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Alcona school district, ACCOA develop food distribution plan

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Feeding families and individuals in need has become the focus of Alcona Community Schools and the Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) during a time of state mandated school, business and public gathering closures.

These closures, which remain in effect until the end of March, are impacting just about every aspect of the community – especially those in need of food. To help combat hunger, derived from the closing of the schools and senior center congregate meals, the school district and the ACCOA are developing food distribution locations for those who need it. Both are working toward having the least amount of human contact as possible.

According to Dan O'Connor, Alcona Community Schools superintendent, the district will be providing breakfast and lunch for all youth up to age 18. Persons up to age 26 who are enrolled in an educational program for the mentally or physically disabled that is recognized by a state or local public education agency may also take part in this program.

This meal service program is for all youth, including students that do not ride a school bus and all Head Start students. Anyone who does not ride a bus but lives on a school bus route, may pick up food at the bus stop closest to their home.

Meal pick-ups this week are Thursday, March 19 between 4 to 6 p.m. at morning bus stop locations. Each food pick-up will be breakfast and lunch for multiple days. In order to receive the food, someone must be waiting at the bus stop.

Anyone who is not an Alcona Community Schools student, and meets the age requirement, who would like to receive meals, contact the district by calling (989) 736-6212 or by emailing cordesn@alconaschools.net.

"To ensure food does not go to waste we are encouraging all families to accept meals this week. If your family does not want meals, please complete an opt out form at the time of delivery," O'Connor said. "Families that opt out of meals will not be able to opt back in."

"We appreciate your patience and support as we launch this meal service program in response to our emergency closure," he said.

A food distribution update for the week of March 23 will be shared later this week.

Additional Food Distribution

In addition to drive through congregate meals at the Lincoln Senior Center (see story related story on this page), the ACCOA is putting up a Popup Pantry on Thursday, March 19 from 4-6 p.m. in the large parking lot in front of the Alcona High School community auditorium. This will be a drive through where folks stay in their vehicle and volunteers will load it with food.

ACCOA executive director Lenny Avery said it is important to follow directions at school entry points and through the parking lot. There will be four to five pick up stations, and vehicles will be directed to each point by volunteers or signs.

"We are going to have limited contact between drivers and volunteers loading food into vehicles to ensure health safety standards," Avery said Monday. "And, other safety precautions will also be in place."

The Popup Pantry is for any Alcona County resident in need, Avery explained. "This is for any Alcona County resident who really needs food, not just because they are in a panic," he said.

Volunteers are needed for the Popup Pantry, according to Avery. Anyone who is available by 11 a.m. to help unload the food delivery at 11 a.m. and help organize and distribute food through 6 p.m. is encouraged to contact the ACCOA. For more information or to volunteer, contact the ACCOA at (989) 736-8879.

Avery hopes to have more Popup Pantry dates, but could not commit to anything at press time.

Alcona County Commission on Aging adjusts services

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

The concern of spreading COVID-19 while still serving its participants has brought new challenges to the Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA), especially since the virus is a particular risk to people with existing health concerns/conditions and the elderly.

The decision to suspend all congregate meals, which are meals inside either its Glenie or Lincoln sites and all public activities that ACCOA sponsors, was relatively easy, however, now more than ever, food services still need to be provided.

After talking with other commission on aging and senior service centers, Lenny Avery, ACCOA executive director, has come up with an alternative solution to the

problem, a drive-through congregate meal.

Avery explained how the facility in Lincoln will be closed to the general public and staff will be reduced to essential management, food service and maintenance personnel, but those wishing a congregate drive-through meal are welcome to call the center Monday through Thursday.

Participants can order the number of meals they need for the day and ACCOA will tell them a time they can pick up the meals and what their suggested donation will be.

"We will package up their meal by name and have it ready for them, they will get a combination of cold, hot or bag lunch meals. They can drive in from Church Street and go to the back edge of the kitchen and someone will be

there to meet them. From their cars, they will sign in. They can leave their donation and continue the loop around. Thursday's meal will be doubled so they have enough for Friday," Avery said

Home delivered meals will be reduced to two times per week on Mondays and Thursdays for people currently in the home delivery program. The meals will be delivered under a nonhuman contact system. Enough food will be left on Monday to get the participant through Thursday with the same action on Thursday to get them through Monday.

ACCOA is requesting participants receiving home-delivered meals put a container or cooler outside their home for drivers to put the meals into. Drivers will ring doorbells to let the participants know the meal has been delivered.

In-home services will be by evaluation and will either be suspended, reduced or modified for the need. "We have about 100 participants with in-home service needs. Services will be reduced and/or suspended for individuals who only need light house-keeping, shopping or any other nonessential activities of daily living. Any new service request will be placed on a wait list pending evaluation of the need and risk of COVID-19 exposure.

"We will continue to monitor programs in place for the next three weeks and follow the school's lead. When they go back, we will look at going back to a regular schedule. We want to mitigate panic, mitigate hoarding and reduce social isolation during and after this crisis," he said.

He explained ACCOA has begun instituting a new telephone reassurance program and every participant they have a phone number for will be getting a call to ask them if they are okay each week. The telephone reassurance program will be an ongoing passive enrollment service with volunteers or employees making the calls.

The ACCOA can be reached by calling (989) 736-8879.

Local entities cancel or suspend services

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Many entities across the nation, state and region, including Alcona County, are suspending operations or canceling events to help slow the transmission of coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) including schools, libraries and churches.

Other entities are doing what they can to help by modifying services and reaching out to those in need, while a few are still taking a wait and see approach.

Both the Alcona County Library and Curtis Township Library have closed their doors until school is back in session (April 5).

Many churches in the county have decided to suspend services until April 6 including all Catholic and Methodist churches, Hope Lutheran Church and St. Andrews Episcopal Church.

The Knights of Columbus fish fry, Mikado Goodfellows bingo and any classes or meetings scheduled to take place at the Alcona County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) building on M-72 have also been suspended.

The annual Alcona County Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for April 11 in Lincoln has been suspended until a later date according to chairperson Teresa Hart. She was unsure of when the event would

be rescheduled but said the group had already bought the bikes to give away and children will still have a great time regardless of the date.

As of last Sunday, the Alcona County Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) office was waiting for word on how the university wants to handle its extension services.

Les Thomas, MSUE 4-H Coordinator for Alcona County said for now it is business as usual and that most of the 4-H clubs are small with less than 10 children in each club.

Denise Bearre, director of Alcona County Library system, was hopeful the library doors could remain open last week and just cancel programs/events, but last Saturday decided to follow the recommendation of the Michigan Library Association (MLA) to close.

A directive of the MLA Bearre provided said it believed school closures put an increased burden on public libraries as children and families turn to them for social, educational and even childcare needs.

"Increased dependence on our spaces and resources for children and families displaced by school closures will in all likelihood contribute to the continued spread of the

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Due to ongoing events I feel it necessary to post a note regarding the Coronavirus and how I am playing my part in helping to halt the spread of the virus.

In the interest of keeping me and my clients safe, be advised not to come in for a haircut if you feel under the weather.

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Calendar of Events

(Call ahead before any scheduled event to make sure it is still being held.)

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

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.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30. 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.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

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, MARCH 21

A euchre tournament will be held at the Greenbush Township Hall on Campbell Road. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with play starting at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. If the weather is bad, call (989) 739-8735 to confirm. Sponsored by the Greenbush Historical Society.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

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.

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, MARCH 26

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30. 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.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

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

From the Editor's Desk

Life has become very complicated and turned around in a very short time due to the declaration of a state of emergency on March 12 by Governor Whitmer in response to COVID-19 – a virus that began spreading in China in December of 2019 and has spread internationally.

In a directive, Gov. Whitmer closed all schools and universities, sending students, families and school district staff into an unprecedented situation. As a result locally, churches, libraries and some offices have closed to public “exposure,” and local events have been cancelled or postponed.

As of Monday, March 16 the governor signed a temporary order to close all “restaurants, cafes, coffee houses, bars, taverns, brew pubs, distilleries, clubs, movie theaters, indoor and outdoor performance venues, gymnasiums, fitness centers, recreation centers, indoor sports facilities, indoor exercise facilities, exercise studios, spas, and casinos” until March 30.

Restaurants are limited to carry-out and delivery orders only.

The directive does not include (at this time) the closure of office buildings, grocery stores, markets, food pantries, pharmacies, drug stores, and providers of medical equipment and supplies, health care facilities, residential care facilities, congregate care facilities, and juvenile justice facilities, warehouse and distribution centers, and industrial and manufacturing facilities.

Limitations to personal travel are expected next.

While we could spend quite a bit of time talking about the infringement of personal choice, trampling of individual business practices and concern for over-reaction, we are going to resist that urge – for now.

Instead, we are going to encourage folks to remain calm. We are encouraging folks to be kind. Be patient. Be supportive. Use common sense.

A lot of people in Alcona County – and all over — are scared. Many things seem uncertain.

However, we are not on the verge of an apocalypse, as some might be led to believe. The term “pandemic” has been used in relation to the Coronavirus. A pandemic is “a widespread outbreak of a disease.” According to State Sen. James Stamas in his weekly legislative update on Monday afternoon, there are 53 positive COVID-19 cases in Michigan.

While we don't have the figures specifically for Michigan, according to the national Center for Disease Control (CDC), as of March 13, so far this season (October to May, with peak December through February) there have been at least 36 million flu illnesses, 370,000 hospitalizations and 22,000 deaths from influenza in the United States.

This seems to be more of a pandemic.

Regardless, many may feel helpless in this situation. Rightly, so. This is unknown territory. We haven't experienced anything like this in recent memory. However, we have faced many uncertain times and we will get through this. Keep in mind, this too, shall pass.

This is a temporary situation – it isn't going to last forever. These are preventative measures to keep the spread of this virus in check.

Many words of wisdom have come to mind in the last week while watching this situation unfold. This one from Maya Angelo might be the best one, at least for us. **“You may not control all of the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them.”**

If you don't want to feel helpless – do something. Check on a neighbor, a friend, a family member who might need words of reassurance, supplies or support. Volunteer – there are two food distribution efforts unfolding for students and seniors that need volunteers.

Patronize local businesses. During this time especially, we need to support local businesses. Business owners are the most hard working, dedicated, dependable people in our community. They put everything on the line for their community with the goods and services they provide. Local businesses are the first place service and student organizations turn to when they need donations. And, they are often the most overlooked for items that can be found online and at box stores.

Local businesses – especially those on the Governor's list of closures – need your support. Do everything you can to support these businesses in our community. Something like this can very easily put them out of business – especially after the financially difficult winter we've had. The trickle down effect these closures are going to have on the economy will be catastrophic – locally as well as statewide.

~ Cheryl Peterson
Editor & Publisher

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Obituaries

Vicki R. Bennett

Vicki Renee Bennett, 64, of Black River died on Sunday, March 8, 2020 at University Hospitals, Ann Arbor, Mich. She was born August 2, 1955 to Eugene Lloyd and Irma Marguerite (Wert) Schulz Sr. in Westland, Mich.



Mrs. Bennett and her husband moved from Pittsfield Township, Mich. to the Alpena area about 12 years ago. She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church, Ypsilanti, Mich.

She enjoyed crocheting, walking in the woods, kayaking, gardening, canning food and cooking. She was an excellent cook. She also loved to travel.

Mrs. Bennett is survived by her husband of 25 years, Robert Bennett, of Black River; five brothers, Eugene (Kathy) Schulz Jr. of Jerome, Mich.; Larry (Pam) Schulz of Monroe, Mich., Randy (Linda) Schulz of Canton, Mich., Keith (Samantha) Schulz of Onaway, Mich., and Jeff

(Patty) Schulz of Willis, Mich.; one sister LaRita Bearden of Ypsilanti, Mich.; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and two nephews, Scott Schulz and Jason Bearden.

Cremation had taken place. A memorial celebration of her life is being planned for July 1. More information will follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the St. Labre Indian School, Ashland, Mo. 59004. Arrangements were handled by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville, Mich.

Betty L. Thompson

Betty Louise Thompson, 95, died on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 in Harrisville.

She was born in Detroit, Mich. to Roy and Adabelle (Powers) Hasseler on June 13, 1924. She was raised in Detroit, Mich. and attended Northwestern High School.

In 1945 she moved to California and opened the Horse and Rider Trading Post in North Hollywood, Calif.

She married William Fredrick Thompson Jr. on October 25, 1946. They moved to San Antonio, Texas and began raising their family. In 1953 they moved to a small farm in the area of Belleville Mich. After her husband retired, they moved to Lincoln.

Mrs. Thompson lived with her son, Bill, and his wife, Billie, for the past nine years in Harrisville.

She loved to garden, raise chickens and a multitude of other farm animals. She was a 4-H leader and a Master Gardener. A gifted crafter, she was a regular for years at the Harrisville Labor Day Arts and Crafts Show.

Mrs. Thompson is survived by one daughter, Judy Ann Sheldon (Charles) of Greenbush; one son, William "Bill" Roy Thompson (Billie June) of Harrisville; one granddaughter, Lauren Ashlee Altenbernt; two step grandsons, Thomas Thompson and Robert Thomson; and one nephew, Thomas Roy Bolton.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William, in 1995, her parents, and one sister, Lois Ann "Dusty" Bolton

A celebration of life gathering will be held in the summer for all her friends. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Virginia J. Kruttlin

Virginia Janet Kruttlin, 91, died Sunday, March 1, 2020 at Pilgrim Manor, Grand Rapids, Mich.



She was born October 3, 1928 to Stanley and Stella (Janusz) Labaza in Harrisville, Mich. She graduated from Harrisville High School in 1947.

On June 10, 1950 she married Wilbert "Bill" Kruttlin.

Mrs. Kruttlin resided most of her life in Lincoln where she raised three children. She worked at Oxford Automotive in Oscoda for 35 years.

She also enjoyed gardening and deer hunting for many years. Family time was always very special to her.

Mrs. Kruttlin is survived by two daughters, Kathy (Gary) Skiba, of Belmont, Mich. and Joanne Michaud of Oscoda; one son, John (Roberta) Kruttlin, of Howell, Mich.; seven grandchildren, Brian Skiba of Howell, Mich., Brad Skiba of Belding, Mich.,

Lindsay Price of Rockford, Mich., Joseph Kruttlin of Howell, Mich., Jeannie Kruttlin of Howell, Mich., Michael Michaud of Oscoda, and Michelle Agnello of East Tawas; 14 great-grandchildren; three step great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law, Frances Labaza; many nieces and nephews; and her dog, Maddie, whom she had for many years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Wilbert

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John Seabase

John Seabase, 69, of Harrisville, died on Friday, March 13, 2020 at home.

He was born March 28, 1950 to Paul and Irene (Moczar) Seabase in Gueydan, La. He was raised in Michigan.

On August 11, 1973, he married Judy Lesh in Harrisville. They were residents of Clinton Township, Mich. before moving to Harrisville in 1984.

Mr. Seabase was employed in the maintenance department at Alcona Community Schools for 22 years as a mechanic and bus driver.

He enjoyed camping and hunting, and especially enjoyed coaching baseball and football.

Mr. Seabase is survived by his wife, Judy; three sons, Anthony (Rachel) Seabase of Illinois, Neil (Becky) Seabase of Traverse City, Mich. and Sean (Shawn) Seabase of Midland, Mich.; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Peter (Betteanne) Seabase of Ohio and Thomas (Janet) Seabase of Montana.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Private services have been held. Memorial donations may be made to Friends Together.

top ten

Things Kids Save For

1. Lego Sets
2. Phones
3. Nintendo Switch
4. Pokemon
5. Books, Magazines
6. Dolls/Figures
7. Bikes
8. Playstation
9. Computer
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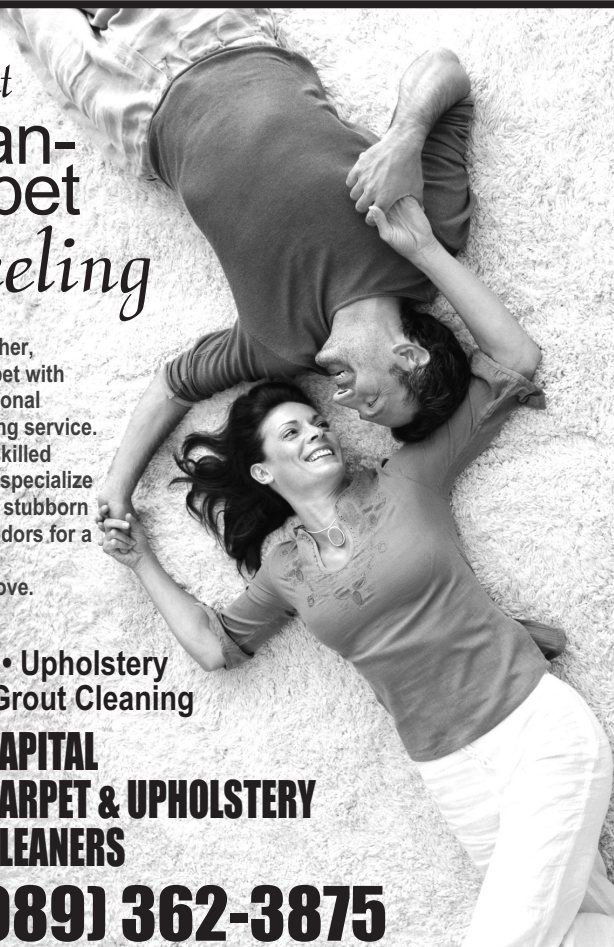
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Kruttlin; her parents; stepfather, Vincent Ploucha; three brothers, John Labaza, Ted Labaza and Milton Labaza; two sisters, Julia Kwiatkowski and Amelia Muir; an infant sister; and one son-in-law, Kevin Michaud.

A funeral was held at Our Lady of Consolation Church in Rockford, Mich. on March 4. Burial will take place in the spring at St. Anne Cemetery in Harrisville. Memorial donations may be made to the Michigan Parkinson Foundation. Funeral arrangements were handled by Stegenga Funeral Chapel in Belmont, Mich.

CryptoQuip

answer

If an Italian chef got very mad, I presume he could give you a pizza his mind!

Super Crossword

Answers

HEBREW	ALABAMA	HEPCAT
OTOOLE	NOSEBAG	ORIOLE
DAZZLER	RATHBONE	NITRIC
SLOALE	YEAROF	DEARTH
AGAT	TALIA	EOS
JAMES	DONNED	YDS
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CATERS	DECIDE	THEPOINT
ORT	RISETH	ONRED
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DEUCE	EMORY	ARREARS
OMNI	SCALE	MELLON
FIRE	INONE	SDELI
FRESKO	SONOMA	AGORA
STU	POE	CUPIDS
ICE	ABUTS	ETON
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LOVING	DARNEM	ANDDAILY
EMERGE	IDIOTIC	EILEEN
RODDER	DEFLECT	REFUSE



Local Notes



Closures - Cancellations

As of March 16, the following events/activities have been cancelled or postponed. (See page – for more information.) *Make sure to call ahead to ensure an event is happening prior to attending.*

Alcona County Library

In light of the Governor's announcement effective Saturday March 14, Alcona County Library will suspend all library programming through April 5. This includes events held by other groups in the public meeting rooms. All branches are closed through April 5.

Alcona County Building

As of Tuesday, March 17 the Alcona County Building in Harrisville is closed to public access -- except for court appearances. All county offices are conducting business, but can only be reached electronically or by telephone. For contact numbers see the county website at www.alcona-countymi.com.

Cancellations

- Skywarn Training Severe Weather Program: As directed by the NWS and other state agencies, the March 19 training program is cancelled due to the COVID19 circumstances. The program may be rescheduled at a later date. Stan Darmofal (989) 724-5550 www.alconaradio-.org.

- Maple Syrup Celebration: The 11th annual Alcona FFA Maple Syrup Celebration on Saturday, March 21 at the Sugar Shack in Lincoln has been cancelled.

- Alcona Music Project's WTF breakfast fundraiser March 22 to be held at the Alcona Brew Haus in Harrisville has been cancelled.

- Sunrise Side Strummers: Ukulele jam sessions at Wiltse's Brew Pub cancelled for Sunday, March 29.

- GospelFest (scheduled for April 25), has been cancelled. For more information, visit the web, www.Inspiration-Alcona.org, or call Lynn at (989) 724-7902.

Postponed

Shoreline Players will present the winter comedy "Spinoff" at the Shoreline Players Theater located on the former Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda, next to the Robert Parks Library at 7

p.m. General admission tickets are \$10 and are available in advance at Gilbert Drugs and at the box office before each show. Student tickets are \$5 at the box office only. For more information, call (989) 739-3586 or visit www.shorelineplayers.org.

Professional Brief

Oscoda native, Bill Peterson, Ph.D., has been hired as the new director of the State Historical Board of the State Historical Society of North Dakota. Peterson is the vice president of collections and education with the Arizona Historical Society in Flagstaff, Ariz., and will assume leadership July 1, after director Claudia Berg retires following 39 years with the agency. Peterson, who will bring extensive museum experience to North Dakota, has worked with the Arizona Historical Society since 2013, first as northern division director, and since September 2018 as vice president of collections and education. He has also held positions in South Dakota and Montana.

Peterson earned a



Bill Peterson

bachelor's degree in U.S. history from Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., a master's degree in historic administration and museum studies from the University of Kansas, and holds a doctorate in American cultural studies from Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

"We were very pleased with the quality of the candidates we interviewed," said H. Patrick Weir, State Historical Board president. "But in the end, Dr. Peterson's enthusiasm, knowledge of the business of a historical society, and passion for history resulted in a unanimous vote for his appointment."

Peterson, a 1987 graduate of Oscoda High School. He is the son of Jayne Peterson and Steve Peterson (both deceased) and the brother of Cheryl Peterson of Harrisville.

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Nervous Nelly

Dear Nelly,

Yes! Medicare is indeed covering the cost of testing for the coronavirus, or COVID-19. But be aware that getting a test isn't as simple as going to your local pharmacy or doctor's office and asking for one.

Here's a breakdown of what Medicare is covering, along with how to get tested if you think you may have symptoms.

Medicare Coverage

Medicare (Part B) will cover the lab test to see if you have coronavirus, but only when your doctor or other health care provider orders it. You will pay no out-of-pocket costs for these tests.

In addition, Medicare also covers all medically necessary hospitalizations. This includes if you're diagnosed with COVID-19 and might otherwise have been discharged from the hospital after an inpatient stay, but instead you need to stay in the hospital under quarantine.

And while there's currently no vaccine yet to protect against COVID-19, when one becomes available next year, it too will be covered by all Medicare prescription drug plans (Part D).

If you happen to get your Medicare benefits through a private Medicare Advantage plan, you will have access to these same benefits. In addition, many Advantage plans are also expanding coverage of telemedicine, which allows beneficiaries to consult with medical professionals without having to go to a doctor's office. Check with your plan for coverage details.

When to Call Your Doctor

Older adults, age 60 and

older (especially those in their 70s and 80s), and people with chronic medical conditions like diabetes, heart, lung or kidney disease are at a higher risk of serious illness if they contract the coronavirus. So, everyone in these categories need to be vigilant.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough and shortness of breath. Severe cases can lead to pneumonia, severe acute respiratory syndrome, kidney failure and death.

If you develop any symptoms that are concerning, you should contact your primary-care provider by phone for guidance. If your doctor believes you need testing, he or she will instruct you on what to do. Unfortunately, there have been reports of test shortages across the country, so depending on where you live you may have to wait a few days.

Prevention Tips

To help you steer clear of COVID-19 the CDC recommends that you avoid close



Savvy Senior

contact with anyone who is sick. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after being out in public, blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water isn't available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol.

To the extent possible, try to avoid touching your face, nose, and eyes. And avoid touching high-touch surfaces in public places, like elevator buttons, door handles, handrails, and handshaking with people. Use a tissue or your sleeve to cover your hand or finger if you must touch something.

Also, clean and disinfect

your home to remove germs: Practice routine cleaning of frequently touched surfaces – tables, doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, toilets, faucets, sinks and cell phones.

You should also avoid crowds, especially in poorly ventilated spaces. Your risk of exposure to respiratory viruses like COVID-19 may increase in crowded, closed-in settings with little air circulation if there are people in the crowd who are sick.

The CDC also recommends that seniors and high-risk individuals stock up on supplies, such as extra medi-

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Three-pointer sinks Alcona boys season

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

Alcona High School came painfully close to extending its varsity boys basketball season on Monday, March 9. The Tigers saw Rogers City bank in a deep three-pointer as time expired to end their year with a 53-50 loss in the Division 3 district opener at Johannesburg-Lewiston.

"We did everything we could to win that game," said head coach Ryan Bilbey. "We came out flat but part of that was due to the fact that we haven't played since February 28. We battled from behind all night to get a four point lead with two minutes left, but late game turnovers hurt us."

"We averaged over 22 turnovers per game all season so it has been a real issue. We also missed 11 free throws and that has been our Achilles' heel all year regardless of how much we worked on them."

In the first quarter, Zach

Stephenson hit a three and netted five total points, though Rogers City held an 18-13 lead after one.

Dominic Howe buried a pair of shots from behind the long line in the second quarter, helping the Tigers inch closer by the half, down just 28-25.

Howe hit another three in the third quarter as Alcona trailed just 37-36 entering the fourth. In the final quarter, Aidan Wrobel netted six points, helping Alcona pull ahead with just over two minutes to go.

Rogers City knotted things up at 50-all however, and got their banked three-pointer by J.D. Ellenberger.

"(It was) two equally matched teams battling all night long," Bilbey said. "We did so many good things on both ends of the court but sometimes it's just not enough to pull out the victory. Rogers City showed a lot of heart in the last minute of the game."

"As for the last shot, we

defended it well and it was a deep contested three-pointer so I'd rather have them take that shot than anything else," he added. "Hats off to Ellenberger for coming up clutch."

Leading the way in the setback was Dominic Howe with 13 points. Wrobel netted 12. D.J. Howe put in 11. Stephenson chipped in with seven. Mason Clark scored four. Gavin Walker put in two and Jacob Sytek added one.

"Aidan, Zach and D.J. played very well," Bilbey said. "I hate to see the season end like it did, especially for the seniors, but there are lessons to be learned in every situation. Some days do not work out as you hope. Life does not always go as planned. You have to pick yourself up and get ready for the next day and the next challenge. Losing is only temporary. Learn from it and prepare to win again."

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coronavirus," the MLA directive read.

The closure will also mean the well-attended annual Eggstravaganza at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library planned for Saturday, April 4 will be canceled this year.

"We hope to be proactive and avoid any further spread of COVID-19," Bearre said, "The library will be cleaning and disinfecting items at a higher-level including doors, computers, telephones, and desk surfaces."

Becky Kyes, director for Curtis Township Library in Glennie said they are hoping for a reopening date on Tuesday, April 7 and due dates for all books/material checked out before last Saturday (March 14) will be lengthened until they reopen.

"We will have our drop box open if people wish to deposit a checked-out item, but staff hours will be reduced," Kyes said.

Both libraries will still offer free Wi-Fi in their parking lots and offer online services to books, audio books and movies through portals such as "Libby" for anyone to access materials over the inter-

net.

The Alcona County Library can be accessed through its website at alcona.lib.mi.us. The Curtis Township Library may be accessed through uproc.lib.mi.us/ctl.

Other entities/organizations are following suit by suspending operations and the list is growing longer every day.

The Alcona County Building is closed to public traffic, according to Alcona County Board of Commission Chairperson Craig Johnston. County offices are open and conducting business and so is the court system. However, anyone wishing to do business with a county office is asked to contact the office by telephone, email or Fax. For a list of county offices, see www.alconacountymi.com.

According to Laura Frawley, Alcona County presiding judge, plans are continuing to evolve at the county level with regards to containment of COVID-19 in Alcona County.

"At this time, the Alcona County trial courts remain open to the public. While Alcona County remains healthy, we must be proactive and at-

tempt to limit the potential strain on local health care providers and hospitals. There is no reason for panic, but caution and preventative measures are wise at this time," Frawley said.

All jury trials scheduled before April 30 will be rescheduled to a later date. Currently, all other court dockets remain as previously scheduled. "As this situation develops, we will continue to notify the public of any change in our scheduling. We are asking everyone in the community to limit travel to court facilities for nonessential business. Please conduct as much business as possible via email and telephone.

"If entry into court facilities is essential, please observe the CDC recommended precautions, such as avoiding close contact, washing your hands for at least 20 seconds after you have been in a public place, and avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. If you are sick, stay home," Frawley said.

"Please do not allow fear to control your actions. Instead, let's come together as a community as we always have in the past, and be the good neighbors we have always been to one another. Let's look out for one another," she said.

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For more information on the COVID-19, visit Coronavirus.gov.

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

All schools close to combat COVID-19

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

In an unprecedented effort to combat children's exposure to Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), Alcona Community Schools closed last Friday after Governor Gretchen Whitmer made the announcement Thursday to close all Michigan schools' grades kindergarten through 12th grade until April 5.

While the governor's directive was to close schools starting Monday, March 16, district superintendent Dan O'Connor, felt with the information he had about a possible unconfirmed exposure threat it would be better to close the school immediately.

He explained the district had been informed that two adults, who were on the school campus over the past week, had possibly come into contact with the virus while attending a Utah Jazz and Detroit Pistons basketball game. He reinforced the case was not confirmed and the adults who attended the game were showing no symptoms.

"It was announced on Wednesday the two Jazz players tested positive for COVID-19. According to local health officials and the Center for Disease Control (CDC), the risk is very low for the spread of the disease from this type of contact, however, we felt taking one extra day to be on the safe side was logical," O'Connor said.

O'Connor wrote to parents on the school's Facebook page that the case was a sobering reminder as to how easy it is to connect with others who have traveled and unknowingly were exposed to the disease.

He said the governor's directive gave him a sense of relief when she decided to close the schools as the threat of spreading the virus was heavy on his mind Thursday.

"Calls were made to the health department to see how much communication we needed to pass along without violating patient privacy and

other issues. The health department told us the risk was very minimal, still, we felt it was better to be safe than sorry. We want to be transparent in case something does come from this. We want folks ready," O'Connor said.

Both buildings were open on Monday for students to collect personal belongings, music instruments and books, however, after that, district facilities will only be open to essential staff. All athletic practices, club events, community use and the Tiger Alcona Health Center Clinic located in the elementary school will be closed for the duration and teachers have been asked not to come in.

During the closure, essential staff will be conducting a deep clean of the entire district. Also, the school will be piloting a food service deliv-

ery program via bus routes on Tuesday and Thursday of this week and Monday and Thursday the following two weeks. He said more information will be communicated on the food service, but it should be enough to provide students with several meals per week.

According to O'Connor, the district will not be sending education materials or resources to students until the district has further guidance from the state. "My concern is the number of different barriers our students face across our district, whether that be Internet access or just having help available to work through educational components at home, whether that be paper/pencil or computer-based. I want to make sure we can accommodate all our student's needs," O'Connor said.

He was grateful one of the weeks the school will be shut down fell during spring break scheduled for March 27 through April 4. He asked that students participate in reading each day to help combat the academic slide of missed school time.

O'Connor had no idea how the weeks without school will be handled by the state and if days will be tacked on the end of the school year or not. "Last year set a precedent with all the snow days we had. I think the state forgave 13 out of 15 days last year. This is a new, historic situation. We will need to wait and learn more about this virus and see how it's doing before making any decisions about the rest of the year," he said.

He commended the community and said the school was overwhelmed on Friday with calls from people want-

ing to help in any way possible whether it be with food for students, academic support or supplies. "That speaks to what kind of community we live in. We have a lot of caring people here," O'Connor said.

"There are a lot of unknowns and we will do everything we can to communicate whatever we find out. Our plan right now is just to keep everyone safe."

School offices will be open intermittently during the closure, but it will be necessary to contact the district by phone or email before arriving in person.

O'Connor can be reached at (989) 736-6212 or by email at aconnord@alconaschools.net.

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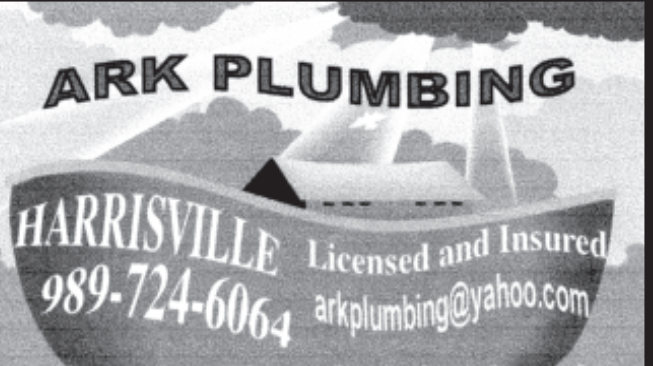
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Buggy Rides

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Greenbush has close call by fire Wednesday

March 15, 1945 ~ The Village of Greenbush was threatened to be destroyed by fire early Wednesday afternoon. The fire started in the grass back of the Cedarcraft company. Employees had started a fire in the morning to burn some bark and sawdust.

The garage owned by Mr. and Mrs. William Boehme was first to burn to the ground. The fire then spread to the barn of Duncan McRae, which also was completely destroyed. The Harrisville Fire Dept. arrived in time to save the McRae home, which was threatened. The Tavern owned by Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Casey, the Postoffice, the Boehme home and the horse stables owned by the Greenbush Inn, were all threatened, and were saved by volunteers.

Mr. and Mrs. Boehme had closed the deal Tuesday, whereby they became the owners of the former Koebele residence; and had the misfortune of losing the garage on Wednesday.

The fire departments from Lincoln and the Oscoda Air Base answered the call, and assisted.

Lovelace - Somers

March 19, 1970 ~ Miss Kay L. Somers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Somers of Lincoln, became the bride of Glen H. Lovelace, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Schrade of Mikado, in a 7 p. m. single ring service in the Lincoln Methodist Church, Saturday, March 14. Rev. Carl Litchfield performed the ceremony before thirty-five guests.

Julie Boucher, of Lincoln, sang "Whither Thou Goest" and "The Wedding Prayer", accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Michael Senical of Lincoln.

Kay, given in marriage by her father, wore a short A-line blue dress, with a white chapel veil, and carried a bouquet of white carnations and red roses.

Her maid of honor was a sister, Marge Somers, who wore a short A-line pink dress, and a pink chapel veil, and her bouquet was of white carnations and pink roses. Danny Lovelace of Mikado, was his brother's attendant.

The bride's mother was attired in a green suit, and the groom's mother chose a blue dress. Each wore a red rose corsage.

The new Mrs. Lovelace attended Alcona High School and her husband attended Oscoda High School. He is employed by Schrade Forest Products. They are making their home in Lincoln.

Bolzman guilty

Jury returns 2nd degree murder verdict

March 15, 1995

By Jim Dunn

After nearly 18 hours of deliberation over two days, an Alcona County 26th Circuit Court jury found Nelson Oscar "Jim" Bolzman of Cass City guilty of second degree murder in the mid-July killing of his wife Eileen in the Curtisville area.

Bolzman, 42, showed no emotion as the verdict was read at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday. The jury began their deliberations at 12:50 p.m. Tuesday, continued to nearly 10 p.m. that evening, and started again at 9 a.m. the next morning.

Judge John Kowalski immediately revoked Bolzman's previous \$100,000 bond, which he had been unable to post, and set sentencing for May 8.

Second degree murder carries a possible sentence of any number of years up to life in prison.

The victim's daughter, 16-year-old Dawn Duvall, said following the verdict that "I think he should have gotten first degree, but not premeditated." She added, "There's no doubt in my mind that he did it." Asked if she was satisfied with the verdict, she answered Yes, because now I know he won't be getting out."

The murdered woman's

mother, who said that she was emotionally exhausted, and two brothers had attended the entire trial and the first and second days of jury deliberations, but left the courthouse to return home to Deford, near Cass City, only about an hour before the verdict came in.

A jury member told the *Review* that the length of the deliberations was due to a discussion as to whether the verdict should be one of second degree murder or voluntary manslaughter. "A non-guilty verdict was never a subject of disagreement, he said. He added that the consideration of second degree versus manslaughter started out at 11-1 among members, but changed to 10-2 and 9-3

and back to 11-1 as discussions went on. He said that a verdict was almost reached on Tuesday night.

"This wasn't easy to decide on circumstantial evidence," he said. "I'm sure that most of us didn't get any sleep Tuesday night. And at times it got pretty heated in there (the jury room)."

Alcona County Prosecutor Thomas Weichel said that he was "very pleased" with the jury's verdict, noting that he had viewed the case as either first or second degree murder, but not manslaughter. He added that he thought that the trial went very well, and that the jury had probably based its decision on a combination of things from the overall evidence pre-

sented.

Investigating officers on the case, Deputies Brent Mitchell and Brian Himick, credited the prosecutor's thorough preparation for the trial, as well as the sheriff's department and Michigan State Police for the guilty verdict in the case. "The prosecutor had his work cut out for him, and we had lot of leads to pursue in addition to the circumstantial evidence," said Himick.

"Everybody pulled together on this investigation," added Mitchell.

"Based on the evidence and the testimony of witnesses, we were confident of a second degree conviction."

Completes successful basketball career

March 19, 1970 ~ Ki Ann Kruttlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kruttlin of Harrisville, recently completed a very successful high school basketball career with the Alcona Tigerettes. During the past three seasons, during which Alcona has been a member of the Northeastern Michigan Girls' Basketball League Ki Ann has established individual scoring records for a single game, a season, and total points in varsity games.

During the 1967-70 sea-

son Ki Ann scored 122 points for a total of 328 in three seasons to overcome the previous mark of 210 set by Debbie George in two seasons. Her personal high was 33 points scored during the game with Houghton Lake on December 11, 1968. High game for the season just completed was 25 points, scored in the game with Oscoda.

Ki Ann's abilities on the basketball court have been recognized by players and coaches throughout the league. She has been de-

scribed as an "outstanding ball player." Alcona coach, Joell Johnson says about Ki Ann.

"She is the best offensive player we've had on our team and one of the best in the league. She has always been a very dependable ball player and came through when she was needed. As captain of the team this season Ki Ann has been an example to all the team with her very fine skill as a player, leadership on the floor, and sportsmanship."

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2020						
Weekly Report						
Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
March 8	51	28	0.00	6	21	SW
March 9	53	36	0.06	5.7	21	SSW
March 10	45	26	0.18	4.5	25	NNE
March 11	33	26	0.01	4.3	17	SSW
March 12	37	32	0.00	7.4	26	SSW
March 13	40	31	0.09	5.4	32	W
March 14	32	27	0.00	3.4	17	NNE
Precipitation Summary (Inches)						
2019-2020 Season						
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content			
Weekly Total	0.34	0.2	0.48			
March to Date	0.39	1.9	0.90			
Year/Season to Date	2.25	54.0	4.01			

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. **ADVERTISING SLOGANS:** Which product was advertised as "the champagne of bottled beer"?
2. **GEOGRAPHY:** Which was the first designated national park in the United States?
3. **BIBLE:** From which book of the New Testament does the proverb "the blind leading the blind" originate?
4. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president established the Purple Heart award to military members injured or killed in battle?
5. **LITERATURE:** What is the title of a classic novel that its British author originally named "Strangers from Within"?
6. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** Which animal's home is called a lodge?
7. **FOOD & DRINK:** Which spice is described as "the Queen of Spices"?
8. **MUSIC:** Who wrote the libretto and music to the opera "The Flying Dutchman"?
9. **HISTORY:** Which country's revolution was described in the book "Ten Days That Shook the World"?
10. **ANATOMY:** What is the most common blood type in humans?

Answers: 1. Miller High Life; 2. Yellowstone; 3. Matthew; 4. George Washington; 5. "Lord of the Flies" by William Golding; 6. Beaver; 7. Cardamom; 8. Richard Wagner; 9. Russia; 10. O positive (c) 2020 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On March 30, 1867, U.S. Secretary of State William Seward signs a treaty with Russia to buy Alaska for \$7 million. Despite the bargain price of roughly 2 cents an acre, the Alaskan purchase was ridiculed as "Seward's Folly" and "Seward's icebox."
 - On March 31, 1889, the Eiffel Tower is dedicated in Paris in a ceremony presided over by Gustave Eiffel, its designer, and French Prime Minister Pierre Tirard. At 984 feet, the Eiffel Tower remained the world's tallest man-made structure until the completion of the Chrysler Building in New York in 1930.
 - On April 2, 1902, the first American theater devoted solely to movies opens in Los Angeles. Housed in a circus tent, the venue was dubbed "The Electric Theater." A ticket cost 10 cents for a one-hour show.
 - On April 4, 1913, Chicago bluesman Muddy Waters is born in Clarksdale, Mississippi. Born McKinley Morganfield, he wrote "Rollin' Stone," "Hoochie Coochie Man" and "Got My Mojo Working," songs that would later inspire Bob Dylan.
 - On April 5, 1931, Fox Film Corp. drops John Wayne from its stable of actors after he failed to impress the studio in a series of bit parts. In 1939, Wayne had his breakthrough in "Stagecoach," and 30 years later he would win an Oscar for "True Grit."
 - On April 3, 1955, the American Civil Liberties Union announces it will defend Allen Ginsberg's racy book "Howl" against obscenity charges after 520 copies of the book were seized entering the U.S. from England. American publisher Lawrence Ferlinghetti was later arrested and tried for promoting obscene material, but was found not guilty.
 - On April 1, 1970, President Richard Nixon signs legislation officially banning cigarette ads on television and radio. Nixon, who was an avid pipe smoker, supported the legislation at the increasing insistence of public health advocates.
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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Bar mitzvah language</p> <p>7 Its capital is Montgomery</p> <p>14 Old jazz buff</p> <p>20 Henry II player Peter</p> <p>21 Horse feed supporter</p> <p>22 106-Down on Cal Ripken's cap</p> <p>23 Amaze a Sherlock Holmes</p> <p>25 — acid (corrosive liquid)</p> <p>26 — -mo</p> <p>27 Brighton brew</p> <p>28 12-month famine?</p> <p>30 Trendy berry in juices</p> <p>33 Shire of film</p> <p>34 Goddess of the dawn</p> <p>35 Singer Brown got dressed?</p> <p>42 Gridiron gains: Abbr.</p> <p>43 Pen giant</p> <p>45 Make reparations</p> <p>46 Cosa — (Mafia's kin)</p> | <p>48 Areas of expertise</p> <p>51 Provides party platters</p> <p>53 Determine which team scored?</p> <p>57 Supper scrap</p> <p>58 "Egypt — up like a flood": Jeremiah 46:8</p> <p>60 "NO TURN —" (traffic sign)</p> <p>61 Octa- plus one</p> <p>62 Relative of a résumé</p> <p>64 Judge on the bench, e.g.</p> <p>65 Bee creation</p> <p>66 Fact about a consolidation loan?</p> <p>71 Two-spot</p> <p>74 University in Atlanta</p> <p>75 In — (owing)</p> <p>79 Old science magazine</p> <p>80 Balance pan</p> <p>81 Pittsburgh's Carnegie —</p> <p>84 Instructors' org.</p> <p>85 Sub-shop blaze?</p> | <p>88 Relative key of B minor</p> <p>90 Michelangelo work</p> <p>91 California wine region</p> <p>93 Old Greek market</p> <p>94 Erwin of old films</p> <p>95 "The Tell-Tale Heart" taleteller</p> <p>98 Moola earned by a love god?</p> <p>100 Blocks from the freezer</p> <p>102 Is up against</p> <p>104 School in Berkshire</p> <p>105 Road named after singer Deanna?</p> <p>110 Seeded loaf</p> <p>112 — Alamitos, California</p> <p>115 Thinking the world of</p> <p>116 What to do to socks that tear every 24 hours?</p> <p>120 Appear</p> <p>121 Asinine</p> <p>122 Late actress Brennan</p> <p>123 Hot- — (drag racer)</p> <p>124 Turn from a straight line</p> | <p>125 Say "no" to</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Mortar trays</p> <p>2 List-ending abbr.</p> <p>3 TV clown</p> <p>4 "Frasier" woman</p> <p>5 Jazz singer Fitzgerald</p> <p>6 Li'l fellow</p> <p>7 Gasteyer of "Mean Girls"</p> <p>8 Truckload</p> <p>9 Deadly pale</p> <p>10 Neuwirth of "Frasier" stadium)</p> <p>11 "If I Had —" (Lyle Lovett song)</p> <p>12 American avant-garde artist</p> <p>13 Antediluvian</p> <p>14 Toyota rival</p> <p>15 Iroquois foe</p> <p>16 Falafel bread</p> <p>17 Amendment</p> <p>18 Samuel of justice</p> <p>19 PC whizzes</p> <p>24 Intel mission</p> <p>29 Hi- — (stereos)</p> <p>31 Positive pole</p> <p>32 Atlas feature</p> <p>35 Son of Isaac</p> <p>36 Video game name</p> | <p>37 Catchphrase</p> <p>38 Phenyl ender</p> <p>39 Saw-toothed</p> <p>40 Ingrain</p> <p>41 Soft & —</p> <p>43 Jazz genre</p> <p>44 Limonite, e.g.</p> <p>47 Worship</p> <p>48 Nursed, say</p> <p>49 Kin of -ess</p> <p>50 Don't depart</p> <p>52 Uses a stool</p> <p>54 Writer Blyton</p> <p>55 Grove plant</p> <p>56 Kind of tea</p> <p>59 — Field (Mariners' stadium)</p> <p>63 Most</p> <p>64 "— will be done"</p> <p>65 Very irate</p> <p>67 Arabian Sea country</p> <p>68 Actor's part</p> <p>69 Long lock of hair</p> <p>70 Stomped</p> <p>71 Tip, as a hat</p> <p>72 Arab bigwig</p> <p>73 Frank and open</p> <p>76 Pear variety</p> <p>77 Corp. shuffling</p> <p>78 Mother of Isaac</p> <p>80 — -cone</p> <p>81 List of dishes</p> | <p>82 Get hitched on the fly</p> <p>83 Maximum</p> <p>86 Post-OR area</p> <p>87 OR worker</p> <p>89 Before now</p> <p>92 Prettify</p> <p>95 "NerdTV" network</p> <p>96 Bested</p> <p>97 Online investing site</p> <p>99 Tom of "Tomorrow"</p> <p>100 Slacking sort</p> <p>101 Pataki's predecessor Mario</p> <p>102 Make furious</p> <p>103 Font flourish</p> <p>106 Nest builder</p> <p>107 "Picnic" dramatist William</p> <p>108 Organic compound</p> <p>109 Head, to Gigi</p> <p>111 Falco with four Emmys</p> <p>112 In — of (rather than)</p> <p>113 Jai-alai cries</p> <p>114 "Auld Lang —"</p> <p>117 Amp plug-in</p> <p>118 Masquerade</p> <p>119 Furry TV alien</p> |
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- In 1883, Bill Kinsman of Tombstone, Arizona, was the subject of a practical joke when the Tombstone Epitaph announced his intention to marry one May Woodman. The surprised future groom countered with a notice of his own that he had no such plans whatsoever -- and was soon after shot to death by the deeply humiliated Ms. Woodman.
- "Cenosillicaphobia" is the fear of an empty beer glass. (Use this one to impress your friends during Happy Hour.)
- Turning back the giant hands on Big Ben's four clock faces takes an astonishing total of five hours.
- Alexandre Dumas, best known for "The Three Musketeers" and "The Count of Monte Cristo," felt very strongly that all his works must be presented on colored paper. He wanted all his fiction presented on blue paper, his articles on pink paper and his poetry on yellow paper.
- Golf balls were originally made from dried cow eyeballs.
- The tea bag was an accidental invention. In 1908, tea merchant Thomas Sullivan distributed his samples in small silken sacks. His customers, not realizing they were samples, dunked them in hot water, and Sullivan soon found himself swamped with orders for his "tea bags"!
- In his travels, Marco Polo believed at one point that he had stumbled across unicorns, writing that "They are very ugly brutes to look at. They are not at all such as we describe unicorns." Not surprising, considering that he was actually viewing rhinoceroses.
- Ancient Romans created black hair dye by fermenting leeches in vinegar.
- The game of marbles is estimated to be about 5,000 years old. Through most of their history, the toys were made of stone, bone, clay or whatever material was available, with truly round marbles being both rare and expensive.

Thought for the Day: "At the touch of love, everyone becomes a poet." -- Plato
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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: **R** equals **Z**

FZ TE FITOFTE SJPZ DYI APBN QTK,
F MBPVWQP JP SYWOK DFAP NYW
T MFRRT JFV QFEK!

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The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Lawrence G. Stoyke and Georgina K. Stoyke, his wife. Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for

lender and lender's successors and/or assigns foreclosing assignee (if any): U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee for Residential Asset Securities Corporation, home equity mortgage asset-backed pass-through certificates, series 2005-KS6. Date of mortgage: May 4, 2005. Date of mortgage recording: June 2, 2005. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$53,892.41.

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: The north half of the south half of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 1, Township 26 North, Range 9 East, lying east of US-23 less and excepting the north 198 feet of Section 1, Township 26 North, Range 9 East. Common street address (if any): 920 N. US-23, Harrisville, Mich. 48740-9600

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural

purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: February 26, 2020

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Alcona County Circuit Court Case No. 19-3177-CH consolidated with Alcona County Circuit Court Case No. 18-3054-CH

Notice of Judicial Sale

The property described below shall be sold at public auction, by an authorized sheriff/deputy sheriff or county clerk/deputy county clerk, to the highest bidder, at the Circuit Court for the County of Alcona, on the 29th of April, 2020, at 10 a.m., local time. On said day at said time, the following described property shall be sold: property located in the township of Alcona, county of Alcona, State of Michigan, particularly described as Lots 18, 19 and 20 of Block 18, Lost Lake Woods. A recorded plat as found in Alcona County. More commonly known as: 4297 N. Poplar Road, Alcona Michigan. This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of Notice: March 10, 2020

Published March 11, 2020 to March 16, 2020

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3-11, 3-18, 3-25, 4-1, 4-8, 4-15

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HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held February 11 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Four board members and three guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Trustee Johnston was absent.

Assessor gave his report and the resolutions that the board needs to pass. Fire department and first responders gave an update on fundraising and that the fire department has 18 volunteers.

Healy/Harvey: To approve clerk's January 14 minutes. Motion carried. Treasurer's report given and reconciled with the clerk's office. Other committees' reports accepted.

Jamieson/Harvey: To replace Tom Stone on the pension/profit sharing plan, to supervisor Chad Spitznagel. Motion carried. Healy/Harvey: To adopt Resolution number 21120, Asset Level Test. Roll call vote: four ayes, zero nays, one absent. Motion carried.

Healy/Jamieson: Raise election workers to inspector \$10, chairperson \$12. Roll call vote: four ayes, zero nays, one absent. Motion carried. Healy/Harvey: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Roger D. Jamieson
Township Clerk

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And others interested in board minutes for Curtis Township. At the January Curtis Township public board meeting there was a discussion from people concerned with what is going on with the board meeting and access to township minutes. Clerk Perkins stated that she has had the same phone number (989) 370-8855 for 20 years. If anyone wanted a copy of the minutes they can call and request a copy, clerk Perkins would be glad to send one to the address provided. People are encouraged to keep current with what is going on in the township.

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CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board met on March 11. Motions to approve the agenda; February minutes; pay bills; pay Hickory Dickery Dock; approve the general, fire, road budget 2020-2021; North End Park resolution 2020-03; Civil Infraction ordinance 2020-01; Blight Ordinance 2020-02; sign agreement with Rivera Tribunal; paint hall interior; adopt poverty exemption; appoint Tice to the planning commission; and increase township attorney hourly rate.

Motion to adjourn at 10:08 p.m. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next township meeting is April 8 at the township hall at 7 p.m.

Kerry Scott
Caledonia Township Clerk

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pany, LLC.

Date of Mortgage: January 16, 2018. Date of Mortgage Recording: January 24, 2018. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$122,590.54. Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the southwest corner of Government Lot 2, Section 11, Township 25 North, Range 9 East, thence South 89 Degrees 28 minutes East 1270.8 feet; thence north 0 degree 45 minutes West 1,988.35 feet, thence north 76 degrees 18 minutes west 827.3 feet and north 10 degrees 16 minutes east 15 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 73 degrees 48 minutes east 100.0 feet; thence south 86 degrees 25 minutes east 106.5 feet; thence along existing fence line northwesterly 408 feet, thence westerly along existing fence 166.0 feet to easterly right-of-way of Cedar Lake Road; thence south 16 degrees 16 minutes west 385.7 feet to the point of beginning. Common street address (if any): 2535 W. Cedar Lake Road, Greenbush, Mich. 48738-9602.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such

on the date of this notice the sum of \$71,862.99, and no suit or proceedings at law or equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

Now, therefore, by virtue of a power of foreclosure sale by advertisement contained in said mortgage, notice is hereby given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Alcona County starting promptly at 10 a.m., on April 22, 2020.

The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information.

The land and premises in said mortgage, being situated in the township of Harrisville, county of

Alcona, state of Michigan, and described as follows: Parcel of land in the northwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 15, Town 26 North, Range 9 East, described as: Commencing at the northwest corner of the east 660 feet of the north 660 feet of said northwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4, thence south 200 feet; thence east 200 feet; thence north 200 feet; thence west 200 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 4580 East Clark Road, Harrisville, Mich. 48740.

Please be advised that 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.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless the premises are determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241(a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 24, 2020

Paul E. Wenzloff (P27662)

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Attention homeowner: if you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In the event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by Larry H. Fisher and Janice L. Lincoln as mortgagors, to Northland Area Federal Credit Union as mortgagee, which mortgage is dated November 14, 2007, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, Michigan, on November 20, 2007, in Liber 448 at pages 23-37, and upon which mortgage is claimed to be due

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