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## Unrelated incidents lead to two deaths

By Cheryl Peterson  
Editor

Two Alcona County residents lost their lives last week in unrelated incidents at the end of the year.

The first one occurred on Saturday, Dec. 28, 2019 in Haynes Township. According to the Alcona County Sheriff's Department at 10:36 a.m. law enforcement officers were dispatched to Beckett Road where members of the Harrisville Fire Department found a missing elderly woman in a wooded area at the corner of Beckett Road and Lakeshore Drive.

The deceased woman was Kathleen Ann Holderman, 71, who lived in the area. An investigation found that Holderman had dementia and had left her home at approximately 1:30 a.m. on foot and was found nine hours later by fire personnel. The sheriff's department closed the investigation with the determination of no foul play involved.

On Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2019

sheriff deputies responded to a two-vehicle personal injury accident on F-41 north of Kings Corner Road. Shortly after the arrival of first responders, the driver of one of the vehicles, Cheynne Smith, 21, of Spruce, was pronounced dead at the scene.

The driver of the second vehicle Kayla Norton, 26, of Lincoln was transported by Alcona EMS to Mid Michigan Medical Center in Alpena and was treated for minor injuries.

According to the sheriff's department, weather and road conditions are believed to be a factor – alcohol was not. While the investigation is ongoing, neither driver has been determined to be at fault.

Officers from the Alpena County Sheriff's Department assisted at the scene with the accident reconstruction investigation. Officers from the Oscoda Township Police Department, Alcona County EMS and Mikado Fire Department and first responders also assisted.

## North End Park receives DNR grant

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

Improvements will continue at the North End Park on Hubbard Lake with the approval of a Department of Natural Resource (DNR) Recreation Passport grant.

The grant, in the amount of \$150,000, and an anonymous donation of \$50,000 will give Caledonia Township a total of \$200,000 for the next phase in park improvements.

Phase three will include shoreline stabilization, a canoe/kayak ramp launch, two swimming docks with stairs, swimming caution buoys, a swimming platform and possibly more according to Caledonia Township supervisor, Cyndi Apsey.

"I'm very happy the grant was approved so we may continue improvements to North End Park," Apsey said.

Apsey took no credit for the ongoing improvements stating the work began a long time before she took the supervisor seat.

For over a decade Caledonia Township residents and board members have been active in making improvements to North End Park with

the help of over \$500,000 in grant funds received.

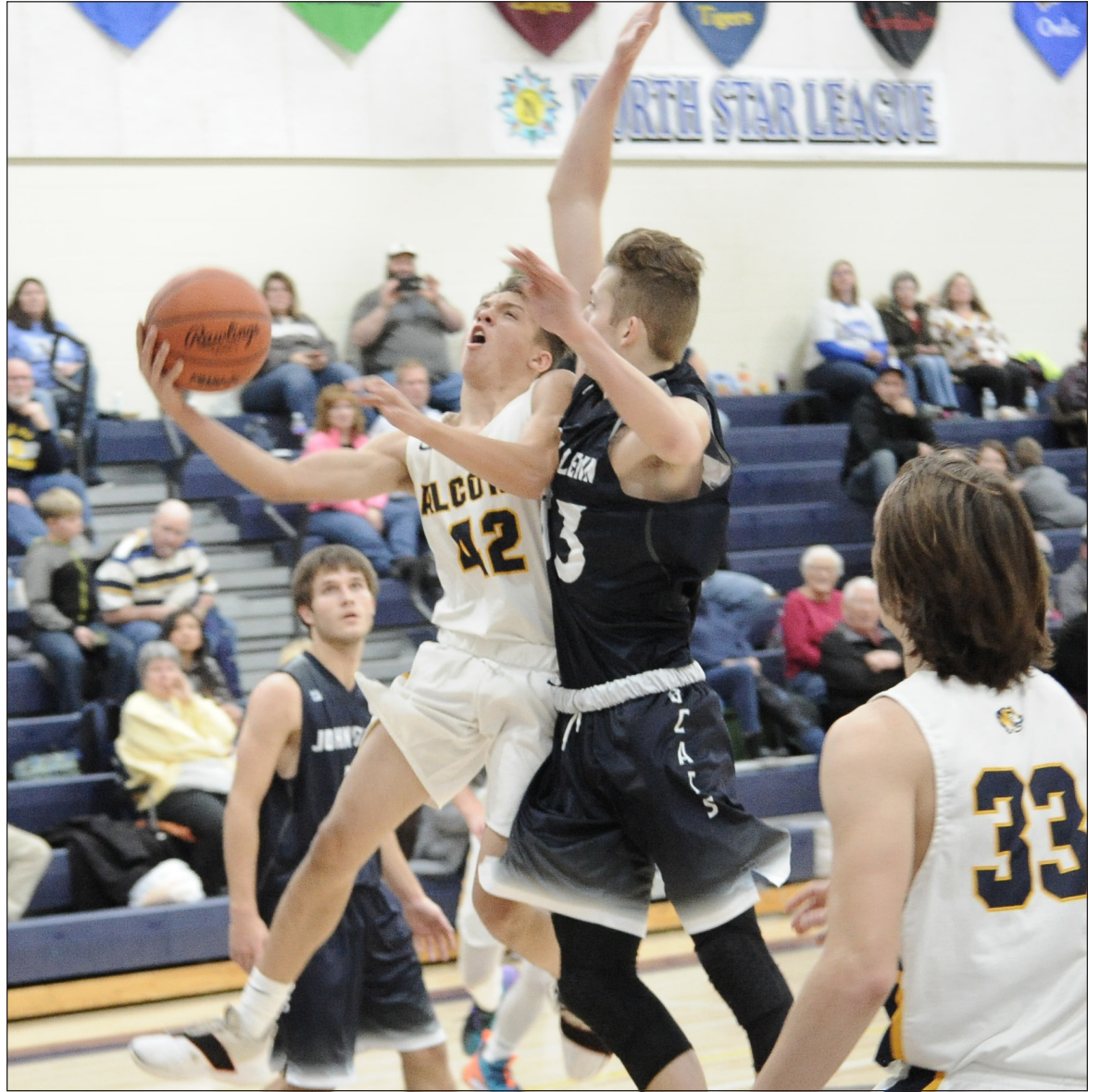
Phase one, which was completed in 2013, included resurfacing and paving parking areas, expanding docks to fit larger boats, installing a pit toilet near the boat ramp, curing erosion problems under the ramp, installing an aluminum handicap accessible docks with lights, installing new lampposts, additional lighting and making some landscape improvements.

Phase two helped to restore the picnic area, put in a new well, built two pavilions with cement floors and electricity, built a volleyball court, walkways, a new bathroom facility, a changing room, barbecue grills, picnic tables, and campfire pits.

Apsey explained last summer the community came together to help clean and beautify the park. "It was a hot day, but caring people showed up and worked hard. In a matter of a few hours the waterfront of the park was cleaned up," Apsey said.

She explained the view of the water from the park had

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Gavin Walker lays the ball in for two points despite heavy defensive pressure during Friday's game against John Glenn. Photo by Ben Murphy. For the story, see page 12.

## Counting homeless Michiganders key to receiving federal funds

By Evan Jones  
Capital News Service

Michigan is gearing up to count the youth and homeless populations that are key to its federal funding and representation.

"Kids often get missed, especially in households with lower income," said Parker James, a policy analyst for the Michigan League for Public Policy. "If we miss kids, then we miss out on really important dollars to help those kids."

And people, particularly children, who lack a stable residence are at risk of going uncounted for the upcoming 2020 Census.

Nearly 16,000 children up to age four lack a fixed nighttime residence in Michigan, according to the League for Public Policy. Among the highest county rates of homeless children under 4 are 13 percent in Arenac County, 12 percent in Lake County and 11 percent in Alger County.

One of the hopes for greater accuracy is that the census form is available both online

and on the phone for the first time, James said. "Hopefully we'll be able to achieve the best count that we can," he said. "I think we need to make sure that we continue to ramp up our efforts."

Association also began video, billboard and radio campaigns that emphasize the consequences of undercounting residents.

The organization also helps local nonprofits host forums

"Our campaign has estimated that for each person that doesn't get counted, Michigan stands to lose \$1,800 per person per year for 10 years."

Joan Gustafson,  
Michigan Nonprofit Association

The state launched a Complete Count Committee in June with lawmakers and association leaders to get ready for census day April 1. Partnerships with local governments can estimate people at risk of being missed by identifying where they might frequent, like a church or a grocery store, James said.

The U.S. Census Bureau gathers data from homeless shelters, Volunteers of America, The Salvation Army and other organizations that work with homeless people.

The Michigan Nonprofit

to assist people in completing the census.

"We think we're uniquely suited to communicate with a lot of these groups," said Joan Gustafson, the organization's external affairs officer. "Nonprofits are in communities – they understand cultural sensitivities, they're

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Letters to the Editor  
**Letter to the Editor**

To the Editor,  
 It is with concern that I express my support for the Alcona County Veterans Board seeking a millage to continue and expand vital services for our veterans.

As the recent widow of a disabled Korean War veteran, I want to publicly express the gratitude I feel for the professionalism and effectiveness of the support my family received from our county ser-

vice counselor, Tony Atkinson. Without his presence here in Alcona County many veterans and their families will be made more vulnerable.

It seems to me that support of those who have loyally fulfilled their duty to our country and our community must be among our highest priorities.

Jo Ann Eashoo  
 Harrisville

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**Obituaries**

**Kathleen A. Holderman**

Kathleen Ann Holderman, 71, of Harrisville died on Saturday, Dec. 28, 2019 in Harrisville.

She was born February 18, 1948 in Dearborn, Mich., to John and Maxine (Kaza) Humphrey.

After a long career with Ford Motor Company, Kathy and her husband, James, built their retirement home in Harrisville, where she had enjoyed many childhood summers.

She treasured her family, her many longtime friendships, her faith, and her beloved dogs, Punkin, Cody and Sid.

She also loved nature, gardening, theater, travel, and Notre Dame football. She was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville.

Mrs. Holderman is survived by her husband, James; three sisters, Mary (Rich) Forrest, Phyllis (Bob) Frase, and Barbara (Tom) Gibbings; one



brother, James (Nancy) Humphrey; many cousins, and three generations of nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was held on January 6 at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

**Cheyenne D. Smith**

Cheyenne Desiree Smith, 21, of Spruce, died on Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2019 as a result of an automobile accident.

She was born January 19, 1998 in Alpena to Edward Smith and Patricia Compton. She was a 2016 graduate of Alpena High School where she participated in volleyball and cheerleading.

She was employed by McDonald's in Alpena.

She enjoyed camping and music and loved spending time with her family on game night.

Miss Smith is survived by one brother, Kevin Herbin of Mikado; one sister, Shawana Procunier of Mikado; her fiancé, Neil Smith of Oscoda; several aunts and uncles, including her special aunt, Peggy (Rod Budreau) Compton of Spruce; many nieces and nephews; and her two dogs, Chloe and Kenzie.

She was preceded in death



by her mother, Patricia Compton Herbin in 2016 and her grandmother, Theresa Compton in 2007.

The funeral will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 8 from noon to 3 p.m. at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln. A celebration of life luncheon will follow at the Mikado American Legion, 2205 Alger Street, Mikado.

**Loretta V. Voisin**

Loretta V. Voisin, 83, of Lincoln, died on Saturday, Jan. 4, 2020 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

She was born June 13, 1936 to Virgil and Pearl (Smith) Perry in Beech Fork, West Va., she was raised in Detroit, Mich.

On September 15, 1976, she married Lawrence Voisin in Clarkston, Mich. They moved to Mikado.

Mrs. Voisin was a devoted homemaker, who loved to dance. She enjoyed bowling, crochet, as well as hunting and fishing.

She was a member of the Barton City Eagles Club and the Mikado American Legion.

Mrs. Voisin is survived by her husband, Lawrence; one daughter, Debbie (Steve) Savalle; three sons, John (Mary) Miller, David Dixon, and James "Butch" (Sherry) Dixon; several grandchildren;



many great-grandchildren; and one brother, Don Patterson.

She was preceded in death by one son, Alan Callahan, two sisters, and one brother.

The funeral was held January 7 at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Burial was in Mikado Cemetery.

**Wayne E. Riebow**

Wayne Elbion Riebow, 94, died on Monday, Dec. 30, 2019 in Cumming, Ga.

He was born on October 7, 1925 to Carl and Evaleen (Sweet) Riebow in Oscoda. He was raised in Glennie and graduated from Oscoda High School.

He joined the U.S. Navy in 1943 and served in the Pacific Theater aboard the USS Missouri where he was an eyewitness to the surrender of Japan.

After World War II, Mr. Riebow took over his father's business, Riebow's Hardware, in Harrisville.

In 1948, he married Goldie Stinchcombe and they had three children.

In 1973, he married Janice Weaver. Years later they retired to Ocala, Fla.

He was a private pilot, an avid golfer and enjoyed volunteer work.

Mr. Riebow is survived by one son, James (Barbara) Riebow; two daughters, Glenda (Terry) Bleau and Tamyra (Brian) Efimetz; eight grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; four step-daughters; and one brother, Delton Riebow.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Janice Riebow, one great-grandson, Samuel Cummings, and one sister, Myrna Flannery.

A memorial service will be held in Harrisville at a later date.

Ingram Funeral Home & Crematory of Cumming, Ga. handled the arrangements.

**Christopher G. Wandrey**

Christopher Glenn Wandrey, 45, died on Tuesday, December 31, 2019 at Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville, Ark.

He was born October 20, 1974 to Louella Deller in Bay City, Mich.

He had many hobbies including archery and bow hunting. He enjoyed barbecuing with friends and family and was a devoted Michigan football fan.

Mr. Wandrey is survived by his wife, Amy (Rice) Wandrey of Fayetteville, Ark.; his mother, Louella Shellenbarger of Harrisville; his step father Robert Shellenbarger of Oscoda; his stepmother, Brenda Davis of Fernly, Nev.; one sister, Leslie (Dawn Beers) Conklin of Woodstown, N.J.; one brother, Glenn G. (Netta) Wandrey of Fayetteville, Ark.; many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews; and his two dogs, Maxwell and Tank.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Elmer and Susie Deller, and his faithful dog, Booker T. Wandrey.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, Jan. 18, 2020 from 2 to 5 p.m. at 750 East Fowler Road, Harrisville.

# Calendar of Events

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8

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, JANUARY 9

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 9 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-32. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. First meeting is free. Handicap accessible. Call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-8600 for details.

The Newcomers Lunch Group will meet at noon at the Big Boy Restaurant on Ripley Avenue in Alpena. Call Terry at (989) 340-0676 if planning to attend.

The Pine River Van Ettan Lake Watershed quarterly meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. The meeting is open to the public. Volunteers are needed to assist in programs like stream sampling and removal of invasive plant species.

The Sunrise Ringers Bell Choir of Harrisville is seeking new members. Anyone who has wanted to ring handbells is encouraged to attend an organizational dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian in Harrisville. Attendees are asked to bring a potluck food item to share. Being able to read music is not a requirement. All bells and music are provided. For more information, contact Susan Haight at (248) 871-8710.

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

Storytime and craft for children from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

An open house will be held for featured artist Ken Amelotte at Thunder Bay Arts Gallery, 127 West Chisholm Street, Alpena from 5:30 to 7 p.m. This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

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.

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

My Brother's Hope will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school).

The Alcona Food Pantry will be open from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23).

Recycle Alcona County will hold drop off day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. Enter and exit through the north gate. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

Genealogy 101 plus, genealogy classes for all levels, will be held from noon to 2 p.m. at the Iosco County Historical Museum, 405 West Bay Street (US-23) in East Tawas. Sessions will be tailored from beginners to advanced. Bring your questions, thoughts and ideas. For more information, call Judy Sheldon at (989) 984-9305.

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## SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

There will be a breakfast fundraiser for the Alcona High School Spanish Club at the Alcona Brew Haus, 676 North US-23, Harrisville from 8 to 11 a.m. For more information, call (989) 724-6338.

## MONDAY, JANUARY 13

Ukulele jam session for all ages and levels at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 2 to 4 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

Individuals whose lives are affected by depression or another mental health condition are welcome to attend Fresh Hope, a Christian-based support group for those with mental health challenges. Loved ones are also welcome. Meetings are from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Old Stone Church on the corner of Shaw and Poor Farm roads, Harrisville. For more information, contact Claire at (989) 724-6665.

The AuSable Valley Audubon will meet at Robert J. Parks Library, 6010 North Skeel Avenue, Oscoda at 1 p.m. Guest speaker Eric Brandon, from MSU Extension will provide information on oak wilt disease and preventative measures. Refreshments will be served.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

Homeschoolers at the library – children of all ages are invited for a fun and educational activity at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 1 p.m. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

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

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

Storytime and craft for children from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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## SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

A euchre tournament will be held at the Greenbush Township Hall on Campbell Street. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with play starting at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Sponsored by the Greenbush Historical Society.

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## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

**City of Harrisville – Zoning Ordinance Amendment**  
The City of Harrisville Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 7 p.m. to recommend adoption of a zoning ordinance amendment relating to animals to the City Council. The public hearing will be held at 200 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. The full text of the amendments is available at the Harrisville City offices at the above address during regular City Hall hours. Written comments may be sent to the above address prior to the meeting. The public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. The proposed amendments modify the City of Harrisville Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Section 3.29 (Animals) to address prohibited animals, permitted animals, confinement to premises, access to public ways and places, and removal of defecation.

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- Monday, Jan. 13—Fish almondine, brown rice, lima beans, tropical fruit salad, and two percent milk.
- Tuesday, Jan. 14—Chicken chili, corn, tossed salad with dressing, Jell-O with fruit, two percent milk, and wheat bread.
- Wednesday, Jan. 15—Hamburger stroganoff, California vegetable blend, orange fluff salad, and two percent milk.
- Thursday, Jan. 16—Beef taco salad, baby carrots and dip, diced peaches, and two percent milk.
- Friday, Jan. 17—Fish almondine, baked potato, carrots, berry blend, two percent milk, and wheat bread.  
*(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)*

## New Nutrition Instructor

Michelle Luttrell is the new community nutrition instructor with Michigan State University (MSU) Extension serv-

ing Iosco and Alcona counties. She will be teaching health and nutrition classes to low resource/low income residents through SNAP-Ed (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - Education) and she is eager to get started.



Michelle Luttrell

Luttrell, 32, is a native of Oscoda and lives in Oscoda with her family. She received a Bachelor of Business Administration from Northwood University in 2009 with a triple major in advertising, marketing and management.

She is excited to help fellow residents improve their health & quality of life and

become more involved in her community. For more information or are interested in nutrition classes, contact MSU Extension Iosco County office (989) 362-3449 or Michelle Luttrell direct at (989) 984-1055.

## Meeting on Line 5

There will be a meeting on Friday, Jan. 10 at 1 p.m. at the library in Alpena for residents, local county commissioners and others interested in listening to Peter Manning, chief of the Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Department in the attorney general's office to speak to local leaders about their work to reduce and prevent risks from a Line 5 failure. He will explain the issues and risks facing this situation, the actions the attorney general is taking and advise attendees on how best to represent the interests of residents in these Huron Shore counties. Manning has been involved in state policy on this use of land for more than five years. For more information, contact project coordinator, Jim Mortimer at [j.mortimer@earthlink.net](mailto:j.mortimer@earthlink.net).

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been depleted due to Russian and Autumn Olive, an invasive thorny shrub growing wild along the shoreline. "Dan Anderson helped immensely by donating time and equipment to cut the shrub down," Apsey said.

Another grant the township applied for last year in the amount of \$101,300 with an additional anonymous donation of \$25,000 for a sand play area and playground equipment was denied, but Apsey said they will continue seeking additional grant funds.

"The people want to do more," Apsey said, "We are surrounded by good people who love this area. They take great pride in their community."

## Super Crossword

### Answers

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## CryptoQuip answer

If you're in southwest Michigan and crazy about wild beasts, definitely check out Kalama-Zoo.

## Americanisms



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## Food assistance programs can help seniors in need

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Searching Niece

Dear Searching,  
Sadly, millions of older Americans, like your aunt, struggle with food costs. According to a recent study by Feeding America, 5.5 million U.S. seniors age 60 and older are food insecure. Fortunately, there are several programs that may be able to help. Here's what you should know.

### SNAP Benefits

While there are millions of seniors who are eligible for food stamps, less than 40 percent actually take advantage of this benefit. Food stamps are now referred to as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP.

However, your state may use a different name.

For seniors to get SNAP, their net income must be under the 100 percent federal poverty guidelines. So, households that have at least one-person age 60 and older, or disabled, their net monthly income must be less than \$1,041 per month for an individual or \$1,410 for a family of two. Households receiving TANF or SSI are also eligible.

Net income is figured by taking gross income minus allowable deductions including a standard monthly deduction, medical expenses that exceed \$35 per month out-of-pocket, and shelter expenses (rent or mortgage payments, taxes and utility costs) that exceeds half of the household's income.

In addition to the net income requirement, a few states also require that a senior's assets be below \$3,500, not counting their home, retirement or pension plans, income from SSI or TANF, and vehicle (this varies by state). Most states,

however, have much higher asset limits or they don't count assets at all when determining eligibility.

To apply, seniors or an authorized representative will need to fill out a state application form, which can be done at the local SNAP office or, it can be mailed or faxed in. In many states it can be completed online.

If eligible, benefits will be provided on a plastic card that's used like a debit card and accepted at most grocery stores. The average SNAP benefit for 60-and-older households is around \$125 per month.

To learn more or apply, contact your local SNAP office – call (800) 221-5689 for contact information or visit [fns.usda.gov/snap](http://fns.usda.gov/snap).

### Other Programs

In addition to SNAP, there are other federal programs that can help low-income seniors, age 60 and older, like the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) and the Senior Farmers' Market



Savvy Senior

Nutrition Program (SFMNP).

The CSFP (see [fns.usda.gov/csfp](http://fns.usda.gov/csfp)) is a program that provides supplemental food packages to seniors with income limits at or below the 130 percent poverty line.

And the SFMNP ([fns.usda.gov/sfmnp](http://fns.usda.gov/sfmnp)) provides seniors coupons that can be exchanged for fresh fruits and vegetables at farmers' markets, roadside stands and community supported agriculture programs in select locations throughout the U.S. To be eligible, your aunt's income must be below the 185 percent poverty level.

There are also many Feeding America network food banks that host "Senior Gro-

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In addition to the food assistance programs, there are also various financial assistance programs that may help your aunt pay for medications, health care, utilities and more. To locate these programs, and learn how to apply for them, go to [BenefitsCheckUp.org](http://BenefitsCheckUp.org).

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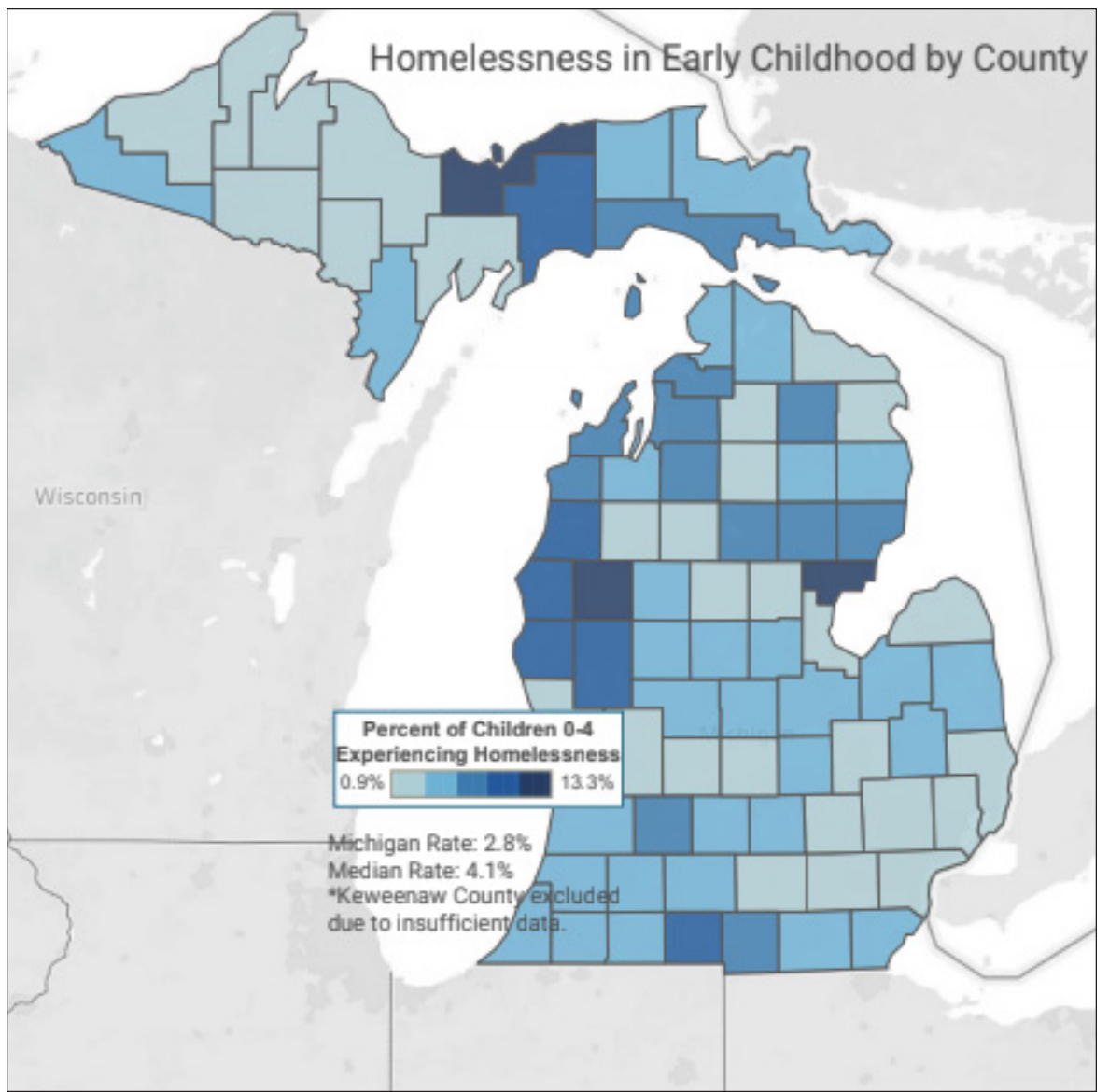
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It's those funding implications that prompted the

Michigan Townships Association to accelerate an effort to improve the count, said Neil Sheridan, the group's executive director.

Barriers for an accurate count are mistrust and disinformation, he said. “We still have people who distrust completing a census form generally, but also we live in an era where there are so many different ways for fraud,” Sheridan said. “Do it, and don't rely on being reminded about it later. It's easy, it's fast, it's private. The data is well-guarded and it's something that we can trust.”

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# Octogenarian still bangs his drums

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

*"I got a thing for drummers, how that beat shakes up my heart, I got a thing for drummers, so baby show off dem tricks and bang dem sticks."*

~Meghan Trainor

American Singer and Song Writer

Watching a live talent show at a movie theatre nearly 80 years ago inspired a lifelong love of drumming for a local musician living in Oscoda Township.

Don Jack, a spry 83-year old musician, said the memory was one of the first he can recall having. "We lived close to theatres in Flint, and everyone went to see movies on Friday and Saturday. On Saturday afternoons before the matinee, they would have a talent show. A drummer was performing who had a full set of drums and I was fascinated by the rhythm of them," he said.

Don's drumming dream came to fruition just a few years later after his father, who loved northeast Michigan, moved his family from Flint, Mich. back to his wife's hometown of Oscoda. Don was able to take music lessons at Oscoda Area Schools in fifth grade. He explained his mother was a Bissonette and she and his father met when his dad came to northeast Michigan to work on damns.

Don began playing drums for money when he was 13. "The school's music teacher, Dave Merkel, had a small dance band - Chet London played the trumpet. We played for weddings, anniversaries, proms, and school dances. I'd get paid \$6 or \$7 a night which was good money for a kid. I've played with Chet London off and on for most of my life," Don said.

He bought his first drum

"The south was segregated which we were not used to. We'd travel from one job to another and would stop at a beer joint to get a hamburger, but the two black men were not able to go inside."

~ Don Jack

set from a pawn shop in Detroit, Mich., at the age of 14 after working in his father's lumberyard and saving his money all summer. He said the drum set cost \$165 but he had only saved \$150 so his mother loaned him \$15. A loan he doesn't recall paying back.

After graduating from high school, Don served in the U.S. Army under special services playing in a band stationed in Panama. They entertained troops aboard ships and throughout the Caribbean.

He explained that every Army district had a band and the bands competed. The small band he played with won a competition that sent them to New York and New Jersey to play for the All Army contest. "That got us out of Panama. It's a tourist place now, but then it wasn't so nice. It was hot and humid, and the people were poor," Don said.

Two of the members in the band were black musicians which made traveling in



Don Jack holds a photo taken in the mid-1950s of his Army band. Photo by Mary Weber.

southern states awkward for the band, but since they were all still in the Army they went where they were told to go.

Don said it was very much like the movie "Greenbook." "The south was segregated which we were not used to. We'd travel from one job to another and would stop at a beer joint to get a hamburger, but the two black men were not able to go inside. We'd have to go in and get the food and take it out to them. Everywhere we went down south there were places they

Peninsula.

He still does smaller carpentry jobs, but says he is so busy playing the drums he doesn't have much free time.

Don said he is much better at the drums now than he was when he was younger and for a good reason, he no longer drinks alcohol while performing. He explained it was very easy to get alcohol while playing halls and such as a youth.

"Drinking became a habit for many years and became a real problem that went on until my mid-thirties. I had to do something. A priest friend of mine was going to Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) so I'd go with him to meetings. Since then I take one day at a time and don't drink," Don said.

To stay away from alcohol, Don knew he needed to keep busy. He was still able to qualify for education benefits through Veteran Affairs and began taking college courses offered at the former Wurtsmith Air Force base in Oscoda.

He attained a two-year associate degree through Alpena Community College and then took Park College courses. In six years, he earned a bachelor's degree in social psychology. "I worked an internship at the hospital in substance abuse, but there were not many opportunities to work that job full-time around here. I made more as a carpenter," Don said.

Don has other interests too -- hunting, fishing and watching sports, especially hockey which he has amassed quite a souvenir collection over the years and has met some of the greats in the sport such as Gordie Howe and Ted Lindsay. "They were rough and tough on the ice, but when they weren't playing hockey,

couldn't stay at. They could perform there, but couldn't stay there," Don said.

After Don was discharged from service he came home and married his high school sweetheart, Rosemary Shellenbarger. Don was a few years older than she was, but they sat at the same study hall table in high school and he would drive her crazy. After he went into the service, he often wrote to her. The couple has been married for 62 years. They have four children, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

While raising a family, Don never gave up on playing the drums, but music alone could not support his growing family. He worked for his dad at the lumberyard for a while and eventually became a skilled carpenter and a licensed builder and worked for construction companies.

Before retiring at age 66, Don worked mostly on commercial construction sites taking him from Detroit to Iron Mountain in the Upper

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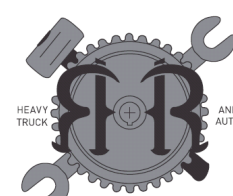
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# Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



## Money in "fox" farming

**January 8, 1920** ~ A Washington correspondent of Michigan daily papers recently wrote a lengthy article on fox farming, in which he said "there are millions in it" and quoted from a government publication on the subject in which directions for the care of foxes are given including their housing, the sort of a place in which to keep them and their feeding. Among other things it says that "a light, sandy soil, with rather hard winters, and summers with considerable rainfall provide the best surroundings for the fox." Possibly this will yet solve the question of what to do with the jack pine lands. Now it's up to some Northeastern Michigan man to make the experiment.

"With the hides of silver gray foxes bringing as high as \$1,500 each and a prime black fox fur worth \$5,000, it ought to be worth trying," said Secretary Marston, of the Development bureau.

## Mikado home burns to ground

**January 8, 1970**~ By Lou Kramer

Fire left a Mikado family of eight destitute of home and all belongings.

Mr. and Mrs. David McGregor and their six children, ranging from 2 to 8 years, were visiting in Glenie when fire of an unknown origin completely destroyed their home, on Cruzen Road west of Mikado, and all the contents at noon on Sunday.

The family is presently being cared for at the home of a neighbor, George Lawrence, in an exceedingly overcrowded condition.

A house with three or four bedrooms is most urgently needed, as well as household furnishings.

Judge Herman Dehnke, general chairman of the Alcona County Chapter of the Red Cross, states that this being a local tragedy, necessary funds must come from local chapter finances.

Lou Kramer, of Hubbard Lake, Disaster Chairman of the local Chapter, met with prompt response in his appeal to Floyd Baker, Mgr. of Parts Manufacturing Co. of Harrisville, who gave employment to Mr. McGregor, as was his appeal to Mrs. Geraldine Holmes, out-reach worker for the Office of Economic Development, who provided clothing.

Mr. Kramer, in appealing for aid, states that all contributions for this needy family will be greatly appreciated.

## Fr. V. Sierminski assigned to Bay City church

**January 8, 1970**~ Rev. Fr. Vernon Sierminski, for six and a half years priest of St. Anne Roman Catholic parish at Harrisville and St. Raphael parish at Mikado, will leave January 15 to take up new duties as priest at St. Hyacinth parish in Bay City.

Father Charles Klingshirn will be his successor. Perhaps some know him, as he was Fr. Vernon's assistant here in 1966.

Father Vern as he was affectionately known throughout the county, has built a well deserved reputation for involvement in community activities throughout the county during his stay here. He has become a popular confidante of a host of residents, both of his faith as well as

other faiths, and the announcement of his imminent departure was received with widespread regret.

While here Father Vern has contributed much to the betterment of St. Anne. Among his accomplishments has been completion of the church building including landscaping and installation of a paved parking lot, extensive remodeling of the rectory and virtual completion of the handsome and efficient parish hall.

Well wishers of the soon to leave priest will be afforded the opportunity to express themselves at an open house from 8 to 10 Sunday evening, January 11, to be staged by ladies of St. Anne and St. Raphael churches, at the new parish hall.

## Judge Dehnke mentioned for Supreme Court bench

**January 11, 1945**~Republicans throughout the district are mentioning the name of Judge Herman Dehnke, Circuit Judge of the Alcona, Iosco and Oscoda County district, for one of the two nominations to the Michigan Supreme Court at the Republican convention to be held at Grand Rapids Friday of this week.

There is no question among the people of this district as to the qualifications of Judge Dehnke. He is known throughout the state as well for his integrity, legal training and

personality. He has served this district for the past seventeen years, and for several years was prosecuting attorney of Alcona County, aside from private practice. During his time on the Alcona circuit he has served many times in other courts throughout the state, and is widely known and well thought of.

If the Republican party sees fit to nominate Judge Dehnke as one of its candidates for Supreme Justice, it would be paying honor to one of its most ardent workers for many years,

## Harrisville Goodfellows end another successful year

**January 11, 1945** ~ The final 1944 meeting of the Harrisville Goodfellow Club met at the home of Kiki Cuyler on Monday evening.

The Club this year distributed 77 baskets around Harrisville besides several cash contributions. The officers for the 1945 season were elected and took over the duties of their offices:

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Vice-Pres.—Carl Steadman  
Secretary—Hazen Cuyler  
Treasurer—Chas. Olds

The retiring officers wish to take this means of thanking everyone who so generously contributed to the success of the club's activities.

Milo N. Johnson, President; Gerald George, Vice President;

Hazen Cuyler, Secretary; Chas. Olds, Treasurer.

The annual rabbit hunt teams were chosen with Joseph Matuzak and Wm. Fogelsinger as captains. Following is a list of the teams:

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- Ki Cuyler
- George Freer
- Lloyd Hilliard
- Arthur Thibault
- Ward Foster
- Edw. Chapelle
- Forrest Potter
- Floyd Potts
- Raymond Casey
- Kenneth Moore
- Wm. Elmer
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<b>Weekly Report</b>						
Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
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December 30	37	30	1.47	10.4	37	SW
December 31	33	27	0.05	6.0	31	SSW
January 1	43	32	0.00	4.9	23	SSW
January 2	33	9	0.00	9.0	32	NNE
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January 4	31	28	0.00	2.3	13	N
Precipitation Summary (Inches)						
2019-2020 Season						
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content			
Weekly Total	2.29	1.0	0.42			
Month of December	3.59	8.0	1.83			
January to Date	0.00	0.0	0.24			
Year/Season to Date	0.00	22.4	0.24			

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. **TELEVISION:** What were the names of the villainous agents in "The Adventures of Rocky and Bullwinkle"?
2. **MUSIC:** Which rock group produced the album "Shout at the Devil" in the 1980s?
3. **LAW:** What was the subject of the landmark legal case titled Furman v. Georgia?
4. **MEDICAL:** What is a more common name for dyspepsia?
5. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What does a lepidopterist study?
6. **LITERATURE:** How many ghosts appear in Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol"?
7. **LANDMARKS:** What lies around the feet of the Statue of Liberty?
8. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is the capital of Canada's Northwest Territories?
9. **MOVIES:** What was "Flipper" in the 1996 movie?
10. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** What was Richard Nixon's middle name?

**Answers:** 1. Boris Badenov and Natasha Fatale; 2. Motley Crue; 3. Capital punishment; 4. Indigestion; 5. Butterflies and moths; 6. Four; 7. Broken chains, symbolizing liberation; 8. Yellowknife; 9. A dolphin; 10. Milhous (c) 2019 King Features Synd., Inc.

# Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Jan. 26, 1918, soon after the Bolsheviks seized control in Russia, the former Russian state of Ukraine declares its total independence. In 1922, Ukraine became part of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; it would not regain its independence until the USSR's collapse in 1991.
  - On Jan. 25, 1924, the first Winter Olympics begins at Chamonix in the French Alps. Spectators were thrilled by the ski jump and bobsled, two of 12 events involving six sports.
  - On Jan. 24, 1943, German Gen. Friedrich von Paulus, commander in chief of the German 6th Army at Stalingrad, urgently requests permission from Adolf Hitler to surrender. Hitler refused. Of more than 280,000 men under Paulus' command, half were already dead or dying. Paulus held out until Jan. 31, when he finally surrendered.
  - On Jan. 23, 1968, the USS Pueblo, a Navy intelligence ship, is engaged in a routine surveillance of the North Korean coast when it is captured by North Korean patrol boats. Eleven months later, negotiators reached a settlement to resolve the crisis and free the surviving 82 crewmen.
  - On Jan. 21, 1977, U.S. President Jimmy Carter grants an unconditional pardon to hundreds of thousands of men who evaded the draft during the Vietnam War. Some 100,000 young Americans went abroad in the late 1960s and early '70s to avoid military service.
  - On Jan. 20, 1980, bleachers at a bullring in Sincelejo, Colombia, collapse, resulting in the deaths of 222 people. The deadliest tragedy at a sporting event in Colombia's history was the result of overcrowding and poor construction.
  - On Jan. 22, 2003, the U.S. Census Bureau releases detailed statistics on race and ethnicity showing that the Hispanic population was the country's largest minority group. Some 29% of immigrants in the U.S. had come from Mexico alone.
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## Super Crossword

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| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Nothin' at all</p> <p>4 Got on board</p> <p>12 — Hill (Theodore Roosevelt's home)</p> <p>20 Altar promise</p> <p>21 Quiche —</p> <p>22 Zealous campaigner</p> <p>23 With 39-Down, business for attorneys</p> <p>24 Dreams up</p> <p>25 Enrobing</p> <p>26 Thorax</p> <p>28 Cloister resident</p> <p>29 Native Americans of Oklahoma</p> <p>31 See 69-Across</p> <p>32 Lena of "The Wiz"</p> <p>33 Gal at a ball</p> <p>34 Big fashion inits.</p> <p>35 Blue shade</p> <p>37 Haul to court</p> <p>38 "Time — the essence!"</p> <p>40 Wagged part</p> <p>42 Closest to nil</p> <p>46 Verizon competitor</p> <p>49 Artificial hair</p> | <p>51 Skier Tommy</p> <p>52 Ali or Frazier</p> <p>53 Klutzy type</p> <p>54 Radon, e.g.</p> <p>55 Indian "Mr."</p> <p>56 Dangerous way to skate</p> <p>58 Haglike</p> <p>60 Darkened</p> <p>62 Uprightness</p> <p>63 Like radon</p> <p>64 Actress Courteney</p> <p>65 Alluring West</p> <p>66 Kanga's son</p> <p>67 Pitched shelter</p> <p>68 "— knew?!"</p> <p>69 With 31-Across, start to enjoy</p> <p>70 Snooze site</p> <p>71 Like sexist jokes and such, for short</p> <p>75 Mai —</p> <p>76 Ring official</p> <p>77 "Piggy"</p> <p>78 River of Grenoble</p> <p>79 Like much hemp fashion</p> <p>83 Actress Cuthbert</p> <p>85 Was deeply agitated</p> <p>86 Air impurity</p> | <p>88 Battle (for)</p> <p>89 Favorite</p> <p>90 "— -haw!" ("Wheel!")</p> <p>91 Bicolor snacks</p> <p>92 Slender fish</p> <p>93 Polar laborer</p> <p>94 Hit into from behind</p> <p>96 1988 Olympics city</p> <p>97 Is in a hole</p> <p>99 Film scorer Schifrin</p> <p>101 Sportage or Soul maker</p> <p>102 Clairol products</p> <p>104 Gibbon, e.g.</p> <p>106 — -relief</p> <p>107 White wader</p> <p>110 Enthusiasm</p> <p>113 Soup legume</p> <p>115 Dandy fellow</p> <p>116 Full of cheek</p> <p>117 Rift-causing</p> <p>119 Least near</p> <p>122 Sci-fi gift</p> <p>123 Hand-thrown weapons</p> <p>124 Scottish beef animal</p> <p>125 Scrabble 4-pointer</p> <p>126 Right to use another's land</p> <p>127 Opera text</p> | <p><b>COUNTING DOWN</b></p> <p>128 Scrabble 1-pointers</p> <p>30 Trendy</p> <p>36 Typical lab rat, e.g.</p> <p>39 See 23-Across</p> <p>41 It has a charge</p> <p>43 Pivotal line</p> <p>44 Split-off group</p> <p>45 Deuce follower</p> <p>46 Specifically</p> <p>47 Neighbor of Quebec</p> <p>48 Place (down)</p> <p>50 * Request for a hand slap</p> <p>57 Engine cover</p> <p>59 LCD alternative</p> <p>60 Ski- —</p> <p>61 Consume</p> <p>64 * Group of defendants that included Abbie Hoffman</p> <p>68 "Hold on!"</p> <p>69 Styling stuff</p> <p>70 Furry scarf</p> <p>71 Consume</p> <p>72 Occasion to shout out the ends of the answers to this puzzle's starred clues (from left to right)</p> <p>73 Dress fussily</p> <p>74 Handed over</p> <p>75 In this way, informally</p> <p>76 Withdrawal</p> <p>77 * "She Loves You" band's nickname</p> <p>78 * Tangoing truism</p> <p>79 Lofty poetry</p> <p>80 Heart</p> <p>81 Toast topper</p> <p>82 * A state of bliss</p> <p>84 Window area</p> <p>85 View</p> <p>87 Rustic denial</p> <p>89 View</p> <p>95 Capital of Latvia</p> <p>98 Helical form</p> <p>100 Taoism founder</p> <p>103 Omit in speech</p> <p>105 Nicholas Gage memoir</p> <p>108 City in Germany</p> <p>109 Styles</p> <p>110 Knife feature</p> <p>111 Old Italian currency</p> <p>112 Bird class</p> <p>114 Bird hangout</p> <p>118 Snead of golf</p> <p>120 Classic British sports car</p> <p>121 Hard drinker</p> |
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## Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was Samuel West, the founder and curator of Sweden's Museum of Failure (which showcases disasters in design and innovation), who made the following sage observation: "Each failure is uniquely spectacular, while success is nauseatingly repetitive."
- Those who study such things say that the earth is more flattened at the South Pole than the North Pole. The weight of all that ice is to blame.
- Clams can live for more than 200 years.
- You know what a mortgage is, but do you know how the word came to the English language? The "mort" should give you a clue. The roots trace all the way back to a Latin term meaning "death pledge."
- The reason for the correlation is not clear, but some studies suggest that hay fever is more common among people who are shy.
- Judge Roy Bean was a justice of the peace in Texas in the 1800s -- he called himself "The Law West of the Pecos." It's interesting to note, though, that his earlier endeavors included rustling cattle in Mexico.
- A famous and oft-quoted line from Sherlock Holmes is "How often have I said to you that when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth?" However, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle didn't come up with that one himself; he took it from a story by Edgar Allan Poe, another pioneer of the detective genre.
- According to historians, basic training in the legions of ancient Rome could take three or four years.
- If you know someone who, for some reason, is overly fond of sneezing, your friend is a steruphiliac.

Thought for the Day: "There is a fatality about all good resolutions. They are invariable made too soon." -- Oscar Wilde

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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: **O** equals **Y**

QP OKL'UW QB EKLGXCWEG

NQRXQAJB JBZ RUJIO JSKLG

CQFZ SWJEGE, ZWPQBQGWFO

RXWRM KLG MJFJNJ-IKK.

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# Tigers start fast, fade to Bobcats

**By Ben Murphy**  
Sports Writer

The new year started the same way the old one ended for the Alcona boys varsity basketball team.

The Tigers, who closed out the calendar year with a loss at John Glenn, opened the year with a 50-32 loss at home to the Bobcats last Friday night.

"We were definitely a little rusty coming out of break," head coach Ryan Bilbey said of the non-conference loss.

While Alcona seemingly never had a chance in its 60-43 loss at John Glenn on December 20, the Tigers appeared ready to make a game of it in the early stages of the re-match on January 3.

Dominic Howe and Zach Stephenson each hit early three pointers and Stephenson netted seven points total in the opening quarter as Al-

cona took a slim 14-13 lead after one.

The second quarter started well for the Tigers as D.J. Howe got a short-range shot attempt to fall, extending their lead to 16-13.

After a defensive stop, Alcona had a chance to extend its lead further, but a turnover allowed the Bobcats to regain possession before the Tigers had an opportunity to put up a shot.

A John Glenn player put up an offensive rebound despite getting fouled. The ensuing free throw knotted the game at 16-apiece as the Bobcats went on 22-0 run to hold a 35-16 lead.

Stephenson finally put an end to the run late in the half, when he got a bucket to fall while running on a fast break opportunity, cutting the J-G lead to 35-18 at the break.

"We started the game with

a lot of intensity, and we made some shots," Bilbey said. "John Glenn's pressure in the second quarter caused us to turn the ball over far too often. That was really the difference in the game. They have a very good team and they capitalized on our turnovers. They scored 30 points off of turnovers."

Alcona's offensive struggles continued in the third quarter -- it only added a pair of two pointers by Gavin Walker, and the Bobcats pulled away to lead 44-22 entering the fourth. D.J. Howe did manage to net six points in the final frame, but the Tigers never seriously threatened the J-G lead in the final minutes.

Leading the Tigers on the night was Stephenson with nine points. D.J. Howe had eight points and Walker finished with six points.

## Drums Continued from page 7

they were complete gentlemen and very kind, especially to children," Don said.

Don believes music and keeping busy has kept him young. "Playing the drums is a physical workout. You got to keep both arms and feet going all the time. I just don't feel good if I don't have something going on. I have to be doing something," Don said.

He has played many genres of music including country, rock and roll, jazz, blues and pop with some great Michigan entertainers including Bucky Knight, Judy Gibson from Flint, Mich., Wade Corpus and Bruno Hirzel from Alpena and Tommy Ferguson from Lansing, Mich.

More recently he played with Casey Makela and her Patsy Cline Tribute shows and with a blues band who plays festivals across northern Michigan. Don enjoys the big crowds the blues and jazz festivals draw.

He feels every generation offers some type of good music that will continue throughout the years. He recalled when teenagers began listing to Elvis Presley, parents at that time thought it was the devil's music. "When the Beatles came along, parents thought they were long-haired freaks. Now the Boston Pops plays Beatles music," Don said.

Last summer he went with his son to see The Who at Little Caesars Arena downstate and said the band was backed up by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and he enjoyed it very much.

One of his career highlights was playing in a "Three Don's" trio with Don Kemp who was Henry Mancini's piano player and wrote the theme for the Pink Panther and Don Mayberry who was David Bowie's and Aretha Franklin's bass player. "I was nervous, I didn't think I was good enough to play with them and I didn't have time to even see the music before one short rehearsal. I was just wringing wet with sweat knowing what good musicians they were, but it went better than I thought it would," Don said.

After banging drums for over 70 years of his life, Don isn't quite sure what he would do with his time if he didn't have music. He encourages parents to let their children take music lessons. "Sports is fine too, but there is one chance in a million a child will make a national (sports) team. Sports are limited to what your body will let you do. At 30 a person in sports is considered old. Music can last a lifetime.

"Tony Bennett is still performing and he's 93. I talk to his drummer, Harold Jones, sometimes and I asked him how he was doing after he got back from a tour in Italy. He said his butt was dragging, but he can't complain because he is only 76 and his boss is 93," Don said offering a hearty laugh. "Harold didn't want Tony thinking he was a cry baby."

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