs, Hachemals and spashimals. Why I deserve all this stuff is because 1. I have trying my best to be good 2 I believe in you 3 I like all the Elvs you have been sending me like Dimond, lowie, and cat Sincerely: Gracie

Dear Santa what I want playstation 5. Why I deserve it. I'm good. Sincerely, James

Dear, Santa Malvie can I have sholder pads and a helmet and cleats a journey for Christmas. And a mouth gourd. Because I am good at home and at school because I get along with people. Oh and ak-107LR Sincerely Cameran

Dear Santa my name is BLAYnE. All I want is a new iPhone . pleas. And I wan a X box 5 I dezerv it because I ben good this year and I havent ben bad latly. and I will leev cookies for you.

Dear Santa I wish for a xbox one and I wish for a new computer. I should deserve it because I been always a good boy at school and at home at school I always follow the rules, Sincerely, Tommy

Dear santa Abby I want air pods and how I deseove it is I was good. Sincerely Abby

Dear Santa my name is Adriana and what I wish for Christmas is a Harry Potter wond and also fake nails and a harry potter book and harry potterfiguers Also some makeup and some purple dye hairspray and last the greatest Showman movie. And why I deserve it is because Ive been resbosabe all year and kind work-

ing very hard. Sincerely, Adriana

Dear Santa Grady I want football stuff like all the pads that foolball players where even cleats and mouth gard and a iphone 11 plus. New shoes cook shoes 85 dirtbike flaming hot cheetos! I derserve them because I am good Sincerely, Grady Goddard

Dear Sant. My name is Monica and I would love a xbox, video games, a bieldike, ahim staf. Because I'm niser to Izzy and ands,

Dear Santa Holden I want a hoverboard, a drone. any kind of nerg gun. Football gear. Why I deserve it is because I have been good. Did stuff when told. Sincerely Holden

Dear Santa, My name is Aiden. I want an airsoft gun. Dirt bike and PS4. Love, Aidan

**Mrs. Neuenfeld Class**

Dear Santa for Christmas I want a apple phone pls bacuse bacicley all my friends have one it also takes better photo's and pls give my sister one atleast her. I would also like a 200\$dollar gift card for my dad and for my mom and dad to be able to sit next to each outhr. Sincerely, Gracie



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Dear Santa, For Christmas I would like only a typewriter because I love to write and have plans for a series. When I am done with the books I will give them to my Little Sister. Because she is just learning to red. How big is your toy factory. Sincerily, Reid

Dear Santa, For Christmas I would please like a new bed. Some more playground equipment at Alcona Elementary. A raido alarm clock some comics some luck Sincerely. Ayden

Dear Santa For Christmas can I please have a new gitar because my gitar has only three strings. Also I woud

love a new micerophone my micerophone is broke because my sister threw it of of her bunkbed.

Another thing that I would love is a netendo switch. Also would love another charger for my hoverboard. Another thing that I would love is roller skates with four wheels. Finally the last thing I would love is new under srmour clothing and shoes. Sincerely, Jordyn

Dear Santa, f or Christmas I want a blanket, and the book series horse diaries and more horse books and a new tv for the whole family, and a retracktable leash for our dog, and a weather proof ceanel cover and some more weird but true books, and more flashlights in case we have a power outage again, a nicenew shock collar for our dog., and new holiday movie for my family. Sincerally, Lila

Dear Santa, I would like a xbox white and slimy 100 cash pens, art stuff and a go cart. Love, Margaret

Dear Santa, I would like an elf on the shelf. Than I want a trampoline I want a toy tank to drive. Love, Damien

Dear Santa, I would really like more Maindoonz Kittens. I would like a girl elf on the shelf and doll please Love Tayler

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a Nintendo switch, a book, and a lego set for my sister and one for me. Sincerely, Jon

Dear Santa for Christmas I what trihgie rybyks a pig the pya books or yea alarm klock.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a moped, a smart watch. A light bright, a Barbie doll. Sgisheese, a bunch of slime. Books . comp u t e r . Family...friends. A pretty neckelos. This stupid virus to be ofer. A alarm clocke. A harry potterwand. A pair of shoose, a captan underpants comcee collection and that is it. Senseroy, Nevden.



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Dear Santa For Christmas I want wwr figotes, wwp 2k14 videogame, wwe 60 ard game, wwe book, 50 people t vrrstling ring and I plst guatir nero stuff that is all. Sincerely bradipy

### Mrs. Miller's Class

Dear Santa this year I want all of the Harry Potter Lego Sets and all the Starwars Lego sets and a new lego shelf so I can fit all my new legos. Hope you and the elves are staying healthy. Love Bentley

Dear Santa, How are the elves are the elves be having? For Christmas I want soould tv I ned dcnkleosteus. I also want a lava lamp. Have a marecrimig. Sincerely, Brody

Dear Santa, How are the elves and the reindeer and how is the North Pull? Is it nis upthar? I hope you had a good sumer. I want a unicorn sculpur. And a bib lol sat and hovercprd. And I want to get a ticit for a Taylors wifth consirt have a merry Christmas Love, Nevaeh

Dear Santa, Hey, how is Mrs. Claus? How cold is it thaer and can you get me somthing surprising ples? How is the reinbeer? And the elves? Obandtal

Rudolph I like his shinynose. My name is Lillt. Have a merry Christmas!

Dear Santa, how is your day Santa? And the reindeer? Hey Santa thank you for Kipper my elf. I want for Christmas is air pods and a toy train and a psfive. Have a merry Christmas From Carter

Dear Santa, How are you? A control car, and a full car set and ana ctas a hole cocset candy. What io want for Christmas want a hollorboard. Thank you ! Jace

Dear Santa, Can you get me a elf on the shelf? This Christmas can you get me a tablet and coloring remiks amd a hoverboard and cnacky and a nintenmdo swit ch and air pods and a grone and a American doll? Have a merry Christmas Im happy you are so nice! Love, MadelineDear Santa, What are your elves names? I would like a cratcrechr and I know I colrd on my own Amircingdoll but I would like a new anircinggirl doll because juast because. And I want a srtifruit to A anircinair doll accessories store. Have a merry Christmas. I love Christmas. I love rander. Kaylee

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Claus anmd the reindeer? This Christmas can I have a drone, amnd a lol, and

a snacky and a Nintendo switch and a air pods? Have a merry Christmas, Love, Macy

Dear Santa, do you know trixe?can I a bead set and ict please. Can I please hes a Nintendo switch love, Jaylen

Dear Santa, I would like nerf gun osmo legos I ant my elfs back. Myles

### Mrs. Jirasek Class

Dear Santa, This year I would like Ryans my steyy spy gadget. From, Creed

Dear Santa, This year I would like aGak ad a Shetu ad a Big Sudanml ad a Bune ad a rabat and a dorbek ad a biur ad a pit toy for mi boy ad a roly osit ad a ran Klos ad a for elr ad a Bik. From Brayden

Dear Santa, This year I would like a kitin and Robux and meaw mix for my car. From, Willow

Dear Santa, This year I would like a new computer. From, Glenn

Dear Santa, This year I would like computer. From, Gabe

Dear Santa, This year I would like a nrf guin ad a new horse toy. From, Courtney

Dear Santa, This year I would like a computer and a freddy toy. From, Ma-son

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Dear Santa, This year I would like a new a mmod mad out of gold printed lueco rainbow. From, Lilly

Dear Santa, This year I would like one hundred gold fish and evre toe in the hinxi thing in the world. And a phone. From, Paisley

Dear Santa, This year I would like Nintendo switch and a computer and a diary for a my dads and a phone but it needs to be at my dads and a German shepherd and more from you and I love you. From, Alexy

Dear Santa, This year I would like Cnimal stuffed gnimal kitten stuffed animal boy and girl. Ryan's playdate egg Hatchimal egg with 45 Hatchimals in it. Science stuff mack up and the haoos to be dun by Bab Rabi. From, Araceli

Dear Santa, I hope you and the elves are okay this year I want all of the minecraft lego sets. And I just want to know that my elf is okay but I want a Jack and skeleton suit to Santa Elliot

**Mrs. Yokom - 1st grade**

Dear Santa, This year I would like a gron risf a fan and I lot a tre and a motandcr. And a lot a now wrdrbodl. From, Blake

Dear Santa, This year I would like a dog and a bockand a toy from hamd kiftrd. From, Hudson

Dear Santa, This year I would like a wot a toe kat and a lol dol and a towe dog. From Kailyn

Dear Santa, This year I would like a dolnosof a nokitshie and a yoyo. From, Gabriel

Dear Santa, This year I would like a dohos and a yoyow amnd a pupe cat. From, Abigail

Dear Santa, This year I would Like a chin figreg. Scrufuf lol and mrcers oasbox arpas fan From, Zoey

Dear Santa, This year I would like a toy car. And a Jron. And a kitin. From, Colton

Dear Santa, This year I would like a pupe hosed a cat. From Addison

Dear Santa, This year I would like a cat a dog a Frog. From, Nolan

Dear Santa, This year I would like neomrcr and a lol mandthina and a cat. From, Rhys

Dear Santa, This year I would like a cite and a dog a horse. From Naomi

Dear Santa, This year I would like a wot pesit pet and a stufanl and a tny storet if tus. From, Brooklyn

Dear Santa, This year I would like a cat a lol and a hos. From, WeA,Riabb

**Ms. Green**

Dear Santa, This year I would like a walky talky and nerfgun n a toy train n a Root beey n a fish is n bubol gum. From, Jayzon

Dear Santa, This year I would like nerf gun lagos minecraft nrfBolits halostos, lagos dinsosor From, Kyler

Dear Santa, This year I would like a new house and legos. A new brkut buk. From, Nickali

Dear Santa, Thjis year I would like a ro bot a novee a avengers a star wors gurd minecraft set a ego set or dertbike a computer or toy santa, bakpak. From Clark

Dear Santa, This year I would like Power Ranger and Power Ranger Costume and Power Ranger Dino Chjares and Morpher. From Bentley

Dear Santa, This year I would like new toys for miy cat a mouse that moves and a nerf guns. From Declan.

Dear Santa, This year I would like a pet turkey a German shepard. Video games. I love your Santa, From, Gauge

Dear Santa, This year I would like a kitchen set and kitchen food and I wot a table for my kitchen set. From, Tayler


Dear Santa, This year I would like for Tnight suit, ms messu plushy, static ball. From Mason

Dear Santa, This year I would like minecraft, nerf Blasten, fortnight, lagos, remote control car, lego set, dert bike. Halos. From, Isaiah



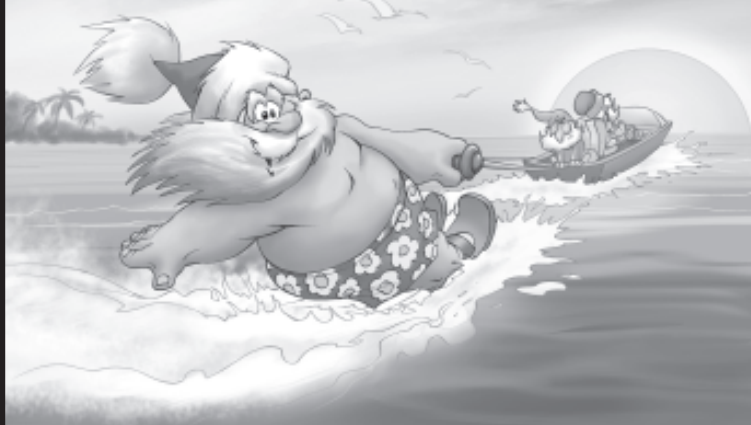
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Dear Santa, This year I would like a omg bom box and a lol house and a disco ball drone and a rabbit and a silver diamond and a kot cat named Sally. From, Kennedy

Dear Santa, Thjis year I would like a s t a t h t a n a m l Moalstusl and a long stutunum Diminback and a hot weel monsdrchrauk and a toe toolset and a toy phone and a toy plans and a hotwels play set. From, Xavier

**Mrs. Dellar**

Dear Santa, My name is Jordan. I am 7 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like clothes, bay-blades, art stuff Love, Jordan

Dear Santa, My name is Marley. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like American girl doll, lol doll house and Princess Stuff. Love, Marley

Dear Santa, My name is Arianna. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like American girl doll and lol doll house and stuffed animals. Love Anna

Dear Santa, My name is Easton. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like motorcycle and RC boa constrictor and RC Monster truck. Love, Easton

Dear Santa, My name is Carson. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like kitten and motolcycle and puppy. Love, Carson

Dear Santa, My name is Brody. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like headphones and blayblades and fuuget spinnr and pokemon Love, Brady

Dear Santa, My name is Olivia. I am 5 years old. His year I have been a little bit naughty and a little bit nice. For Christmas I would like cotton candy maker and friendship bracelets and a teacup with real tea. Love, Olivia

Dear Santa, My name is Tanner. I am 6 years old. This year I have been a little bit naughty and a little bit nice. For Christmas I would like RC boat and RS monster trusk and motorcycle. Love, Tanner

Dear Santa, My name is Bella. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like princess outfit and motorcycle and RC Monster truck. Love, Bella

Dear Santa, My name is Rhiley. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like lol dollhouse and toy bow and arrow and puppy toys. Love Rhiley

Dear Santa, My name is Sophia. I am 6 years old. This year I have been a little bit naughty and a little bit nice. For Christmas I would like American Girl doll, RC boa constrictor and present pet. Love, Sonia

Dear Santa, My name is Tyler. I am 7 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like Rx monster truck and Rc Boat, and motorcycle. Love, Tyler

Dear Santa, My name is Rylan. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like toy bow and araw and RC monstertruck and motorcycle. Love, Rylan

Dear Santa, My name is Cash. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like toy trex and dominus rex and RCboat. Love, Cash

Dear Santa, My name is Hunter. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like domnurex and RC boa constrictor and RC boat. Love, Hunter

Dear Santa, My name is Emilee. ! am 6 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like prernt pet and Americc cg and lol douhoue. Love, Emilee

Dear Santa, My name is Tatum. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like lol doll house and Princessoutft and puppy. Love, Tatum



**With you in mind at Christmastime**

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Dear Santa, My name is Carter. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very ice. For Christmas I would like two kittens and present pet and mtcn. Love, Carter

Dear Santa, My name is Robby. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like toy dihzauh and toy t rex and dominuz rex and toy t rex. Love Robby

Dear Santa, My name is Brady. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like RC Boat and dominus rex and toy bow and arrow. Love, Brady

Dear Santa, My name is Jason. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like a kitten and a toy t rex and a RC boa constrictor. Love, Jason

Dear Santa, My name is Bryhlee. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like Present Pet Rex and dominusrex and tuffed animal kitty. Love, Bryhlee

Dear Santa, My name is Jimmy. I am 6 years old. This year I have been a little bit naughty and a little bit nice. For Christmas I would like Rcboat and RCboacoas tractor and moy motorcycle Love Jimmy

Dear Santa, My name is Liz. I am 5 ears old. This year I

have been a little bit naughty and a little bit nice. For Christmas I would like walking doll, and RC boa constrictor and bow and arrow. Live, Liz

Dear Santa, My name is Zachary. I am 6 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like RC monstertruck amnd Rcboat and RC boa constrictor. Love, Zachary.

Dear Santa, My name is Bryoen. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like kitten and motorcie and toydowa. Love, Bryoen

Dear Santa, My name is Lucy. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like Princess outfit - Belle and preentpet and toy bow and arrow. Love, Lucy

Dear Santa, My name is Jayson. I am 6 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like kittenrtru and RC boate and RC monstck. Love, Jayson

Dear Santa, My name is Matthew. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like toynex and toy motorcycle and boy and arrow. Love, Matthew

Dear Santa, My name is Noelle. I am 5 years old. This year I have been a little bit naughty and a little bit nice. For Christmas I would like graggesz outfit amnd American girl dol. Love, Noelle

Dear Santa, My name is Eli. I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would like toy bom and arrow and present pet and domihys rex L:ove, Eli

Dear Santa, My name is Emma. I am 6 uears old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas I would Like kitten and kitten present - opl Love, Emma

**Ms. Misiak**

Dear Santa, This year I would Like a new phone. Next I would like a new frozen doll and it comes with a water horse. Then I would have a soft blankets. Then I would have a moon lamp. Then I would have something for my mom. Last I would have a ring. From, Haley

Dear Santa, This year I would like a LKOmostrtruk and a nenrecrd and a bode for my truk rokcrimt a Gravidigr Bode and a lego dom's dodge chargel. From, Peyton

Dear Santa, This year I would like a M<ario Kart 8 Deluxe Ninetendo swich next I will like a Samsung galaxy tablet next Appl airpods pro next new appl watch series 6 then under nerf mostrick elite rhino fire biaster. From Bentley



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Dear Santa, This year I would like a 3d sonic toy night light. Next I want a jukk pacific sonir the hedgehog peen Hill zone playse. And a nkok rc sonic ssois cz car. And a great eastern classic sonic Plushie. And a five night at freddys plushie. Pf foxy From, Brayden

Dear Santa, This year I would like a little plant in a pot. Some cooking tools can I have a watches please a chicken mug. From, Lily

Dear Santa, This year I would like a stuffed animal puff and a game board and a I want a new watch one I want a minecraft character and I want a car set and I want a transformer and I want a new soft blanket amd I want a 5 nightt at freddy plush From, Derin

Dear Santa, This year I would like some new slippers. Next I would like some ear buds. Then I would like a lego set a frozen lego set. Then I would

have a pair pf boots. From, Zoe

**Mrs. Samp**

Dear Santa, This year I would like a playstation 5 because I like the games How are the reindeer????????

Thank you very much From, Cooper

Dear Santa, This year I would like a holl bunch dolls and a bunch uv thos thans that fight. And a bunch uw stufeys and a yoyo. From Saige

Dear Santa, This year I would like a lol dol. And los fo cande and a crans and mrcrs. And blox and macupe. And joule and a rel Kran From, Winrey

Dear Santa, This year I would like lol remix stuf. Next pigy and garlde books. Therd, munedec shapes. Forth bad kidy books. Fith 2020 holiday Barbie sixth minybdens seventh amirucan dolls. From Jaclyn

Dear Santa, This year I would like gast welre Rumd Kunht lr truk a kitin riye eg5 arestio plasteshrsto

A ckuputr to riens cars toy crs blue a dadyheskeples. From Chazzaign

Dear Santa, This year I would like a parit. A boy dog. A toy dirt bike and a truk and tralre. And a toy

forwelr. A toy tratr. And a kiace. And how are your randeer downen From, Braxton

Dear Santa, This year I would like a toy horse and 4 bukits of slime and and lol dolls 6 lol dolls and a naw bike and a phone and a lots of candy and somejojo siwa balls and a hat and a shart and a pareof gluv and and sumbooks and finally a puppy. From, Karlee

Dear Santa, Thjis year I would like a toy robot. And I woold like a nftgun and I woold like a tractetr for Crismis. From, Brayden

Dear Santa, This year I would like a ps5. Toys. A ploc.3 now cat. 5 now fish. A bad. 6 now bikns. 987 books. From, Charlie

**Ms. Crevier**

Dear Santa, My name is Addison. I'm in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. I would appreciate if you gave me a kitten that is white. I diserve thus because I help my parents with the garbage. I would also like another trip to great wolf lodge. I diserve this because I help with the laundry. And can you say Hi to Comet please. Sincerely, Addison p.s. I like you and your presents no child without a cristmas!



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Dear Santa, My name is Maisy. I'm in forth grade. I would like a skateboard anmd a nintehndo 5 witch. Another dog and ps5. The whole Junie b jones series and a ibarbie house. I deserve these gifts because I am a good girl and every night I help my grandma and grandpa. Sincerely, Maisy

Dear Santa, My name is Landon. I wish to have a 100 dollar bill. The resin I dsrth this is because I helped my granpas nabre stack wolde and help my granpo stackwold. And I help tack caer uf the animals and cloen the cat liter. From, Landon

Dear Santa, This year I bote desv tp have mock this year I wod lick a set of bocens and abonsov former and blad blad this is all I deserd this year. Seley, Cole PS, say hy to mis cose

Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas is a hover board, because when I walk a lot my legs start to hurt. Aslo I would like a unicorn that I can ride on to have fun with, a gutar with its case so my dog dose not chew it up aalot of lol dolls because they a colecktubulls , a monkey baby dll (that looks real). I wold also like a gmball maitiene, a nentendo, and a phone. Can you pleze tell thje reindeer to be a little bit quieter when they land? It would be a Christmas mierical if my brother could come live with my family. From, Mikayla

Dear Santa, ide lie a blaklight, ps5, a drumset, trmbo, a kids gun an d tell donner I said hi From, Logan L.

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want fortnite nerf gun at

with 300 bullets and a box of kennetic sand. I whoold also live a treasure x sunken gold shark toy. Why I deserve these toy is because I treat my family well and with respect. PS I will have carrots ready for the deer and candies ready for you. Sincerely Abel

Dear Santa, How are you and your family? This year I wold like a go kart to put in the driveway. I wold only mostly want but I cold use a faw more tst like \$35 bucks. My reasons are I helped with some things aoso I've had a strong hard year. Mylast thoughts are a drone Sincerely, Madi

Dear Santa, Hi Santa hows Rudolph? This year I want a statue of Rudolph please. I dserve this because I am helpful and I am respectful. Well hope you don't work to hard. Thank you Sincerely, Gunner

Dear Santa, I am excited for you to come to my home! Do the reindeer like my sugar carrots? Also is Rudolph real? I would appreciate if you can gift me a hoverboard, a puppy( or a dog) also world peacd. Finally for COVID to ve overl The reason I deserve these gifts is I helped my mom clean bathrooms. Also teaching my brother during this pandemic. Finally cleaning any my dads work area. I would appreciate if you could bring me these gifts. Sincerely, Zoey

Dear Santa, I want a ps4 so I can play with my dad and a RC monster truck bay blades and a dirt bike cecause I have been helping with a lot of work. Oh and can you tell the reindeer I said hi. From Steven

**Mrs. Gombos**

Dear Santa, Have you ever been to the south pole? I am Mason. I am 8 years old. I behaved pretty good and I want a lego marvel super heroes set, bop it, ps5. Madden nfl 21 and rock'em sock'em superman v batman. I dserve the bop it to challenge myself, the ps5 and madden 21 for entertainment. The rock'em sock'em to build strengtj in my thumbs, lego set for fun. I will behave in 2021. I have 3 pets. Have a good trip. Sincerely, Mason

Dear Santa, I got a question: can elves get sick? I was good this year and want I am wishing for is a puppy, minecraft legos, laptop and ear buds. I'm wish for the gifts because I was good this year and I will be better next year. Sophie

Dear Santa, I can not wait in till you give us Christmas presents for Christmas this year will be fun because you get to go to houses and put presents for everybody at that house under the Christmas tree and eat cookies before they wake up you leave and go to another house to give other kids presents and you are so wonderful to give presents just like are parents

because you have magic and are parents don't have magic oike you. Also you give us awesome presents for Christmas every year. You give us awesome presents just like are parents, Love, Isabell

you get to every house in the world in just one night? I am Emma and I am 8 years old. I think I have been good but kind of bad because I talk back a lot and I can work on it. The things I want are 1. My mom works to herd so I want for her to not have so

Dear Santa, Hello! How are you? I hope you are good. How do



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much pressure gift. 2. Baby dolls gift. 3. Baby doll close gift. 4 apple ipad and 5. Apple phone. I think I should have these things so I can communicate better and so I can carry the phone around to communicate. I think I will be good in 2021. My and mom and me are going to make you cookies. WE have a dog just warning you. Hope get to all the kids ion thje world. Love, Emma

Dear Santa, How are you? I'm Noah and I'm 8 years old. I have been good. I would like gift #1 - legos. Next gift #2 - nerf. Gift #3 - ps5. Gift #4 - gaming competitor. Gift # 5 - garry's mod. I should have these gifts because I've been good. I do what my parents tell me top do. I'm gonna keep being good in 2021. I will leave candy. Have a good Christmas. Sincerely, Noah

Dear Santa, How is it in the north pole? I am Bria and I am 8 years old. Today I behaved really good I am just sleepy a lot. I hope you have been getting

a lot of sleep too. Because you deliver so many presents. This year for Christmas I would like a Miss Misa Onesie, Playdoh, Fairy tale Jade plushie, Fairy tale Charli plushie and a Fairy tale Alex plushie. I will be very happy if I can get these gifts. One reason why I should have my gifts is because I will give you a lot of milk and cookies. The second reason why is because I will give you a picture about how happy I am if I get my gifts. I will behave very good in 2021. Also, if you watch out for my cat speedy I will give you more treats next time. I hope yuou get home safely. PS: tell your elfs I said hi. Sincerely, Bria

Dear Santa, how are you? I have a question. How do you eat so many cookies in one night? By the way, this is Mason Beatty. I am 8 years old. I have been good this year. I would like a hoverboard, gaming headset, COOKIES, RC car, and VBUCKS! I think I should get my gifts because mom tells me I'm wasting the internet when I call

my friends so that's why I should have a headset and also I just want to rip some boosters open really. I will try to be good in 2021 and warning don't let Maggie see you. She will get excited and bite your face off. I'm not joking or she will bite your toes off one of them. Wish you well goodbye now. Mason

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I am Taylor and I am 8 years old. I have been goo This year. Some things I want for Christmas is a new computer. A jojo siwa music cd and a teal case for my computer. I think I should get some things I want because I've tried to help my mom and dad at home and I've been working on my reading. Next year my behavior will be good and helpful and I'll be good at school. I will leave you and your Reindeer some treats. I hope you stay healthy. Love Taylor

Dear Santa, Hi, how are you and Mrs. Clause? How are your epves? I am Isaiah, I am 8 years old. I have



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**David H. Cook**  
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been behaving all year, doing what I been told and being nice. I want a gun to hunt, and a medium 4-wheeler, ps5, \$80.00 dollars and magnetic paint. I deserve it because I'm helpful and I've been a good boy/ In 2021 I will be very good. I'm going to leave the deer 30 carrots. I'll leave you some Christmas cookies and milk/ Have to watch for the 3 big dogs. Don't step on the little kitty. Have fun handing out all the presents. Merry Christmas, Isaiah

Dear Santa, I will tell you how good I have been. I have been a good girl this year. I have been good to my mom and dad. I have been nice to my nanny and my papa. I want my cat to get some cat toys and I want my family to get a trampoline. That is all Santa. Angela

Dear Santa, How are you doing? When can my elf come? Can you please send them we want him. Why I want all my things is because my brothers are always wrecking my thing And annoying me. So why I'm asking for this so they can stay out of my business. I want a Nintendo Switch light for Christmas, a GoPro for Christmas, I want a action figure for Christmas, I want stuff for Christmas, Some earbuds for Christmas A new tablet case for Christmas. I want a new xbox for Christmas two please. Love Paxton

Dear Santa, I have been SUPER good this year. My name is Chloe. I have wanted present pets for YEARS and a Nintendo Lite. Can I have them for Christmas? One reason I should get them is because I was super good this year. My last reason is because I would like to share it with ,y

sister Jasmine. From Chloe

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a 3DS, my DS fixed, more DS games, a ooh ;ala surprise. More LOL surprises a ticket to florida and a Wii. From, Geni

Dear Santa, How do you make your reindeer fly? Oh, and I am Jacob and I'm 8 years old. On January 27<sup>th</sup> I'll be 9 years old. I have behaved kinda good because once in a while I get angry and fight with my brother but I have been using my manners and trying to be better. Oh, and the gifts I want for Christmas are candy, action figures, movies, art supplies, and the thing I want the most is a ps4 game called call of duty black ops 111 zombie edition. The two reasons I want my gifts are: I just want my gifts because ,y house os really boring without my gifts and the next reason is I just want my gifts. I'll behave well in 2021. I will leave cookies and milk like I do every year. Stay safe, stay happy and stay healthy! Sincerely, Jacob

Dear Santa, I know this year has been crazy but I hope you

still remember me. I am Slade. I am 9 years old. I wanna know did the corona virus effect you as bad as it did us? I know I haven't been the best little boy but I would like a tablet in the baby blue color, a monster truck remote control car, legos to build things with, ry7ans world mystery safe and some cowboy boots. I really think I should get these gifts because I have no boy toys since all my siblings are girls! Also because every kid deserves something fun! I will be on my best behavior next year. I promise! Hope you will enjoy your milk and cookies and there in deer enjoy there carrots. Take care Santa, From Slade

Dear Santa, My name is Malachi. I am 8 years old and I like to play with my friends a lot and some times we start a fight but I try my best to tell them to stop but they don't listen. So anyway I'm a very nice kid and some times I can be intelligent and can help kids that are sad and I think you're the best santa ever. I hope you have a merry Christmas; From Malachi



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Dear Santa, What I want for this year is a dirt bike and a go-kart why won't it because I go out with you and I was born for it you will be my bestest friend and you always will Christmas ios my bestest favorite year of all so please now andbe my best friend and I love you why I can watch these things so I can race my dadper all kinds of every people so I can have fun please I knmow I had it being good very year out these workings but it's not my fault I just really want to be your friend I always will be santa y one dirt bike or something I want you to be the best of the best of the best Christmas of these years are the best Christmas of ourlives Christmas ios when Jesus was born its my favorite kind of year this is my favorite kind of note to send to you I juist only want this year is did the go-kart and a dirt bike please set I know I had it been very good at school but I should be better okay Santa I would try now csnyou please just do it rich you know I'm writing you a big note cuz I really7 love you and so that's why I love you Santa I heard you talk to my mom wants to I really heard you and I told Paxton

about it and he is my bestest cousin you should give him a dirt bike this year please Santa See Santa leave the go-kart in the basement is the dirt bike and I really love you Santa so I'm going to write you tons of weird you're going to read a lot but I still hope you love me please but it'd only up to you but I miss doing this riding for you and will you always be my friend Santa and will youread this note all if it are you Creek reader just tell me that on the note pleasewhenyou come hereatmyhousewrite a note I love you too. You are my friend and I always will be pleased Santa leave that on one of my presents or arm I go kart present please place have a go-kart and a switch and a dirt bike don't even up to you I know I've been not very7 good this year with school and stuff and lots of stuff and I yelled at my mom a lot tell her mean things but I'm sorry but I want you not to give me Cole never I just ant you to be my bestest santain the world and you always will you give me cool I loveyou affinion times around space the whole entire space. From Tanner

Dear Santa, I want a puppy a comuter a American girll dolland a l makeup pallet and a new vanity. Thank you, Amyah

Dear Santa, I am junnan. I will like to get a loge star wars Deth stars because

there have the Deth stars in cooer in the loge star war. By junnan

**Mrs. Holmes**

Dear amnta, I really appreciate the presents from last year but I would really appreciate something better this year. If you bring me something a lot better I will leave you really good cookies and milk. But the stop Christmas wish is that you can try to keep my family safe from the covid 19. Thank you

ps-Shailagh Thank you for all the presents last year. I really appreciate you. Be safe traveling to everyone's house, wear your mask! And your sjield amd use hand samnitizer! So you don't get sick!

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Dear Santa, Thanks for all the stuff you gave me last year I would like a Nintendo switch game please and a stuffed animal to sleep with please and a rc car please and I will leave cookies amnd eggnog for you. Sincerely, Reid

Dear Santa, I have been good this year and I wish I can have \$100.00 so I can share it homeless people and people that are poor and if I have money left I'll give it to my teacher and I'll be happy. Love, Amie

Dear Santa, all I want is a nerf gun sniper and football gloves and a among us plushy and my house burn down amjd I lost a lot of things and I have cookies and milk and carrots for the reindeer. Thank You Love Xander

Dear Santa, Thank you for all the presents from last year. From taelyn

Dear Santa, Thanks for the gifts last year. This year all I want is world peace. I want all the fights to stop. I just want a friendly world. But I don't think that will happen. The reason I want world peace s because sp many disabled kids get picked on just because they can't learn that well does not give a right to pick on them for it. Myra

Dear Santa, Thank you for the toyso that gave me And I want some fishing stiff and some toys and some hunting stuff I will make a list of things I want a fishing pole

1. And a tackle box with some tadel in it
  2. And I want some toys and make it a surprise
  3. And some hunting stuff
- From, Cia

Dear Santa, 1. Can you please get me some new shoes please. Will you please bring me a rc car? Wll you please

bring me a dirt bike. 4. Also please bring clothing Sincerely Jacob

Dear Santa, I enjoyed the presents you got me. I will have cookies and milk for you. May I have these for Christmas lip gloss, make up, a new backpack, jeans, the babysitter club books Thank you, Hope

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want: A. Schleigh horse riding stable set, Minger led lights, the strips not the multicolor ones. Clothes. These are the things that I really want; Khloe

Der Santa, Is ronoth rel? I am mking a mask for Trip the elf. I will lik a mkuchl BB8. STAR WARS LEGO and NERf Blaster. Thank You sta saf. Ethan Healy 1st grade Mrs. Elmer

Dear Santa, How are you handling the coronavirus? Do you think Trip can come? I have been good this year becas I vacuum the Funrul home and help my family. This year I wold like Star Wars Legos! Set numbers 75286, 75257, 75243, 75292, and 75280. Stay Safe! Your friend, Henrik A. Healy 5th Grade Mrs. Franklin



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*Connie and Kent Sysak*

# How robotic pets can help isolated seniors avoid loneliness

Dear Savvy Senior,  
I recently read an article about robotic pets being a great substitute for pet-loving seniors who can't have or take care of a pet any longer. What do you think of this?

My mother, who has some dementia, is living in an assisted living facility that doesn't allow pets. And because of COVID-19, we haven't been allowed inside the facility to visit her since March. I've been thinking

about getting her a robot pet to help cheer her up but would like to know if they are worth buying, and if so, where can I go to find one.

Locked Out Daughter

Dear Locked Out,

There have actually been several studies on this topic that has shown that robotic pets – which are lifelike interactive pets – can have a positive impact on many lonely, socially isolated seniors, es-

pecially those who have dementia. This is particularly important now as the pandemic has caused millions of high-risk, vulnerable seniors to isolate as a means to protect themselves from the coronavirus.

Here's what you should know.

### Robotic Pet Studies

In 2018, the New York State Office for the Aging was the first state in the U.S. to test the robotic pets with isolated seniors and results showed that using pets to lower social isolation was highly successful, with 70 percent of pilot participants reporting a decrease in isolation after one year. Subsequent programs done in aging agencies in Alabama, Florida and Pennsylvania have also shown positive results

Other clinical studies conducted by AARP, United-Healthcare, and other clinicians and have also found that robotic pets can help to enhance the well-being and quality of life of lonely or isolated individuals and those living with dementia and other



Savvy Senior

forms of cognitive decline, by providing a level of interaction and comfort from a lifelike companion.

### Where to Look

If you're interested in getting your mom a robotic pet, a top option is Ageless Innovation's Joy for All Companion Pets (JoyForAll.com).

They offer cats, a kitten and a pup that look, feel and sound like the real thing – minus the feeding, watering, litter box or backyard clean-up, and the vet bills. With prices ranging between \$65 and \$130, these soft, plush animals have built-in sensors, "vibrapurr" or "barkback" technology, and brushable fur, making them surprisingly realistic.

Insert four batteries, and the cats, which come in four different shades to mimic real breeds, can open and close their eyes, lift their paws, and move their head and body. If you pet them in the right spot – like on their belly or back side – they'll let out a purr.

If your mom is more of a dog person, you can also buy a stuffed golden puppy, accessorized with a red bandana, that will bark if he's feeling happy, sad, or needy. At only four pounds, the stuffed pup is easy to play with and won't weigh down even the most fragile frame.

Some other robotic pet options you should look into include Tombot's Jennie (\$399; tombot.com), a lapdog that barks on command and has realistic facial features; AIBO (\$2,900; us.aibo.com) by Sony, which is a plastic puppy that has lifelike expressions and a dynamic array of movements; and Paro the Seal (\$6,120; parorobots.com), which is marketed as a "carebot," designed specifically for people with dementia.

(Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, Okla. 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org.)

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## Local Notes

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the widespread impact of the snow on trails throughout the region. It's estimated that it will take up to two weeks for the grant sponsor, Alcona County Parks and Recreation, to safely clear the trails. Closure signs and blockades will be removed as trails are cleared and deemed safe for riding.

"We ask that snowmobilers respect the closures and allow the grant sponsors to safely clear debris from the county-wide trail system," said Paige Perry, DNR Parks and Recreation Division trails specialist. "In the meantime, riders are encouraged to ride the region's other snowmobile trails until Alcona County is reopened."

Perry explained that cleanup efforts have been a collaborative effort. Alcona County Parks and Recreation is working tirelessly to clear the trails, Huron-Manistee National Forest and DNR staff have been surveying trails and the neighboring grant sponsor, Iosco County Parks and Recreation, is helping clear debris so that portions of Snowmobile Trail No. 96 can stay open.

For the latest information on trail and other facility closures, visit Michigan.gov/DNRClosures.

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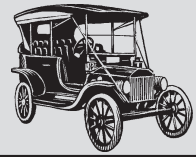
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Over the top of the east oval some of the drivers went, and then as they turned into the west oval on the (finish line each man tried to place his machine in the winning position. Bumps, spills and tilts were the order of the day with excellent driving and skilled handling of the machines on the track. Joe Hanak

of Mt. Morris, with the aid of Dale Leaman of Saginaw, watched and checked any spill or override of the oval to make sure none of the drivers were hurt, and they saw to the machines being quickly taken off the track in case of engine failure.

The hope of snow did not materialize for the weekend, and the enterprising promoters Don Revelle and Clay Fowler, suggested to Hank Ross to push the snow from the pit section of the raceway up onto the track to make a sounder base for the snowmobiles. On Sunday about half way through the races it appeared that more snow was needed and the race was halted long enough to push more onto the track.

The Saturday race was announced by Bob Vance of WIOS Tawas City.

Sunday was a day of races at the GIR! Pat Adams of Grand Rapids was hurt in a

two machine jam and finished in first place in the Powder Puff Derby Class AA. It was thought at first that she had broken her leg but the hospital at Tawas City said that she had pulled ligaments and would have to be off of it for about two weeks.

Later in the men's races some of the machines were running so fast that they went over the edge of the oval. The men jumped back onto their machines and continued on with the race.

Roger Hoyle of Linwood raced in the GIR races in the Class EE and came in second, just beat by Joel Overbaugh of Pontiac. Roger Hoyle was the fastest qualifying rider at the Soo in 1970, where he amazed and dazzled the spectators. The spectators of the GIR saw quite a bit of this in the race Sunday as they watched the closeness of the race with Overbaugh and Hoyle.

Saturday Connie (Conrad Caletto), one of the top rail drivers, was at the grand opening. Sunday the Glennie Sno-Cats assisted the officials with the race. Saturday's race totaled \$3,600 with top winners receiving \$104.

The Sunday's race had 215 machines entered and totaled \$3,255. with top winners getting \$92. Including Saturday's race there were 460 machines racing, with a total of \$6,855 in prizes.

There will be racing again this coming weekend at the GIR.

## Quarters recovering, taken from hospital

Confessed Bandit Now in County Jail Awaiting Trial

**December 23, 1920** ~ Joseph Quarters, thought to be mortally wounded by Cashier A. Miller when he attempted to rob the Glennie Bank of McNichol, has so far recovered that he is considered out of danger and Monday was brought from the hospital in Bay City and placed in the county jail here.

Quarters seems to have recovered rapidly, and it is said he wandered around the hospital in a way that annoyed nurses and attendants before they finally notified the officials to come and get him. On one of his exploring tours he got to the door of the room occupied by Cashier Miller who was being treated in the same hospital for gun shot wounds inflicted by Quarters. It was following this performance that the officers were notified to come and get their man.

Quarters was arraigned Tuesday before Justice Southgate and waived examination to the circuit court. Bail was fixed at \$10,000.00.

Cashier Miller has so far recovered from his wounds that he returned to his home in Glennie, coming from Bay City on the same train that brought Quarters.

## J. J. Kahn honored at St. John's program

**December 27, 1945** ~ About ninety Masons, Stars, and guests were in attendance at the dinner and program held Thursday night at Alcona Beach. Members of Lake Huron Chapter No. 184, O. E. S., Twin Lakes Lodge F. & A.M. and friends were guests of the local lodge.

A seven o'clock dinner was served Mr. A. Newberry, Worshipful Master of the local Lodge, was chairman of the program. Outside guests and honored guests were introduced by Mr. H. Dehnke. Past Grand Master Parker of East Tawas was the principal speaker on the after-dinner program. He gave a very interesting outline of the charitable work of the Masonic Order.

A Life Membership Certificate representing forty years of service to the Masonic Order, as a member of Alcona Lodge No. 292, was presented to Joseph J. Kahn of Mikado by Past Grand Master Parker. Mr. Kahn responded with appropriate words. He joined the local Lodge on March 7, 1905, when W. H. Sanborn was serving as Worshipful Master, and W. S. Colwell, as Secretary.

Movies, showing the work of the Masonic Service organizations during the war, and a scenic reel taken by Mr. Robt. Waite, Principal of Oscoda High School on a trip

through the West. These were shown by Mr. Waite.

The evenings program concluded with card playing.

## Letters to Santa

**December 24, 1970** ~

Dear Santa:  
I am good most of the time. I want a BB gun and some candy. I have a surprise for you on Christmas.

Ho Ho Ho,  
Andrew Loyer

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been good. This is what I want for Christmas. I want a cowboy set, I want a hotwheel set, I want a BB gun, I want a box of BB's.

From George Loyer

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been good. I want Dancerina. I want some candy. I want a shake. I will leave a piece of cake for you and some hay for the deer.

Merry Loyer

Dear Santa Claus:  
How are you? I am a good girl. Please bring me a doll house, a wagon, some popcorn, and a truck and car for Jason. I have some sugar for your reindeer and some cookies for you. I will sit on your lap this year.

Love from, Gail Loyer

## Goodfellow Club ends another successful year

**December 27, 1945** ~ With the annual Christmas Dance on Tuesday night, the Harrisville Goodfellow Club ended another successful year under the leadership of Lloyd Hilliard, Club President.

On Monday afternoon several cars and trucks started out on their delivery routes with the fruit baskets and dinner baskets. With the cooperation of the Lincoln Lions Club the territory covered this year by the club, reached well into the county.

Fifty beautiful fruit baskets and twenty-eight full dinner baskets were distributed.

On Christmas Eve, Santa Claus called on every child in the city of Harrisville and outlying districts.

E. W. Chapelle was the lucky winner of the beautiful Kelvinator Refrigerator given away by the club at the drawing on Tuesday night.

The Club wishes to take this means of thanking everyone who so willingly helped to make this year's activities a success.

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<b>Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2020</b>						
<b>Weekly Report</b>						
Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
Dec. 13	28	22	0.00	1.6	16	N
Dec. 14	30	16	0.04	1.7	18	SW
Dec. 15	26	12	0.00	3.4	18	NNW
Dec. 16	28	26	0.00	12.5	25	E
Dec. 17	32	27	0.05	8.1	21	ENE
Dec. 18	32	28	0.00	5.1	21	SSW
Dec. 19	32	31	0.02	3.2	13	SSW
Precipitation Summary (Inches)						
2020-2021 Season						
	Water Content	Snowfall	Normal Water Content			
Weekly Total	0.11	1.6	0.42			
December To Date	1.04	30	1.14			
Year/Season to Date	23.20	3.9	27.71			

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. **MOVIES:** What was the theme song for the 1997 movie "Titanic"?
2. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is an espadrille?
3. **FIRSTS:** Which company was the first to use an assembly line to manufacture its products?
4. **TELEVISION:** What was Marge's maiden name on the animated comedy "The Simpsons"?
5. **FOOD & DRINK:** What are the main ingredients in a modern mince pie?
6. **U.S. STATES:** This city has two prominent nicknames, and one of them is The Crescent City. What is the city and state?
7. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a baby puffin called?
8. **ADVERTISING MASCOTS:** What product did Mr. Whipple represent for more than 20 years?
9. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is an old name for north China?
10. **MATH:** What Arabic number is the equivalent of the Roman numerals MCMLX?

**Answers:** 1. "My Heart Will Go On"; 2. A rope-soled canvas shoe; 3. Ford Motor Co.; 4. Bouvier; 5. Dried fruits and spices; 6. New Orleans, Louisiana. The other nickname is The Big Easy.; 7. A puffling; 8. Charmin bathroom tissue; 9. Cathay; 10. 1960 (c) 2020 King Features Synd., Inc.

# Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Dec. 23, 1620, one week after the Mayflower arrived at Plymouth harbor in present-day Massachusetts, construction of the first permanent European settlement in New England begins. The term "Pilgrim" was derived from a manuscript in which Gov. Bradford spoke of the "saints" who traveled to the New World as "pilgrimes."
  - On Dec. 22, 1808, Ludwig van Beethoven's Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, Op. 67 made its world premiere. The Fifth Symphony is instantly recognizable by its powerful four-note opening motif -- three short Gs followed by a long E-flat.
  - On Dec. 25, 1880, Layne Hall is born in Mississippi. When he died in 1990, Hall was the oldest licensed driver in the U.S. In nearly 75 years on the road, Hall never got a speeding ticket or citation of any kind.
  - On Dec. 26, 1917, President Woodrow Wilson announces the nationalization of a majority of the country's railroads under the Federal Possession and Control Act due to World War I. Two days later, the United States Railroad Administration seized control.
  - On Dec. 24, 1923, President Calvin Coolidge touches a button and lights up the first national Christmas tree to grace the White House grounds. The tree was the first to be decorated with electric lights -- a strand of 2,500 red, white and green bulbs.
  - On Dec. 27, 1932, at the height of the Great Depression, thousands turn out for the opening of Radio City Music Hall in New York City. Designed as a place where ordinary people could see quality entertainment, it remains the largest indoor theater in the world.
  - On Dec. 21, 1975, in Vienna, Austria, Carlos the Jackal leads a raid on a meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, killing three people and taking 63 hostages. Carlos evaded capture until 1994, when French agents found him hiding in the Sudan.
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## Super Crossword

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| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Store away</p> <p>6 "Out of Africa" author</p> <p>10 TV "angel" player</p> <p>14 Bus costs</p> <p>19 Equestrian arena</p> <p>21 Puccini song</p> <p>22 Trump's first wife</p> <p>23 Case yet to be cracked</p> <p>25 Rocker</p> <p>26 Honked</p> <p>27 Major port of Japan</p> <p>28 Ocean's main body</p> <p>30 — Jose</p> <p>33 Quality Inn alternative</p> <p>35 April 1 gag</p> <p>40 Supple</p> <p>43 Tons</p> <p>44 Flinch from fear</p> <p>48 Roving sorts</p> <p>53 Danish port city</p> <p>54 Hockey's Bobby</p> <p>55 Internet automaton</p> <p>56 Freshen</p> | <p>57 Central California city</p> <p>59 What may develop between eHarmony members</p> <p>63 Ballet attire</p> <p>64 Minuscule</p> <p>65 In the dumps</p> <p>66 Reebok rival</p> <p>67 Gift label</p> <p>70 Carry out</p> <p>75 Psychic gift</p> <p>76 Other, to Gabriela</p> <p>78 Flimflam</p> <p>79 Top-secret govt. group</p> <p>80 Not colorful</p> <p>82 1980</p> <p>86 Second half of an LP</p> <p>90 "It's the end of —"</p> <p>91 Vetoes, e.g.</p> <p>92 Defunct</p> <p>94 Boxed</p> <p>95 Part of FDR</p> <p>97 Six Flags amusement park in New Jersey</p> | <p>100 Capped body part</p> <p>102 "Morning Joe" aier</p> <p>103 Lessens</p> <p>104 Specialty of Sophocles</p> <p>110 Flub</p> <p>112 It's south of Rwanda</p> <p>113 Issues a ticket to, e.g.</p> <p>116 Minuscule</p> <p>122 Stan's old film partner</p> <p>123 Its first part is "Inferno"</p> <p>127 Has to have</p> <p>128 Wiggly fishes</p> <p>129 Lists one by one</p> <p>130 Slalom curves</p> <p>131 "Nuts!"</p> <p>132 Fish snarers</p> <p>133 Tasty tidbit</p> <p><b>DOWN</b></p> <p>1 Closed</p> <p>2 Ballplayer</p> <p>3 Lhasa —</p> <p>4 Glimpse</p> <p>5 Putting target</p> <p>6 State of rage</p> <p>7 Lawn base</p> <p>8 BBs, bullets, etc.</p> | <p>9 Florida islets</p> <p>10 Hanukkah menu item</p> <p>11 Geometry calculations</p> <p>12 "Cut!" caller: Abbr.</p> <p>13 Diurnal hooting bird</p> <p>14 Raging blaze</p> <p>15 — -garde</p> <p>16 Give a boost</p> <p>17 Be admitted</p> <p>18 "The father of lies"</p> <p>20 Potential binge-watching</p> <p>24 Heavy sword</p> <p>29 Lowly laborer</p> <p>31 Ring legend</p> <p>32 EI — (Pacific current)</p> <p>34 Most sour</p> <p>35 Grad's gala</p> <p>36 Start all over on</p> <p>37 Got 100 on</p> <p>38 Three trios</p> <p>39 Toady (to)</p> <p>41 Like tossed dice</p> <p>42 Kind of wasp</p> <p>45 Part of BLT</p> <p>46 MLB stat</p> <p>47 Ending for bass or ball</p> | <p>49 Unkind</p> <p>50 "Dumb Dog" musical</p> <p>51 52-card sets</p> <p>52 Win every game of</p> <p>58 Not just short on</p> <p>60 Helmsley of hotels</p> <p>61 Invasions</p> <p>62 Add scent to</p> <p>67 Salutation on a June greeting card</p> <p>68 Do penance</p> <p>69 Liquid oatmeal food</p> <p>71 While furious</p> <p>72 Valuable qualities</p> <p>73 Caribbean's — Islands</p> <p>74 Chuck Berry title girl</p> <p>77 "— -Ca-Dabra" (1974 hit)</p> <p>81 Popular fishbowl fish</p> <p>83 Gaunt quality</p> <p>84 Neither fish — fowl</p> <p>85 Chinese thinker</p> <p>Lao- —</p> | <p>87 As a result</p> <p>88 Had life</p> <p>89 Tram's load</p> <p>93 "— delighted!"</p> <p>96 How much 1990s music was released</p> <p>98 Fine, rare violin</p> <p>99 TiVo predecessor</p> <p>101 Got ready for print</p> <p>104 Hearty steak</p> <p>105 Governs</p> <p>106 City on the Rhone</p> <p>107 Tour leader</p> <p>108 High-speed Amtrak train</p> <p>109 In the — of (amongst)</p> <p>111 Derby, e.g.</p> <p>114 Not odd</p> <p>115 Trig ratio</p> <p>117 Legal wrong</p> <p>118 Sharif of "Lawrence of Arabia"</p> <p>119 Allot</p> <p>120 Conception</p> <p>121 Certain sac</p> <p>124 That vessel</p> <p>125 Cashew, e.g.</p> <p>126 Ambulance gp.</p> |
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## Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Pine cones have genders. Male pine cones shed pollen and female pine cones make seeds. When the wind blows pollen into the female cones, the seeds become pollinated.
  - Cats are believed to be the only mammals that don't taste sweetness.
  - In 1978, DC put out a "Superman vs. Muhammad Ali" comic book. While the plot deals with hostile aliens, the book's main highlight is the whooping Superman gets in a sparring match with "The Greatest!"
  - The first-ever fashion magazine was sold in Germany in 1586.
  - Early cosmetic surgeons used a procedure known as paraffin wax rhinoplasty, in which they would inject hot liquid wax into a patient's nose and mold it into the desired shape. Not only was this dangerous, but, no surprise, it really didn't work.
  - Canada eats more macaroni and cheese than any other nation in the world.
  - A French general, the Marquis de Lafayette, gave John Quincy Adams a pet alligator. Our sixth president not only kept it in a White House bathtub, but enjoyed showing it off to visitors.
  - There is a town in India called Santa Claus.
  - Ever wonder how the tradition of leaving hand and footprints in front of Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood got started? By accident -- when silent film actress Norma Talmadge stepped on wet cement.
  - Cellophane, invented in 1908, was originally intended to protect tablecloths from wine spills.
  - Those old witch potions aren't quite as gross as you think: Eye of newt, toe of frog and wool of bat are actually archaic terms for mustard seed, buttercup and holly leaves.
  - Selfies now cause more deaths than shark attacks.
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- Thought for the Day: "My father always said, 'Never trust anyone whose TV is bigger than their bookshelf' -- so I make sure I read." -- Emilia Clarke
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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: N equals H

WDKFWP, KNF LDTCT ZV

RJTTPZMX D WJK CJTF JLKFM.

NF NDV CDMP XTJRZMX AJMAFTMV.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Alcona County, starting promptly at 10 a.m. on January 20, 2021.  
 The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information:  
 Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Paul S. Hupcik and Dolores E. Hupcik, husband and wife.  
 Original mortgagee: First Federal bank of Northern Michigan successor in interest to/and or name change to mBank. Foreclosing Assignee (if any): None.  
 Date of mortgage: December 23, 2005. Date of mortgage recording: January 4, 2006. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$105,282.39.  
 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Mikado, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: The N-1/

2 of the SW-1/4 Exc. the south 250 feet of the west 697.94 feet, Section 26, T25N R8E. Common street address (if any): 4255 Alvin Road, Mikado, Mich. 48745-9749  
 The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).  
 If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.  
 Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.  
 This notice is from a debt collector.  
 Date of notice: December 23, 2020  
 Trott Law, P.C.  
 31440 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 145  
 Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334  
 (248) 642-2515  
 1426560  
 12-23, 12-30, 1-6, 1-13

### State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate

Estate of Gregory T. Bolam  
 Date of Birth: May 20, 1965  
 To all creditors:  
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Gregory T. Bolam, died February 14, 2020. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Kyle Bolam, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 84 Susanne Blvd., White Lake, Mich. 48386 and the personal representative within four months after the date of this publication of this notice.  
 December 23, 2020  
 Personal Representative  
 Kyle Bolam  
 84 Suzanne Blvd.  
 White Lake, Mich. 48386  
 (989) 884-4195

### State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 20-6132-DE

To all creditors  
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Stanley Ryznar Jr., died August 15, 2020. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to David H. Cook, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.  
 December 23, 2020  
 Attorney  
 David H. Cook P04560  
 5466 M-72  
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740  
 (989) 724-5155  
 Personal Representative  
 David H. Cook P04560  
 5466 M-72  
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740  
 (989) 724-5155

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Buying standing timber, minimum five acres. Cole Forest Products (989) 736-8928.

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

## DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
 ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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## CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board met via Zoom and opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Motion passed to approve November 11 and November 20 minutes. Motion passed to pay bills as presented including MERS. Motion passed to approve meeting dates for second Wednesday of every month in 2021.  
 Motion passed to renew Quickbooks for 2021. Motion passed to hire CPA to do reconciliation clean up from past and to help with W2 processing and manual adjustments. Motion passed to purchase a sign for township owned property and 911 address sign.  
 Public commented on how nice it was to have a meeting with everyone working together and everyone making motions. Motion passed to adjourn at 7:58 p.m.  
 Cindy Smith  
 Township Clerk

## HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township Board and deputy clerk Roger Jamieson called the meeting to order. The meeting was opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance."  
 Janet and John Ovcjak joined the board to offer well wishes to the previous clerk of 27 years and 10 months, Roger Jamieson. They expressed their gratitude for Roger's services to the township and community throughout the years. They spoke about his values of patriotism, faith and family and how those traits have been an outstanding support for the citizens of this township and community.  
 The board members thanked Roger Jamieson for his many years of service. Mr. Jamieson stated that it had been an honor and pleasure to serve this township.  
 Clerk's minutes and treasurer's report accepted. The vacant position on the planning commission was filled. Payment was approved for bills. Meeting adjourned.

Weekly SUDOKU Answer

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## Kovels: Antiques and Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

### Watch holder

There has always been a need to tell time, and early methods -- sundials, hourglasses, water clocks or even large arrangements of stones and shadows -- were not accurate. The first mechanical clocks were invented in the 14th century, the pendulum clock in 1656, and by the 1700s there were many clocks in church towers that rang bells to tell citizens the time. The small watch that could be carried by a person was developed after 1810. Then came pocket watches worn on a chain, and in 1868 the wristwatch was made. But there was still no affordable clock for home use.

An unknown person

made the first watch holder in the early 1800s. The holder was a small decorative stand that held an available pocket watch on a table. They were made of ceramics, metal, wood -- anything that could be shaped into a stand with a large hole. Some were even made by famous artists and jewelers of bronze or gold, or by a company that made ceramic dishes or statues. Most were not signed.

The watch holder is often a "whatsit." The hole in the middle is confusing to a 21st century person who tells time with a wristwatch or cellphone. A Neal Auction in New Orleans sold an early 19th century watch holder of gilt

bronze. It is shaped like a harp held by swans on a pedestal base. When the watch is inserted in the hole near the top, it creates a decorative "clock." It sold for \$875.

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### CURRENT PRICES

Cambridge glass, candy jar, lid, rose du Barry, peach-blo, acid etched, silver leaf bands, knob, 6 inches, \$115.

Hubley doorstop, cat, red, art deco, cast iron, c. 1925, 5 1/4 x 4 1/2 inches, \$375.

Tiffany salt and pepper shakers, owl, silver, 2 1/2 inches, \$920.

Hasselblad camera, 503CX, Zeiss lenses, branded carrying case, 10 x 13 inches, \$1,970.

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR VETERANS

From the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville

We look forward to seeing you in 2021! The date and time will be announced