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Fire claims Curran BP EZ Mart and Subway

By Cheryl Peterson

Editor

Sunday was an unlucky day for Blarney Castle Oil and Propane, the company that owns the BP gas station and EZ Mart in Curran

At approximately 1 a.m. firefighters from the Curran Fire Department were called to the corner of M-72 and M-65 in Curran to find the gas station, convenience store and Subway restaurant fully engulfed in flames.

"Flames were coming up over the top of the building toward the (gas) tanks... the wind was driving the fire," said Mike Lay, chief of the Curran Fire Department. "We figured the building was gone so we protected the (gas pumps and) tanks until other departments got there... it didn't take long, but it seemed like it took forever... We had one hose on the building and one hose on the tanks..."

According to Lay, his department cleared the scene around 6 a.m. Sunday. "It was put out pretty quickly, considering the size of the building. All the fire departments that helped were excellent. I'd like to thank everyone who turned out to help," Lay said.

No one was in the building and no firefighters were injured during course of fighting the fire.

The cause of the fire has not been determined and is under investigation by the Alcona County fire investigator.

Fire departments from Fairview, Curtis Township, Mikado, Barton City, South Shore Hubbard Lake, and Lincoln provided mutual aid to Curran Fire Department. The Alcona County Sheriff's Department and Alcona EMS were also on the scene.

FFA plans Maple Syrup Day and more activities

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

Members of the Alcona FFA are looking forward to this year's Maple Syrup Day and all the other normal events that were taken away from them last spring due to COVID-19 shut-downs.

The annual Maple Syrup Day will be held Saturday, March 20 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will take place at the district's sugar shack, just northwest of the elementary school, north of M-72 off Barlow Road in Lincoln.

Agriscience teacher and FFA Advisor Connor Hubbard explained due to COVID-19 protocols still in place, the free pancake and sausage breakfast accompanying the event will be put into individual take-out containers for people to enjoy from either their cars or outdoor seating.

"We are hoping for warmer weather for the event this year so folks can enjoy outdoor seating. If the weather does not cooperate, we just put up a new hoop house which should be a warmer place for some folks to sit," Hubbard said.

Something new for students to experience this year is the opportunity to process the hog which was donated by Kevin Rifenbark. "Some students will be working with Jack Dellar to process the hog and we will be making our own sausage for the breakfast," Hubbard said.

The FFA maple syrup will be available to purchase during the event. Syrup prices range from \$6 for a half-pint to \$17 for a quart, with many sizes available in between. This year the FFA is offering the ability to purchase syrup with a credit card, something not offered before.

In addition to all the student activities planned for the event, the FFA Alumni holding a Solo Stove Raffle to raise funds to help support FFA activities. The drawing for the stove will be held during the Maple Syrup Day event. Tickets will be available to purchase up until raffle drawing.

Tours of the Sugar Shack will be available Saturday and some small farm animals for people to see including the FFA's newest mascot, a baby

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Firefighters battle the fire (top) until approximately 6 a.m. Sunday at the corner of M-72 and M-65 in Curran. Windy conditions were a hinderance in extinguishing it. After all the embers were put out (below) just the walls were left standing at the BP gas station, EZ Mart and Subway owned by Blarney Castle Oil and Propane. *Courtesy photos*









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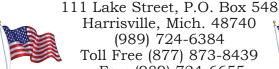
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A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection by contacting the clerk's office at 2101 Reeves Road, Curran, MI 48728, or telephoning (989) 884-1354, or emailing: donitalcharron@gmail.com for a pdf of the proposed budget.

Donita Charron, Clerk Mitchell Township

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Robert G. Novack

Robert G. Novack, 68, of Harrisville, died on Sunday, March 7, 2021 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Midland,

He was born May 16, 1952 to Robert E. and Joan (Rounds) Novack in Ann Arbor, Mich. He was raised in Milford, Mich. He served in the U.S. Army after high school.

In 1978 he moved to Harrisville. He owned and operated Harrisville Sport Center until he retired a few years ago.

He was a skilled mechanic and loved fishing. He was a charter captain for many fishing trips.

Mr. Novack is survived by one brother, James (Roskola) Novack; two sisters, Elizabeth (Duane) Dellar and Joyce (Rob) Lankton; many nieces and nephews; and his beloved canine companions, CoCo and Lucky.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Carol Davies.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Janice F. Byce

Janice Fay Byce, 79, of Mikado, died on Sunday, March 7, 2020 at home.

She was born March 27, 1941 to George and Alvena (Liensman) Barlow in Harrisville. She was raised in Mikado.

Mrs. Byce owned and operated an adult foster care home for several years. Later she owned and operated the Greenbush Market.

On July 23, 1992, she married Larry Byce.

She was a member of the Mikado American Legion and loved to play euchre.

Mrs. Byce is survived by one daughter, Marta (Wayne) Nedo of Mikado; one son, Greg (Teri) Good of Mikado; three grandchildren, Dan (Crystal) Nedo, Doug (Kendall) Nedo and Jennifer (Ted) Lilley; and seven great-grandchildren, Kennedy Nedo, Harper Nedo, Bradley Nedo, Hannah Nedo, Michael Lilley, Wade Lilley, and Adeline Lilley.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Larry, November 16, 2008 and one brother, Dale Barlow.

The funeral was held March 10 at Gillies Funeral Home. Lincoln.

Florence N. Mishler

Florence N. Mishler, 88, of Flint, Mich. died on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at home.

She was born January 27, 1933 to Charles and Jenie (Wrzesinska) Tunk in Flint, Mich. She was raised and lived in the north end of Flint during her early adult years.

She was a polio survivor who especially loved sewing and reading. She was a member of St. Agnes Catholic Church in Flint, Mich.

She married Eugene Mishler on June 26, 1954 at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Flint, Mich. She retired with her husband to Lost Lake Woods Club where she enjoyed playing darts and bowl-

Mrs. Mishler attended St. Raphael's parish. She was an active member and secretary

tic Engineers for many years.

She recently relocated to Woodhaven Senior Community in Flint, Mich. and attended St. Pius X.

Mrs. Mishler is survived by one daughter, Cheryl (David) Moreno; two sons, Thomas Mishler and Gary Mishler; five grandchildren, Kimberly (Joel) Verrecchia, James Clark, Nicholas (Sarah) Mishler, Wesley (Stacy) Mishler, and Justin (Courtney) Mishler; 11 great-grandchildren, Luke Verrecchia, Josie Verrecchia, Dominic Mishler, Amelia Mishler, Charlie Mishler, Fiona Mishler, Kara Mishler, Logan Mishler, Delilah Mishler, Drew Mishler and Haddie Mishler; one brother, Steven Tunk; and many nieces and nephews.

in the Alcona County Domes- by her husband, Gene, on neral Home, Lincoln.

Brenda S. Dean

Brenda Sue Dean, 61, of Barton City died on Saturday, Feb. 27, 2021 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

She was born in Germany on August 16, 1959 to Mary Katherine (Jennings) and Waymond Wilson Hendrix.

Mrs. Dean enjoyed the snow, snowmobiling, fishing, gardening, cooking, and especially, spending time with her friends and family.

She married Roy O. Dean on January 28, 2003 in Dalton, Ga.

She is survived by her husband, Roy; four daughters, Shannon (Nicholas) Shadowens, Jamie Brehm, Angel Grace (Bret) Payne, and Laurie Beth (Tommy) Blaylock; and 11 grandchildren, Haley Holcomb, Andrew Holcomb, Nicholas Shadowens, Sébastien Shadowens, Cecilia Shadowens, Krystal Barello, Declan Filkins, Brian Filkins, Elijah Payne, Dean Blaylock, and Samuel Blaylock.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, Joel Hendrix, and one sister, Paula Womack.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. No memorial planned at this



November 16, 2013: one daughter-in-law, Robin Mishler; one great-grandson, Adam Verrecchia; and one brother, Chester Tunk.

Cremation arrangements She was preceded in death were made through Gillies Fu-

Writing Letters to the Editor

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Letter to the Editor



To the Editor,

I would like to thank Alcona County for the relatively new program offered to provide additional support to its citizens-Alcona County Community Paramedicine (CP).

My partner, Marguerite and I are 80 years old and live in Greenbush. Unfortunately, in August, Marguerite had a stroke. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, we opted to bring her home for rehab and care rather than a nursing home. Since I am a retired registered nurse, I felt that I would be able to coordinate her care. Thanks to Mid-Michigan Home Care, Meals on Wheels (which are delicious), friend and family, we

have been successful.

Until the vaccinations came along.

Marguerite is homebound, and it is very difficult to transport her to a site for a vaccination. After numerous calls, I learned that CP could bring the vaccination to our home. So, I scheduled an appointment and they arrived on March 5. The EMT that arrived was wonderful. Not only did he provide the injection, he assessed her condition to be sure that she was okay to receive it. He stayed with us a while to make sure there was no allergic reaction and explained the CP program, which we think is wonderful.

As soon as the pandemic

slows down, I plan to schedule an appointment to have our home and situation assessed. I understand that funding is an issue. I would like to see our county raise funds through taxation to assure that this program is fully developed and does not go away.

If falls, trip to the ER and other illnesses can be prevented with the CP program, our county needs to support their needs.

> Nora Chimner, RN, MSN, CNS (retired) Marguerite McIntyre, RN, MSN, ACSW (retired) Greenbush

REQUEST FOR BIDS 1995 Ford Ambulance Van

Over 100,000 miles (unknown because of batteries), needs batteries and has a small leak in roof. Bids are to be clearly identified on the outside of the envelope and submitted by Friday, April 9, 2021 to:

> Van Bid Mitchell Township Clerk 2101 N Reeves Road Curran, MI 48728 (989) 884-1354

The Mitchell Township Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularities in bids and to accept any bids which, in the opinion of the Board, may be the most advantageous to the Board.



Hocal Notes



Ukrainian Easter Eggs

Learn the traditional technique of making a Ukrainian Easter Egg (Pysanky) on Monday, March 22 at 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Each adult will design a Ukrainian Egg with wax and dye, all materials included for \$10 per person. There is limited enrollment; call (989) 724-6796 to register. Social distancing will be practiced, and face masks will be required.

On Display at the Library

The Northeast Michigan Artists' Guild art show, "Journeys," will be on display at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library beginning Wednesday, March 31. NEMAG members have created art depicting places they have physically visited in their travels, movement from one place to another, personal growth through life experiences and the process of learning to express oneself through their art. Meet the artists at a reception in their honor on that same day from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Art will be on display during regular library hours through April 28. For more information, call (989)724-6796.

State Rep's Office Hours

State Representative Sue Allor, of Wolverine, will be gram. available, in person, for people to share their ideas and concerns at the following times and locations in the area on Outdoor Classroom. March 27.

Interested individuals across Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Iosco and Presque Isle counties can meet with Rep. Allor at the following times and locations on March

- Noon to 1 p.m. at JJ's Steak and Pizza House, located at 411 N. 2nd Ave., Al-
- From 2 to 3 p.m. at Rox's Family Diner, located at 201 S. 2nd Street, Lincoln.
- From 4 to 5 p.m. at G's Pizzeria, located at 115 E. Bay Street, East Tawas.

"I am looking forward to meeting with people across northeast Michigan and hearing their questions and concerns," Allor said.

People can also contact Rep. Allor's office by phone at (517) 373-0833 or email at SueAllor@house.mi.gov.

CFNEM Grant Awards

The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) recently awarded a new round of community grants covering a four-county area that includes Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties. The Board of trustees recently approved 46 new grants totaling \$106,515.

New Alcona County Community Impact Grants are:

- Alcona Community Schools was awarded \$1,000 for the Alcona Wrestling pro-
- Alcona Community Schools was awarded \$3,000 for the Elementary School



• Alcona County Commission on Aging was awarded \$1,500 for the Alcona County

Commission on Aging Tech-

nology Loan Center.

• Northeast Michigan Community Partnership was awarded \$2,735 for the Applied Suicide Intervention

- Skills Training program. • Hubbard Lake Bible Church was awarded \$3,000 for the Sunrise Community Food Pantry.
- Alcona Historical Society was awarded \$2,972 for the

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The Harrisville Township Planning Commission on April 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall will hear a request for a Special Land Use from Dennis Swanson on parcel 060-022-100-005-10 (515 McLean Road). This parcel is zoned (R-1) Rural Residential. The request is to store up to eight recreational type units outside on the property. This will not be used as a Commercial Operation.

Also, at the same meeting a Special Land Use request on Parcel number 060-014-200-005-01 at 5138 M-72, Harrisville, MI 48740. The request is to remove sand from the parcel and replace with clay and sand. Comments can be heard at this meeting or sent to the Harrisville Township Zoning Administrator at 3375 E. Dellar Road, Harrisville, MI 48740.



Calendar of Events



PUBLIC NOTICE ONA

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BOARD MEETING

March 18, 2021 at 10 a.m.

This meeting is being conducted remotely utilizing Zoom Meeting Service

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Participants are encouraged to connect by 9:50 p.m.

REQUEST FOR BIDS LAWN MOWING

Mitchell Township is requesting sealed bids for the mowing of the Mitchell Township Hall, Flynn Valley Cemetery, and the Curran Cemetery properties, from May 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021. This is a two (2) year contract. The cemeteries are to be mowed, trimmed and grass blown off headstones weekly. The mowing of the Township Hall and Fire Hall properties, along with the Township Park, shall be done on a regular, as needed, basis. The bid price is to be **per cutting**, **per property**.

Successful bidders will be required to provide proof of liability insurance and to sign a performance contract prior to commencing work.

Bids are to be **clearly identified** on the outside of the envelope and submitted by Friday, April 9, 2021 to:

Lawn Mowing Bid Mitchell Township Clerk 2101 N Reeves Road Curran, MI 48728 (989) 884-1354

The Mitchell Township Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularities in bids and to accept any bids which, in the opinion of the Board, may be the most advantageous to the Board.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

A free Zumba class for adults will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. All adults are welcome. For more information, contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

An Alcona County Pop-Up Pantry will be held at two locations – Alcona County Fairgrounds (854 N. Barlow Road, Lincoln) and Greenbush (5036 Campbell Street) from 4 to 6 p.m. For more information, call the Food Bank of Lincoln at (989) 334-3663 or email to: pantry@alconaseniors.org.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

The Community Walking Club for Everyone will meet in the parking lot of the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 9 a.m. Social distancing will be practiced, and face masks will be required. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

A Senior Boot Camp will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. This free class is for seniors only. For more information, contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

A gentle exercise class for seniors will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. This free class is for seniors only. For more information, contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf-2134@gmail.com.

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

A free Zumba class for adults will be held at the Lin-

coln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. All adults are welcome. For more information, contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

A Charity Squirrel Hunt Tournament will be held at the Alcona Brew Haus, 676 N. US-23, Harrisville. Registration is in the parking lot from 8 to 9 a.m. Two-person teams. Tournament will begin at 9 a.m. in the parking lot and hunting take place anywhere in Michigan. All hunting regulations must be followed. Weigh-in is at 3 p.m. in the parking lot. For more information, contact Mark Kovachevich at (989) 724-3301.

MONDAY, MARCH 22

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TUESDAY, MARCH 23

Craftomania for Adults will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The project for March is Ukrainian Easter Egg decorating. There is a \$10 charge. Seating is limited, call (989) 724-6796 to register. All seniors are welcome to play euchre at the Lincoln Senior Center (upper level, gym entrance), 207 Church Street, Lincoln from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Face masks are required.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

A free Zumba class for adults will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. All adults are welcome. For more information, contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

Sunrise Community Food Pantry is open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church. Clients are asked to come only one time per month and must be present to receive food. Recipients must remain in their vehicle for curbside pick up and follow volunteer traffic control. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county residence. Identification is required. Bring box or bag. The church is located at 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Call (989) 727-3606 for more information.

There will be a food give-away at Lott Baptist Church 4257 M-65 (State Road), Glennie, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. For more information, call Margo at (989) 735-3438.

The Alcona County Library Board will meet in person at the Harrisville branch, via Zoom, and Facebook Live at 2 p.m. The link will be posted on the library's website - http://www.alcona.lib.mi.us and Facebook page - https://www.facebook.com/AlconaLibrary.

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A Social Security perk for older parents

Dear Savvy Senior,

I've been told that my two children, ages 14 and 16, may be eligible for Social Security when I file for my retirement benefits. Is this true? What can you tell me?

Viagra Daddy

Dear Viagra,

It's true. If you're age 62 or older and are still raising young children, there's a Social Security benefit strategy that can put some extra money in your family coffers.

Here's how it works. When you file for Social Security retirement benefits, your minor children can get money on your work record equaling half of what you would re-

ceive at full retirement age, now gradually rising from 66 to 67. Even if you were to take a smaller benefit by claiming earlier, your kids will still get half of your full-retirement age amount.

To qualify, your daughter – whether she's biological, adopted or a stepdaughter must be unmarried and under age 18. Kids that are over 18 but still in high school, can collect too until they graduate or turn 19, whichever comes first. (Other rules apply to kids that are disabled.)

But that's not all.

Because one of your children is only 14, your wife (if you're married) can collect Social Security benefits on your work record too, and it doesn't matter if she's just 40 years old. The minimum age requirements to collect retirement benefits (62) or survivor benefits (60) does not apply when it comes to collecting benefits as the caregiver of a young child. The spouse's benefit, which is also worth up to half of your benefit, will stop when your daughter turns 16.

But note that there are limits to the amount of money that can be paid to a family. The Social Security "family maximum payment" is determined by a complex formula and can range from 150 to 180 percent of your full retirement benefit amount. If the total exceeds that, each person's benefit, except yours, is cut proportionately until it equals the maximum.

Here's an example of how that's figured. Let's say, for example, that your full retirement age benefit is \$2,400 per month. That would make your family maximum benefit (according to the Social Security formula at SSA.gov/ oact/cola/familymax.html)

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roughly \$4,200 per month.

Subtract your \$2,400 benefit from the \$4,200 family maximum benefit, which leaves \$1,800. That's the monthly amount that can be split between your two children – \$900 each. If your wife wants in on it too, the individual checks are smaller, at \$600 apiece, but the family amount is the same.

You should also know that minor children can collect up to half of a disabled parent's Social Security disability benefit. And if the parent dies, they will get a survivor's benefit, which is up to 75 percent of the deceased parent's basic Social Security benefit.

To learn more, see the SSA publication (No. 05-10085) "Benefits for Children" at

SSA.gov/pubs/EN-05-10085.pdf.

Keep in mind -- Social Security benefits for your kids may not be available before full retirement age if you are still working. In 2021, you will lose \$1 in benefits for every \$2 earned over \$18,960, except in the year you reach full retirement age. In that case, the earnings limit is \$50,520, with \$1 in benefits withheld for every \$3 earned over the limit.

If you lose your benefits, your dependents also lose theirs. You can recoup those payments later, but your kids

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

District Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 81st District Court in February.

- Michael Paul Michaud, 45, of Oscoda was sentenced to fines and costs of \$400 for failure to report an accident.
- James Thomas Ragen IV, 26, of Oscoda was sentenced to two days in jail, one year of probation and \$1,775 in fines and costs for operating while visibly impaired.
- James Alan Wolf, 39, of Glennie was sentenced to five days in jail and fines and costs of \$625 for malicious destruction of a building under \$200.
- Matthew James Bowen, 29, of Sanford, Mich. was sentenced to \$200 in fines and costs for no valid license in possession.
- Lowell Thomas Miller II, 34, of Harrisville was sentenced to two days in jail, 50 hours of community service, two years of probation and fines and costs of \$2,370 for firearm possession under influence and operate while intoxicated.

Local Notes

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sprucing up Bailey School project.

• Iosco County Coats for Kids was awarded \$1,080 for the Happy Feet project.

• Friends of Negwegon State Park was awarded \$2,500 for the Beacon to Bay Half Marathon project;

Also approved were 13 grants totaling \$22,226 recommended by the Youth Advisory Councils (YAC) of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties. Two local grants were awarded to: Alcona Community Schools — \$2,500 for the Alcona Cross Country Ski Club and \$2,500 for Alcona wrestling.

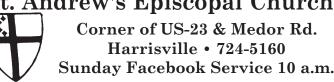
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• Larry James Smith, 52, of Lachine, Mich. was sentenced to 30 days in jail, two years of probation and \$2,20 in fines and costs for domestic violence and assault or assault and battery.

AREA CHURCH DIRECTOR

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church



Family Heritage Baptist Church

4260 M-72 Harrisville (2.5 miles west of the light) Pastor Ernest Ruemenapp (989) 724-6728 • www.church72.org.

Sunday worship services 11 a.m. and 6 p.m Sunday school 10 a.m. Wednesday 6 p.m. midweek service (preaching and prayer service).

New Life Lutheran Church (ELCA) Sunday Worship & Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Hubbard Lake Rd.,

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Lady Tigers top W-P to cap three-win week

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

The Alcona girls varsity basketball team wrapped up a busy week on Saturday by winning its third game in six

The Lady Tigers tamed visiting Whittemore-Prescott in a North Star League Big Dipper game, 45-38 despite missing several key players.

'We were shorthanded, with three players out, but our reserves and remaining regulars got the job done, said head coach Mark Feldhiser. "I am proud that the girls got the win under those circumstances. It is not easy to step in and play way more than normal."

Hannah Tanner hit a threepointer and netted three free throws in the opening quarter as Alcona took an 15-4 lead after one. Karen Sharboneau drilled a three in the second as it was a 25-9 lead at the half.

Liz Henderson hit for five points in the third quarter as

there was a 35-22 lead entering the fourth.

Anna Loyer led the Lady Tigers with 11 points. Henderson and Sharboneau had nine points apiece. Rachel Layton netted eight and Tanner finished with six.

On Wednesday, March 10 the Lady Tigers won a NSL crossover game at Hillman,

"Very pleased with the win. We continue to have good balance on offense," Feldhiser

Hillman led 12-9 after the first quarter, but Alcona rallied for a 26-20 lead at the half and had a 34-32 advantage entering the fourth.

Henderson led the way with 11 points. Bilbey put in 10. Kelsey Hansen netted nine. Sharboneau finished with eight and Loyer netted

On Monday, March 8 the Lady Tigers won a road nonleague game at Onaway, 50-

"I was impressed by how we bounced back after our tough loss (against Oscoda March 5)," Feldhiser said. "We came out strong and kept the intensity level up all game. It was good to see that nice balanced offense that we were showing earlier this year."

The Lady Tigers led the whole way, including quarter break leads of 9-2, 23-12 and 35-26.

Sharboneau led the team with 11 points. Henderson netted 10 with Layton and Hansen adding eight points apiece. Loyer chipped in with five and Carmen Dellar had four points apiece.

Alcona (10-2 overall, 6-2 NSL Big Dipper) was at Alpena on Monday, March 15, and played at Johannesbug-Lewiston on Tuesday in its final regular season game. The Tigers open up division three district action on Wednesday at Tawas Area, against the winner of Monday's game between Tawas and Rogers City.

Council to assist parents, students, staff with better communication

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

Strengthening communication between parents, students and staff is a key concern for Alcona Community Schools. To aid this effort, the school is working to put together a Superintendent Advisory Council.

Alcona Community Schools Superintendent Dan O'Connor explained communication changed greatly last year due to COVID-19 protocols. "Now that things have settled and many students are back in face-to-face instruction, it is time to reengage with parents differently. Establishing a consistent superintendent advisory council is a good place to start," he said.

O'Connor explained many times the school staff hears about concerns second-hand and not directly from the source. He is hopeful the advisory council will help in hearing those concerns and bringing them forward to be addressed.

"The council would act as a sounding board for parent/ student concerns and help

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with the school's strategic lunch menus, district schedplan which will be up for review soon. We need to get the initial group together and see what direction they want to

"We'd like the group to do some creative brainstorming to assist with opening lines of communication. There will most likely be elements of COVID-19 protocols in play for a while, we hope the council will gather feedback as we try and plan for next year," O'Connor said.

The school district has made some attempts to strengthen communication over the last year. On its website, Alconaschools.net, there is now a link in the upper right-hand corner for parents and students to submit a question or concern they are having. Concerns can be made anonymously or contain a contact name and phone number.

The school also offers a free application available for both Android and Apple phones that can connect people to information on staff members, athletic schedules,

ules, virtual links to board meetings and more.

"We are trying to meet people on whatever platform they happen to be on. Some will message our Facebook page, some will send an email, some will submit a question on the website link, others will pick up the phone and call. We want that communication; we want people to be able to ask questions and work through their concerns to the best of our ability," O'Connor said.

About eight parents have already responded desiring to be on the council. O'Connor felt just a few more to represent all grade levels would be

When and how the council would meet and if it will include student or teacher representatives would be up to the group. O'Connor envisions the council meeting once or twice a month.

For more information, contact Dan O'Connor at oconnord@alconaschools.net or by phone at (989) 736-6212.



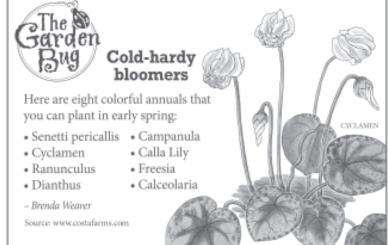
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Tawas controls second half, hands Tigers setback

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer
The Alcona boys varsity basketball team got off to a fast start thanks to some hot first quarter shooting by DJ Howe in its home game with Tawas on Tuesday, March 9.

The Tigers were unable to hang on to that early momentum however, and fell 50-41.

"Tawas hit some pretty good shots and they shot the ball better from the perimeter than we did," said Alcona head coach Ryan Bilbey. "The story of the game is they hit some key shots in key times and we didn't and that is tough to overcome.'

Howe hit three times in the first quarter, scoring 13 points total in the frame as it was a 17-12 Alcona lead entering the second quarter.

"DJ is maturing every game and is learning to get a little more aggressive and understand what he can do; he has done that for a couple games in a row now where he has caught fire in the first quarter," Bilbey said. "That helps get some momentum going, but we have to be able to sustain that and we can't be a one man show. We have to be balanced and we struggled with that a little bit tonight."

The Braves opened the second quarter on a 9-2 run to claim a 21-19 lead, though the Tigers knotted things at 21-all moments later when Howe accepted an in-bounds pass at the right elbow and swished the ball home.

Tawas' Nick Maynard hit a three-pointer and a mid-range jumper to set his team up with a 26-21 lead late in the half, but Zach Stephenson helped the Tigers draw within 26-25 by the break thanks to steals and fast break lay-ins on back-to-back trips down the court.

Howe kicked off the scoring in the third quarter with $his \, fourth \, three-pointer \, of \, the$ night. The bucket gave the Tigers a 28-26 lead, but Tawas went ahead for good moments later when Ethan Hedglin converted an andone play and Granite Barringer sent home a three pointer of his own from the left side of the court.

The Braves led 39-31 entering the fourth and took its biggest lead of the night at 46-35 on a Gabe Kaniszewski drive through the lane with about four minutes left to play.

The Tigers closed that gap to 46-41 with 1:40 to play on a Jacob Sytek bucket, and had a chance to pull even closer after a Tawas turnover, but they were unable to knock down a three-pointer and Tawas finished the game from three at the free throw line.

"We had basically two games in a row where the intensity is there and the execution is okay but we just aren't putting the ball through the hoop," Bilbey said. "We shot poorly (Monday at Onaway) and I would imagine that when I look at the stats we shot pretty poorly tonight too and that is really it. There were a few calls late in the game that took the momentum out of us a little bit, but really the story line is we didn't shoot particularly well



Alcona's Zach Stephenson soars in for two points during last week's home game with Tawas. Photo by Ben Murphy.

and that is hard to overcome."

Howe led the Tigers with 23 points. Stephenson finished with 12 points. Sytek netted four and Nick Rassmussen added two.

The contest against Onaway did not prove to be a better result for the Tigers. They fell to the Cardinals 54-50 on Monday, March 8

In the first quarter, Howe scored 10 of the team's 14 points as it was an 14-11 Alcona lead after one quarter, although the Cardinals inched ahead 22-20 by the half and led 39-38 entering the fourth.

Howe and Stephenson each scored six points in the final frame, but it wasn't enough as Onaway escaped with the

Leading the Tigers offensively was Howe with 26 points. Stephenson netted 15 points. Sytek put in five and Chris Barnes chipped in with

Alcona (6-6 overall) played at Fairview on Monday. The Tigers hosted Gaylord St. Mary on Wednesday, March 17 and wraps up the regular season on Saturday, March 20 at Whittemore-Prescott. The Tigers open the division three post-season on Thursday, March 25 when they play W-P again, this time at Rogers City.

Bowling Scores

The Alcona girls bowling team wrapped its regular season by competing in the Huron Shores All Conference tournament. Victoria Skuse was on the first team with 147.21. Brielle Keyser was one the second team. with 136.64 and Samantha Nordstrom with 131.36. The girls move onto regionals this weekend.

The Alcona boys bowling team concluded its regular season competing n the Huron Shores All Conference tournament, Brenden Hudgins was on the first team with 188.75. On the second team Jakob Tanner had 169.50. The boys move onto regionals this weekend.

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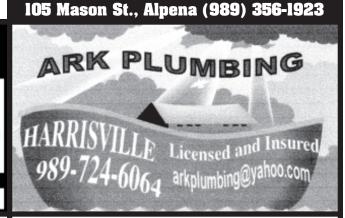
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Dogs graduate from leader dog school

March 18, 1971 ~ Mr. William H. Munyon, Rt. 1, Harrisville, has been raising Golden Retriever dogs for many years and during the past three years four of the dogs have been, graduated from the Leader Dog School for the Blind at Rochester, Michigan as Leader Dogs.

To prepare the dogs for Leader Dog training the puppies are placed in homes to become accustomed to home life. Kennel dogs do not respond to Leader Dog training as well as family trained dogs.

During February of this year Bop and Bip were graduated. Bop went to Mr. Frank Spurlock and Bip to Pamela Lou Clark, both of Illinois. Bip was raised in the home of Pamela Gifford of M-72, west of highway R-171. The school takes the dogs for Leader Dog training at one year of age if they meet the requirements of size and temperament. Mr. Munyon has seven dogs now in as many homes which will be presented to the Leader Dog School for the Blind in May. He hopes that they will all pass the entrance test. Neither Mr. Munyon nor the families training the puppies will receive and remuneration for the dogs, nor does the blind person getting the Leader Dog have to pay for it. It costs the Leader Dog School for the Blind about \$2,500.00 to train the team, the dog and the person receiving the dog.

Anyone wishing to know more about the Leader Dog program contact either Mr. Munyon or the Harrisville Lions Club.

The Leader Dog School for the Blind at Rochester, Michigan, is the largest school of its kind. It is sponsored by the Lions Club and receives its support from Lions Clubs in the United States and other countries as well as private donations.

Mikado man records music

March 18, 1971 ~ Mr. Bud Brewer, owner of Circle B Ranch at Kings Corner Road, has just returned from Nashville, Tennessee where he cut three records for the Decca Corporation. A singer of Western and Country Songs, his newest recordings, made February 28th, are "Sing Me Back Home," "House of Memories" and "Here Comes Tomorrow." Watch your local store for their release April 15th. Bud appears periodically on the television show, Grand Ole Opry, and is soon to be a guest on the Mike Douglas Show.

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Large Attendance at Funeral of Air Man Killed in Texas

March 17, 1921 ~ The remains of Walter C. Reames, flying cadet killed on Kelly Field, Texas, on Tuesday. March 8, arrived in Harrisville Monday morning in charge of Lieut. C. W. Graybeal of the U. S. Air service. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Presbyterian church, being in charge of Rev. C. M. Boyce.

There was a very large attendance, including many members of Armstrong Post American Legion and the remains were laid at rest in the Springport cemetery with military honors.

Lieut. Graybeal was among the first to reach Reames after the accident which caused his death and assisted in recovering the body from the wreckage. Cadet Reames was attempting a 2,000 foot slide to a landing. It is a dangerous feat, for the plane descends with the power cut off and not until it is 300 or 400 feet from the ground is it leveled off for the landing.

Either the machine failed to respond to its controls or the slide was too slow to permit a proper righting, for instead of gliding off on a level the plane went into a tail spin and crashed to earth.

Military funeral Lucas receives special accident certification

Cheryl Peterson

An Alcona County Sheriff deputy was recently awarded special certification for accident investigation.

Deputy Roger Lucas has completed all nine of the required classes to become a Michigan State University certified accident reconstructionist.

Lucas, who has worked for Alcona County for 13 years, has been taking classes since 1993 to become certified. If taken all at once, Lucas said, the training would take about three months. However, due to budgetary constraints and timing of the classes Lucas' training was spread out.

In February he spent two weeks on the MSU campus for the final intensive training portion of certification.

There was a lot of physics and an average of eight hours a day in class and two to three hours of studying after dinner, plus home work," Lucas said of those two weeks.

The training will aid Lucas in piecing the cause of an accident together. "We look for why an accident happened, not who," Lucas said. "There are many different factors that enter into an investigation— malfunction of an automobile, road conditions and sometimes the fault of someone."

Lucas said he is interested in this type of investigation because it's like a putting a puzzle together to determine be disturbing.

"Accident investigation is not an area that officers enjoy," Lucas said. It's a small community and usually the officer knows people involved in an accident. It's particularly difficult when children are involved."

In five years there have been five fatal accidents Lucas said. "We don't have that many accidents, but they are getting more serious because of the way people drive. With having this training we don't have to go outside the county and pay mega bucks for this service," he said. "I feel that accidents will be better investigated because the sheriff chose to send me for this training."

Lucas said there are six more classes that he can take to add to the training he has already received, and with the help from fellow deputies that



March 20, 1996 ~ By what happened. But, it can have to fill in while he is absent and funding allocations from the sheriff, he would like to take them.

Three road commission employees retire

March 20, 1996 ~ With a combined total of 89 years of service, three Alcona County Road Commission employees have retired.

Feb. 29 was the last day of work for 39-year road veteran Wilbur Forsythe of Barton City and 30-year veteran Ernie Sanborn of Lin-

March 15 marked the last day of a 20-year tenure with the road commission for Frank Myers of Barton City.

About 60 guests, including current and form er road commission employees, attended a dinner in honor of the retirees held at Churchill Pointe Inn at Hubbard Lake on Feb. 29.

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- 3. MOVIES: Which artist sang the song that inspired the movie title "Pretty Woman"?
- 4. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the first primary color that babies can see?
- **5. GEOGRAPHY:** What is the world's longest cave system?
- **6. MEDICAL:** What is a fasciculation, the medical term for a common ailment?
- 7. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president was the only one to be elected a U.S. senator after leaving office?
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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on March 8 at the city office. This was a virtual Zoom meeting with some council members in attendance since the lifting of some public meeting restrictions as of March 5, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by mayor Gehring and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said. Present: Mayor Gehring, treasurer Luenberger, clerk Pierce, and council members, Kaiser, Schwanz, Peterson, Mason, and Bean, city attorney Cook, and guests.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Bean, to approve the minutes of February 8. 20201. Motion carried 5-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to pay the bills in the amount of \$238,529.28. Motion carried 5-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0.

In Correspondence, mayor Gehring received letters of interest from Tom Keerl and Becky Bean to become members of the City Tree Board. Motion by Bean, support by Kaiser, to approve Tom Keerl as a member of the City Tree Board. Motion carried: 5-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to approve Becky Bean as a member of the City Tree Board. Motion carried: 5-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson, Navs: 0.

Barbara Luenberger submitted a letter of resignation from the City Tree Board. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to accept letter of resignation from Barbara Luenberger, with regret and thank you, as a member of the City Tree Board. Motion carried: 5-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0.

Mayor Gehring opened the General Fund Budget 2020-2021 Truth and Taxation Hearing at 7:15 p.m. The treasurer and finance committee members reviewed the general fund budget, fire, liquor, equipment pool, major, minor streets with council for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Mayor Gehring announced, as part of the Truth and Taxation requirement, that the City of Harrisville would collect the maximum millage of 6.0032 mils for the general fund, as required by law. The meeting was opened to the public with no comments. The meeting was closed at 7: 20 p.m.

The fire department pay increase was presented. Chief - \$3,600 annually, assistant chief - \$3,600 annually. Discus-

Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to approve the new general fund, fire, equipment pool, liquor, major and minor budgets, as presented to council, for fiscal year 2020-2021. Motion carried: 5-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean. Peterson. Navs: 0.

Treasurer Luenberger advised council as to the need to add and remove signatures on several accounts at the Alpena Alcona Credit Union, Northland Area Federal Credit Union, M Bank, adding Barbara Luenberger to these accounts, as city treasurer. To remove Sharon O'Callaghan as deputy treasurer on accounts

Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to approve the addition of Barbara Luenberger, city treasurer, to accounts at Alpena Alcona Credit Union, Northland Area Federal Credit Union, M Bank. Motion carried: 5-0. Aves: Schwanz. Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: remove Sharon O'Callaghan as deputy treasurer on accounts. Motion carried: 5-0. Aves: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason. Bean, Peterson, Navs: 0.

Mayor Gehring presented and recom-

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mended the approval of Resolution No. 2021-06: A resolution to establish a request for funding, designate an agent, attest to the existence of funds, and commit to implementing a maintenance program for improvements funded by the Transportation Economic Development Fund category B Program.

Whereas, the City of Harrisville is applying for funding through MDOT from the Transportation Economic Development Category B Program to provide improvements and pavement preservations to city streets.

Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-06 and approve signatures, for funding through MDOT to provide improvements and preservations to city streets. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0. Absent: 0. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Gehring advised council to adopt Resolution No. 2021-07 and approve the required signatures needed for Consumers Energy to go forward with the installation of the electric charging stations at the harbor.

Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-07 and approve signatures, for the easement needed for Consumers Energy to proceed with the installation of the electric charging stations at the harbor. Motion carried: 5-0. Aves: Schwanz, Kaiser. Mason, Bean, Peterson. Navs: 0.

Mayor Gehring recommends to council the support of Alcona County-wide Clean Up on May 15. Recycle Alcona has requested a \$1,000 donation for payment of services. Discussion. Motion by Kaiser, support by Schwanz, to support county-wide clean up and to donate \$500 to Recycle Alcona for the payment of services for the County- wide Clean Up on May 15. Motion carried: 5-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0.

Reports: Mayor Gehring reported there are three applications for Summer Help 2021. He will be interviewing applicants next week.

Clerk Pierce reported that with the governor issuing new COVID-19 guidelines for the state, outdoor venues can have a limit of 300 people in attendance as of March 5. Given these new guidelines, the Summer Concert Series for 2021 will be in effect. Clerk Pierce will be in contact with the booked performers from last season to concur their place for this season.

Treasurer Luenberger thanked council for the approval of the general fund budget for 2021-2022. Treasurer Luenberger also reported that new council chairs have been budgeted. Harbor Commission news reported by the mayor indicated that dock work will resume the second week in April.

County Commissioner Thompson reminded residents of the County-wide Clean Up on May 15 at the ARA Site in Lincoln and a Food Fair is scheduled for May 21-23. An ambulance from Glennie is being retro fitted for EMS service.

Comment cards: Becky Bean reported that plans for the Pocket Park are moving along with an extension and cutoff date for purchase of brick pavers moved to April 30. Plans are being made for an irrigation system and lighting fixtures. Delivery of the payers is scheduled for May 3. Mayor moved meeting to be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

meeting is Monday, April 12 at 7 p.m. Published prior to council approval.

CALEDONIA **TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS**

The Caledonia Township Board meeting was held March 10. Motion passed to approve February 10 and February 25 minutes. Motion passed to pay bills. Motion passed transfer funds from contingency fund to line items and purchase election computer and treasurer computer. Motion passed to pay to get hall basement cleaned and purchase dehu-

Motion passed to purchase grills for Tollson Park. Motion passed to pay for county wide clean up. Motion passed to approve placement of a free book library at North End Park (donation). Motion passed for Dust Control Policy for 2021 to be signed. Motion passed to adjourn at 8:36 p.m.

Cindy Smith, Township Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Default and **Foreclosure Sale**

Whereas, on October 25, 2004, a certain adjustable rate home equity conversion mortgage was executed by Sara J. Olin and Charles Olin, as mortgagors, in favor of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as mortgagee, which was recorded November 4, 2004 at Liber 409, page 99, Alcona County records; and,

Whereas, the mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and,

Whereas, the mortgage is now held by the secretary, as documented by corporate assignment of mortgage, dated May 18, 2016 and recorded May 20, 2016 at Liber 523, page 385, Alcona County records: and.

Whereas, the mortgage at paragraph (9)(a)(i) states that, "Lender may require immediate payment in full of all sums secured by this security instrument if . . . [a] borrower dies and the property is not the principal residence of at least one surviving borrower;" and,

Whereas, Sara J. Olin died on April 12, 2019 and there is no other borrower occupying the property; and,

Whereas, Charles Olin died on April 20, 2017 and there is no other borrower occupying the property; and,

Whereas, the debt secured by the mortgage has been accelerated and is due and owing in the amount of \$145.369.55 as of February 12, 2021, and which remains wholly unpaid, as of today's date; and,

Whereas, the debt must be paid in full to avoid foreclosure of the property commonly known as: 4210 S. Wilcox Road, Mikado, Mich.; and,

Whereas, by virtue of this default, the secretary has declared the entire amount of the indehtedness secured by the mortgage to be immediately due and pay-

Now therefore, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. § 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the secretary's designation of me as foreclosure commissioner, recorded on July 23, 2015 at Liber 516, page 911, Alcona County records, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 10 a.m. local time, the real property located in the Township of Greenbush. County of Alcona, State of Michigan, the below described will be sold at public auction to the high-

Lot 27 of Yukon Acres, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 at page 30 of the Alcona County records. Commonly known as: 4210 S. Wilcox Road. Tax Parcel No: 01-041-300-000-027-00.

The sale will be held at the Alcona County Circuit Courthouse, which is located at 106 5th Street, Harrisville. Mich. The secretary of Housing and Urban Development may bid any amount up to and including the total debt at the date of sale, plus any and all amounts recoverable under the provisions of the mortgage.

There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his pro rata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale.

When making their bids, all bidders, except the secretary, must submit a deposit totaling 10 percent of the successful bid in the form of a certified check or cashier's check, made payable to the secretary of HUD. Each oral bid need not be accompanied by a deposit. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of 10 percent of the successful bid must be presented when the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable

The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or such other time as the secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount. like the bid deposits. must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the

secretary is the high bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveyancing fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to

The secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500 paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashiers check made payable to the secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due

If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD field office representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The commission may, at the direction of the HUD field office representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder.

There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the act. Therefore, the foreclosure commissioner will issue a deed to the purchaser upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale, as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

The mortgage cannot be "reinstated" prior to sale, as the event triggering acceleration was not a default in payments. Payment of the entire outstanding balance of the mortgage debt is required to stop the foreclosure. The "outstanding balance" includes amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs, posting costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the foreclosure commissioner for recording documents, a commission for the foreclosure and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to the sale.

Date: February 15, 2021 Jeffrey R. Raff Foreclosure Commissioner for the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development 31440 Northwestern Hwy., Ste.

Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334

State of Michigan County of Oakland

On this 15th day of February, 2021, before me, a notary public in and for Oakland County, appeared Jeffrey R. Raff, foreclosure commissioner for the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, to me personally known and being duly sworn did say that said instrument was signed and did acknowledge the same to be his free act and deed.

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meeting was called to order with

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taken. Present: MacNeill,

LaLonde, Gauthier, Mead, and

Bouchard. Motions to approve

the previous month's minutes and

treasurer's report; pay bills as

presented; to close regular meet-

ing and open budget hearing; to

accept the 2021-22 budget as

presented and include the Truth

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to adopt ordinance with PIE&G.

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Dawn LaLonde,

All motions passed.

board approval.

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Alcona County, starting promptly at 10 a.m. on April 14, 2021.

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.

Mortgage: Mortgagor(s): Kevin Zimmer, a married man, and Pamela Zimmer is executing this mortgage solely for the purpose of waiving all martial and homestead rights. Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns. Date of

mortgage: May 7, 2002. Recorded on May 14, 2002 in document No. 200200001997, Liber 364, on page 301. Foreclosing Assignee (if any): NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing. Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof. Three thousand three hundred seventy-seven and 98/ 100 dollars (\$3,377.98)

Mortgaged premises: Situated in Alcona County, and described as part of the southeast quarter (SE-1/4) of the southeast quarter (SE-1/4) of Section 34, Township 28 North, Range 9 East, described as follows: Commencing at the southeast corner of said Section 34, thence north 01 degrees 03 minutes 38 seconds east along the east line of said Section, 681.05 feet to the point of beginnina: thence continuing north 01 degrees 03 minutes 38 seconds east 153.59 feet; thence south 89 degrees 03 minutes 16 seconds west 183.60 feet to a point on the easterly right of way line of Highway U.S. 23; thence south 2 degrees 23 minutes 38 seconds east along said right of way 250.77 feet to a point on the northerly bank of the Black River: thence along said bank north 44 degrees 35 minutes 16 seconds east 91.31 feet; thence north 71 degrees 45 minutes 50 seconds east 111.79

feet to the point of beginning. According to the Survey recorded August 9, 1974; in Liber 155, Page 908, Alcona County records. Commonly known as 4068 N. US-23, Black River, Mich. 48721.

one year from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale. or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption pe-

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The Alcona High School FFA parliamentary team took first place at both district and regional competitions and will be competing in the state final competition on March 25. (From left) Cayden Hendrix, Makala Mendyka, Nicole Gauthier, Liz Henderson, Blaire Dellar, Kaitlin Nardi and Bill Jones. Courtesy photo.

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Ninja-May.

Hubbard explained the baby goat, which is called a

goat the students are calling kid, was one of three born to a doe goat owned by an FFA student. "The doe rejected this kid and it had to be bottle-

fed. It was easier to just bring it to school to take care of it. It's been fun to have it in the classroom and roaming the school halls. The kids started calling her Ninja because of how fast she bounces around the room," he said.

The FFA processed chickens last fall and at that time purchased some laying hens and a rooster. Currently, the laying hens and rooster are in the courtyard at the school. "It's an educational experience for the students and we do collect a few eggs a day from them. It's nice to have them around. You can hear the rooster crowing all through the campus, even out by the Sugar Shack. It's fun," Hubbard said.

Hubbard was very proud of the FFA Parliamentary Team that took first place at both district and regional competitions and will be competing at the state final competition on March 25. The team consists of seven students: Cayden Hendrix, Makala Mendyka, Nicole Gauthier, Liz Henderson, Blaire Dellar, Kaitlin Nardi and Bill Jones. "They are a great group of kids who started practicing last October. They practice three days a week except during hunting season and school breaks. They've been working very hard," Hubbard said.

He explained it has been a little disappointing for the team because instead of traveling to attend the competitions, this year all FFA competitions are virtual. "The kids always looked forward to traveling to Michigan State University for finals, but we will be staying home for the competition this year," Hubbard

The students are planning an FFA week at the high school later this spring to garner more interest from students in FFA activities and they plan to hold their annual banquet this year in May, depending on COVID-19 restrictions.

According to Hubbard, the FFA will soon be selling honey, courtesy of the beekeeping project students established a few years ago.

To keep abreast of when honey will be available and other activities the FFA is planning, like the Alcona FFA Facebook page.



Biology in agriscience student Jaden Weichel finishes tapping a tree by affixing the lid on a maple sap collection bucket. Courtesy photo.

