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## Financial future looks brighter for Alcona schools

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

The Return to Learn Bill, signed by the governor last month, has school districts across Michigan sighing a financial breath of relief.

Last May, there was much concern that the Michigan School Aid Fund would suffer a \$1.2 billion shortage resulting in cuts to school aid by \$600 to \$800 per student across the state, a figure that would have devastated many schools and had Dan O'Connor, superintendent of Alcona Community Schools, deeply concerned.

O'Connor explained with the new bill and pieces in place, the school has a much brighter financial outlook. "It's a big relief for schools. The state was able to backfill school aid revenue with some of the funding (it) received from the federal government. We won't have as significant proration in terms that they talked about when COVID-19 first hit, and the economic shutdown happened. We were navigating May without much revenue because of the closures. We prepared for the worst, hoping things would improve. Luckily, they have," he said.

O'Connor is cautiously optimistic because he wasn't

exactly sure what the state funding would be for fall. He explained that the State Revenue Estimating Conference, which met a few weeks ago, forecasted a drastically improved state budget picture in both school aid and general funding. "They still project deficits, just nowhere near what they projected at the end of May," O'Connor said.

He wagered the deficits would be at most somewhere in the range of a \$100 to \$200 cut per student. "There is some optimism it won't be that much. We can't be sure until they make the decision and adopt the budget which should be by October 1. We are still being as conservative as possible," O'Connor said.

He explained the biggest component of the Return to Learn Bill is that 75 percent of a school district's student count will be based on the number of students it had last fall, which for Alcona Community School was 682 students.

"This gives districts some stable footing in case there were departures from students who opted for home school or liked another district model better. All in all, our student count is relatively flat with most of our

families opting for what we were offering. We have had a few come and go both ways," O'Connor said.

He explained the remaining 25 percent of the count will be prorated with 90 percent of that percentage based on next month's October count and the remaining 10 percent based on the February 2021 count.

Despite not knowing exactly what the district would be getting per student from the state, purchases for personal protection equipment (PPE), cleaning products and technology had to be made.

"It's hard to know how much cleaning products and PPE we will need for the year. We may need more technology for students if we have to close for a stretch. We hope that won't happen, but we have to be ready if it does. There are so many unknowns. It's hard to wrap around anything definite," O'Connor said.

The school did receive two emergency PPE grants for \$1,000 each from United Way and the Community Foundation of Northeast Michigan (CFNEM).

Because the school district felt some relief from the gloomier picture painted last

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Tony Atkinson (left) and Kevin Perry lower the American flag to half-mast during the 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony on the courthouse lawn last Friday. Alcona High School student Grace Atkinson played the National Anthem and Alcona County Board of Commission Chairman Craig Johnston was the guest speaker with approximately 35 people in attendance. Photo by Mary Weber.

## Community Paramedicine makes debut in Alcona County

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

Alcona County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) is offering a new program to help residents stay healthy and out of the hospital.

Scott Rice, Alcona County EMS director, explained the Community Paramedicine program, which debuted September 8, is designed to reduce the number of ambulance transports to the hospital by taking a more in-depth look at the patient and their environment.

"With Community Paramedicine, a medic comes into a resident's home and finds resources for them to overcome situations which could put them at risk. They will be asking questions such as does the person need to see a doctor? Do they need transportation to get to the doctor's appointment? Are they taking their medications properly and following the doctor's advice? Do they need help getting to the veteran's office? We can work with their local providers and help arrange services they need,"

Rice said.

He explained Community Paramedicine is social medicine, not medical medicine and emphasized that anyone who needs to go to a hospital will be transported, but program this offers an alternative to those who may not need to be rushed to an emergency room or for those refusing medical transport.

Currently, Alcona County EMS has two licensed and certified community paramedics, Joe Maher and Chris Wilson, who have been in training for the certification for roughly two years through Hennepin Technical College online along with hands-on clinical training.

"They were given about 740 hours of education which was made available through a Michigan Endowment Health Fund grant. We have two more in training right now who should be finishing up early next year," Rice said.

He explained the medics would be conducting in-home assessments to look at the

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Students in Rene Holmes' fifth grade class at Alcona Elementary (from left) Alanna Schnittjer, Josh Abee, Jaxon Morgan, Shailaigh Warren-Skeans, Jacob Smith, Taelyn MacNeill, Caiden Glick, Reid Travis, Cia Cox, Amie Colosky, Alexis Schmidt are adjusting to changes made to ensure safe, onsite education during the first days back to school. Courtesy photo.



# God Bless America





# Obituaries



## Linda M. (Johnston) Fox

Linda M. (Johnston) Fox passed peacefully on Friday, September 4, 2020 at her home in Sanford, Mich.

She was born to Arnold and Letha Johnston on February 12, 1943 in Harrisville. She was the only girl of four children.

She graduated from Alcona High School in 1961 and attended Alpena Community College.

In 1962 she married Robert Fox in Alpena and moved to Mt. Pleasant, Mich. where Robert attended Central Michigan University. While living in Mt. Pleasant, Linda took a job at CMU as an Administrative Assistant to the Director of Financial Aid.

In 1972 she and Robert moved to Sanford where Robert worked for Meridian Public Schools. In 1974 their first child, Todd, was born in Alma. In 1975 a second son, Chad, was born in Alma.

In 1978 Linda took a position at Northwood University as an Administrative Assistant to the Director of Admissions, a position she held until retirement in 2005.

Linda enjoyed sporting events, especially baseball that involved her boys and UofM football and basketball. She also enjoyed camping and spending time with her grandchildren.

Linda was preceded in death by her parents and



her eldest brother, Richard.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Robert; her children, Todd (Lynn) and Chad (Danielle); and nine grandchildren, Ethan, Kennedy, Wyatt, Carter, Emelia, Morgan, Warren, Willa and Scout. Additionally, Linda is survived by her two brothers, Robert (Virginia) Johnston and G. Mike Johnston.

Per Linda's wishes, cremation has taken place and a private services will be held at the graveside. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the charity of your choice in her honor.

Arrangements are under the care of Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln.

Personal messages of condolences can be made through their website at [www.gilliesfuneralhomes.com](http://www.gilliesfuneralhomes.com).

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## James R. Armstrong

James Roger Armstrong, 48, of Harrisville, died on Friday, Sept. 4, 2020 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

He was born February 4, 1972 to Roger and Deborah (Baker) Armstrong in Tawas City; he was a life-long resident of the Alcona area.

He was an avid golfer and bowler, and was well known for helping local people improve their games. He was a World Rated Scrabble champion.

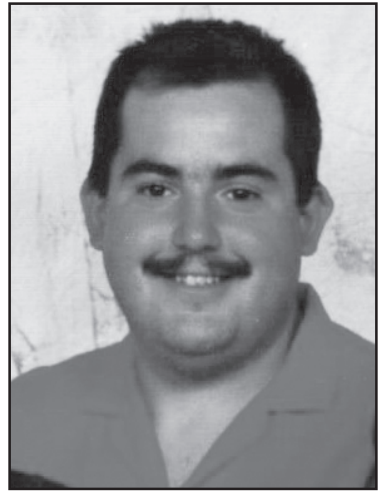
He enjoyed reading, especially comic books, and was an excellent cook.

He always had a smile and a hug, and helped in any way he could, most recently by moving in to care for his mother.

Mr. Armstrong is survived by one daughter, Myra Jean Armstrong; his mother, Deborah Armstrong; one sister, Christine (Grant) Cook; and several aunts and uncles, including his special aunt, Susan Armstrong.

He was preceded in death by his father, Roger, on July 7, 2020.

The funeral was held on Saturday, Sept. 12 at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln.



The Rev. Christina Bright officiated.

## Connie L. Deller

Connie L. Deller, 80, of Harrisville, died on September 12, 2020 at home.

He was born February 20, 1940 to Elmer and Susie (Crevier) Deller in Gustin Township. He was a graduate of Alcona High School.

He was a Union 202 Carpenter for 30 years.

On March 30, 1962 he married Carolyn Becker.

He was an avid deer hunter and enjoyed the outdoors.

Mr. Deller is survived by his wife, Carolyn; three daughters, Linda (Doug) Atchison, Cindy (Bill Duff) Barlow and Kathy (Tony) Bol; three sons, Ted (Mary Ann) Deller, Tony (Tammy) Deller

and Tim Deller; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; four brothers, Clifford (Linda) Deller, Ronnie (Priscilla) Deller, Paul (Anna) Deller and Jim (Diane) Deller; three sisters, Janet (Fred) Thompson, Carol Thompson, and Louella Shellenbarger; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one nephew, Christopher Wandry.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Private memorial services will be held at a later date.



## Ann H. Jenney

Ann H. Jenney, 82, of Harrisville, died on Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2020 at home.

She was born January 22, 1938 to William H. and Valerie K. (Lane) Hitchens in Iron Mountain, Mich. She was raised in Marshall, Mich.

She graduated from Marshall High School and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan.

She taught high school math in Middletown Conn., and Ann Arbor, Mich.

On June 25, 1960 she married Joe Jenney in Marshall, Mich.

Her love of learning sent her back to school at George Mason University in Virginia and Moorpark College in California, where she studied computer programming and accounting. She worked as a bookkeeper in Vienna, Va. and West Lake Village, Calif.

Mrs. Jenney loved the outdoors, camping, skiing, hiking, tennis, morning walks with a friend in her neighborhood and sitting on the beach

with her grandchildren.

She was always active, helping at her sons' PTA, serving in leadership positions on art councils in Johnson City, Tenn. and Fort Wayne, Ind. and filling her homes with art from artists she knew.

She served as treasurer and on the vestry of her church in Fort Wayne, Ind., was a member of the National Women in the Arts, many book and bridge clubs and Friends of the Library.

She was a member of St. Andrew's by-the-Lake Episcopal Church after retiring in Harrisville.

Mrs. Jenney is survived by her husband, Joe; two sons, William (Patti) Jenney of North Carolina and Dr. Christopher (Dawn Dola-Jenney) Jenney of Virginia; and four grandchildren, Rachael (Josh) Hansin, Dr. Andrea Jenney (Tim Creed), Sarah (Sean) Poppert, and Joshua Jenney.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln.

There will be a memorial



service at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 19 at St. Andrew's by-the-Lake Episcopal Church in Harrisville. Due to COVID-19, attendance at the church must be limited to family and those who attend St. Andrews. All are welcome at the interment at Mt. Joy Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

## Publicize an Upcoming Event in the Review & Online

The Review's Calendar of Events is a *free service* and is published in chronological order as space allows. This forum is for events and programs open to the general public.

- Calendar items are short, concise announcements of an event happening in or around Alcona County. **Please submit entries at least 2 weeks before the event.**
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# Calendar of Events

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

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.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

There will be a Pop-Up Pantry at Alcona Elementary School starting at 4 p.m. until food is gone. This is a drive through only event. Alcona County residents who complete the 2020 Census will have a chance to win a kid's bike and other free items at this event. (One entry per household for bike giveaway and on-site Census registration is required.) The school is located at 181 N. Barlow Road in Lincoln.

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, SEPTEMBER 19

The Craftmakers' Cabin will host a craft-trunk sale from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Crafters will be selling items from the trunks of their cars. Rain date is September 20. The Craftmakers' Cabin is located on the southwest corner of US-23 and M-72 in Harrisville. For more information, contact Joe at (586) 549-4336.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

White Pines Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville. Join them for fellowship, inspiration and quilt-

ing ideas. For more information, call Judy at (989) 335-4283.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Sunrise Community Food Pantry will be open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church, 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Clients are asked to come only one time per month and must be present to receive food. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county of residence. Identification is required. Bring a box or bag. For more information, call (989) 727-3606.

The Alcona County Library Board will meet in person, via Zoom and Facebook Live at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. The link is posed on the library's website and Facebook page. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

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.

The free virtual program "Art, Forensics & Missing Persons" will be presented at 6 p.m. by Michigan State Police Lt. Sarah Krebs. She will explain how evidence-based drawings and 3-D reconstructions aid in the investigation of unidentified remains, missing persons and other cases. Link to <http://global.gotomeeting.com/join/770577205> or dial in using a phone 408-650-3123. Access code: 770-577-205. This event is sponsored by Sunrise Side Lifelong Learning and Iosco Arenac District Library.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

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.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

The free virtual program "Yoooper Talk" will be presented at 6:30 p.m. Kathryn Remlinger, professor of applied linguistics at Grand Valley State University will describe how ideas about what it means to sound like a Yoooper have emerged over time. Link to <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/275006709> or dial in using a phone 224-501-3412. Access code: 275-006-709. This event is sponsored by Sunrise Side Lifelong Learning and Iosco Arenac District Library.

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

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## American Life in Poetry

**By Ted Kooser**

*Poet Laureate 2004-2006*

We're entering a new kind of autumn. This one arrives after months and months when everything was new and strange, and offered very little but bad news for the future. All spring and summer parents wondered, can a country have autumn without buses full of students laughing together? Although the fortunes of people can't be predicted, nature can be. Or some of it can.

Here's a poem by **Barbara Crooker of Pennsylvania** to introduce September. It was first published in a recent issue of "Spillway."

### And Now It's September

And the garden diminishes: cucumber leaves ruffled and rusty, zucchini felled by borers, tomatoes sparse on the vines. But out in the perennial beds, there's one last blast of color: ignitions of goldenrod, flamboyant asters, spiraling mums, all those flashy spikes waving in the wind, conducting summer's final notes. The ornamental grasses have gone to seed, haloed in the last light. Nights grow chilly, but the days are still warm; I wear the sun like a shawl on my neck and arms. Hundreds of blackbirds ribbon in, settle in the trees, so many black leaves, then, just as suddenly, they're gone. This is autumn's great Departure Gate, and everyone, boarding passes in hand, waits patiently in a long, long line.

American Life in Poetry is made possible by The Poetry Foundation ([www.poetryfoundation.org](http://www.poetryfoundation.org)), publisher of Poetry magazine. It is also supported by the Department of English at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

## Thank you to all Alcona Football 2020 Golf Fund Raiser and Season Sponsors!! We are so proud of this community and all the support during this tough year.

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# Local Notes



## Away at School

Jordan A. Joyce of Harrisville was named to the Grand Valley State University dean's list for the Spring-Summer 2020 semester concluding in August. Students who achieve this status have maintained a 3.5 grade point average while enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours.

## New Grant Awards

The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) recently awarded a new round of Community Impact grants and Northeast Michigan Women's Giving Circle (WGC) grants covering a four-county area that includes Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties.

The following Alcona County entities received a portion of the \$71,885 awarded in new Community Impact grants are:

- Alcona Community Schools was awarded \$3,500 toward the elementary backpack project.
  - Alcona Community Schools was awarded \$3,500 toward the Middle/High School pantry.
  - Alcona County Commission on Aging was awarded \$1,500 toward the Engaging People in Creativity (E.P.I.C.) project.
  - Alcona County Commission on Aging was awarded \$3,000 toward its Transportation Alcona Initiative.
  - Northeast Michigan Community Partnership CANPAC was awarded \$2,000 toward the Alcona Safe Kids project.
- The Community Foundation also approved \$28,030 through the 13<sup>th</sup> annual

round of Northeast Michigan Women's Giving Circle (WGC) grants for issues important to the women of northeast Michigan from the WGC Endowment Fund.

Alcona County entities that were recipients of the grants include:

- Alcona County Commission on Aging was awarded \$2,500 for the Transportation Alcona Initiative.
- Hubbard Lake Baptist/Bible Church Sunrise Community Food Pantry was awarded \$2,500 toward the Feeding the Hungry project.
- Northeast Michigan Community Partnership/Partners in Prevention was awarded \$1,000 toward the Alcona Safe Kids program.
- Northeast Michigan Community Partnership/Partners in Prevention was awarded \$1,020 toward the Transitioning to Online Services project.

## Field Day Waived to 2021

Eligible hunter education students will be allowed to purchase a Michigan hunting license through June 1, 2021 – prior to completing the required field day. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Law Enforcement Division administers the state's hunter education program and is providing a temporary solution due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Field days – in which students must successfully demonstrate hunter safety skills to a certified instructor – are the required final step in earning a DNR hunter education safety certificate for online and take-home study students. A safety certificate is required to purchase a Michi-

gan hunting license.

"The department recognizes that COVID-19 is preventing some students from attending the required field day," said Chief Gary Hagler, DNR Law Enforcement Division. "We hope this extension will allow new hunters the time they need to attend a field day while still being able to safely enjoy the upcoming seasons."

To be eligible for a temporary hunter education safety certificate, online students must meet one of the following criteria:

- Started the program on or after Sept. 10, 2019 and complete it by June 1, 2021.
- Already completed the online program but have yet to complete a field day.
- Eligible students will be able to print their temporary certificates from their online Kalkomey student portal. Kalkomey Enterprises, LLC is the DNR's online recreation education provider.
- Students need to present their temporary certificates when purchasing licenses.
- Anyone who receives a temporary hunter education safety certificate will be required to complete a field day by June 1, 2021, or within 12 months of completing the course – whichever date comes later – to receive their permanent hunter education safety certificate.
- Learn more about earning an online hunter safety certificate at Michigan.gov/HunterEducation. The DNR offers several recreational safety certificates online, including boater education and ORV and snowmobile safety. Get more information about these certifications and other safety resources at Michigan.gov/RecreationalSafety.

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## Chapter One


It was a dark and stormy night; the rain fell in torrents, except at occasional intervals when it was checked by

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## Alcona County Sheriff's Report

### For the Week of September 7-13, 2020

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| Complaint Statistics    |    |                             |    |
|-------------------------|----|-----------------------------|----|
| Car/Deer Accidents      | 9  | Traffic/Traffic Stop        | 43 |
| Medical Assist          | 13 | Mental                      | 2  |
| Warrant Arrest          | 2  | Animal/Dog                  | 6  |
| Patrol Check            | 2  | Miscellaneous               | 3  |
| Suspicious Event/Noise  | 1  | Well Being Check            | 2  |
| Gun Shots               | 6  | Juvenile                    | 1  |
| Criminal Sexual Conduct | 2  | Civil                       | 3  |
| Littering               | 1  | Suicidal Subject            | 1  |
| Threats/Stalking        | 3  | Found Property              | 3  |
| Domestic                | 2  | Fire                        | 2  |
|                         |    | Unlawfully Drive Away Auto. | 1  |

| Complaints taken by City, Township or Village |    |                    |    |
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| Alcona  | 7  | Caledonia          | 3  |
| Greenbush                                     | 10 | Gustin             | 7  |
| Hawes   | 6  | Haynes             | 9  |
| Millen  | 9  | Mitchell           | 5  |
| Harrisville City                              | 8  | Village of Lincoln | 5  |
|   |    | Curtis             | 19 |
|   |    | Harrisville        | 15 |
|   |    | Mikado             | 6  |

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# SENIOR LIFESTYLES

## Should I buy long-term care insurance?

Dear Savvy Senior,  
My wife and I have thought about purchasing a long-term care insurance policy, but we hate the idea of paying expensive monthly premiums for a policy we may never use. Is there a good rule of thumb on who should or shouldn't buy long-term care insurance?

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Dear Getting,

There are two key factors you need to consider that can help you determine if purchasing a long-term care (LTC) insurance policy is a smart decision for you and your wife. One factor is your financial situation and second is your health history. Currently, around 8 million Americans own a policy.

### Who Needs LTC Insurance?

As the cost of LTC – which includes nursing home, assisted living and in-home care – continues to rise, it's important to know that most people

pay for LTC either from personal savings or Medicaid when their savings is depleted, or through an LTC insurance policy. National median average costs for nursing home care today is around \$92,000 per year, while assisted living averages around \$50,000/year.

While national statistics show that about 70 percent of Americans 65 and older will need some kind of LTC, the fact is, many people don't need to purchase an LTC insurance policy.

The reasons stem from a range of factors, including the fact that relatively few people have enough wealth to protect to make purchasing a policy worthwhile. Seniors with limited financial resources who need LTC turn to Medicaid to pick up the tab after they run out of money.

Another important factor is that most seniors who need LTC only need it for a short period of time, for example, when they're recovering from surgery. For those people,

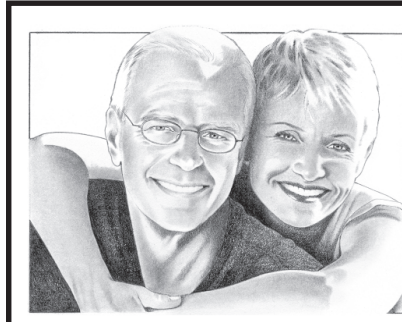
Medicare covers in-home health care and nursing home stays of 100 days or less following a hospital stay of more than three consecutive days.

### So, who should consider buying a policy?

LTC insurance policies make the most sense for people who can afford the monthly premiums, and who have assets of at least \$150,000 to \$200,000 or more that they want to protect, not counting their home and vehicles.

Another factor to weigh is your personal health and family health history. The two most common reasons seniors need extended long-term care is because of dementia and/or disability. And, almost half of all people who live in nursing homes are 85 years or older. So, what's your family history for Alzheimer's, stroke or some other disabling health condition, and do you have a family history of longevity?

You also need to factor in



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gender too. Because women tend to live longer than men, they are at greater risk of needing extended LTC.

### Choosing LTC Insurance

After evaluating your situation, if you're leaning towards buying an LTC policy, be sure to do your homework. The cost of premiums can vary greatly ranging anywhere between \$2,500 and \$8,000 per year for a couple depending on your age, the insurer, and the policy's provisions.

Also note that because of coronavirus, it may be more difficult to qualify for coverage now if you're age 70 or

older, in a high-risk group or have had a positive COVID-19 test.

To find a policy, get a LTC insurance specialist who works with a variety of companies. See the American Association of Long-Term Care Insurance website (AALTCI.org) to locate one. Also shop insurers like Northwestern Mutual and New York Life, who work only with their own agents.

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# Reset: Football season is on again

**By Ben Murphy**  
*Sports Writer*

The Alcona varsity football team has received a green light on this season and the Tigers are eager to compete.

The Tigers finished the 2019 campaign on a strong note, winning three games in the final five weeks of the season and a 4-5 record, they are hoping to pick up where they left off as the Michigan High School Athletic Association is set to reboot its football season this week.

"I have been pleased with their effort to this point," said head coach Jason Somers. "The number one thing is to have these players prepared both physically and mentally. They have had some real curve balls thrown at them this season.

"Covid has proved to be a real challenge," he added. "During the pause we lost some participation, having to wear the mask during activities has proved to be a challenge, and the students not being in the school building is new. Those are things most, or all teams are facing, so we will adapt and move forward."

Returning from last year's team will be seniors, Zach Stephenson (quarterback, running back, linebacker); Jacob Sytek (running back, tight end, linebacker); Bill Jones (offensive line, linebacker); Jakob Tanner (offensive line, defensive line); Chris Barnes (tight end, defensive back); juniors, Hunter Rigby (offensive line, line-

backer); Michael Basner (running back, linebacker); Kaden Goldberg (running back, tight end, defensive back); Quinten Goldberg (running back, defensive back); Noah Mercier (offensive line, defensive line); Gavin Walker (quarterback, running back, defensive back); and Logan Zuchowski (offensive line, defensive line).

"I will look to the seniors to lead the way," Somers said. "With that being said, all returning players will need to step up during the season to help make this team successful."

New to the team are juniors, TJ McKay (offensive line, linebacker); sophomores, Logan Urban (running back, defensive back); and new to the program will be freshmen, Nathan Basner (offensive line, defensive line); Nathan Henderson (offensive line, defensive line); Dylan Karas (running back, linebacker); Zean Monnier (running back, defensive line); Nathan Nardi (running back, quarterback, defensive back); Jacob

Renchenski (running back, quarterback, defensive back); Devin Shepard (offensive line, defensive line); Collin Walker (running back, linebacker); and Jaden Weichel (offensive line, defensive line).

"This team will be willing to work to their limit day in and day out. I have always thought of this group as scrappy; they like to compete," Somers said. "We want to compete at a high level every week, with the league shakeup (Whittemore-Prescott leaving for eight-man), new schedule and short season some of the traditional goals go out the window."

Alcona opens the season on Friday, Sept. 18 at Rogers City, a team it lost to 18-14 last year.

"We play Rogers City for the first game, which is the first of two that we will play with them this year," Somers said. "We have a long relationship with them, so we will take a look at some film from the past and come up with a game plan."

## Alcona kickers drop NSL opener at Oscoda

**By Ben Murphy**  
*Sports Writer*

When Alcona and Oscoda athletes step on the soccer field, the winner usually goes a long way in determining the North Star League championship.

While the Tigers got the better of the Owls last year, Oscoda returned the favor in the first meeting this season, as it topped the visiting Tigers 5-0 Wednesday night.

Oscoda got off to a fast start, finding the back of the net three times in the opening 11 minutes.

Oscoda added another tally early in the second half to

make it 4-0 and the Owls closed out the scoring with about 25 minutes left to play in the contest.

The Tigers managed just three shots on goal, while conversely Alcona goalkeeper Tim Jamieson was quite busy, making 21 saves.

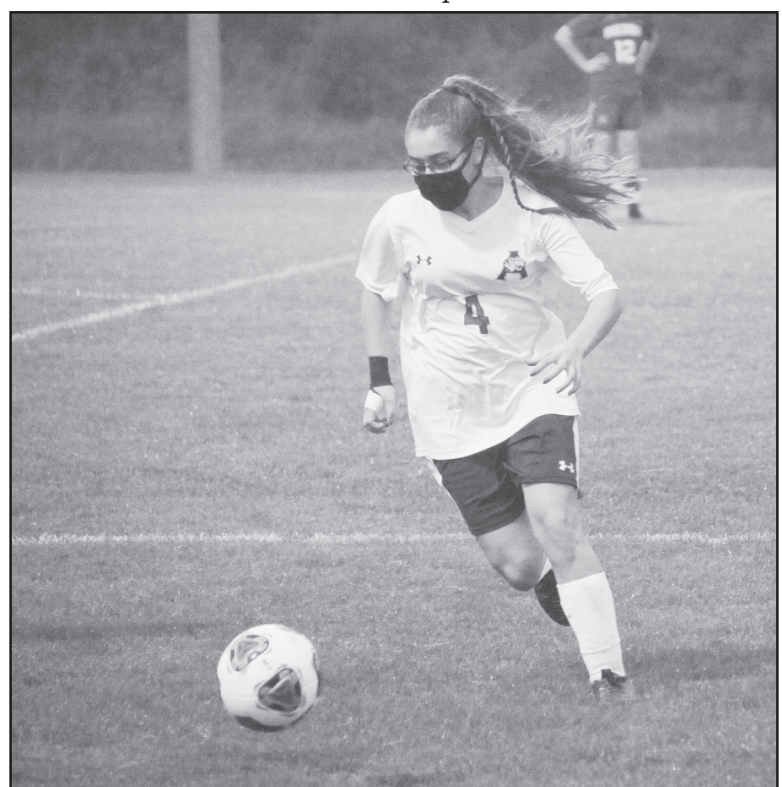
"Despite being an inexperienced squad, they continue to grow daily," said head coach Brendan Nelson.

Alcona (0-4 overall) was at Pinconning on Tuesday and will travel to Sault Ste Marie on Friday, Sept. 18. The Tigers will play in the Oscoda Invitational on Saturday and hosts Fairview on Monday, Sept. 21.

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Alcona's Grace Atkinson tracks down the ball during last week's loss at Oscoda. Photo by Ben Murphy.

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Alcona Cross Country competes at Standish last week. Two varsity athletes took home medals, Sara Decker and Cole Upper. *Courtesy photo.*

## Alcona runners battle at Standish

By Ben Murphy  
Sports Writer

The Alcona cross country team made the trek to Standish, Mich. to compete in the Panther Classic Invitational on Wednesday, Sept. 9. The Tigers didn't have enough to compile team scores, but still had solid days.

"All athletes did well, considering the tough weather conditions and course," said head coach Tammy Nelson.

The girls had two runners, highlighted by junior Sara Decker winning a medal in eighth place in a time of 26:12. Senior Janae Kierzek also ran for the girls, crossing the line in 31<sup>st</sup> in a time of 36:24.

The lone runner on the boys team was Ziggy Villalobos. He finished 26<sup>th</sup> in a time of 33:51.

## Get on fall fishing

Summer may be drawing to a close, but great fishing is far from over. Many anglers agree that fall is a wonderful time to cast a line as fish prepare for the colder months by ramping up their feeding efforts. Most target – and see much success pursuing – salmon, walleye, perch, panfish and bass.

Find more tips on targeting various species at [Michigan.gov/Fishing](http://Michigan.gov/Fishing).

### Northeast Lower Peninsula September 9

• Cheboygan: Catch rates were hit or miss depending on the wind. Those trolling caught Chinook and pink salmon on spoons, meat rigs, J-plugs and flies. Fish were both suspended and on the bottom.

• Cheboygan River: Salmon are moving into the river, and there was a push of fish after the rain. There was no harvest during the south wind as the river was full of weeds. Bass and a couple walleye were caught at the dam on worms and crankbaits.

• Burt and Mullett Lake: Perch fishing is starting to pick up.

• Rogers City: The unstable weather pattern, especially the wind, has taken a toll on fishing, including the adult Chinook fishery at Swan Bay. Anglers were marking lots of fish, including baitfish; however, the bite was shut down. There was a small window of activity either before sunrise or well after dark. Most were using spoons, meat rigs, bombers or J-plugs throughout the water column in 70 feet. Look for structure and baitfish.

• Presque Isle: Anglers continue to catch salmon and trout, including the occasional Atlantic, coho and walleye in 40 to 130 feet with spoons, meat rigs, J-plugs and body baits. Hot colors were green, orange, blue and silver, black and white, or

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glow early and late.

• Alpena: A few lake trout, steelhead and walleye were caught by those trolling spoons or spin-glos in 70 to 140 feet. Smallmouth bass were caught in front of the harbor when casting jigs and crankbaits.

• Thunder Bay River: The numbers were still low, but a couple Chinook salmon and steelhead were caught when casting spoons and crankbaits. Those using crawlers caught smallmouth bass, channel cats and rock bass.

• Oscoda: The lake is cooling down, and the fish have been scattered. Lake trout, steelhead, walleye and the odd Chinook were caught in 80 to 160 feet. Pier anglers caught bass and channel cats on crawlers.

• AuSable River: Had slow fishing. A few smallmouth bass, rock bass, channel cats and undersized walleye were caught on crawlers.

• Higgins Lake: The lake has been rough, and few anglers have been out. Those targeting lake trout reported few catches as the fish were scattered. Anglers are still getting smallmouth bass, a few perch and some rock bass.

• Houghton Lake: Walleye fishing was slow, but catch rates were starting to pick up a bit with the cooler temperatures. Largemouth bass were found off the middle grounds.

• Tawas: Good numbers of walleye were caught out near buoys 4 and 6 when trolling a crawler harness in 15 to 20 feet. Those trolling out past the point caught several steelhead, some walleye and the

occasional Chinook salmon with spoons in 50 to 70 feet. Rock bass, catfish, bowfin and small perch were caught off the pier when using minnows and crawlers.

• Tawas River: Those using crawlers, spinners and body baits caught both large and smallmouth bass and some rock bass at Gateway Park.

• Au Gres: Walleye fishing was slow; however, some fair catches of yellow perch were taken down by the Rifle Bar with minnows in 15 to 20 feet. A few limit catches were taken near the entrance of Eagle Bay and near the Saganing and Pinconning bars in 7 to 15 feet when using minnows.

• Au Gres River: Catfish and bluegills were caught on crawlers.

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# Fishing the wrong side of the boat?

**By Gregg Schefferly**  
Outdoor Writer

Over the last several weeks in August, I spent a lot of time fishing on Hubbard Lake. More often than not I was fishing alone because usually I decided to go at the last minute or took a week day off and it's not often easy to find someone on a week day or at the last minute.

When trolling alone I often run my three rods off one side of the boat. This makes it easier to turn quickly if I located a pod of feeding walleye.

On occasion, I split the rods fishing both sides of the boat, but mostly I'd stack them off one side using my inline planer boards. Running off-shore planer boards and pin clip releases on the back side of the boards allows me to use the line twist method. The line twist method allows anglers to release the line from the front of the board with a simple snap of the rod. This allows the board to fall back, sliding back behind the boat. Once behind the boat I can reel the fish in without bringing it across inner boards, snagging other lines, and getting tangled up. (If interested, Google the line twist method for a how-to video.)

However, while fishing with a partner I made an interesting discovery. The benefit of fishing with a partner and being able to troll with six rods obviously improves the odds of catching more fish. What I didn't realize was how many times one side of the boat would produce fish while the other side would not.

I was amazed to discover the number of times one side of the boat would produce three or four walleye while the other side wouldn't catch a fish. This often occurred during a long troll in one direction. After changing directions, suddenly the fish started biting on the other side, while the hot side would go cold.

During the last month, this has occurred numerous times. Why does this occur? I believe it has to do with wind, waves, currents, and the way the boat is traveling in relation to them. This causes the lures to run differently from one side of the boat to the other. As I considered this I come to the question, when fishing alone, how many times have I been fishing the wrong side of the boat?

I thought about the times I've fished alone and on those days I was hard pressed to catch fish. Had I been running my rods on the opposite side of the boat is it possible the outcome would've been different?

Ultimately, on those outings with a partner, by the end of the fishing trip, the



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*By Gregg Schefferly*

number of fish caught on either side of the boat would even out. This was due to turning and/or changing direction.

So while I wouldn't cancel a fishing trip if I can't find a partner, it certainly makes sense to take a partner whenever possible. In the future I believe I'll be more apt to split my rods when fishing alone - at least to determine which side of the boat is producing fish.

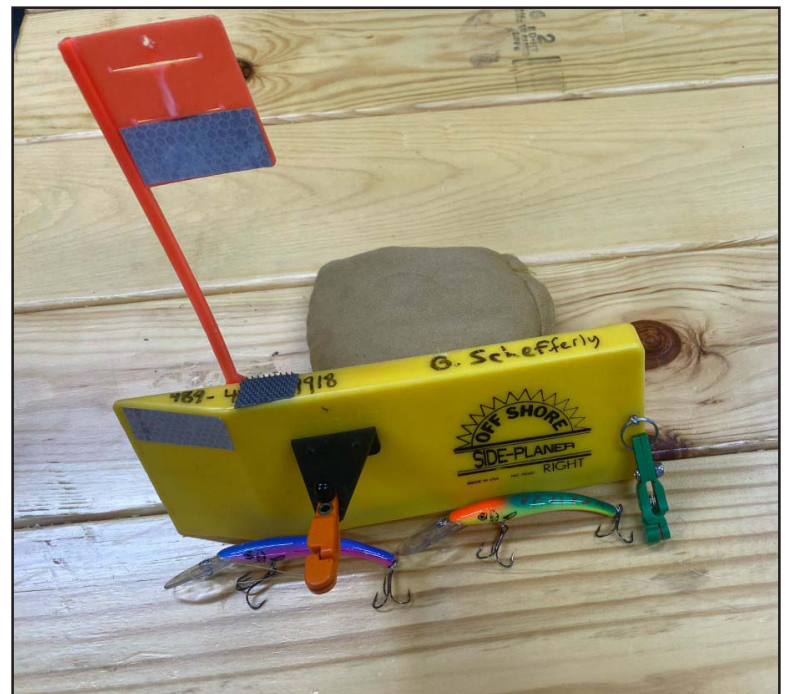
This brings up another question -- when fishing alone, catching fish on one side of the boat, does it stand to reason to move your rods to the other side when changing the direction?

Walleye can be hard to nail

walleye turn on and off like a light switch. Walleye are known to bite better at dawn and dusk, sometimes they'll suddenly start feeding mid-day. It's crazy how a school will start feeding and then after a short time simply stop.

The problem with this is it's hard to determine what they want simply by trolling lures through the school. If they aren't feeding they'll seldom hit anything, so how can an angler figure what they want if there's only a small window of opportunity?

It's complicated because there are so many different lures and so many different colors to choose from. Even worse, different weather conditions can cause them to bite



When using a planer board, Gregg Schefferly recommends using the line twist method with pin clip releases (green one) because the back of board has a steel pin. Fishing line is placed behind pin. This is to prevent losing the board when releasing the orange clip on front of board to bring board in. When the board falls back it doesn't cut into the water and comes in behind boat and other lines can be safely brought in. *Photo by Gregg Schefferly.*

down. With six rods an angler can cover different depths, use different lures and different colors to help dial everything in to get in the zone. Fishing both sides of the boat will also help figure what's the best speed to trigger the walleye to bite. Paying attention to detail is important. Walleye will help an angler figure the speed they like the best as a result of turning. Whether it's zig-zagging or changing direction, when turning, the lures on the inside of the turn will slow down while those on the outside of the turn speed up. Which rods a walleye hits will help an angler figure out what speed they should be running.

It all sounds pretty easy, but there's one big problem - walleye seldom cooperate. What makes walleye fishing so tough is unlike some species of fish who feed when an opportunity presents itself;

certain lures as long as it's the right color. Cloudy days, sunny days -- each can affect what causes them to inhale the lure trolling by them. And, anglers have to figure this out in the small window of time when walleye are on the feed. This is why it's called fishing and not catching.

While this article raises more questions than answers, it's the challenge that keeps us going back. If it was easy and there was no challenge, there wouldn't be nearly as many anglers pursuing them. As the seasons change, never miss an opportunity to be on the water fishing. Good luck.

*(After spending several years in Afghanistan, Alaska, North Dakota, and Wisconsin, Gregg Schefferly has recently returned to writing and Lincoln where he grew up hunting, fishing, and trapping. Feel free to contact him or send him pictures at northwriter@hotmail.com.)*

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# Treasures in the sand: Protecting one of Michigan rarest plants

On the remote shore of Negwegon State Park, where Lake Huron's rugged coast gives way to long, narrow sand dunes, one of Michigan's rarest plants is hanging on.

For most of its life, the Pitcher's thistle is a wispy tangle of short, silver-green stems branching like antlers into slender leaves. Below ground, the plant will spend the better part of a decade sending a taproot six feet down, searching out nutrients as it stabilizes itself in shifting sands.

In its final summer, it puts on a show of pale pink blossoms, pollinates, makes seeds and dies. This life cycle, evolved over millennia and specialized to a handful of places around lakes Huron and Michigan, is not compatible with the relatively recent arrival of invasive species, shoreline development and climate change.

"This plant is endemic to the northern Great Lakes," said Samantha Nellis. "It's an important aspect of these dune systems as food for pollinators and for its resiliency to storms. But it doesn't exist anywhere else in the world and there is nowhere else for it to go."

The Lake Huron shoreline, the longest of all the Great Lakes, supports unique and imperiled ecosystems with rare plant and animal species that exist nowhere else on earth. The forested woodlands, dune and swale formations, karst geology and thousands of remote islands that all make up the Lake Huron Basin create the perfect backdrop for biodiversity. It's these very habitats, however, that are threatened by invasive species and human development.

Two particular invasive plants that have grave consequences for the Pitcher's thistle and its habitat are phragmites and spotted knapweed. Phragmites, an aggressive grass that grows more than 10 feet tall in dense patches along the coast, absorbs wave action offshore and disrupts the formation of dune habitats. On shore, spotted knapweed chokes out native plants and emits a toxin into the soil that stunts the growth of nearby plants including Pitcher's thistle.

Humans also pose a significant threat through increased shoreline development, beach grooming and recreational use which drastically minimize and disturb coastal dune and swale habitat.

Pitcher's thistle is protected at the state and national level, and was officially listed as a federally threatened species in 1994 after decades of habitat destruction led to its decline. In recent years, Huron Pines has been increasingly focused on restoring, enhancing and protecting the Pitcher's thistle's critical coastal habitat through monitoring, research, invasive species removal and land protection efforts.

Since 2014, Huron Pines has worked with conserva-



The Pitcher's thistle, which is found at Negwegon State Park, is one of the rarest plants in the state. *Photo courtesy of Huron Pines.*

tion agencies, educators and community partners to give the fourth-grade students of AuGres-Sims schools a chance to support the future of the Pitcher's thistle by conducting valuable field research on this rare plant.

Each year, AuGres-Sims students get special permission from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to visit Big Charity Island, part of Michigan Islands National Wildlife Refuge. Because of its protected status, the shoreline dunes provide relatively undisturbed habitat for Pitcher's thistle. The biggest threat to the thistle's growth is the phragmites that surround the island and can be found in abundance within Saginaw Bay.

Thanks to funding and technical support provided by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Coastal Program, Huron Pines visits the island annually to treat the invasive phragmites. AuGres Sims students are tasked with recording data to track both the Pitcher's thistle and the phragmites from year to year to see if the treatment is having the intended impact of supporting the Pitcher's thistle growth.

Additionally, Huron Pines is working with Friends of Negwegon State Park to inventory Pitcher's thistle and coordinate the removal of spotted knapweed in areas where the thistle has been found or could reestablish. The thistle monitoring and invasive species removal are funded in part through the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Sustain Our Great Lakes program and the Department of Natural Resources, Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program.

Sue Keller is cofounder of the Friends group and tagged along with the Huron Pines stewardship team on a trip to Negwegon in July to search out the Pitcher's thistle.

"I had seen some before in 2013 when we were looking for the larva of Hine's emerald dragonfly (another rare species)," Keller said. "We knew the habitat was right but we never had a concerted effort looking at the dunes and treating the knapweed.

Seeing them again was wonderful."

As development pressure along the northern Lake Huron coast accelerates, it is more important than ever to prioritize land protection efforts that support natural coastline. To that end, Huron Pines is working with The Nature Conservancy and Friends of Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary to protect four miles of Lake Huron shoreline located in Alpena's Thunder Bay. The parcel includes several rare plant and animal species including the Pitcher's thistle.

"The Pitcher's thistle is a fascinating example of the threatened species located on the shores of Lake Huron that need special protection. It takes five to eight years before it flowers and it sets seed only once in its lifetime," explained Katie Wolf, Community Outreach and Education Liaison with the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Friends of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

## Super Crossword

### Answers

|           |          |              |         |
|-----------|----------|--------------|---------|
| BACARDI   | POTOMAC  | DEBRA        |         |
| IRANIAN   | ARAPAHO  | AVRIL        |         |
| BARTENDER | SYSTEM   | YIELD        |         |
| MILKER    | TAIL     | SNAKE        |         |
| ORE       | FRIEND   | EDCHICKEN    |         |
| TALESE    | GORE     | UNE          |         |
| THAT      | SMYF     | INALOFFENDER |         |
| ATSEA     | TINLAY   | LAM          |         |
| TAGS      | AROMA    | EK           | ALEVE   |
| ACE       | CURRIER  | AND          | DIVES   |
| PROBER    | LITLMO   | IDEALS       |         |
| PORTEND   | WINE     | STAINS       | TEE     |
| ANGUS     | EEE      | NOELS        | BEDS    |
| NYE       | DRESS    | OUTIE        |         |
| MISS      | ENDTHE   | BIT          | PICTURE |
| HUE       | ELAN     | MEANIE       |         |
| DEFENDER  | PAYMENT  | LOL          |         |
| EXALT     | WEE      | ORACLE       |         |
| VILLA     | ELEPHANT | TENDERS      |         |
| OLSEN     | RIVIERA  | SKIAREA      |         |
| NEEDS     | STEEPEN  | SHINED       |         |

## CryptoQuip answer

I've definitely been going bald lately. To be honest, I find that very dis-tressing.



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## Paramedicine Continued from page 1

entire house for situations that could become dangerous. "Are there area rugs that could cause slip and fall accidents? Is there proper lighting inside and out? Is there a need for handrails or grab bars in the bathroom? Does the home have too much clutter

which could make it difficult to ambulate through? Is a wheelchair ramp needed? Does the patient need oxygen? They will make a full assessment and offer ways to resolve issues that could compromise the person's health," Rice said.



Chris Wilson (left) and Joe Maher, Alcona EMS' Community Paramedics, are ready to begin the new program and help residents. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

Rice said Community Paramedicine is especially necessary for patients who are released from the hospital with congestive heart failure. "Often they end up back in the hospital within 30 days with the same underlying medical issue. When that happens, the hospital takes a big financial hit. They don't get the full reimbursement from the insurance companies because insurance feels the hospital managed their patient improperly. It is far less expensive to send a community paramedic to the patient's home to make sure they are following their medications, diet, doctor visits, exercises, home/physical or occupational therapy.

"The patient's weight will also be taken to see if they are retaining fluids. We want to reduce the number of trips back to the emergency room and readmissions to the hos-

pital. It's to the hospital's benefit to pay us a smaller fee to check on these patients and make sure they are following their discharge orders," Rice said.

For this program Alcona EMS is working with Dr. John Dery, an emergency room physician with Mid-Michigan Hospital as the medical director. According to Rice, a contract is being negotiated with the hospital to cover costs of the Community Paramedicine program.

He explained Alcona EMS is also applying for grants to get equipment and funding the program and some funding may be coming from insurance companies. "In all likelihood, the patient would not get a bill for services," Rice said.

He explained how a community paramedic could do a follow-up call on someone who refuses hospital transport.

"Maybe we were called for a diabetic emergency. Upon arrival, we started an intravenous drip and gave them medication to bring up their blood sugar level. They feel better and legally refuse to go to the hospital. We would, with their permission, send a community paramedic back to their home to check on them 24 hours later and access whether they have talked to their doctor, had medication changed, or if lab work was needed. We don't want to see that patient have the same medical emergency day in and day out. We want them to get proper treatment and stay healthy," Rice said.

Currently, both Maher and Wilson are completing an instructor coordinator class so they can start teaching Community Paramedicine to others in the state.

"Up here in northern Michigan, EMS and medical services are pretty thin in comparison to other parts of the state. We want to be able to train and educate more people for that level of service licensure," Rice said.

Rice first became interested in the program two and a half years ago through Kristine Kuhl who is the Community Paramedicine Coordinator for Michigan. "I explained to her our demographics in Alcona County and EMS call volume. That we are one county with one EMS provider and one county health provider (Alcona Health Care) with no hospital in our county. We are the fourth oldest county by age population in the United States and we have 11,000 year-round residents.

"After hearing all that she said we were the perfect-storm candidate to have this program in our community," Rice said.

Rice said the bottom line is keeping people healthy, but there would be a cost-benefit to the county as well with less wear and tear on ambulances and equipment. "It takes about two to two and a half hours from the time of call to the time when the ambulance is back in the county and available for the next call. In the winter that time increases because of poor road conditions," Rice said.

Rice said the program will start slowly and EMS is working with Alcona Health Center and waiting for referrals.

While Alcona EMS won't be installing ramps and grab bars for people, they will have resources ready for people to call for installation assistance.

"We want to find solutions to some of the problems facing our seniors and residents of this county. The solution isn't always to just take people to the hospital. All that does is move the problem. We want to make sure changes are made in their lifestyle and environment to keep them home and healthy," Rice said.

To contact the Alcona EMS Community Paramedicine program, call (989) 335-0136 or call the EMS office at (989) 736-3955 and leave a message.

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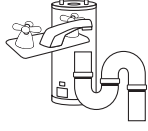
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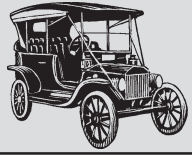
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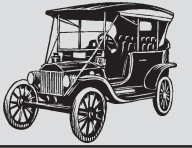
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# Buggy Rides



## Lad of twelve wanted for Greenbush Theft

### Attempts to Cash Check Stolen from Railway Station

**September 16, 1920** ~ Detective John Pinkerton of the D. & M. was here Monday to secure papers for the arrest of Stanley Sinkowski, whom he charges with the robbery of the Greenbush Station on Aug. 27, when about \$200 cash and checks were taken during the afternoon.

Sinkowski is but 12 years old and the case will be handled in the probate court. He was at the Greenbush depot on the day of the robbery and bought a ticket for Detroit that evening.

The lad attempted to cash one of the stolen checks a few days ago at a bank in Hamtramck and when questioned by the cashier he ran away leaving the check behind. Detective Pinkerton was notified and a warrant is now out for the boy, who is still at large.

The Sinkowski boy lived with his stepfather, Frank Klenozak, who recently bought the Mike Stocki farm in Haynes. The family came here from Hamtramck.

A few days after the theft, Herman Gohring a young man of the Y. camp at Van Ettan Lake, was brought to Harrisville and quizzed by the officials in connection with crime, but was released.

These later developments seem to give the Y. boy a clean bill of health.

## Daylight hold up at Whittemore bank

**September 16, 1920** ~ A report is current that three men driving a new Nash touring car held up the cashier of the Whittemore bank at noon Saturday and got away with \$700. At Omer the trio turned back by a chained bridge as they were speeding towards Bay City and upon pursuit they abandoned the car and ran into a swamp.

It is said that one of the bandits has been captured and that the other two are surrounded and bound to be taken. The man captured gave his home as Flint.

On Friday night several stores were burglarized at Oscoda and the opinion prevails that the men who did the Whittemore job are the same that operated at Oscoda. It is also thought that the same bunch robbed the McNichol bank at Glennie a short time ago, when \$1,900 was taken.

## Aeroplanes are assured for two days of county fair

### Good Horses Are Coming and Ball Games Galore

**September 16, 1920** ~ Elsewhere in this paper may be found the complete list of premiums to be offered at the Alcona County Fair, the dates for which are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 28, 29 and 30. Farmers and others are urged to go through the list carefully and then compete for the prizes not merely to see how many dollars they can win, but that a proper showing of the county's products may be made.

The program of sports is rounding out in fine shape and the outlook is that the biggest events ever seen in this section will be staged during the Fair.

Lieutenant Ed. Young and Ed. Wissmiller, fearless American aces, are the fliers

who will produce the thrills at the last two days of the County Fair, September 29 and 30.

Ed. Wissmiller, who does not know the word safety, will do the sensational Wing climbing stunts—including hanging by his toes, hands, knees, from the axle of the plane while it is speeding at ninety miles per hour.

Lt. Ed. Young, one of America's Aces during the World War, will thrill the crowd as it has never been thrilled before, doing loop-the-loop, wingovers, rolls and all the intricate maneuvers used by the American fliers when in combat and will finish with a tailspin from thousands of feet in the sky.

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The Arenac County Independent says of them: "Ed. Young and Ed. Wissmiller, the two aviators, more than made good their contract to furnish plenty of thrills for the fair. Looping the loop, the tail spin, the nose dive, climbing on the wings and also hanging on the axle while the plane was several hundred feet in the air was included each day in the flying program. They gave a wonderful exhibition of flying and thoroughly pleased the crowd."

Then, some good horses are going to race for that \$800 purse. The track has been

placed in the best condition it has seen in many years, some even claiming that it is the best halfmile track north of Bay City. There was a good turnout of men and teams at the bee last Friday and a deal of Road work was done. The work is to continue from time to time and by Fair Day it is expected that there will be little criticism to offer on the condition of the track.

The main attraction for the first day will be a ball game. Ball games and band music will be interspersed throughout the three days of the fair in such manner as not to interfere with the other sports. Of course there will be the customary big dance on the last evening—Thursday, in the Auditorium.

## Historian documents area families

**September 20, 1995** ~ By Cheryl Peterson

A bit more of the area's history has been published by local historian Doris Gauthier.

She has published "Alcona Pioneers, Families at Sturgeon Point" a 48 page book documenting eight families that contributed to the community at Sturgeon Point.

Gauthier's research includes the Elmers, Silverthorns, Cuylers, Holmes and Hugills, Teeples, Hendersons, Olsens, Burrows, DeKetts and

Cardys.

She has been researching the book for years, but has really been concentrating on it for the last two.

Gauthier said researching this book was like solving little mysteries. She had to double check and sometimes triple check birth or death dates for the people. Gauthier ran into an instance where she was sure the information she had was accurate, but as she continued to gather information on William Hugill she found she was actually researching

two men with the same name — father and son.

"I've been told that whatever I put down, I have to be accurate because its being recorded as history," Gauthier said.

One of the things Gauthier found in her research was that "these families at Sturgeon Point all had a particular interest in life and brought it to the area."

Gauthier, who was born in Black River and is the Alcona County Register of Deeds, wishes that she had spent

more time with older people as she was growing up so she could have "picked their brains."

Some of her research, while informative in many ways, tends to leave Gauthier a little unfulfilled. She tries to read between the lines to imagine or try to understand what that person or family was going through. "I'm not interested in the cold facts of genealogy," Gauthier said. "I'm interested in people's stories."



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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 |                    |
| Sept. 6  | 68               | 46  | 0.00          | 8.2            | 31         | SSW                |
| Sept. 7  | 72               | 55  | 0.00          | 3.4            | 26         | NNE                |
| Sept. 8  | 58               | 53  | 0.01          | 11.0           | 26         | NNE                |
| Sept. 9  | 58               | 53  | 0.00          | 12.6           | 25         | NE                 |
| Sept. 10 | 57               | 47  | 0.00          | 3.9            | 20         | NNE                |
| Sept. 11 | 60               | 45  | 0.00          | 3.4            | 14         | NE                 |
| Sept. 12 | 63               | 58  | 0.01          | 8.6            | 19         | S                  |

### Precipitation Summary (Inches)

|                   | 2020  | 2019  | Normal |
|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Weekly Total      | 0.02  | 0.52  | 0.70   |
| September to Date | 0.16  | 1.25  | 1.21   |
| Year to Date      | 16.95 | 15.52 | 20.57  |

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

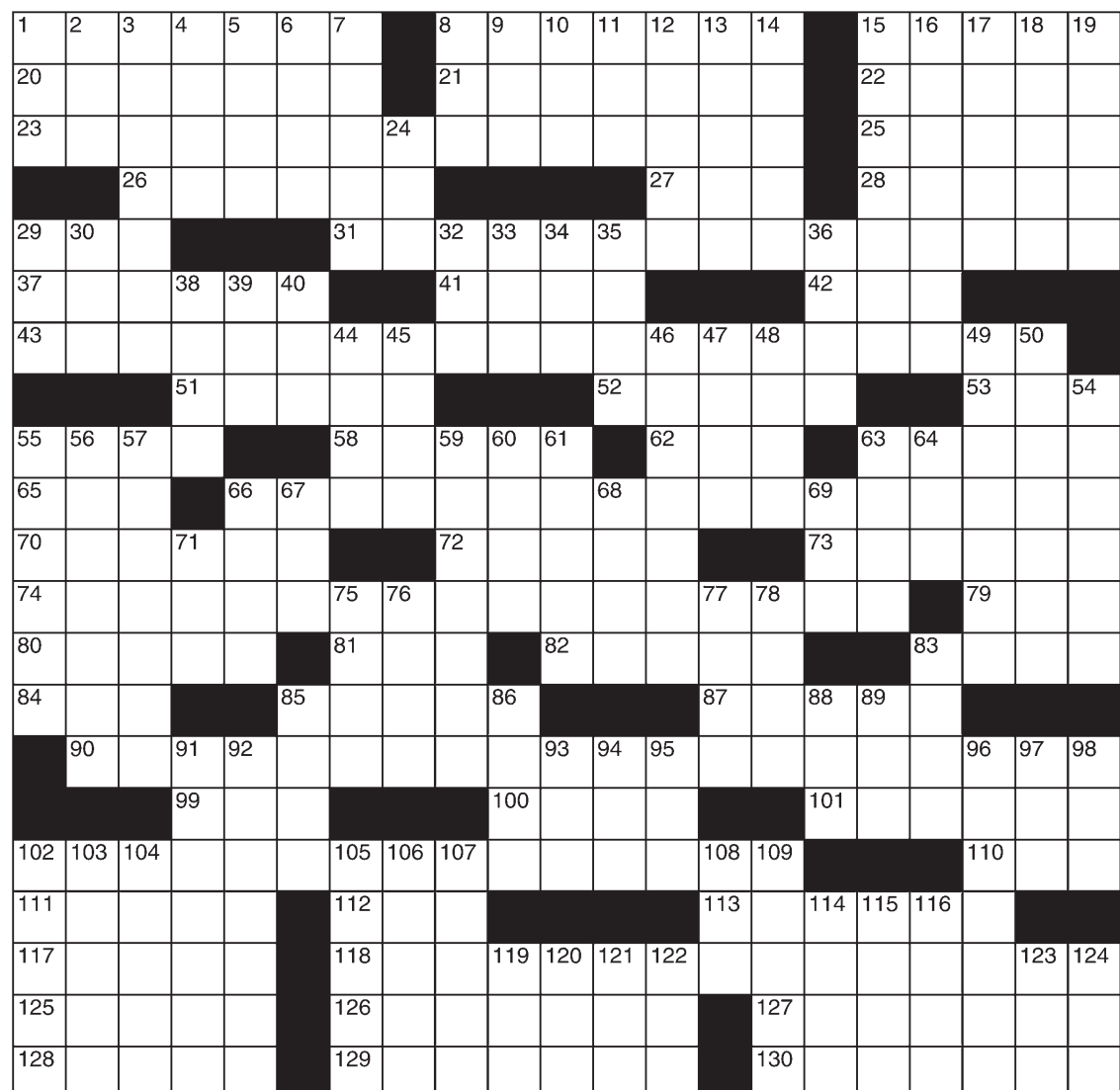
1. **U.S. STATES:** Which state has the only flag that isn't rectangular?
2. **GOVERNMENT:** What is the subject of the eighth amendment to the U.S. Constitution?
3. **TELEVISION:** What was the name of Jed Clampett's bloodhound on "The Beverly Hillbillies"?
4. **GEOGRAPHY:** Which country is home to a giant formation known as Ayers Rock (Uluru)?
5. **ADVERTISING:** Which company's advertising mascot was a camel named Caleb?
6. **FAMOUS QUOTATIONS:** Which 20th-century novelist wrote, "And all the lives we ever lived and all the lives to be are full of trees and changing leaves"?
7. **MEASUREMENTS:** How many tablespoons are in a half cup?
8. **LITERATURE:** What was the name of the tiger in "The Jungle Book"?
9. **SCIENCE:** When did the first space shuttle launch?
10. **MOVIES:** Which 1980s movie had the tagline, "He may be dead but he's the life of the party"?

**Answers:** 1. Ohio; 2. Prohibits cruel or unusual punishment; 3. Duke; 4. Australia; 5. GEICO; 6. Virginia Woolf; 7. Eight; 8. Shere Khan; 9. 1981; 10. "Weekend at Bernie's" (c) 2020 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Super Crossword

**THE END IS IN SIGHT**

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| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Rum brand</p> <p>8 River of D.C.</p> <p>15 Winger of Hollywood</p> <p>20 Qom native</p> <p>21 Great Plains tribe</p> <p>22 "Sk8er Boi" singer</p> <p>23 Method of making customers' mixed drinks?</p> <p>25 Surrender</p> <p>26 Dairy farm machine</p> <p>27 Mai —</p> <p>28 Slithery creature</p> <p>29 Metal deposit</p> <p>31 Added a coward as a Facebook connection?</p> <p>37 "Unto the Sons" author</p> <p>41 Apple center</p> <p>42 Arles article</p> <p>43 Prosecuting attorney's statement about his last-ever client?</p> | <p>51 Bewildered</p> <p>52 Dentist's filler</p> <p>53 On the — (in hiding)</p> <p>55 Gift add-ons</p> <p>58 Nice smell</p> <p>62 "A mouse!"</p> <p>63 Popular pain reliever</p> <p>65 Golf rarity</p> <p>66 Noted U.S. lithographer</p> <p>70 One nosing around</p> <p>72 R&amp;B singer with the 2003 hit "4Ever"</p> <p>73 Exemplars</p> <p>74 Forebode the spilling of</p> <p>79 Golf ball holder</p> <p>80 Black — cattle</p> <p>81 Wide foot spec</p> <p>82 Yule tunes</p> <p>83 Bunks, e.g.</p> <p>84 TV "Science Guy"</p> <p>85 Garb</p> <p>87 Bellybutton variety</p> | <p>90 Email a large image file in error?</p> <p>99 Color tone</p> <p>100 Vivacity</p> <p>101 Nasty type</p> <p>102 Funds given to a certain soccer player?</p> <p>110 IM giggle</p> <p>111 Lift up</p> <p>112 Teeny-tiny</p> <p>113 Seer's site</p> <p>117 Estate in the country</p> <p>118 Trumpeting beast wins someone's affection?</p> <p>125 Ashley or Mary-Kate</p> <p>126 Monte Carlo locale</p> <p>127 Vail, for one</p> <p>128 Must have</p> <p>129 Get more precipitous</p> <p>130 Climbed monkey-style</p> | <p>5 Cambodian money unit</p> <p>6 Like a cold, damp cellar</p> <p>7 Like the article "a" or "an": Abbr.</p> <p>8 Golf average</p> <p>9 Hosp. scrubs sites</p> <p>10 Longest river in Scotland</p> <p>11 Photo finish?</p> <p>12 Photo finish</p> <p>13 In advance</p> <p>14 Waggish sort</p> <p>15 Hotel chain with a sun logo</p> <p>16 Showed plainly</p> <p>17 Rest period</p> <p>18 Poet Rainer Maria —</p> <p>19 Mayflower man John</p> <p>24 Make a gaffe</p> <p>29 Giant Mel</p> <p>30 Yell of cheer</p> <p>32 Here, in Haiti</p> <p>33 Long period</p> <p>34 Gun org.</p> <p>35 Salami seller</p> <p>36 Rock's Lewis</p> <p>38 JFK data</p> <p>39 JFK jet, once</p> <p>40 Lifesaving team, in brief</p> <p>44 2018 is one</p> <p>45 TV's Jamie</p> | <p>46 Lacking in variety</p> <p>47 Absconded</p> <p>48 Counterfeit</p> <p>49 Lift up</p> <p>50 Untangled</p> <p>54 Untidy states</p> <p>55 New York's — Zee Bridge</p> <p>56 "AWOL" or "FAQ," e.g.</p> <p>57 1714-27 king of England</p> <p>59 Most unctuous</p> <p>60 Lo — (Chinese dish)</p> <p>61 Songwriter Harold</p> <p>63 Totals (up)</p> <p>64 Falsification</p> <p>66 Middle marks</p> <p>67 Large vase</p> <p>68 Retort to "Are not!"</p> <p>69 Author Anais</p> <p>71 Letters on an AC</p> <p>75 Actor Bruce</p> <p>76 Yard intruder</p> <p>77 Bump on —</p> <p>78 "The jig —!"</p> <p>83 Test version</p> <p>85 Action</p> <p>86 Old New York ballpark</p> | <p>88 Robbins of "Short Cuts"</p> <p>89 Hard water</p> <p>91 Forked (out)</p> <p>92 Many beach mementos</p> <p>93 TV Tarzan player Ron</p> <p>94 "Thwack!"</p> <p>95 Ending for serpent</p> <p>96 Get rid of, as a bad habit</p> <p>97 — de Oro</p> <p>98 Slithery creature</p> <p>102 — Rex (cat variety)</p> <p>103 Force out of the country</p> <p>104 Counterfeit</p> <p>105 Water jugs</p> <p>106 Ignited anew</p> <p>107 Irk</p> <p>108 "Just joking!"</p> <p>109 Hair lock</p> <p>114 Egyptian sacred cross</p> <p>115 Twice CCI</p> <p>116 Slant</p> <p>119 Bakery buy</p> <p>120 With it, man</p> <p>121 Exist</p> <p>122 "The Mugger" actress</p> <p>123 R&amp;B singer</p> <p>124 Bummed out</p> |
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## Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Sept. 17, 1787, the Constitution of the United States is signed by 38 of 41 delegates present at the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia. It would not become binding until it was ratified by nine of the 13 states. Nine months later, New Hampshire became the ninth state to ratify the document.
- On Sept. 18, 1793, George Washington lays the cornerstone to the United States Capitol building. It would take nearly a century to complete, as architects came and went, the British set fire to it and it was called into use during the Civil War.
- On Sept. 16, 1893, the largest land run in history begins with more than 100,000 people pouring into the Cherokee Strip of Oklahoma to claim valuable land. Towns like Norman and Oklahoma City sprung up almost overnight.
- On Sept. 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key pens a poem that is later set to music and in 1931 becomes America's national anthem, "The Star-Spangled Banner." The poem was written after Key witnessed Fort McHenry being bombarded by the British during the War of 1812.
- On Sept. 15, 1954, the famous picture of Marilyn Monroe, laughing as her skirt is blown up by the blast from a subway vent, is shot. The scene infuriated her husband, Joe DiMaggio.
- On Sept. 19, 1969, President Richard Nixon announces the cancellation of the draft calls for November and December. He reduced the call-up by 50,000 men as part of his program of turning the war over to the South Vietnamese.
- On Sept. 20, 1973, in a highly publicized "Battle of the Sexes" tennis match, top women's player Billie Jean King, 29, beats Bobby Riggs, 55, a former No. 1 ranked men's player. Riggs had boasted that women were inferior, and that even at his age he could beat any female player. King beat Riggs 6-4, 6-3, 6-3.

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## Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- It's illegal to kill Bigfoot in British Columbia. That is, if you ever actually run across him.
- In March 2019, the Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans celebrated its 125th anniversary by offering a free seven-night stay in the presidential suite, along with complimentary private dinners and spa treatments worth \$15,000. But this wasn't your everyday giveaway -- the prize was only available to the person who returned the "most outrageous" item ever stolen from the hotel!
- The earliest toothpaste was made in ancient Egypt from crushed pepper, rock salt and dried flowers. No, it wasn't particularly effective.
- Speaking of toothpaste, that blob on your toothbrush is called a nurdle.
- Enjoy the smell of fresh-cut grass after mowing your lawn? Researchers have determined the scent is a chemical compound given off by plants in distress. They emit a similar odor when attacked by caterpillars or other predatory insects.
- Grooves in the road on Route 66 play "America the Beautiful."
- In 1979, Elvita Adams, jobless and facing eviction, attempted suicide by jumping off the 86th floor of the Empire State Building but survived with just a fractured pelvis when she was blown back to the 85th floor by a strong gust of wind.
- When the first Spanish explorers arrived at the Yucatan peninsula, they naturally asked what the area was called. The response, "Yucatan," was a Yucatec Maya word meaning "I don't understand what you're saying."
- Chimpanzees can identify each other from pictures of their butts.
- The average male becomes bored with a shopping trip in about 26 minutes. His female companion typically lasts two hours.
- Almost 163,000 pints of Guinness beer are wasted in facial hair each year.

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Thought for the Day: "The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain." -- Dolly Parton  
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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: **S** equals **G**

R'DH WHYRPRMHEO JHHP SNRPS  
JTEW ETMHEO. MN JH GNPHIM, R  
YRPW MGTM DHXO WRI-MXHIIRPS.

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**VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES**

The Lincoln Village Council met on Wednesday, Sept. 9 via Zoom due to COVID-19. The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited. Those in attendance included: President Phillips, treasurer Hussain, clerk Somers and council members Healy, Mahalak, Putsky, Somers, Wambold and Zielinski. The minutes of the August meeting were approved on a motion from Mahalak with support from Zielinski. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Zielinski with support from Wambold.

A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Wambold with support from Zielinski. Carried. Rebecca Rivard of Huron Engineering gave an update regarding the roadwork scheduled on Traverse Bay Road for 2021. Material costs have gone up dramatically since the original estimates from 2017. A motion was made by Zielinski, with support from Somers, to allow president Phillips to sign paperwork to move forward with the Traverse Bay Proposal. Carried.

The Parks and Recreation report was given by Marsha Mahalak. The well was drilled at the Flights of Imagination Park last Wednesday. Currently, there is \$7,148.04 in the account to pay for the well. Cans and bottles will continue to be collected and funds will be used for a new project.

Troy Somers, zoning administrator, gave a report regarding some of the blight issues on properties in the village. There's an issue with a garbage bin that was leaking liquid on an adjoining owner's property. It was suggested that a letter be sent to the owner asking him to move the dumpster to another area of his property and erect a six feet fence

around it. Another issue involves a dead tree that is in danger of falling on utility wires or on a neighboring residence. A letter will be sent by Troy Somers to alert the owner that the tree needs to be removed.

Mike Serafin gave the fire and first responder report. There were 16 medical runs and four fire runs in the month of August. One first responder is currently on medical leave. President Phillips will be meeting with surrounding township supervisors regarding fire mileages and fire service charges.

Warren MacNeill gave his maintenance report. There have been several repairs that needed to be done on equipment recently. The hiking trail is being used quite a lot. A discussion was held regarding golf carts and ORV traffic in the village. They are prohibited from driving on Barlow Road but can cross it to get to their destination. Council members thought it would be worth looking into becoming a designated golf cart friendly community. President Phillips will look into the matter further and report back at a future meeting.

Bill Putsky gave the sewer report. He has concerns about the amount of gallons being pumped daily. Additionally, there are some storm drains that need to be fixed. Treasurer Hussain stated that we will have a line added to the major streets budget that will show where the money is being spent on our road projects. The money has already been allocated in prior budgets but this will be an easier way to track the expenses. We will add lines to our budgets as new projects are added.

A motion to adjourn was made by Putsky with support from Zielinski. Carried.

Linda K. Somers  
Village Clerk

**Kovels: Antiques & Collecting**

*By Terry and Kim Kovel*

**Dough box**

Your great-grandmother may have used this antique box in her kitchen, but not many of us use it today since there are newer, faster ways to get the same result. The pine box is 27 inches high by 36 inches wide and 21 inches deep. It has dovetailed sides and tapered legs. The removable top is made of two boards. Give up? It is a dough box used for proofing bread dough.

The box was filled with flour, then water was added and the mixture was kneaded. More ingredients were added, including yeast, and more kneading. Then a rest, letting the dough rise, punching it down, kneading it again, re-shaping and letting it rest. This was done several times. When the dough felt right, the box was covered and moved to a warm place where the dough could "proof." That is what the final rise is called. It was shaped again, put in the oven and baked.

Families ate a lot of bread, and most housewives made bread at least once a week. The finished bread was taken from the oven to rest on the lid of the dough box, then cut and served. And the lid had another use. It kept the mice and bugs away from the bread. The antique box sold for just \$219. Today they make electric proofing boxes to do this work.

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Q: I have two Cabbage Patch Kids dolls from 1985 that I would like to sell. Both have "birth certificates," "adoption papers" and their original clothes. Would you let me know what they are worth?



This pine dough box was made in the 1850s. It sold for \$219 at a Garth's auction. Country furniture is selling for low prices, but there seem to be more pieces sold at flea markets than in the past.

A: Cabbage Patch dolls were first made in 1977 by a 21-year-old art student named Xavier Roberts of Helen, Georgia. He called them "Little People Originals" and sold them at craft shows across the South. In 1982, toy manufacturer Coleco Industries became the licensed manufacturer, and the name was changed to Cabbage Patch Kids. The fad had faded by about 1986. In 1987, Coleco introduced a "talking" Cabbage Patch Kid doll as a last-ditch effort to renew interest, but the company went bankrupt in the late 1980s. Cabbage Patch Kids dolls sell in online shops from \$10 to about \$25. Dolls in original packaging with their adoption papers sell for about \$50. Some very rare dolls sell for more.

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CURRENT PRICES  
Spatterware pitcher, American eagle, shield, arrows, blue, footed, c. 1850, 11 1/2 inches, \$110.

Mochaware dry mustard pot, cylindrical, bell-shaped lid, seaweed, orange ground, c. 1900, 4 3/4 inches, \$250.

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Sampler, alphabet, nine alphabet and numeral rows, two chimney house, flowering tree, Martha Ann Dearing, 1819, 16 3/4 x 21 1/2 inches, \$870.

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TIP: Don't pull an old book off the shelf by the spine, and don't pack books on the shelf so closely that it is a struggle to get a book out.

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**Notice to Creditors**  
**Alcona County**  
**James E. Holderman and Kathleen A. Holderman Trust Agreement**

To all creditors  
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, James E. Holderman, died on September 2, 2020. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to William Smith, 227 Boltwood Drive NE, Grand Rapids, Mich. 49505-3521 within four months after the date of publication of this notice. Attorney: David H. Cook, P04560 5466 M-72, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (989) 724-5155  
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**State of Michigan**  
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**County of Alcona**  
**Notice to Creditors**  
**Decedent's Estate**  
**File No. 20-6111-DE**

Estate of Patricia L. Hinze  
 Date of birth: March 6, 1940  
 To all creditors:  
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Patricia L. Hinze, died on June 14, 2020. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Wilfred G. Hinze, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice. Attorney: David H. Cook, P04560 5466 M-72 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (989) 724-5155  
 Personal Representative: Wilfred G. Hinze 3888 S. F-41 Mikado, Mich. 48745 (989) 619-1058

## HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township Board meeting on August 11 at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall was opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." The full board and two guests were present. From the floor: Patty Thomas voiced her concerns regarding the August 4 election at the hall. County Commissioner Johnston updated the meeting of what is happening at the county.  
 Johnston/Harvey: Approve the clerk's July 14 minutes. Carried. Treasurer's report was given and reconciled with the clerk's office. Healy/Harvey: Approve Resolution No. 2020811 regarding road repair and maintenance millage to be put on the November ballot. Roll call vote: five ayes, zero nays, zero absent. Carried.  
 Johnston/Harvey: Pay the bills. Carried. Discussed the Harrisville Township Recreation Area (HTRA) site going to the city. A public hearing will be held. Notice to be put in Alcona Review. Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.  
 Roger Jamieson, Clerk

The Harrisville Township Public Hearing on September 1 at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall was held for the proposed transfer of the Harrisville Township Recreation Area (HTRA) site to the City of Harrisville. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Board members, supervisor Sptiznagel, clerk Jamieson, and treasurer Harvey were present. No one else was present. Adjourned at 8 p.m.  
 Roger Jamieson, Clerk

## CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board met on September 9. Motions to approve the agenda; August minutes; pay bills; appoint Gilbert to planning commission; and table tree removal. Motion to adjourn at 8:34 p.m. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next township meeting is October 14 at 7 p.m.  
 Kerry Scott, Caledonia Township Clerk

## ALCONA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township's September board meeting was called to order with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: MacNeill, LaLonde, Gauthier, Mead, and Bouchard. Motions to approve the previous months minutes; pay bills as presented; accept treasurer's report; to sign new lease agreement with DNR; to amend budget; to approve road agreement AL2004; and to adopt fee schedule as presented. All motions passed.  
 This synopsis published prior to board approval.  
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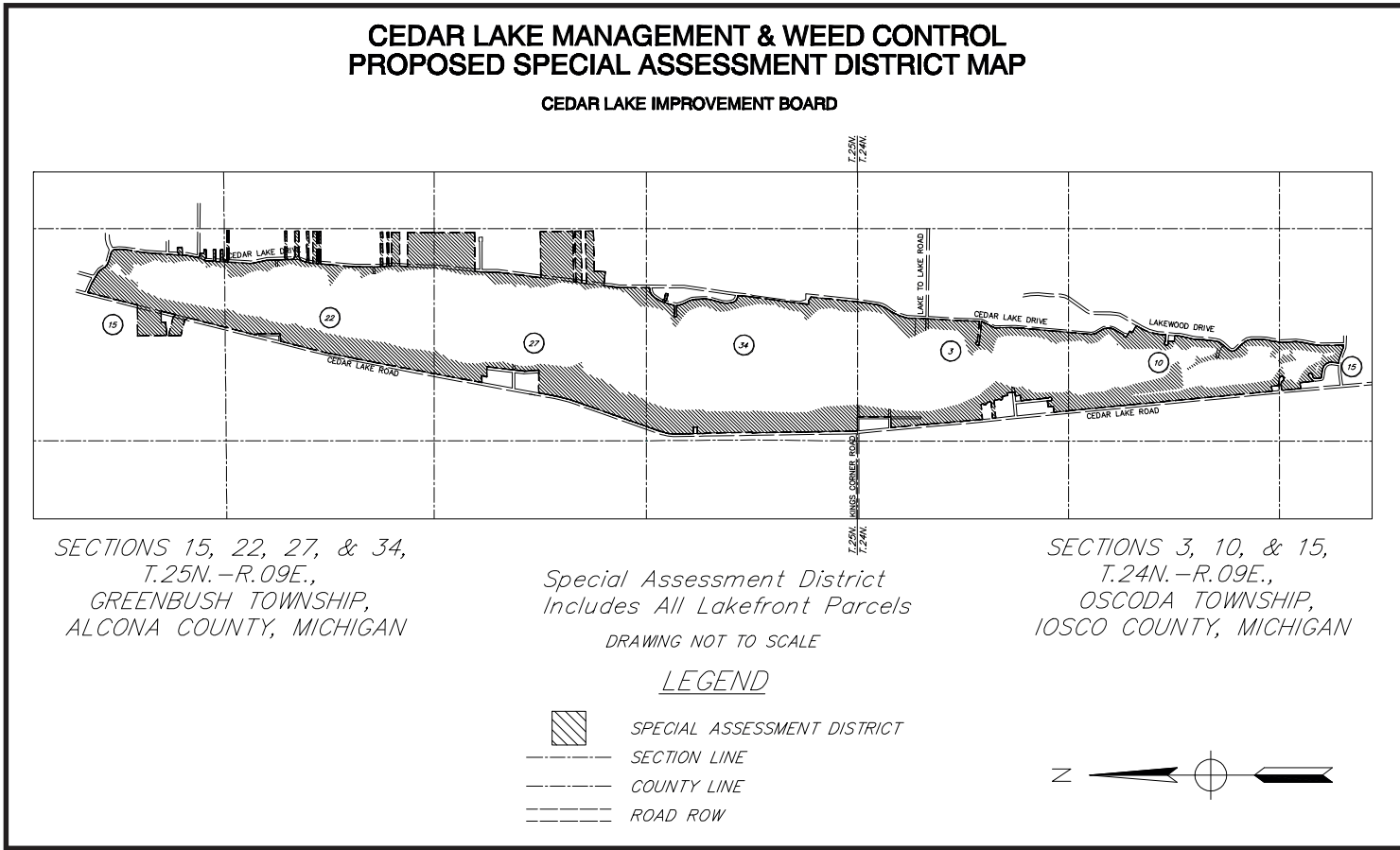
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Cedar Lake Improvement Board having resolved its intention to proceed to make certain public improvements in and for Cedar Lake (located within Greenbush Township and Oscoda Township), has made its final determination of a special assessment district which consists of all lots and parcels of land which have lake frontage on Cedar Lake, all of which are benefitted by the improvements and against which all or a portion of the costs of the improvements shall be specially assessed. Those parcels and lots are shown on the following map:



NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a special assessment roll has been prepared and presented to the Cedar Lake Improvement Board, pursuant to MCL 324.30901 *et seq* (as amended) ("the Act"), for the purpose of defraying the cost 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, and also lake management activities and studies and reports (collectively, the "Public Improvements").

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT the Supervisors of Greenbush Township and Oscoda Township have each made and certified a special assessment roll for the overall special assessment district, which roll sets forth the relative portion of the costs of said Public Improvements which is to be levied in the form of a special assessment against each benefited lot and parcel of land in the special assessment district. Pursuant to an earlier resolution of the Cedar Lake Improvement Board, the costs of the Public Improvements are to be periodically redetermined on a yearly basis in accordance with the resolution and the Act.

**SECOND PUBLIC HEARING**

TAKE NOTICE that the Cedar Lake Improvement Board will hold a public hearing on September 25, 2020, at 10 a.m. for the purpose of reviewing and potentially confirming the overall special assessment roll and also hearing and considering any and all objections thereto. 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.

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TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that an owner or party in interest, or his/her agent, may appear virtually at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or may file his/her appearance or protest by letter, on or before the close of the hearing.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any person objecting to the assessment roll is requested to file written objections with the Chairman of the Cedar Lake Improvement Board before the close of the hearing.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that an owner or any person having an interest in the real property subject to the special assessment may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within thirty (30) days after the date of the confirmation of the special assessment roll if the owner or person having an interest in the real property appears (i.e. via Zoom or teleconference) and protests the special assessment at the hearing held for the purpose of confirming the roll.

Michigan Tax Tribunal  
P.O. Box 30232  
Lansing, Michigan 48909

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the special assessment roll as prepared has been reported to the Cedar Lake Improvement Board and is also on file with the Chairman of the Cedar Lake Improvement Board and with the Greenbush Township Clerk and also the Oscoda Township Clerk and is available for public examination or inspection.

This notice was authorized by the Cedar Lake Improvement Board.

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# Financial

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May, it has released the hiring freeze and added two new teachers to replace one who resigned and one retired teacher.

It is also putting the final pieces in place to add the Great Start Readiness Program, a program previously run by the Alpena, Montmorency, Alcona Education School District (AMA ESD), to its in-house roster.

"Early childhood/preschool education is something we have looked at for a while and despite COVID-19, we felt it was too good of an opportunity (not) to bring it in-house and make a positive impact for Alcona County students. We have hired the same teacher who has worked the program at our school under AMA ESD for two years and her assistant," O'Connor said.

He felt the first week of school (September 8) went as smoothly as possible with the biggest challenge being technology. "We have a lot of new tools to help us potentially transition between different modes of learning if we need it. Teachers are trying to push those tools early. There is a lot of learning while we navigate through this.

"It's a bit more complicated for high school students who are all learning from home. They have had some challenges, but the majority have been engaged in figuring it out and have been proactive in calling the school to get help.

"All in all, we are off to a very positive start. All of the students who have come back looked like they were smiling under their masks. It was just good to see them again," O'Connor said.

**top ten**

**Dog Bite States\***

1. California
2. Texas
3. Ohio
4. Illinois
5. New York
6. Michigan
7. Pennsylvania
8. Florida
9. New Jersey
10. North Carolina

\*Dog attacks on mail carriers  
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