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Two receive prison terms for 2019 Glennie assault

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

After more than a year-long investigation and court process, three individuals responsible for a violent attack on a Glennie resident have been sentenced and two are going to prison.

According to the Alcona County Sheriff's Department, Michael John Keating, 32, Quinton Noell McMurren, 28, and Kayley M. Duel, 28, all residents of Saginaw, Mich., have been sentenced in 23rd Circuit Court.

Keating pleaded guilty to breaking and entering a building with intent, breaking and entering a building with intent – conspiracy, assault with a dangerous weapon and assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder. He was sentenced to 12 years, eight months to 30 years in prison.

McMurren pleaded guilty to breaking and entering a building with intent, breaking and entering a building with intent – conspiracy, assault with a dangerous weapon and assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder. He was sentenced to 11 to 30 years in prison.

Duel pleaded guilty to breaking and entering with intent. She was sentenced to

one year in the Alcona County Jail.

The break in and attack occurred on January 6, 2019 at 11:10 p.m. at a home in Glennie. According to the sheriff's department, the Glennie resident was "coaxed from his home to assist Duel, who claimed she was having car problems. When the resident went outside, he was attacked by Keating and McMurren. He was struck numerous times in the head by a metal/wood object causing extensive head injuries and a broken arm."

Alcona County Undersheriff Keith Myers explained that Keating knew and worked for the victim, who owned and operated a fence company. McMurren and Duel were friends of Keating but did not know the victim. However, they developed a plan to drive to the home in Glennie from Saginaw, Mich. to rob the victim.

The assailants ran from the scene before sheriff deputies reached the Glennie home. The victim was transported to Tawas St. Joseph Hospital and transferred to St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw, Mich. for the extensive head injury. "These injuries required surgery and have

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July is a good month for gardeners when much of their hard work blossoms. But, it's also a good month for deer to devour them like food on a buffet. For suggestions to keep deer at bay, see page 9. Photo by Cheryl Peterson.

Plans move forward for US-23 road reconstruction in 2021

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

A road reconstruction project on US-23 north including Harrisville and Haynes townships will begin next spring and continue through the summer.

The project was presented during a virtual public meeting last week hosted by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). Project manager Kevin Schaedig explained the two-mile reconstruction project will begin at Family Dollar and end just south of Lake Shore Drive. It will begin in early April with most of the work to be complete by the weekend of July 4 – weather permitting.

According to Schaedig, the project includes complete removal of the existing underlying subbase, aggregate base and asphalt (going down at least two feet deep) and then reconstruction with a geotextile fabric that will be placed as subbase, then a layer of aggregate subbase and asphalt paving. Addi-

tional aspects of the project include adding curbs and gutters in some areas, improve driveway access and widen viewing along that stretch of highway.

Schaedig explained the underlying concrete in that stretch of highway was put down in 1930 and the last time road construction was done was in 1995. "The poor underlying material is causing a soil (drainage) issue, cracking and poor road conditions," he said.

Schaedig and Garrett Dawe, manager of the MDOT Alpena Transportation Service Center, explained that while "through traffic" will be detoured to M-72 to Barlow Road and F-41 to Chippewa Point going north and the reverse for southbound motorists, the highway will be open to local traffic to access residences and businesses throughout the duration of the project.

MDOT is working in partnership with the Alcona County Road Commission and the Village of Lincoln to

accommodate the detour traffic, Schaedig explained. The current road construction project on Barlow Road in Lincoln is in preparation for next year's detour.

During the comment period several people asked questions and voiced objections regarding the expected loss of business during the beginning of and building up to the busiest time of year for businesses in northeast Michigan. Alcona Brew Haus owner Sandy Arens asked several questions and voiced her concern to what it would do to her business – especially with this year's loss of business due to COVID-19 and related executive orders from the governor.

Dawe gave the following responses to questions and objections given in writing during the meeting:

The project has been planned for four years (as part of a five-year project plan) and funding has been assigned. If it is postponed, it could jeopardize the project as funding may not be avail-

able later. "It doesn't make sense to put it off. The road condition is poor. It is important to continue to be balanced in (road) construction projects," Dawe said. "We have a responsibility to reconstruct US-23 and keep it in good shape. It is the primary route to connect this side of the state."

This project is not a total shutdown, it's a detour of "moving traffic." Traffic going to local businesses is allowed. "We acknowledge a project like this does cause less traffic (to businesses) but, traffic patterns over the last five years show the highest usage is in July and August." The project was planned during the least amount of traffic usage.

"If we keep all traffic on the highway during the project it would significantly slow the progress and it is extremely inefficient," he said. "If the project was done later in the year, beginning after Labor Day weekend, there are more rain days in the fall, which causes delays and jeopardizes

the ability to get the project done."

The project may start earlier, if weather permits; if the south end of the project is finished sooner, it will open up earlier.

"We are bidding this as an expedited project," Dawe said. "This means six days a week for 10-hour days. There are also incentives for the work to be done early and fines for delays... We are doing as much as we can to minimize the impact and get it done to get out fast."

MDOT is not "intending to put up signs regionally (Tawas, Alpena) to encourage people to take another route (to bypass Harrisville). There will be signs up that indicate the road is 'open' to access

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Obituaries



Edward J. Schroeder

Edward John Schroeder, 92, of Harrisville, died on Saturday, July 25, 2020.

He was born on August 14, 1927 in Saginaw, Mich. to Edward and Elsie (Hartlep) Schroeder. He graduated from Oscoda High School in 1946 and immediately entered World War II serving in Hokkaido, Japan.

On June 25, 1949 he married Reeta Ann Conklin at the Harrisville Methodist Church in Harrisville.

Mr. Schroeder owned and operated the Conklin Standard Oil gas station until it was sold in 1968. During that time, he was a part time deputy for the Alcona County Sheriff's Department. In 1972 he became a full-time deputy. In 1980, He was elected sher-

iff in 1980 and served three terms.

Mr. Schroeder is survived by his wife, Reeta; two daughters, Lynn (Lucky) Kosto and Beth (David) Read; one son, Karl (Becky) Schroeder; four grandchildren, Jeremiah (Jennifer) Kosto, Nathan (Allison) Kosto, Erica (Mike) Wellman, and Danielle (Jeremy) LaFeldt; nine great-grandchildren, Emma Allen, Lillian Allen, Isabelle Kosto, Kaitlin Kosto, Mason Kosto, Ella Kosto, Garrett Kosto, Noah LaFeldt, and Hazel LaFeldt; and one brother, Allen Schroeder.

He was preceded in death by one great-grandson, Derek Kosto.

Graveside services will be Thursday, July 30 at 1 p.m.



at the Twin Lakes Cemetery in Lincoln. Condolences to the family may be sent to 5627 E. Medor Road, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. Memorial donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

James A. Miltner

James Arthur Miltner, 39, of Bethesda, Md., died on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at home

He was born in Alpena on October 4, 1980 to Kevin and Margie (Kuenzli) Miltner. He was born with cystic adenomatoid malfunction, an extremely rare condition.

Never one to let anything hold him back, he played little league baseball for the Lincoln Astros and took part in community theater at the Thunder Bay Theatre and was part of the drama club at school. He graduated from Alcona High School in 1999 and attended the University of Michigan Law School, where he graduated with honors in 2006.

Following graduation, Mr. Miltner relocated to the Wash-

ington D.C. area where he worked as a lawyer. He and his fiancé, Bethany Sterling were planning a wedding for later this year. He was a devoted father, partner and son. He had a larger-than-life personality and was a genuine friend to everyone who knew him. He had a great sense of humor, which lives on in his daughter, Isa.

He was an avid fan of U of M football and enjoyed watching wrestling and the Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC).

Mr. Miltner is survived by one daughter, Isa June Miltner; his parents, Margie Kuenzli and Kevin (Pam) Miltner; his fiancé, Bethany Sterling; one brother, Derek Miltner; his grandfather, Howard Kuenzli; one aunt,



Marilyn (Kuenzli) Wissmiller; two uncles, James Wissmiller and Mark Miltner; two cousins, Marcie Wissmiller and Jodie (Wissmiller) Promod; and step-cousin, Sheldon Kranendonk.

He was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Laura Kuenzli and Rita Miltner; and his grandfather, Art Miltner.

Memorials may be made via GoFundMe to help support Mr. Miltner's family: <https://gf.me/u/yfqa6d>.



Memorial Service



Rodger Wenzel

There will be a memorial service for Rodger Wenzel on Thursday, Aug. 6 under the tent at Trinity Lutheran Church in Oscoda. Friends may visit the family from 11 a.m. until the service at noon.

Mr. Wenzel died on April 12, 2020.

Donald T. McKay

Donald Timothy McKay, 61, of Black River died suddenly on Monday, July 20, 2020, a beloved son, brother, uncle, father and grandfather.

He enjoyed the outdoors, making music around a fire, fishing, kayaking, whittling, and other simple pleasures.

Don was a great man with a heart that was giant and full of love for his family and people he barely knew. Though he is gone, leaving many with a void in their soul, we take comfort in the lessons we have gained from his life and have stored in our hearts. We will carry on honoring his name by showing unconditional love to all.

Don is survived by his children, Nichole (McKay) Harvey, Ashley McKay, Samantha McKay, Megan (McKay) Nolan, AJ McKay, TJ McKay and Logan Urban. He was blessed with 7 grandchildren Kayla Harvey, Adam Ward, Robert Bliss II, Alissa Bliss, Maximus Bliss, McKenzie Nolan and Delilah Nolan; his father, Donald E. McKay, his sisters Lisa (McKay) Smith, Laurie (McKay) Hall, Catherine (McKay) Collins, brother Michael McKay and many loved nieces and nephews.

Donald was preceded in death by his mother, Barbara (Miller) McKay and his granddaughter, Lauryn Bradley Harvey.

The family will have a private gathering and ask that donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or The Wounded Warrior Project in lieu of flowers.

Paid Obituary

Anna M. Mumma

Anna May Mumma, 91, of Mesa, Ariz., formerly of Greenbush, died on November 3, 2019 at home.

She was born June 21, 1928 to Opal and Wellington Lynn.

Along with her husband, John, they owned and operated the Greenbush Trading Post. Mrs. Mumma continued to operate the store after her husband's death until she retired to Arizona.

Mrs. Mumma is survived by four sons, John Mumma, Robert Mumma, James Mumma, and Kenneth Mumma; four daughters, Lynn Cutillo, Patricia Wiseman, Mary Dakoske, and Katheen Grist; 14 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John; one daughter-in-law, Candice Mumma; one son Charles Mumma; one granddaughter, Rebecca Mumma; and two sons-in-law, Frank Cutillo and Stephen Wiseman.

Interment will be July 31 at 4 p.m. in Harrisville. Memorials may be made to the Leukemia Foundation.

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Calendar of Events



THURSDAY, JULY 30

Community Walking Club for Everyone will meet in the parking lot of the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 9 a.m. Social distancing will be practiced, and face masks are required.

FRIDAY, JULY 31

State Representative Sue Allor will meet with residents from noon to 1 p.m. at Cabin Creek Coffee, 201 N. 2nd Ave. in Alpena. Residents may also reach Allor by contacting her

Lansing office at (517) 373-0833 or SueAllor@house-mi.gov.

State Representative Sue Allor will meet with residents from 2 to 3 p.m. in the courtroom of the Alcona County Building, 106 N. 5th Street in Harrisville. Residents may also reach Allor by contacting her Lansing office at (517) 373-0833 or SueAllor@house-mi.gov.

State Representative Sue

Allor will meet with residents from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. at The Victorian Café, 216 S. Washington Street in Hale. Residents may also reach Allor by contacting her Lansing office at (517) 373-0833 or SueAllor@house-mi.gov.

Alcona County Pop-Up Pantry (for Alcona County residents only) will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. (or until food is gone) at the following locations: Lott Baptist Church, (4257 M-65) Glennie; South Shore Fire Hall, (367 W. Mt. Maria) Spruce; Smokies Bar parking lot (5982 N. Hubbard Lake Road) Spruce; Alcona Township Hall, (5576 US-23) Black River, Barton City Fire Hall (1868 W. Trask Lake Road) Barton City; Mikado Fire Hall (2226 S. F-41) Mikado; Greenbush Fire Hall (5063 Campbell Street) Greenbush; and Alcona Elementary School (181 N. Barlow Road) Lincoln. Drive through only pickup. Limited supplies. First come, first 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.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

Join me in keeping the momentum going in Caledonia Township by voting and reelecting incumbent Republican candidates: Cyndi Apsey for supervisor; Cindy Smith, currently a trustee, running for clerk; Sarah Roe incumbent for treasurer; and adding Anthony Sobeck and Tom Tice as trustees. The August 4 primary will determine these positions for the next four years. Cyndi Apsey's leadership, combined with accessibility and fiscal transparency, in the past two years as supervisor has residents cheering her accomplishments.

Township meeting attendance and viewership has increased exponentially with the installation of the sound system, microphones, email subscription for agendas and published unedited audio on the township website. Now all residents and property owners, including our senior residents, can stay informed. Access, availability and rec-

ognition of Caledonia Township's more than 165 acres of public land has been one of Cyndi's accomplishments enriching township resident family life and ability to enjoy the beautiful lake, wetlands and green space that calls us all to this area.

Working tirelessly on the approval of the North End Park phase three grant sent cheers of thanks from the audience at the last meeting. Work will begin on the waterfront this fall adding two swim docks, a kayak launch and much more. Leading volunteer community work bees, Cyndi continues to be a good steward with the township budget while bringing folks together sharing a sense of pride in their community.

Elect Cyndi Apsey, Cindy Smith, Sarah Roe, Anthony Sobeck and Tom Tice for four more years of improved quality of life for Caledonia residents.

Susie Morrell
Hubbard Lake



Obituaries



Daniel R. Altman

Daniel Roger Altman, 38, of Plymouth, Mich. died on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor, Mich.

He was born on August 3, 1981 in Sault Ste Marie, Mich. to Mark Altman and Kim Schorfhaar. His family moved to Oscoda in 1982, where he lived until he left for college in 2000.

He obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering from Bradley University in Peoria, Ill.

In 2015, he moved to Plymouth, Mich. where he worked with Jordan Koenig, his best friend since the first grade, as an electrical engineer at M&E Engineering.

"Dan the Man" or "DTM" was a heavy metal enthusiast and an incredibly talented musician who loved playing the guitar. Mr. Altman enjoyed spending time anywhere in the outdoors, especially on the AuSable River where he and his dog, Brewtus, would often go camping.

He was also an excellent cook and enjoyed trying out new recipes; he was an avid reader and contemplator of



history and different religions and cultures.

Mr. Altman is survived by his mother, Kim (Mike) Schorfhaar of Oscoda; his father, Mark Altman, of Kinross, Mich.; one brother, Corey Altman of Plymouth, Mich.; one sister, Erica Schorfhaar of Saginaw, Mich.; two nephews, Rylan Taylor and Finn-Carter Karow; his grandparents, Roger and Nancy Silverthorn of Oscoda and grandfather, Ernie Schorfhaar of Mikado.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Gerald and Margaret Altman, and Sandy Schorfhaar.

A celebration of life event will be held at a later date.

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Local Notes *Local Notes*

Correction

The Review unintentionally omitted a candidate running for a township position in last week's edition. Scott Kusal is running for the position of Mikado Township trustee on the Republican ticket. The Review apologizes for this error and any misunderstandings that may have occurred.

Hunter's Ed Cancelled

Harrisville State Park's annual Hunter's Education and International Bow Education program that was scheduled for September 12 and 13 has been cancelled due to COVID-19.

Shoe Collection to Begin

Alcona Helping Hands is holding a shoe collection fundraiser from August 1 to September 30. Donations of new or gently used (any size) shoes, boots, flip flops, cleats, etc. (no ice skates) are welcome and appreciated. Shoe donations may be dropped off at the following locations:

Fick & Sons Marathon, corner of F-41 and Barlow Road, Lincoln; Alcona County Review, 111 N. Lake Street, Harrisville; Barton City General Store, downtown Barton City; and Roger's Food Pride, downtown Glennie. For more information, contact Ann Eddinger at (989) 335-3206 or alconahelpinghandsinc18@gmail.com.

Virtual Candidate Forum

The Alcona County virtual Candidate Forum, sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Northeast Michigan, has been rescheduled to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 29. The original event was canceled because of fire damage at Thunder Bay Theatre where it was being videotaped. The forum will be videotaped at the Hubbard Lake North End Community Center. Only the candidates and their assistants will be in the audience. Regular League procedure will be followed.

The public is encouraged to watch the forum live on the League Facebook page by going to [LWVNortheastMichigan](https://www.facebook.com/LWVNortheastMichigan). It can also be seen after the live event at the same page. Anyone who has Internet can access the Facebook page.

Only candidates who have competition for their office in the August 4 Primary Election are invited to the forum. These offices are: Caledonia Township supervisor, Caledonia Township clerk, Caledonia Township treasurer, Caledonia Township trustee, Alcona County Road Commissioner, Alcona County Commissioner District 2. Split ticket voting is not allowed in the August 4 Primary Election. Voters must choose to vote either Republican or Democratic. To see a sample ballot, registered voters can go to VOTE411.org. Individuals can register online or see their township or city clerk. The League of

Women Voters is a nonpartisan organization which neither supports nor opposes candidates or political parties.

Gathering School Supplies

In an effort to collect necessary items for students at Alcona Community Schools, Alcona Helping Hands Inc., Fick & Sons Marathon and the Alcona County Review are asking the community to start local children back to school with school supplies and personnel hygiene items. Everyone is encouraged to participate by donating items, or funds.

Suggested school supplies include: three-ring binders, wide-rule loose notebook paper, spiral notebooks, pencils, pencil cases, highlighters, crayons, composition notebooks, etc. Suggested hygiene items: shampoo, conditioner, 2-in-1 shampoo/body wash, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes, etc.

Items may be dropped off in Harrisville at the Alcona County Review, 111 N. Lake Street, Harrisville; Fick and Sons Marathon, 921 N. Barlow Road, Lincoln and the Barton City General Store in Barton City. Monetary Donations can be mailed to: Alcona Helping Hands, Inc., P.O. Box 24, Lincoln, Mich. 48742. For more information, email Alconahelpinghandsinc18@gmail.com or contact Ann Eddinger at (989) 335-3206.

Free Diabetes Workshop

A free, interactive, online workshop series for adults with prediabetes, type 1 or type 2 diabetes, family members and caregivers. The workshop meets for two and a half hours once a week for six consecutive weeks. Classes will begin Wednesday, Aug. 5 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Class size is limited.

Many with diabetes deal with fatigue, pain, stress, hyper/hypoglycemia, high blood pressure or depression. Symptoms often lead to additional health issues that add to the decline in the desired quality of life. The course teaches participants how to better manage those symptoms in a variety of ways. Participants learn to focus on making small changes resulting in longer lasting improvements. Those improvements often lead to other positives effects.

Some of the topics covered in the six-week workshop are how to manage blood sugars, preventing diabetes complications, benefits and choosing appropriate exercise for fitness and safety, how to communicate with health professionals and more skills.

Region 9 Area Agency on Aging, a division of division of Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency (NEMCSA), is sponsoring this interactive virtual Diabetes PATH workshop. It is offered free via Zoom. To reserve a seat for the class, contact Brooke Mainville at mainvilleb@nemcsa.org or (989) 358-4616.

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 4
 The Emergency Food Assistance Program will distribute commodities from 10 a.m. to noon at the Alcona County Commission on Aging (Senior Center), 207 Church Street, Lincoln. First come, first served. One application per household. Participants must bring a box or bag. Individuals must wear a mask to enter the building.

Knitting Klub & Crochet will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library in the Reading Gar-

den from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. All levels are welcome. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5
 The Alcona County Library will present Cameron Zvara's LIVE online comedy magic show that is filled with magic, comedy, juggling, and music. To access the exclusive link, visit the library's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/AlconaLibrary>) or website (<http://www.alcona.lib.mi.us>) at 1:30 p.m. from home, or view it by using the Wi-Fi at any of library branches in Harrisville, Lincoln, Caledonia, or Mikado. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6
 Join fellow comrades at the veteran's coffee hour from 9 to 11 a.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville. All veterans are welcome.

The Community Walking Club, which is open to everyone, will meet in the parking lot of the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 9 a.m. Social distancing will be practiced, and face masks will be required.

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Needy Retiree

Dear Needy,
Absolutely! In addition to the \$1,200 federal coronavirus stimulus check that was distributed in April and May, there are many other financial-assistance programs (both public and private) that can help struggling retirees, as well as give relief to family members who help provide financial support for their loved ones.

To find out what types of assistance you may be eligible for, just go to Benefits-CheckUp.org, a free, confidential Web tool designed for adults 55 and older and their families. It will help you locate federal, state and private benefits programs that can assist with paying for food, medications, utilities, health care,

housing and other needs. This site – created by the National Council on Aging – contains more than 2,500 programs across the country.

To identify benefits, you'll first need to fill out an online questionnaire that asks a series of questions like your date of birth, ZIP code, expenses, income, assets, veteran status, the medications you take and a few other factors. It takes about 15 minutes.

Once completed, you'll get a report detailing all the programs and services you may qualify for, along with detailed information on how to apply. Some programs can be applied for online; some have downloadable application forms that you can print and mail in; and some require that you contact the program's administrative office directly (they provide the necessary contact information).

If you don't have Internet access, you can also get help in-person at any of the 84 Benefit Enrollment Centers located throughout the U.S. Call (888) 268-6706 or visit

NCOA.org/centerforbenefits/becs to locate a center in your area. Some centers also offer assistance over the phone.

Types of Benefits

Depending on your income level and where you live, here are some benefits you may be eligible for:

- **Food assistance:** Programs like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) can help pay for groceries. The average SNAP benefit for 60-and-older households is around \$125 per month. Other programs that may be available include the Emergency Food Assistance Program, Commodity Supplemental Food Program, and the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program.

- **Healthcare:** Medicaid and Medicare Savings Programs can help or completely pay for out-of-pocket health care costs. And, there are special Medicaid waiver programs that provide in-home care and assistance too.

- **Prescription drugs:** There are hundreds of programs of-



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ferred through pharmaceutical companies, government agencies and charitable organizations that help lower or eliminate prescription drug costs, including the federal Low-Income Subsidy known as "Extra Help" that pays premiums, deductibles and prescription copayments for Medicare Part D beneficiaries.

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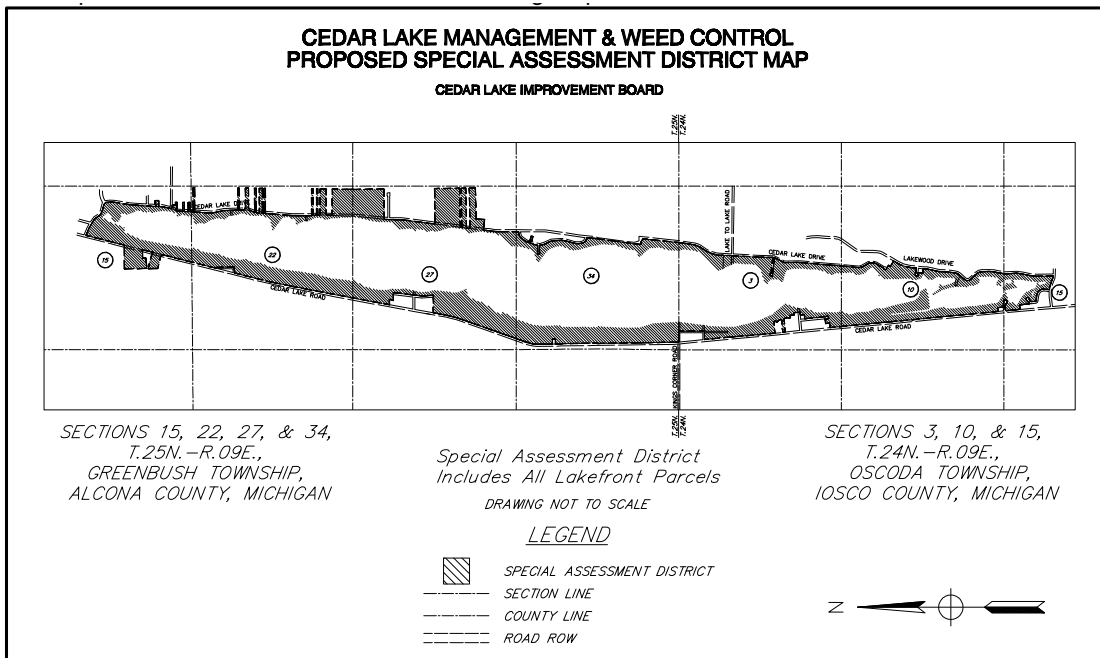
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Cedar Lake Improvement Board on its own initiative, intends to proceed pursuant to MCL 324.30901 *et seq.*, as amended (the "Act"), to make certain public improvements consisting of the control and partial eradication of aquatic plants and weeds within Cedar Lake by means of chemical treatment, biological agents, and/or mechanical harvesting, as well as undertake lake management activities and lake studies and reports (collectively, the "Public Improvements"). The Board has tentatively determined that some or all of the costs of the Public Improvements shall be specially assessed against all lots and parcels of land which have lake frontage on Cedar Lake, all of which are benefitted by the Public Improvements and which together comprise the proposed Cedar Lake Management & Weed Control Special Assessment District. Those parcels and lots are shown on the following map:



FIRST PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that the Cedar Lake Improvement Board will hold a public hearing on August 21, 2020, at 10 a.m. to hear and consider any objections to the proposed Public Improvements, the proposed Special Assessment District, the proposed special assessment, and all other matters relating to the Public Improvements. In accordance with Executive Order 2020-154 signed by the Governor, this meeting will be held via Zoom electronic video conferencing. Public access information is provided as noted below.

ZOOM ONLINE MEETING PUBLIC ACCESS INFORMATION:

To join the Zoom meeting participants should do one of the following at the time of the meeting:

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- Alternative for Windows Desktops and Laptops - Go to the Zoom Web Site (zoom.us), Click on "Join a Call" and enter using Meeting ID: 885 5556 5952
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TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a description of the Public Improvements and estimates of cost for the Public Improvements are on file with the Board (as well as with Greenbush Township and Oscoda Township) for public examination.

PROPERTY SHALL NOT BE ADDED TO THE PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE OF COSTS SHALL NOT BE INCREASED BY 10% OR MORE PER YEAR WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING.

Periodic redeterminations of the costs of the Public Improvements may be necessary, without a change in the Special Assessment District, and in that event, such redeterminations may be made by the Board without further notice to record owners or parties in interest in the lands in the Special Assessment District, in accordance with the provisions of the Act (unless the amounts assessed increase by 10% or more from the prior year, in which case notice and public hearing will occur).

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a property owner or person in interest must either appear and object at the public hearing or submit a letter of appearance and objection to the Cedar Lake Improvement Board prior to the public hearing in order to preserve the person's right to appeal the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. A record owner of land may appeal a special assessment by filing a written appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after written confirmation of the special assessment roll.

Should the Cedar Lake Improvement Board determine at the above-mentioned hearing to approve the proposed special assessment district, then thereafter, a second hearing will be held to confirm the tax roll for the special assessment district.

This notice was authorized by the Cedar Lake Improvement Board.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

Rex Vaughn
Chairman of the Cedar Lake Improvement Board
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had a long lasting and life changing effect on the victim," Myers said.

According to Myers, the investigation determined that Keating and McMurren had broken into the victim's garage prior to the assault. Duel

testified that their intention was to tie up the two residents in the Glennie home and steal money and tools to sell for drug money. However, nothing was taken during the breaking and entering and assault.

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businesses. We can work with businesses in order to have specific signing to indicate that businesses are open," he said.

In addition to the two-mile project which ends south of Lakeshore Drive, roughly 10 more miles of US-23 will be under construction north of Harrisville. Schaedig said road crews will be applying a chip and fog seal north from Lakeshore Drive for 1.3 miles. From there, a hot mix asphalt resurface project will include

three miles to Everett Road. From Everett Road five miles to Black River Road there will be another chip and fog sealing project.

According to Dawe there will be another public meeting in February or March prior to the start of the road reconstruction project. Anyone with questions or concerns, or businesses that would like to discuss signage may email him at: daweg@michigan.gov and put "20-21 US-23 Harrisville" in the subject line.



On Monday, July 6 at approximately 9:30 p.m. troopers from the Michigan State Police (MSP) in Alpena were called to the Admiral Gas Station on US-23 South for an alleged intoxicated person who had driven away in a Dodge Charger.

John Paul Gray Jr., 43, of Spruce was arrest and placement inside the patrol vehicle. According to the state police, Gray became defiant and attempted to damage the vehicle by thrashing about, kicking violently and he urinated on himself. He refused to take a chemical test and a search warrant was obtained.

Gray was lodged in the Alpena County Jail for malicious destruction of police property, operating while intoxicated, second offense, resisting and obstructing police, and driving while license suspended. Gray's next scheduled court appearance is for a preliminary exam on July 30.

Identify, monitor invasive purple loosestrife in workshop

A two-part workshop on purple loosestrife, a prolific invasive plant species found in wetland areas, along shorelines, riverbanks and in ditches throughout northern Michigan will be held August 4 and August 6.

The workshop will cover an introduction to the species and how to identify it, followed by information on how to collect and report data on purple loosestrife found in the region. Data collection and reporting provides organizations like Huron Pines with critical information to monitor and prevent the spread of invasive species.

The two-session virtual event is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 4 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, Aug. 6 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. It will be hosted through Zoom, an online video-conferencing tool. The workshop is open to individuals ages 14 and up. The workshop links will be emailed directly to participants who register by July 31. Register by visiting huronpines.org/events. Participants must attend Session 1 in order to participate in Session 2.

The August 4 session will cover how and when purple loosestrife was introduced to North America, what makes it invasive, how to properly identify it and distinguish it from common look-alikes. The second session on August 6 will build on the first by teach-

ing participants how to report purple loosestrife found in the wild or on their own property to help local organizations monitor its spread and prioritize treatment.

The workshop will be hosted by Huron Pines Environmental Education Coordinator Emily Vogelgesang and Huron Pines AmeriCorps member Jennifer Klemm.

"This is a great opportunity for Huron Pines to provide invasive-species training to a wider audience across the region and the state," Vogelgesang said. "We've structured the training in two parts to give participants the background they will need to identify purple loosestrife and the technical skills to report their findings. We can gather so much more data when citizen scientists get involved in the process."

Funding for these workshops is provided in part by the Great Lakes Fishery Trust, Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program, Au Sable River Watershed Committee and the U.S. Forest Service.

Huron-Manistee National Forest of the U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Huron Pines are working cooperatively to develop and implement educational and outreach activities related to non-native invasive species in the community and schools within the Mio and Huron Shores Rangers Districts.

Returning to school safely with patience

**By Dan O'Connor
Superintendent**

In late June, the governor's task force released the return to school road map for 20/21 and districts began planning for potentially three different phases of education for the school year. Alcona Community Schools surveyed families and staff on their thoughts and preferences before starting to draft a plan that had to be built around safety, flexibility for families, and patience for all involved in this very new version of school.

Feedback

Students, families, and staff were all over the map regarding what they were comfortable with. The district has taken the feedback to build a model that takes the state and Center for Disease Control's guidelines seriously, no matter if they are required, strongly recommended, or recommended. The majority of families wanted a good majority of their instruction face to face. At the same time, 20 percent requested online for 100 percent of their student's school year.

The school system is in a position to prioritize face to face instruction for the majority of learners while still offering online options for kindergarten through twelfth grade.

Phases Defined & Road Map

The school system has a plan for each of the phases (three, four, and five) that we likely could deal with navigating the school year.

- Phase three essentially means schools are closed for face to face instruction, and students would be learning online or through remote learning.

- Phase four (the current status of Alcona Community Schools operates) allows for face to face learning but with significant restrictions and recommendations. In phase four, the school needs to create distancing for learners and staff and minimize student group mixing.

In phase four, masks/face coverings are also required in several areas:

- K-12 during transportation;
- K-12 in common areas or hallways;

- K-12 staff will wear masks during the day unless eating or drinking;

Superintendent's Corner

By Dan O'Connor
Alcona Community Schools



6-12 students will wear masks during the day unless eating or drinking.

The mask issue is a particularly polarizing topic. If a student or staff member has a verified medical reason, they do not have to wear a mask. While we realize the variety of perspectives on the issue, we must follow the guidance to be able to open schools.

- In phase five, the restrictions continue to loosen, and the distancing and spacing become forgiving. Students could potentially gather in groups and move more freely through the buildings. We would operate with masks and face-coverings under the same guidelines as phase four.

Transportation

The recommendations from the state include recommended practices to help keep riders and drivers safe during daily transportation. Sanitizer would be available when students get on and off the bus.

As I mentioned earlier, masks and face coverings required for all. The bus would be disinfected after each trip. It's recommended that windows are down when possible to increase air flow. If possible, depending on the students riding the bus, we will distance students as much as possible.

Food Service

Students will not eat in the cafeteria in phase four or five. Breakfast will be picked up by students each morning when they enter the building and eaten in their classrooms. At lunchtime, they will travel a class at a time to the cafeteria and grab their meals and go back in their classrooms to eat. Younger students may have their lunches delivered to their classrooms.

Cleaning & Sanitizing

Classrooms will be sanitized daily. Additionally, any time students rotate or change spaces with other students, the room would be

cleaned. Bathrooms and other common areas will be cleaned frequently during the school day.

Positive Test and Response

If the district has a student or staff member test positive, we will initiate a proactive contact tracing process with the District Health No. 2 to inform all who may have had contact with the COVID-19 patient. The district nor DH2 will be allowed to share the name of the person who tested positive.

Daily Screening & Quarantine Room

The district will start the year screening students as they enter the building for COVID-19 symptoms. We hope to eventually have parents screen their children daily with the following questions:

- Have you experienced in the last 24 hours a fever, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, vomiting/diarrhea?
- Have you come in close contact with a COVID-19 positive person in the last 14 days?
- Have you been told to self-quarantine or isolate by the local health department?
- What is your current temperature? If higher than 100.4, stay home.

To keep everyone safe, we are loosening truancy guidelines so that families keep students home if showing any of the symptoms above. The focus will be on academic work completion and not necessarily attendance.

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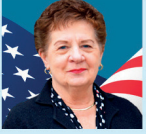
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OPEN LETTERS TO CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP TAXPAYERS



KATHY VICHUNAS
RUNNING FOR CALEDONIA TWP SUPERVISOR

For the past several years, I have proudly served in both leadership and supportive roles with numerous local organizations dedicated to providing a better quality of life for our Township and County. During my tenure as Caledonia Township Supervisor, I had the pleasure of working with Township residents, volunteers and the Board of Trustees, yet it was not without challenges. It is a complicated story that needs to be told.

In December 2017, the current Supervisor and I were both interviewed for the Supervisor's position. I was appointed for the term ending November 2018 inheriting budget issues, an upcoming Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirements Review by the Michigan State Treasury and due to the inability to hire a qualified Township Assessor, oversight of two subsequent state of Michigan Corrective Action Plans. In addition, in cooperation with the Board, I developed formal policies for investments, credit card purchases and authorization for electronic transactions. Prior to my appointment, Phase one of the Hubbard Lake North End Park Grant Expansion application deadline would not have been met without me working diligently with the Board on the Recreation Plan, we made it a reality. That reality is now on the third phase.

The current supervisor takes responsibility for reducing any excessive budget expenditures for the last 4 months, of FY 2018-2019 but there are excessive unbudgeted expenditures in several line items: Assessor, Treasurer and Building/Grounds supplies. For 2019-2020, there are excessive unbudgeted expenditures in several line items: Legal, Parks with no budgeted amount for the NE Park Grant, but there was a substantial expenditure. The 2019 Audit stated that budget amendments were not adopted as required; that no final budget documentation was provided and that amendments were incorrectly made in the general ledger as journal entries; and that all bills submitted for payment must contain proper documentation.

Remember it is the Supervisor's statutory duty to control Township expenditures and to maintain an accurate budget document.

Inasmuch as there has been accolades for recent Township beautification projects, managing a Township, funded by taxpayer dollars, is serious business. With ongoing concerns due to COVID-19, we are unsure of what the future of the national, state and local economy may be. I am confident that working cohesively with Township residents and a Board of Trustees that is focused on stabilization and growth of our community, will ensure the highest quality of life for all. I am asking for your support and your vote on August 4th to make this a reality.



KERRY SCOTT
RUNNING FOR CALEDONIA TWP CLERK

It has been an honor and privilege to serve the residents of Caledonia Township over the past four years as Township Clerk, as deputy clerk for seven years and twelve years on the Board of review. Those experiences have allowed me the opportunity to learn about proper and lawful Township governance and protocols by working with community members and fellow Board members who share a common goal to create the best possible life for Township residents.

I am also proud to have played an active role in all three phases of the Hubbard Lake North End Park project and addition of the cell tower on Hickey Hill. As a Board member, it is a unique responsibility to make decisions using taxpayer dollars and one that should not be taken lightly. Project and budget planning is essential to ensure ideal outcomes for Township projects. Please know that if adequate information is not available, cost is prohibitive or a proper bid process has not been followed, I have voted "no" on projects. Those reasons are the only reasons that I vote "no". Representing citizens on the Board of Trustees requires an open mind, yet requires balanced and thoughtful decisions.

As the Caledonia Township Clerk, my responsibilities include Township Election Administrator, accredited by the State of Michigan, charged with sole responsibility to oversee and manage all aspects of county, state and national elections. I maintain custody of all Township records, drafts payables, prepare contracts and manage disposal & retention of records. Finally, I maintain and publish meeting minutes & I am the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer.

Other experience I have obtained:

- 6 years Alcona County Building Department
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- 7 as Caledonia Deputy Township Clerk

Caledonia Township is my home, which is why I am dedicated to working for you as Township Clerk to provide your family with an economically stable community, encourage and develop a vision for growth, and secure a safe and warm environment for all. I am confident that together we can meet these goals which is why I am asking for your vote August 4th.

TESTIMONIALS

Along with owning a cottage on the South end, my wife and I recently established permanent residency on East Bay of Hubbard Lake. Over the past several months, we've seen a drastic change in our neighborhood and in Caledonia Township as a whole. Sadly, Caledonia Township is in turmoil due to poor decision making at the hands of the voting majority of the Township Board.

Our road is a one track gravel road that all of the residents on the road have agreed to keep rustic. To our surprise, at the Township Board Meeting in May, it was announced our road was to be resurfaced and a motion was passed to approve a contract with the Road Commission. Earlier in the month, the Supervisor drove by and we had a conversation about the Board paying 1/2 the cost of dust control as they had done before. There was a nonchalant reference to "maybe do something with the road in the future". So now, it will be resurfaced even though it is in great shape, none of the residents want it and valid concerns (which have never been answered) over how water will run-off onto properties. I should have known after attending several out-of-control, chaos filled Board meetings that input from residents is ignored. As a taxpayer, I find that unacceptable.

Our home is located near "Tollson Park" which has been the focus of recent controversy too. Last summer a few Board members decided to improve this site. This property is public, which was never disputed by neighbors, yet they have been falsely accused of wanting "to keep it a secret". As the project unfolded, we became interested in the plans because it seemed that things were happening without much thought. Neighbors went to the Board and appeared on the agenda in July, 2019 to ask questions. Their questions were disregarded and they quickly became targets of false accusations. In addition, it was aggressively promoted on Facebook, which has created a parade of vehicles up and down our roads, at all hours of the day and night.

These are both examples of the poor decision making and lack of leadership that I find disturbing. Please vote wisely on August 4th to make a change on the Township Board.

Sincerely,
Hetch Lewandowski

My name is Edward Garcia-McDonnell and I am a resident of Cedar Drive in Caledonia Township. My house is the first home on the private road immediately following Cedar Drive. The Township property known as "Holcomb Creek" is located at the end of the private road. My wife and I had our house built in 2014 and were assured by the seller that our road was private and belonged to the residents who lived on it. It was also our responsibility to maintain it. Title work on all the existing homes on the road clearly states that it is a private road and is not intended for public use. Also, recent letters obtained from the DEQ indicated that Supervisor Apsey was informed not disturb the wetlands, which is contrary to what she had stated in previous Township meetings.

During my years here, I have witnessed only traffic from neighbors on the private drive, however, once Supervisor Apsey went on Facebook and started promoting Holcomb Creek, which is a small DEQ protected mucky wetland, there has been well over 100-150 vehicles a month that only drive to the end and back and also pull into driveways to intimidate, antagonize and harass the homeowners along the road. Not only do I find this unacceptable, but it also creates a potential liability for the private road homeowners as the Township does not pay any portion of maintenance, insurance or costs for the road.

I attended the Township Board meeting on July 8th. I expected to hear some decisions and looked forward to updates on this problem, but instead was astounded at what I saw. I have been to many meetings in my life, but nothing like this. It was anything but an "Open Meeting". From the beginning, there were interruptions and chaos that ranged from citizens that were not given their right to the floor to speak, to the Township Attorney publicly berating the Clerk.

I am hoping this can be resolved before it starts to cause the good people of Caledonia Township an increase in property taxes to cover future litigation. This whole thing can be easily resolved if the current Township administration would see the problems it has caused and had communicated effectively. I strongly encourage you to vote for change on the Caledonia Board of Trustees by voting for Kathy Vichunas, Kerry Scott, Sue Hogen, Randy Werth and Adam Thompson.

Sincerely,
Edward Garcia-McDonnell

Taxpayers of Caledonia Township, we ask for your vote on **August 4th** to elect **Kathy Vichunas, Kerry Scott, Sue Hogen, Adam Thompson and Randy Werth** to the Caledonia Board of Trustees. For more information about the candidates please go to:

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What really works? Detering deer from gardens

July is the perfect month for perennials in northern Michigan. We suffer through the long, cold, winters waiting for that miracle of Mother Nature who slowly, but surely, opens up the earth so that the hibernating stems can reach for the sky.

And then the deer arrive. Mother Nature can also be cruel. Who hasn't waited impatiently for that new daylily blossom to open just to find that overnight it became a tasty morsel for Bambi?

Short of surrounding your property with an eight-foot-high fence, the battle of Bambi is an ongoing struggle for gardeners. There are many commercial products and countless home recipes that promise to deter deer. People swear by the one that works best for them. Some products like Liquid Fence are a spray and need to be reapplied regularly, especially after a rain. Others like Green Screen are granular and is spread around the base of the plants.

Whatever product you choose, consistency is the key to success. Start early in the season, before deer have started to visit your garden. Once they get a taste for a particular plant, they'll be back. Make sure they don't like that first smell or bite. Deer are creatures of habit, just as we are, so try to keep them from making a stroll through your yard as part of their daily routine.

There are gadgets on the



The Pringles use fencing, gardening implements, lawn chairs and other items around their gardens to keep deer away. Photo by Ann Pringle.

market such as motion detectors that turn on a jet of water, whirrigigs, and high frequency sound emitters. Some people hang shiny tin pans in high traffic areas. Others tie bits of Irish Spring soap on bushes. Thin plastic netting draped over plants has worked for some. Surrounding your garden with fish line (on stakes or around tree trunks) creates an almost invisible barrier that the deer don't see and turn around when they bump into it.

One can search online or in books for lists of plant material that are deer resistant, but it has been our experience that they will try anything once. Even a peony.

People have complained about the cost of some of these deer repellent products, but I believe that it is small price compared the investment of money and time we put into our gardens. We wait so long to enjoy them, it is heartbreaking to find our favorite blooms consumed.

As a member of the Sunrise Gardening Club and one whose garden has been on the club's annual Garden Walk a couple of times (sadly canceled due to COVID-19 this year) my husband has taken extreme measures to ensure that we still have blossoms on our flowers at the end of July. It isn't pretty, but it has proven to be somewhat effective along with regular

spraying of Liquid Fence.

He distributes the wire enclosures around the yard that we put around some of our shrubs to protect them from deer damage over the winter, in order to block some of the places they might enter the yard. We hope that because the green wire blends with the grass and plants, the deer will bump into them and turn around.

Some he places in front of the hydrangeas, hostas, and daylilies that they like to nibble on. He also likes to move the lawn furniture around the yard as well. He'll

leave his wheelbarrow tipped sideways and strew other implements around that might turn deer away if they bump into them. I don't know if any of this really fools the deer, but it has been somewhat effective, if a little unsightly. I don't know what the neighbors must think.

Man versus deer is a constant struggle and a frequent topic of conversation among gardeners. We feel we've won a major battle if we can get through the summer. Hopefully, some of these suggestions will be helpful to gardeners struggling with a deer situation.

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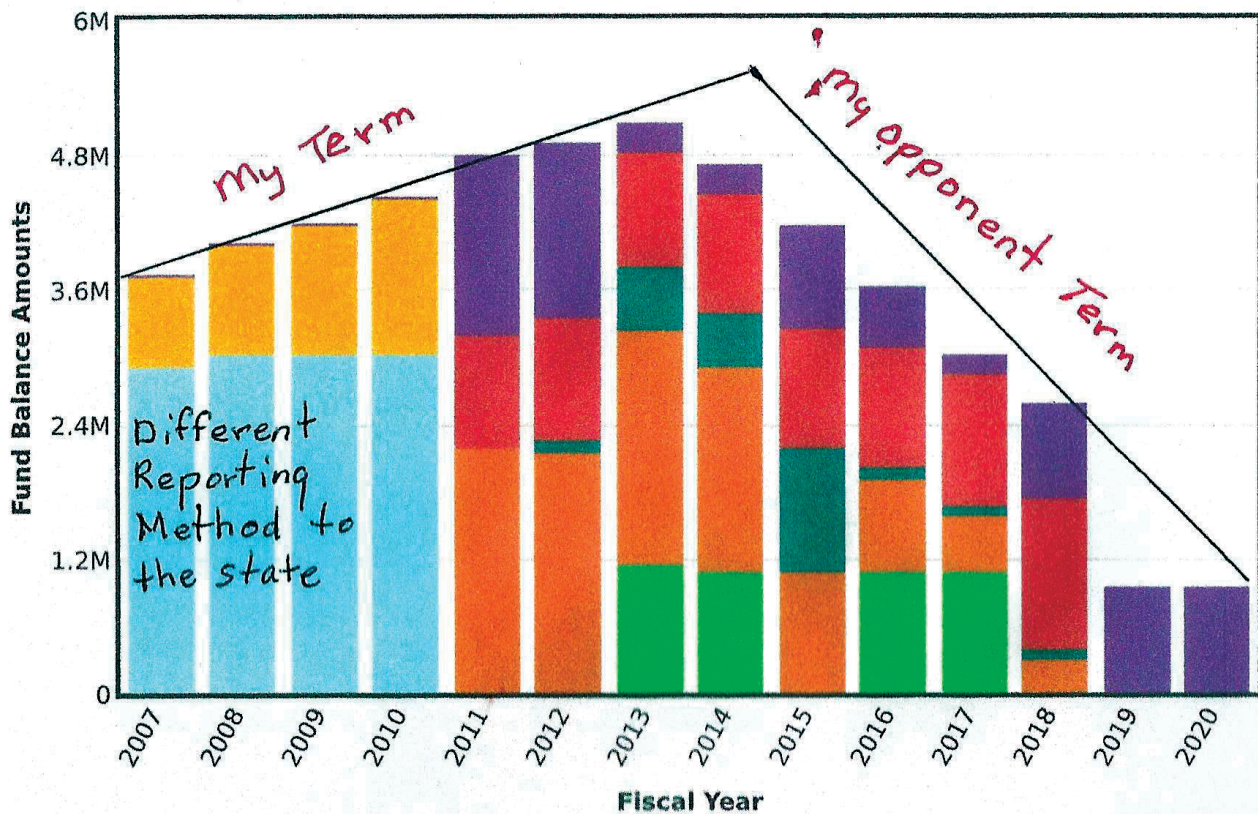
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Data Table for County of Alcona Components of Fund Equity Function for General and All Other Governmental

Function	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Reserved / Re	2,891,480	3,013,462	3,017,460	3,010,995	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Undesignated	813,901	976,103	1,149,155	1,389,155	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nonspendable	0	0	0	0	0	1,141,805	1,076,480	0	1,077,608	1,077,608	0	0	0	0
Restricted	0	0	0	2,183,488	2,147,232	2,096,407	1,823,411	1,067,089	834,961	502,659	288,312	0	0	0
Committed	0	0	0	0	91,902	556,054	488,521	1,128,311	92,102	92,502	92,602	0	0	0
Assigned	0	0	0	996,058	1,103,576	1,012,667	1,050,077	1,053,248	1,065,388	1,160,105	1,343,077	0	0	0
Unassigned	0	0	0	1,613,633	1,570,167	270,504	271,344	921,953	558,439	174,852	842,341	948,554	948,554	948,554
Totals	3,705,381	3,989,565	4,166,615	4,400,150	4,793,179	4,912,877	5,077,437	4,709,833	4,170,601	3,628,498	3,007,726	2,566,332	948,554	948,554

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By Ana Rau

On day 97 of the COVID-19 stay at home order my husband and I participated in our nightly routine, lay our baby down for bed and then relax on our front porch.

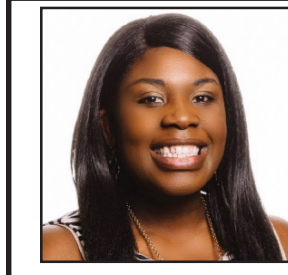
That night something was different, instead of hearing neighborhood kids playing in the distance, we heard a symphony of horns and chanting in the distance. An electricity was in the air as people walked down our street, some in masks and some not. All walking to see what was happening.

With my inquisitive nature I too found myself at the end of the road to see a vehicle procession for equality with people clapping and yelling, "Black Lives Matter."

As I witnessed this peaceful car procession with signs supporting me, I could not stop the tears from rolling down my cheeks. This procession was made up of all types of cars -- electric cars, SUVs, lifted trucks, family vans -- old and new. All of them shared a commonality of window paintings and signs calling for social justice and change.

The cars signified to me an analogy for the people inside of them: different races, genders, socioeconomic backgrounds, and sexual orientations. All those people were actively working toward a better tomorrow. They were all on a path of solidarity together toward a better future.

Since the murder of George Floyd on May 25 by former Minneapolis police officers,



By Ana Rau
Guest Columnist

the nation has faced civil unrest. As I write this, we are on day 60 of both violent and nonviolent protests here in Portland, Ore. and across the nation. People continue to ask me why the protests, destruction, and violence? I respond by asking why they are focused on the destruction of property and not the loss of life.

George Floyd was not the first person of color to die this year in a horrifying incident that could have been avoided. Unfortunately, these atrocities have been building across our country for years. Racism is a systemic issue built around oppression that is woven into the very fabric of our society. Protests are happening during a global pandemic because people are fed up with broken systems, outraged by the response and in pain because of the continued bloodshed.

As a mother to a beautiful biracial boy, I want the world to see his greatness. I want to create a world where he can grow and thrive, not merely survive.

I was born in Zambia, Africa and adopted by missionaries from northern Michigan. Our family lived in Zambia for a few years before returning to the states. While I was in middle school my dad received a new pastoral appointment and we moved to Alcona County. I spent the previous seven years making friends, fitting in, and excelling at sports. With this move I had to do it all over again.

I was very anxious about being the only black girl at another school. I was so nervous on the first day of school I missed the bus. I had an assortment of thoughts running through my head. They were all based around acceptance: will they like me, is my hair too kinky, and what if someone calls me the "n" word? I had to think of a plan on how to react to all these situations. I was emotionally exhausted before even starting school. My dad drove me to school on my first day and walked me in.

Alcona County quickly came to be my home. Growing up in such a tight knit community, everybody feels like family. Some you love, others you tolerate, but at the end of the day you are family. Even though I had a lot of friends and remained busy in sports and academics, I didn't have anyone who could fully relate to my lived experience, not even my family. Being one of the few people of color was isolating at times.

I had to work hard to set a good example and be accepted by my peers, their parents, and the greater community. At times, I felt like I was representing all black people in the entire world -- that's a lot of weight on a kid's shoulders. I had to work extra hard

to set a good impression that excelled beyond race. I couldn't just be another statistic, because I might be the only person of color someone meets in their life.

I learned so many life lessons from coaches, teachers and friends, all of whom did not look like me. We were all able to find common ground, talk through our differences, and build lifelong bonds.

During my sophomore year, I was moved up to the varsity basketball team and we started playing in the North Star League. Most of our games were across the Mackinac Bridge. During one game we were playing a similar small school in the Upper Peninsula. We were up about 20 points and the game was starting to feel like a blowout. I got fouled and went to the line to shoot. People started shouting racial slurs. I was never one of those players who could tune out the crowd. Each racial comment I heard was like a knife cutting me down. I couldn't show it though. If I let the comments get to me and throw me off my game, those bigoted people would win.

Racism is real, it's marginalizing and scary. In those moments and days following I felt alone, but I wasn't. That week my teammate wrote letters to that school's athletic director demanding an apology. It was then, I knew I would forever be friends with these girls. They didn't know what it meant to be black girl, but they knew the importance of standing up for disenfranchised people.

Racism does exist and implicit bias can still happen even if you are not actively trying to be racist. Stereotypes about people's race can negatively impact the way you view a group of people. Although Alcona County does not have many people of color, everyone can still work toward creating accepting communities for all people.

I was pleasantly surprised to see friends and family show up for a social justice march in Harrisville. Our community came together safely to work toward social change. Now it's time to continue this work of equality even if there are only a handful of people of color in the county.

Black Lives Matter is not a political stance but a human stance. Everyone's lives should be valued the same. We cannot value everyone's life until we acknowledge the racial disparities and inequities and find ways to make things just.

Change is uncomfortable and doesn't happen when we are stagnant. It is during these times of discomfort and pain, that we learn resilience as a community and nation. While we all try to survive COVID-

Part 2: Open Letter to the Residents of Caledonia Township, Alcona County from Caledonia Township Supervisor Cyndi Apsey:

I am pleased to again address the residents of Caledonia Township in respect to my campaign to be reelected as your Township Supervisor. As a candidate, I can stand on what has been accomplished during my short time as Supervisor, so I feel no need to discuss wrongful actions taken in the past by my opponent or members of her team. Mudslinging, big government style politics, nasty campaigning and the use of special interest dollars is not what I believe the voters in Caledonia are looking for in an elected official. Instead, what has been done and what can be done in the best interest of Caledonia Township should be the focus.

Under my leadership, many of our public properties have been improved and tax dollars are now being spent wisely, as I explained in last week's Open Letter. None of this would have been accomplished without the willingness to get it done shared by Sarah Roe, Cindy Smith and myself. We do not always agree on issues, as we are three individuals coming together with different ideas but with the same common goal; the betterment of the community we were elected to serve. I believe that by adding Anthony Soback and Tom Tice to the board will bring an even broader community view during the next four years, as they will bring knowledge of the community, Planning Commission experience and their proven desire to serve the public.

Goals for my next term include seeking grants for Township projects and continuing to find ways to save tax dollars, Specific goals include:

Remodel the Township Hall kitchen into a modern, licensed kitchen, the purpose being not only to make needed repairs but also to increase the rentability of the hall and ultimately, the income to the township.

Create a public nature area at Hickey Hill, with a plan to protect the forest while making it a place for residents and visitors to hike, walk, cross country ski and enjoy other outdoor activities.

Work with state agencies to protect waterways and township owned properties while making them available to everyone.

Create and maintain designated bird watching areas on appropriate township properties. Continue improvements to North End Park.

I am proud that I have kept my campaign promises to see the North End Park closer to its eventual completion, improved transparency, implemented a bidding process that has saved the township thousands of dollars and elimination of wasteful spending. We have accomplished more and spent less. I am also proud that my leadership has elicited community spirit in Caledonia Township.

I enjoy visiting and communicating with all my constituents, but due to the current virus, I will not be calling on your door to door this year. However, if you would like me to answer your questions or concerns, I am available at (989) 335-3018 or can be reached on my campaign facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/reelectcyndiapsey>

Please vote for Sarah Roe (Treasurer), Cindy Smith (Clerk), Anthony Soback (Trustee), Tom Tice (Trustee) and myself on August 4. I look forward to continuing to serve you as the Caledonia Township Supervisor and "giving back" to this community that I genuinely care for, respect and cherish. Thank you for your support!

Paid for by the committee to elect Cyndi Apsey P.O. Box 74, Spruce MI 48762

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Face to Face K-5

The district strived to honor the spacing requirements and wanted to prioritize elementary-aged children as part of our plan. We plan to reassign staff members qualified to teach K-5 at the elementary building to lower class sizes. Each teacher will be responsible for teaching all subjects in their classroom (reading, writing, math, science, social studies, physical education, and an experience-based class). Students will not rotate through the building. Class sizes will be between 12 to 20 students.

Face to Face Sixth through Eighth Grade

At the middle school, we will utilize large spaces to teach and learn (cafeteria, double rooms, science labs, former computer labs) to accommodate the distancing requirements. Two teachers will split each grade and specialize in two subjects in which they are highly qualified. Teachers will rotate, students will stay in the same space during learning sessions.

Live Virtual for High School

The high school is the most significant departure from the typical school experience. There is no way to honor keeping students in one space and not mixing with others due to the complexities of the high school schedule.

The district plans to go 100 percent live virtual for phase four at the high school level by teaching live using video conferencing on the daily bell schedule for students.

We plan to take attendance, and students are to tune in each day based on their assigned schedule (which will mirror a normal high school schedule). If we move into phase five, classes will resume face to face.

It's important to note we realize connectivity is a challenge in Alcona County, and any student wanting to attend school daily will be welcome to so they can access the Internet and have access to breakfast and lunch. They will not be in the classroom with staff members, but will be assigned to large spaces, so distancing can be adhered to. Students will be monitored by school staff to have the support necessary that their learning can be useful.

Shortened Day

As we worked to maintain distancing and small class sizes, it became necessary for all students to need a virtual class, and school will be released an hour early daily to accommodate the staffing needs. More information will be provided on this additional detail as the classes will likely focus on academic support or socio-emotional learning.

Students Arriving at School

With requirements about mixing students, we will not be able to allow students into the building until 15 minutes before the start of the school day. In the past, we had students arrive 30-45 minutes before school would start. With safety in mind, we won't be able to allow this to happen.

Possibility for a Delayed Start to the Year

Due to so many staff members with new assignments and the complexity of their duties, the district is currently considering options to push back the start of the school year. The goal is a week, at most, to ensure we have staff trained and all components in place before the beginning of the school year.

100 percent Online

Families that are not comfortable with having their stu-

dents back in school will have the ability to take online classes through the district while participating in activities and athletics and potentially graduating as an Alcona student.

During the spring closure, the transition to remote and online was difficult. Some families voiced that the work wasn't nearly enough for their children. No matter if you choose the 100 percent online option or face to face, and we end up in phase three (remote), the work and expectations will be more rigorous during the school year.

If families choose the online option, you will have a certified teacher and a local school liaison communicating weekly, if not daily, to confirm that students are working and on track to complete the class. If this option is selected, there are some significant expectations on

the parent/guardian's end to support the learner at home. The district will provide a computer and Internet (if necessary). All families choosing this option will have an orientation session to attend before starting the school year, so all are comfortable with the expectations and program.

Questions & Feedback

For the next two weeks, the district will be holding two question and answer sessions for families to dig a bit deeper into the requirements for the fall. The first session will be held via Facebook live on Thursday, July 30 at 7 p.m. The second session will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 5 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Both sessions will also appear on Facebook Live on the district's Facebook page. Attendance is limited during in-person options to abide by spacing requirements.

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19; we can learn, grow, and heal together -- six feet apart.

(Ana Rau was born in Zambia, Africa and adopted by missionaries, Tedd and Donna Galloway. After living in Zambia the family relocated to northern Michigan. An Alcona High School Class of 2007 graduate, she was a member of the National Honor Society and lettered in basketball and track and field. She has a master's degree in public and nonprofit management from Grand Valley State University. She lives in Portland, Ore. where she works at a college in fundraising. Her greatest accomplishments and joys are marrying her high school sweetheart, Nick, and raising their son.)

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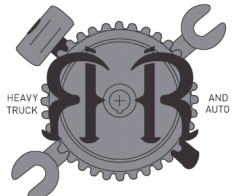
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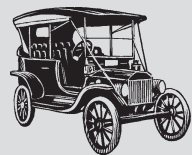
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Buggy Rides

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A county auto club formed

Biweekly Trips Planned— First Tour Taken Thursday

July 29, 1920 ~ Fourteen automobiles carrying between sixty and seventy people, left Harrisville last Thursday morning at 10:30 and at 12:00 o'clock arrived at Footsite

Dam on the AuSable river where they enjoyed a picnic dinner.

The trip was the result of a suggestion made some time ago that the auto owners of Alcona County organize a club and make periodical visits to various parts of Alcona County. After the date was set there was but little time to advertise the tour, but notwithstanding that nearly seventy men, women and children were on hand. It was haying time and not many farmers were present, but it is freely predicted that from 50 to 100 autos will be in line for the next tour.

The picnic, organization of the club, inspection of the big power dam and a famous game of ball comprised the program.

It was decided to name the club the Alcona County Automobile Club and invite everybody to join. W. L. Chapelle was chosen president, Ed. (Paddy) Byce, vice-president, Wm. R. Barber, secretary, Mrs. Geo. A. Cuyler, treasurer, Sam Yockey, D. McRae, W. R. Barber and Ed. Byce were appointed as an advisory committee.

It was decided to have the trips or tours every two weeks and the next trip will be to Hubbard Lake, (South end), on Thursday August 5. Fill your basket and come along: don't wait for further invitation.

After an hour spent looking over the dam, a sight new to many of the picnickers, the whole party adjourned to the abandoned ball park, where there was staged a game that by rights ought to go down in history as one of the greatest ever. The field was laid out scientifically by the aid of an elastic rule possessing all the virtues of a half-round square sides were chosen and batteries selected, N. J. Schorn and Sam Yockey being opposing pitchers. It sure was some game and the way the pitchers twirled that ball caused even the professionals to gasp for breath as they, repeatedly fanned the air. Sam Yockey's side won easily, with the assistance of umpire Wm. Edwards Sr., but the Schorn aggregation received able assistance from scorekeeper Siverthorn, who found the game a draw.

The return trip was made by way of Oscoda and Serradella farm. The following were present: Kane Miller and party, N. J. Schorn and family, Sam Yockey and party, W. E. Edwards and family, W. F. Carle and party, R. A. Pennington and family, Geo. W. Burt and party, R. Barber and family, W. L. Chapelle and party, Mrs. A. Sisman and party, D. McRae and party, Edw. Byce and party, Ed. Killmaster and party, H. Baror and party.

Mrs. E. W. Chapelle dies Wednesday

July 30, 1970 ~ Mrs. E. W. Chapelle, lifetime Alcona County resident, passed away at her Harrisville home following an illness of about three years.

Ethel A. Holmes was born September 1, 1904, the daughter of the late Henry and Elizabeth Holmes, in Mikado. In 1905 the family moved to Harrisville, where she attended the Silverthorn grade school, Harrisville High School, and later the County Normal at East Tawas. She had taught at the Klondyke and Alcona Dam Schools for several years. On April 13, 1929, she married Edward W. Chapelle, in Toledo, Ohio. He preceded her in death, May 27, 1966. They made their home in Harrisville, where he was associated with the county seat newspaper, The Alcona County Review. On August 13, 1932, her husband became owner and editor of the newspaper and she had always worked with him in the business. Following his death she was owner-publisher until July 1, 1969, when ill health forced her to retire and she sold the business to the present owners, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon A. MacGregor.

Ethel was an ardent worker in all civic affairs, and in any events sponsored by the Church or Eastern Star Chapter.

She was a member of the Harrisville United Methodist Church, the Women's Society of Christian Service, a member of Lake Huron Chapter No. 184, O. E. S., for thirty-five years, was Worthy Matron of the Chapter in 1944-46 and again in 1968-69, a one time member of the Huron Rebekah Lodge, and a member of the Alcona County Chamber of Commerce.

Surviving are two brothers, William E. Holmes of Arlington, Virginia, and John H. Holmes of Bloomfield Hills; five sisters, Mrs. Viril Hill (Norma) of Warren, Mrs. Lester Somers (Bertha) of Harrisville, Mrs. Victor Clark (Esrtella) of Harrisville, Mrs. Leslie Lilley (Lillian) of Flint, and Mrs. Clarence MacGregor (Elsie) of Harrisville; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Saturday at the Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln, with Rev. Carl J. Litchfield, of the Harrisville United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment will be in Springport Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Roy Elliott, Preston Odette, Otis Goodwin, Joe Sysak, Gordon Jensen and Willard Fogelsinger.

In lieu of flowers, friends may make contributions to the Cancer Fund as a memorial to Mrs. Chapelle.

Named director of Social Service Dept.

July 30, 1970 ~ John Wittenburg has been named director of the Alcona County Department of Social Services. He succeeds James Ivey who has been named a senior supervisor in the Saginaw County Department of Social Services. Mr. Ivey had been director of the department here since August of 1967.

Mr. Wittenburg first joined the Alcona County Department in February of 1968 and was a child welfare and family services worker for two years, when he transferred to Ogemaw County as casework supervisor.

Mr. Wittenburg is a graduate of Western Michigan University and has been employed by the State Department of Social Services for 14 years. His wife is a teacher with the Alcona Community Schools system.

Mr. Wittenburg's appointment became effective July 19th, 1970.

Youth enjoy canoe trip

July 30, 1970 ~ On Saturday, July 25, twelve youth from the Lincoln Baptist Church began a canoe trip from Grayling, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Kinnee. They were Don Alderman, Roxanne Morang, Leonard Morang Jr., Steve Belt, Tom MacDermaid, David MacDermaid, Douglas Kinnee, Dawn Seiman, Sandra Kimberlin, Kenneth Cole, Darrel Cole and Ernie VanWagoner.

Rev. Aaron Givan and his brother-in-law, Charles Saunders, had driven to White Pine Park near Wakeley Bridge and set up camp. The youth enjoyed the camp out but they didn't get very much sleep. They got up early the next morning and had Morning Services around the campfire led by Rev. Aaron Givan.

After Campfire services early Sunday morning Rev. Aaron Givan and Tom MacDermaid returned to Lincoln. Tom MacDermaid returned because he had gotten a small cut on his foot while swimming, which required stitches.

Charles Saunders took his place in the canoe. The group continued the trip by canoe and arrived at Mio 6:10 p.m. They enjoyed the trip and it was the first time in a canoe for many of them.

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Weekly Report						
Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
July 19	81	65	1.20	3.0	31	SW
July 20	72	58	0.00	1.9	16	NNE
July 21	67	53	0.00	3.9	11	N
July 22	66	59	1.03	7.0	28	NE
July 23	69	56	0.00	3.3	12	NE
July 24	73	55	0.00	2.6	12	NE
July 25	80	58	0.00	3.9	21	SSW
Precipitation Summary (Inches)						
	2020	2019	Normal			
Weekly Total	2.23	0.17	0.76			
July to Date	3.11	0.55	2.51			
Year to Date	13.28	13.39	15.20			

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:** In which 1980s-90s sitcom did a waitress named Carla Tortelli appear?
2. **LITERATURE:** What are the tree-like beings called in "The Lord of the Rings"?
3. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the rallying cry for the shape-changing Transformers?
4. **U.S. STATES:** Which state would a Jayhawker hail from?
5. **MOVIES:** Which movie featured the line, "Life is a banquet, and most poor suckers are starving to death!"?
6. **ANATOMY:** Which part of the human body is affected by surgery called rhinoplasty?
7. **MUSIC:** Which rock group's debut album was titled "Bleach"?
8. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president was known as the "hero of San Juan Hill"?
9. **MEASUREMENTS:** What does a joule measure?
10. **GEOGRAPHY:** Where is the Grand Teton National Park?

Answers: 1. "Cheers"; 2. Ents; 3. "Till all are one"; 4. Kansas; 5. "Auntie Mame"; 6. The nose; 7. Nirvana; 8. Theodore Roosevelt; 9. Energy; 10. Wyoming, United States (c) 2020 King Features Synd., Inc.

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southeast quarter (SE-1/4) of the southeast quarter (SE-1/4) of Section 34, Township 28 North, Range 9 East. Described as follows: Commencing at the southeast corner of said Section 34, thence north 01 degrees 03 minutes 38 seconds east along the east line of said section, 681.05 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing north 01 degrees 03 minutes 38 seconds east 153.59 feet; thence south 89 degrees 03 minutes 16 seconds west 183.60 feet to a point on the easterly right of way line of Highway U.S. 23; thence south 2 degrees 23 minutes 38 seconds east along said right of way 250.77 feet to a point on the northerly bank of the Black River; thence along said bank north 44 degrees 35 minutes 16 seconds east 91.31 feet; thence north 71 degrees 45 minutes 50 seconds east 111.79 feet to the point of beginning. According to the survey recorded August 9, 1974 in Liber 155, page 908, Alcona County Records. Commonly known as 4068 N. US-23, Black River, Mich. 48721. The redemption period will be one year from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under 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.

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County of Alcona
Notice to Creditors
File No. 20-6098-DE**

Estate of Mary Evelyn McCracken
Date of birth: March 30, 1938
To all creditors
Notice to creditors: The decedent, Mary Evelyn McCracken, died on February 25, 2020. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Thomas A. Bucklin, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 5th Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.
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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

A special meeting of Harrisville City Council was held on Monday, July 20 for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Project. Present: Mayor Gehring, treasurer Luenberger, clerk Pierce, and aldermen Kaiser, Bean, Mason, and Peterson. Maintenance supervisor Keerl, DPW Kay, Jennifer Drinan, OHM engineering representative, Karen Nichols, senior project manager finance division (EGLE), by conference call, and guests. Absent: Alderman Schwanz and attorney Cook. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said. Mayor Gehring introduced Jennifer Drinan, OHM representative, and she gave a Power Point presentation of the pump station rehabilitation and lagoon upgrades to the city's wastewater systems. Questions from guests were addressed.

Council discussed the proposed project. Resolution No. 2020-05: Whereas, the City of Harrisville recognizes the need to make improvements to its existing wastewater treatment and collection system. Whereas, the City of Harrisville authorized OHM Advisors to prepare a project plan, which recommends the construction of wastewater treatment plant lagoon rehabilitation, pump station improvements, and rehabilitation of sanitary sewer pipes and manholes: and Whereas, said project plan was presented at a public hearing held on July 20, 2020 and all public comments have been considered and addressed: Now, therefore be it resolved, that the City of Harrisville formally adopts said project plan and agrees to implement the selected alternatives. Be it further resolved, that the mayor, a position currently held by Jeffrey Gehring, is designated as the autho-

rized representative for all activities associated with the project referenced above, including the submittal of said project plan as the first step in applying to the State of Michigan for a revolving fund loan to assist in the implementation of the selected alternative. Motion by Mason, support by Kaiser, to adopt Resolution No. 2020-05: To Adopt a Final Project Plan for Wastewater System Improvements and to authorize OHM advisors to prepare a project plan, which recommends the construction of wastewater treatment plants, lagoon rehabilitation, pump station improvements, and rehabilitation of sanitary sewer pipes and manholes. Ayes: Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0. Abstain: 0. Absent: Schwanz Motion carried: 4-0. Resolution passed and was adopted by City Council on July 20, 2020. Public meeting was closed at 8:12 p.m.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Aug. 2, 1876, "Wild Bill" Hickok, one of the greatest gunfighters of the American West, is murdered in Deadwood, South Dakota. Hickok was playing cards with his back to the saloon door when a young gunslinger named Jack McCall shot him in the back of the head.
- On July 31, 1916, future racing legend Louise Smith, the first woman inducted into the International Motorsports Hall of Fame, is born in Barnesville, Georgia. In her first race, unaware that a checkered flag meant the finish line, Smith kept going until someone threw out a red flag.
- On July 28, 1945, an American B-25 Mitchell bomber crashes into the Empire State Building, killing 14 people. The freak accident was caused by heavy fog. When the plane swerved to avoid the Chrysler Building, it flew straight into the north side of the Empire State Building, near the 79th floor.
- On July 29, 1958, the U.S. Congress passes legislation establishing NASA, a civilian agency responsible for coordinating America's activities in space.
- On Aug. 1, 1961, Six Flags Over Texas opens. The park was the first to feature log flume, 360-degree looping roller coaster and modern parachute drop. The park also pioneered the concept of an all-inclusive admission price.
- On July 27, 1974, the House Judiciary Committee recommends that President Richard Nixon be impeached and removed from office. The impeachment proceedings resulted from a break-in at the Democratic Party's national headquarters in the Watergate apartment-hotel complex in Washington, D.C.
- On July 30, 1999, "The Blair Witch Project," a low-budget, independent horror film that will become a cult hit, is released in theaters. Shot with shaky, handheld cameras, the documentary-style movie told the story of three student filmmakers who disappeared into the woods and were never heard from again. The story was entirely fake.
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Sir Cecil Chubb, a wealthy and highly respected barrister, really raised the bar for birthday gifts when he purchased Stonehenge (yes, you read that right) for his wife after World War I. But was she suitably impressed? Apparently not -- what she actually wanted that year was curtains!
- Caffeine doesn't just help you stay awake. It also serves the function of a pesticide in the coffee plant.
- Due to the humid and moist conditions that a sloth lives in, moss and other similar plants will sometimes grow in its hair. Sloths also have very poor eyesight. Those two factors can sometimes culminate in a sloth grabbing its own arm, thinking it's a branch, and falling to its death.
- During the Elizabethan era, coal tar was used as mascara, eyebrow pencil and eyeliner ... despite the fact it's flammable, has a bad smell and caused blindness.
- Until 1925, the NCAA required college football players to study during halftime.
- A reporter, commenting to Gene Roddenberry on the casting of Patrick Stewart in "Star Trek: The Next Generation," said, "Surely by the 24th century, they would have found a cure for male pattern baldness." Replied Roddenberry: "No, by the 24th century, no one will care."
- High-frequency sounds enhance the sweetness in food, while low frequencies bring out the bitterness.
- Only one McDonald's in the world has turquoise arches. Government officials in Sedona, Arizona, thought the yellow would look bad with the natural red rock of the city.
- In 1910, Virginia Woolf and her friends donned costumes and fake beards in order to convince the Royal Navy they were a group of Abyssinian princes, pulling off what became known as the "Dreadnought Hoax" and earning a 40-minute guided tour of the ship.

Thought for the Day: "If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door." -- Milton Berle
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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.

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