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Luging quest continues for youth with local ties

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

The grandson of Barton City business owners is continuing his quest to become an Olympic luge athlete.

Chase Somers, the 13-year-old grandson of Gary and Mo (Maureen Gauthier) Somers, said after being involved in the sport of luging for four years his love for it hasn't diminished, even after nearly a year off due to the pandemic and being temporarily sidelined by concussion protocol.

Luging is one of the fastest sports on ice consisting of going feet first down an icy shoot on a small sled obtaining speeds of about 60 miles per hour.

As reported in the Alcona County Review in May of 2020, Chase fell in love with the sport of luging at just nine years of age.

His mother, Molly, a teacher from Freeland Com-



Chase Somers during his luge competition games. Courtesy photo.

munity Schools, had won a science grant from Dow Chemical which included a tour through the Dow facility. "Dow Chemical had a small division working to im-

prove luge sleds. At the end of the tour, they mentioned a luge slider search event they would be holding at the Bridgeport Soap Box Derby Hill. My husband Neil, a state

police officer, was asked to patrol the event. Chase and I didn't have anything going, so we went. Chase wanted to try and ended up doing well on a timed trial run," she said.

Since that first luge-type experience on a wheeled sled, Chase was hooked and has since visited several three to six-week luge camps/practices at Lake Placid, NY.

His most recent visit to Lake Placid this year guided him qualify for two competitions – one at Mount Van Hovenberg in New York just outside of Lake Placid called the Empire State Games, a big competition where Chase came in second in his age group, and the National Games held in Salt Lake City, Utah just three weeks ago.

Chase placed fourth on the first day of the Utah games and took second place the following day, coming in third place overall in his age group.

"Luging is exciting and extremely fast. I like fast-paced things. Unlike other sports like marathons where you run for hours and still may not place, in luge you only lose by a half a second or a quarter second. You are never that far behind," Chase said.

His father said at Chase's last race his top speed was 60.15 miles per hour. "It's fast. My wife and I drove 12 hours to see him compete for a minute and a half and then drove the 12 hours back. It is a little crazy, but we enjoy supporting him and his love of the sport," Neil said.

Not only is it fast, but it is also dangerous. Neil said the sliders were only able to attend one week in Lake Placid in 2021 because of COVID-19. Unfortunately, the track was in bad shape. They eventually closed the run because too many kids were getting hurt, but not before Chase had gone down and got a bit banged up. He had to sit out for concussion protocol but checked out fine afterward.

"That was a long time ago. It's not a sport for everyone. It's the adrenaline rush and then at the end of the day you are tired," Chase said.

Even though Chase is traveling for his sport, he knows his education is important. He is an A student at Freeland Community Schools, but soon he may have to change to an online school format as the demands to travel with his sport increase.

When Chase isn't practicing on the luge sled, he keeps in shape by doing workouts with a family friend and enjoys track and field sports.

In just a few years, when Chase reaches the age of 15, he will have to move up from his comfortable D division team to the C team or age out of the competitions. The C team competitors have more responsibility and is more expensive to purchase their sleds, equipment and instruction. Typically, C-level competitors need sponsorships.

Although he has almost two years to reach that point, Chase is aware of the costs involved to compete. To offset costs, Chase helps by working during the summer at his grandparent's business, the Barton City General Store. His parents have a summer cottage in Black River.

Council identifies top issues affecting local youth

Depression and mental health, stress issues, and school and homework related stress top the list of issues the youth of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties feel are affecting their peers, according to a recent assessment conducted among youth in those communities.

The Northeast Michigan Youth Advisory Council (NEMYAC) recently completed a Youth Needs Assessment Survey, gathering the opinions on the known issues currently affecting youth.

NEMYAC is a youth philanthropy program through the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) which teaches young people the importance of philanthropy, and helps them develop leadership skills through grantmaking and community service.

Every three years, Youth Advisory Councils, or YACs, throughout Michigan are required to survey their fellow youth to gain insight into the issues the youth feel are the most pressing for their local communities. The final results of the survey are used to guide the council's grantmaking for the next three

years to address those issues. Grants from the Northeast Michigan Youth Advisory Council are awarded through the Kellogg Youth Endowment Fund at the Community Foundation.

"The results of this survey provide a good snapshot of what youth are facing in our communities, and give our YACs, our board, and even other funders and private donors in northeast Michigan a guide to help direct funding and donations where it is needed most for our youth," said CFNEM Executive Director Patrick Heraghty. "Mental Health, depression and stress issues have been a top indicator for our youth's well-being for several years now. Clearly, this is something on which our YACs, the Foundation, and the whole community should be focusing."

CFNEM Program Officer Kara Bauer LeMonds said that depression, mental health and stress have remained high on the survey results across all nine counties in CFNEM's service area, which also includes three geographic affiliate foundations.

"The fact that these issues remain so high on the minds

of our youth are reflective of the general need in our entire community and region," says LeMonds. "These issues must be addressed on many levels, and for our YACs and other grant screening committees, these results are a good place to start. But there is much work to do."

As a leadership activity, YAC members, working with their adult advisors, oversee the distribution of this survey to students in their own schools. The 2022 Northeast Michigan Youth Needs Assessment survey includes feedback from 1,375 students at high schools in the CFNEM service area of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties.

Once survey results are compiled, the list is narrowed down to the 10 issues sited most as needing attention. Those ten issues for the 2022 survey are:

- Depression/mental health issues
- Stress issues
- School work/homework
- Bullying/cyberbullying
- Body image/appearance issues
- Teen suicide
- Self-esteem issues
- Teen substance abuse

(drugs/alcohol/tobacco)

- Lack of things to do locally

- Teen sexual behavior

"Not every application that comes to the Youth Advisory Council will address the topics in this survey, and they don't necessarily need to," said LeMonds. "However, we hope these results will encourage local agencies to enhance their efforts in tackling these issues with the knowledge that our YAC has a desire and ability to put funds toward those programs."

To learn more about the Community Foundation's NEMYAC, or to support this group of young philanthropists through donations to the Kellogg Youth Endowment Fund at CFNEM, visit www.cfnem.org.

The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan is a charitable organization committed to providing people who care about the future of the area with unique and effective ways of supporting their community now, and for generations to come. Led by a volunteer board of local citizens, the foundation oversees a group of permanently endowed funds from a wide range of donors.



God Bless America



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Obituary

James E. Hale

Musician, Storyteller, Craftsman, Hunter, Trapper, Fisherman, Farmer, Horseman, Father, Son, Brother, Grandpa, Uncle, and Friend, James Edward Hale, more fondly known as "Big Jim," came to the end of his life here on earth on March 30, 2022 at Lincoln Haven Nursing Home in Lincoln.

Jim was born on January 24, 1942, in upstate New York to Ruth (DeKruger) and Edward Hale. In his earlier years he spent a lot of his time with his Pappy Hale on Blue Mountain Lake and other surrounding lakes in Pappy's Adirondack Guide Boat. This is where Jim began his life-long craft of building these beautiful and historic guide boats; even traveling back to that area from Michigan later in life to harvest a spruce stump specifically for the ribs on one of the guide boats he built.

When Jim was still a young boy, he moved with his mother, Ruth, and two siblings to the Millington, Mich. area where Ruth eventually married Jim's

stepfather, Delbert (Dutch) Storms, and added five more siblings to their family.

In the early 60s, Jim moved to the Lincoln area where he met Josephine (Sue) Ritchie and they married in July of 1962. Together, they had four children and one from a previous relationship: Coreena, Tammie (Bernard), Rusty (Kathy), Howard (Carrie) and Cindy.

Throughout Jim's life he worked in masonry, building, farming and timbering with horses, and taxidermy. He was known to perfect each skill and hobby he set his mind to doing.

For many years, before requiring more help with daily living, Jim lived two miles off the nearest county road without electricity and only a hand pump. He was incredibly resourceful and self-sustaining in all that he did, often leaving many thinking he was born at least 100 years too late. He loved sharing with his family and friends, in his own way, with a remarkable story or an impromptu music event with his singing, guitar, banjo, and harmonica.

Jim leaves behind his five

children previously listed; his grandchildren, Ashley, Russell (Chantal), Michael, Nathan (Jackie), Daniel, Kelsey (Devon), Cassandra (Jesse), and Lyndsey; his great-grandchildren, Dakota, Drake, Delilah, Gavin, Collin, Jasmine, Darin, Karlee, Lainey, and Adeline; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. He is survived by his siblings, Mary Anne (Norm), Evelyn, Ida (Charlie), Delbert (Linda), Lester (Sherry), sister-in-law, Beth, and his stepdad, Dutch.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ruth; sister, Emmy Lou, his brother Joe; brother-in-law, Joe December; and the mother of his children, Josephine (Sue).

Arrangements are being handled by Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln for a private viewing by family. A public memorial picnic is being planned for this summer and will be announced later. Memorials or donations can be made to any foundation/group supporting diabetes education, Hospice Compassus, or Jim's family.

Paid Obituary

DNR asks anglers to report tagged walleye

Anglers are asked to report tagged fish to assist data collection efforts of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

"The information reported is essential to measuring the health of the population and

is critical data for planning the future management decisions needed to protect and enhance this important fishery," said David Fielder, PhD. research biologist out of the DNR's Alpena Fisheries Research Station. "Besides en-

suring the walleye fishery remains sustainable, we also annually estimate the population size with the aid of these tag reports."

The DNR has tagged more than 100,000 walleye in the Saginaw Bay area since 1981. Jaw tagging is part of a long-term research project to monitor survival and harvest rates and to learn about walleye movement.

About 10 percent of the tags include a \$100 reward for reporting. To be eligible for a reward, photos are required of the flattened tag. Anglers can keep or release the fish. If anglers are not interested in a reward, do not remove the tag before releasing the fish.

Anyone catching a tagged fish is asked to report the following information using the tag return form at Michigan.gov/EyesInTheField: Species; length; weight (if known); tag location (where tag was attached); identification number (the larger of the two sets of numbers); tag return address (for example MICH DNR MM-1); and capture date and location.

In the notes box of the form, list time of capture and sex of fish (if known). Each tag is stamped with a unique identifying number. Once a fish has been successfully reported, the angler will receive a letter detailing the fish's history.

Tagging occurs each spring on the Tittabawassee River and other Saginaw Bay tributaries during the walleye spawning run.

From the Editor's Desk

Last week's edition of the Review highlighted the City of Harrisville's struggle to combat the loss of businesses and the challenge to focus on business and community development.

In this challenge Harrisville is not alone. This struggle can be seen throughout the small communities in north-east Michigan. Even before pandemic restrictions (and resulting fall out) severely wounded small businesses, there was a limited work force and the annual summer/fall boom and winter/spring stagnation that curses a majority of small businesses in this region.

Now, just about every single business needs employees. Evidence of this is the "help wanted" signs plastered on storefront windows, online sites, newspaper and radio advertising and, even, bill boards on US-23.

Lack of employees is not the only struggle for businesses fighting to comeback – from not being able to get the products needed to operate effectively and the high cost of just about everything due to skyrocketing fuel prices to food shortages to unreliable deliveries – it is amazing that there are still businesses open as owners try to provide goods and services in their community.

Specifically in Alcona County, there is a prevailing element of business owners who are approaching (or are ready now) retirement and there doesn't seem to be much interest from the next generation to take up this legacy. In the last 10 years or so, retirement or death is the main reason why most businesses ceased to exist in Harrisville.

Clearly, Alcona County businesses need help – to stay in business, to grow and enticement for new businesses.

This seems daunting for small communities in a county with less than 10,000 residents. It is definitely a challenge. Fortunately, there is a multitude of resources for communities serious about improving the business climate – so, there is no need to "reinvent the wheel." Several years ago, the State of Michigan's Economic Development Corporation put together a few programs to help small communities work toward business development. Both Harrisville and Lincoln began working through the process. Lincoln is still working on it. Harrisville is not.

Unfortunately, these programs are specifically designed for cities or villages – not counties. However, there are several avenues the Alcona County Board of Commissioners can pursue to help the business climate. And, while developing much needed Internet connections throughout the county is imperative, there is much more that can be done to support existing business owners and bring new businesses to the area.

The Review has written several editorials regarding the need for the county to plan for the future. We are again waving this flag of warning because – businesses make a community. If there aren't thriving businesses there, it is just a place to live.

We'll leave you with this thought that was published in an editorial on county planning on May 29, 2002:

"As we have said in the past, and will continue to do so, planning is imperative. You cannot grow and prosper without it. Obviously, the county board of commissioners has enough to do with running the day-to-day activities of the county. Since it cannot look beyond next week or the end of the month, it needs to develop a board that can look to the future, not just take things as they come up – something which we should all be afraid of."

~ Cheryl Peterson,
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District Court

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

- Julian Marcus Brisbois, 35, of Alpena was sentenced to 30 days in jail and fines and costs of \$590 for operator's license suspended, revoked, denied.

- Lawrence Michael Schisler, 24, of Mikado was sentenced to 37 days and \$625 fines and costs for malicious destruction of a building under \$200.

- Andrew Phillip Warren, 26, of Glennie was sentenced to 35 days in jail and \$625 in costs and fines for malicious destruction of property of \$200 but under \$1,000.

- Michael Allen Lobaugh, 36, of Alpena was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$400 for failure to report accident to fixtures.

- Jesse Tyler Rose, 31, of South Branch was sentenced to one day in jail and \$1,480 in fines and costs for operating while visibly impaired.

- Gerald Thomas Garcia, 60, of Lincoln was sentenced to two days in jail, one year of probation and costs and fines of \$1,840 for operating while visibly impaired.



Calendar of Events



MONDAY, APRIL 4

The "Craftomania" project at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library is making yarn from old T-shirts and knitting or crocheting a creation of the participant's choice. The free class is from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Refreshments provided. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

Knitting Klub and Crochet will gather at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. All levels are welcome. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

A free Cottage Food Law workshop will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. via Zoom. Participants will learn how to prepare and sell foods to the public under Michigan's Cottage Food Law. Topics include preparing, packaging, labeling, story and transporting cottage foods. This workshop is offered on multiple dates and times by Michigan State University Extension. See the registration web site to choose a date and time. For more info. and to register, go to <https://events.anr.msu.edu/MiCottageFood2022/>.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

The Alcona County Baby Pantry will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. at St. Raphael Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado. Free formula, diapers, toys, new and gently used shoes and clothing are available to residents of Alcona County with newborns through age four. Layettes are available in the eighth month. This is not an income-based program.

Friends of the Alcona County Library will meet at the Harrisville branch at 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 7

Veterans are invited to join fellow comrades for coffee and fellowship from 9 to 11 a.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville. For additional details, call (989) 724-9581.

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. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

A networking mixer, hosted by the Alcona County Chamber, will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Alcona Brew Haus in Harrisville. Complimentary non alcoholic beverages and snacks provided. Other refreshments and food available to purchase. Attendees will meet other chamber members, can network, may become a member and find out what the chamber does. For more information, www.alconacountychamberofcommerce.com.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

A story time and craft activity for children will be held at the Alcona County Library in Harrisville will begin at

10:30 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

A meeting about the Harrisville Depot will be held at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville Harbor. Anyone who is interested are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Kristin Benghauser at ahs@alconahistoricalsociety.com or call (989) 471-2088.

CrossRoads Recovery, a faith-based addiction program, will meet at 7 p.m. at Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 S. State Street, Greenbush. For more information, contact Pastor Caincross at (989) 569-1298.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

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

All children up to age 12 is invited to a free pancake brunch with the Easter Bunny at the Alcona Brew Haus in Harrisville from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Milk or juice is provided with each child's meal courtesy of Harrisville Harbor Grocery of Harrisville.

MONDAY, APRIL 11

The Seed Exchange at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library will be held all day. The library has a collection of vegetable, herb and flower seeds that patrons can take for free (limit of five packets per household). If the plants produce well, patrons are encouraged to save some seeds and return them to the collection. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

Euchre is played at the Lincoln Senior Center, lower level, 207 Church Street, Lincoln from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. All seniors are welcome.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

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.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

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. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Doctor living at a tent-filled
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TOPS 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado with weigh-in at 9 a.m. and meeting at 9:15 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Site is handicap accessible. For details, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-8600.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

All branches of the Alcona County Library are closed in observance of Good Friday.

CrossRoads Recovery, a faith-based addiction program, will meet at 7 p.m. at Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 S. State Street, Greenbush. For more information, contact Pastor Caincross at (989) 569-1298.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

All branches of the Alcona County Library are closed in observance of Easter.

MONDAY, APRIL 18

White Pine Quilt Guild meets at 6:30 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville. Anyone interested in quilting is welcome.

MEETING NOTICE

Tuesday, April 12, 2022, 7 p.m. at the Mikado Civic Center. A work session is scheduled to discuss options for funding the Civic Center building.

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Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at noon Monday through Thursday at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln. Reservations are required by 10 a.m. each day by calling (989) 334-3470. Takeout meals can be reserved at the same number by calling no later than 10 a.m. No membership is required. A suggested donation of \$3 per meal is welcome.

- Monday, April 11: Pork tips in gravy, mashed potatoes, cooked squash, tropical fruit salad.
- Tuesday, April 12: Barbecue chicken, potato Lyonnaise, Prince Charles blend vegetable, orange pineapple fluff salad.
- Wednesday, April 13: Cabbage rolls, read parsley potatoes, wax beans, hot peaches delight.
- Thursday, April 14: Fish almondine, long grain and wild rice, peas and carrots, mixed fruit.

Library Seed Exchange

The Seed Exchange at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library will open for the 2022 growing season on Monday, April 11. The library has a collection of vegetable, herb and flower seeds that patrons can take for free (limit of five packets per household). If the plants produce well, patrons are encouraged to save some seeds and return them to the collection.

Anyone who saved seeds from last year's crops or have extra and want to donate some to the library, is encouraged to bring them in. Make sure to write down what they are and any further information. Seed sharing is a money-saving, sustainable practice that is hundreds of years old, connects people to the past and the earth, and is a great way to give back to the community. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Youth Investigations

This month's 4-H Wild Spartans Series, for youth ages 12 to 19, will explore the Great Lakes to learn about fish of all sizes – from tiny venomous catfish to massive lake sturgeon. Join 4-H staff on Tuesday, April 12 at 6:30 p.m. for "Great Lakes Fisheries Investigations."

Participants will meet Michigan Department of Natural Resources Fisheries Technician Brad Utrup learn about his field work, and the education and career path he followed to get there. This scientist will take youth above and below the water with a presentation full of photos and media detailing the work the Lake St. Clair Fisheries Research Station performs. Youth will be encouraged to ask questions to learn more thorough a live question and answer time.

The Wild Spartan Series is held online on Zoom. Pre-register at <https://events->

[.anr.msu.edu/wild-spartans2022/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/wild-spartans2022/). The link and password for the meeting will be emailed to registered participants.

Education for Fathers

Fathers who are having difficulties in getting their voice heard when it comes to child support, child visitation or other court matters are encouraged to attend a meeting on April 28 at 7 p.m. to get answers to questions and concerns. Attorney Michelle Elowski, attorney Stephen Raslich and Leo Giori, director of Department of Health and Human Services, will talk about maneuvering through the legal system. There is no charge to attend. Contact the facilitator Patrick Wilson at (989) 305-5209 for questions and/or to reserve a seat, as space is limited. Seminar will be held at the AuSable Masonic Lodge 243 in Oscoda.

Financial Education

Michigan State University (MSU) Extension's MI Money Health provides resources and education to help Michigan residents be more financially healthy. MSU Extension has certified housing and money management counselors who deliver education to both adults and youth that is easy to understand and can demystify common money and home ownership best practices. Some of the programs scheduled for April cover topics such as "Surviving and Thriving on a Fixed Income," "Avoiding Identity Theft," "Wealth Building," "Home Ownership," "Retirement Myths and Facts," and "How to Build and Protect Your Credit."

For a complete list of MI Money Health classes and events, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/mimoneyhealth/events>. For more information on MI Money Health, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/mimoneyhealth/>.

Apple Grafting Workshop

The Iosco and Alcona Conservation districts are holding an apple tree grafting workshop on April 16 at Ingalls Forest. The cost is \$30 and includes the materials to make and take three grafted apple trees. Rootstocks are a semidwarf type and there will be several different varieties of scions available. Attendance is limited to 16 people, so preregistration is required. The workshop will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A hot dog and chips lunch will be provided, along with coffee, and cocoa. Call or text Russell, the forester, for more information at (989) 310-6408. Ingalls Forest is owned by the Iosco Conservation District. It is an 80-acre forested parcel dedicated to public use and enjoyment. There are walking trails, a pavilion, and rustic porta-potty facilities.

AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church



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Harrisville • 724-5160
Sunday service 10 am, also on facebook

Family Heritage Baptist Church

4260 M-72 Harrisville (2.5 miles west of the light)
Pastor Ernest Ruemenapp 989-335-8282 • www.church72.org
Sunday school 10 a.m.
Sunday worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study and Coffee 10 a.m.
Patch the Pirate children's ministry on Wednesday at 6 p.m.

New Life Lutheran Church (ELCA)

Sunday Worship & Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Hubbard Lake Rd.,
3/4 mile south of White Pine National Golf Course
Pastor Christina Bright Office 736-7816

Our Savior Lutheran Church

3639 South M-65, Glennie, Michigan
Sunday Morning 9 a.m. Worship Service
Everyone Welcome

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

Church Street at Traverse Bay Road
Lincoln, Mich. 48742 ~ 736-1227
Pastor David Putz ~ Service, Sunday 9 a.m.

Hope Lutheran Church NALC

5462 Nickelson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Pastor Herb Kitzman • 989-727-3206

Catholic Parishes of the Resurrection

St. Raphael, Mikado Saturday 4:30 p.m.
St. Anne, Harrisville Sunday 11 a.m.
St. Gabriel, Black River, Saturday 6:30 p.m.
St. Catherine, Ossineke Sunday 9 a.m.
Pastor John William • (989)471-5121 • (989) 724-6713

GREENBUSH COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

2430 S. State, Greenbush • 724-5264 • Pastor A. C. Caincross
• Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
• Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.
• Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

Haynes Community Church

4505 Shaw Road, Harrisville, Michigan 48740
Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m. • 989-724-6665
Pastor Claire Duncan • haynescommunitychurch.org



First Baptist Church of Lincoln

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An Open Letter to Our Dedicated Alcona Music Project (WXTF-FM) Listener Community

As you probably know by now - WXTF FM-LP, 97.9 went silent on October 31, 2021. Since then we have been working diligently on relocating our station operations and restoring Internet Streaming and over-the-air Broadcast services back to Alcona County, the greater Harrisville area, and beyond.

We are happy to announce that effort has been successful. We are relocating our station operations to the former Larry's Electric Building on Mainstreet in Downtown Harrisville!

Once we are able to reestablish our studio operations in the new building, **WTF-RADIO** will be up and running—streaming online @(www.979harrisville.org). **CLICK** on the “**LISTEN & CHAT**” buttons and get connected to Alcona County and Harrisville's #1 choice for great music and chat with our friendly, talented DJ volunteers. Our over the air WXTF-LP, 97.9 FM Broadcast Operations will not be available until late Spring when we can re-install our broadcast tower and transmitter. In the meantime, tune into our online WTF streaming service and listen for further updates on when WXTF-97.9 FM will return to the airwaves.

Our online WTF streaming service will include many of your favorite DJ shows, live or pre-recorded. When those shows are not on, you'll experience WTF's most interesting, eclectic, unpredictable, and excellent musical mix, along with our local Community/Public Service/Event announcements, and current News & Weather information.

Almost everyone agrees: **The #1 choice for the best music is WXTF-97.9 FM!**

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And (ahem) we still have bills to pay - PLUS – we are now proud owners of a building that requires a sustainable fundraising effort to help cover our operational expenses that come with independent ownership of our new facility.

Tax Deductible donations, big and small, are both needed and greatly appreciated. There are a lot of ways to donate, including buttons on every page of our Website (www.979.harrisville.org). **Which one will YOU choose?**

“FRIENDS OF THE ALCONA MUSIC PROJECT”:

While we are always on the lookout for more DJ Volunteers, we would also like to open our operations up by creating an all-volunteer, community based group that can take part in the regular “care and feeding” of the WXTF studios. This group could potentially help us manage events, pursue fundraising opportunities (Grants etc.), Social Media, Tech support, cleaning and other various tasks around the studio on an as needed basis. At this point, we are reviewing what these tasks might entail, and would like to hear from our listener community on your ideas/suggestions on what volunteer services/skills might be available to us. Stay tuned for future details.

During our hiatus, The Alcona Music Project, Inc. has been blessed and overwhelmed by the donations and support of both our local community and listeners near and far. We hope to continue to earn that support, so we can continue to build on that foundation by bringing our Listeners quality community programming and the “**best music you won't hear anywhere else**”!

We will keep you updated you on our Facebook Page: @: (Wxtf-Lp 97.9 Harrisville) and our Website: @: (www.979.harrisville.org) as further information and updates become available.

All of us here at WXTF-FM-LP thank you, and we appreciate your past and continued support as we embark on the next chapter for our/your community, non-profit, non-commercial, all volunteer radio station!

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How to get help as an elder orphan

Dear Savvy Senior,
I need to find someone honest and reliable to look after my estate, health and long-term care when I'm no longer able to do it myself. I'm a 67-year-old recent widow with no children and one sibling I rarely talk to. Any suggestions?

Solo Ager



Savvy Senior

Dear Solo,
This is big concern for millions of older Americans who don't have a spouse, children or other family they can depend on to watch out for their well-being. While there's no one solution to this issue, here are some tips and resources that can help you plan ahead.

Essential Documents

If you haven't already done so, your first step, before choosing a reliable decision maker, is to prepare a basic estate plan of at least four essential legal documents. This will protect yourself and make sure you're wishes are carried out if you become seriously ill or when you die.

These essential documents include:

- A Durable Power of Attorney that allows you to designate someone to handle your financial matters if you become incapacitated.

- An Advanced Health Care Directive that includes a Living Will that tells your doctor what kind of care you want to receive if you become incapacitated.

- A Health Care Power of Attorney which names a person you authorize to make medical decisions on your behalf if you're unable to.

- A Will that spells out how you'd like your property and assets distributed after you die. It also requires you to designate an "executor" to ensure your wishes are carried out.

To prepare these documents your best option is to

hire an attorney, which can cost anywhere between \$500 and \$2,000. Or, if you are interested in a do-it-yourself plan, Quicken WillMaker & Trust 2022 (\$199, Nolo.com) and LegalZoom.com (\$179) are some top options.

Choosing Decision Makers and Helpers

Most people think first of naming a family member as their power of attorney for finances and health care, or executor of their will. If, however, you don't have someone to fill those roles, you may want to ask a trusted friend or associate but be sure to choose someone that's organized and younger than you who will likely be around after you're gone.

Also be aware that if your choice of power of attorney or executor lives in another state, you'll need to check your state's law to see if it imposes any special requirements.

If, however, you don't have a friend or relative you feel comfortable with, you'll need to hire someone who has experience with such matters.

To find a qualified power of attorney or executor for your will, contact your bank, a local trust company or an estate planning attorney. If you need help locating a pro, the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA.org) is a great resource that provides online directory to help you find someone in your area.

Another resource that can help you manage and oversee your health and long-term care needs as they arise, and even act as your health care power of attorney, is an aging life care manager. These are trained professionals in the area of geriatric care who often have backgrounds in nursing or social work. To search for an expert near you, visit AgingLifeCare.org.

Or, if you need help with bill paying and other financial/insurance/tax chores there are professional daily money managers (see AADMM.com) that can help.

Aging life care managers typically charge between \$75 and \$200 per hour, while hourly rates for daily money managers range between \$75 and \$150.

It's also important to note that if you don't complete the aforementioned legal documents and you become incapacitated, a court judge may appoint a guardian to make decisions on your behalf. That means the care you receive may be totally different from what you would have chosen for yourself.

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

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Grandpa Gary and Grandma Mo have also put out a donation jar at their store to help collect necessary funds for their grandson to compete. Because both of Chase's parents have demanding careers, Grandpa and Grandma, being immensely proud of their grandsons' accomplishments, hap-

pily volunteer to take Chase to Lake Placid and whatever competitions follow.

For more information or to donate, contact the Barton City General Store located at 1866 W. Trask Lake Road or call (989) 736-8248.



Chase Somers took bronze in luge at the National Winter Game held last month in Salt Lake City, Utah. He is standing with the silver medalist Andrew Robertson (right) and gold medalist Nathan Bivens (center). Courtesy photo.

Let us know what is happening

Story ideas can be mailed to: P.O. Box 548, Harrisville, Mich. 48740; dropped at the Review office ~ 111 N. Lake Street, Harrisville; or e-mailed to: editor@alconareview.com.

Please, include a contact name & telephone number in case there are follow up questions.

Preparing for spring break out

By Gregg Schefferly
Outdoor Writer

Every time I looked at my boat covered up in the corner this winter I couldn't help but long to be out on the water fishing.

For me nothing is more peaceful than being on the water and forgetting about life. I like to put on some music – no news allowed – and take it all in. I enjoy hearing water lapping against the hull, the hum of the motor, the whistling of the line from the wind... it is so relaxing as I wait to hear the clicker on my reel that alerts me to a fish.

That time is fast approaching! It's time to prepare the gear and boat for the spring break out.

Every spring it's the same – working full time, spring cleanup and projects – makes it difficult to be prepared and out on the water as soon and as much as I'd like. However, getting everything ready ahead of time is imperative to being in a position to get out when the weather and time allows. Nothing is worse than stressing while trying to get ready the last minute. Right now, we're about four weeks



Exploring the Outdoors

By Gregg Schefferly

When the boat is ready it's time to re-spool the fishing reels. Removing line from so many reels is a daunting task made much easier with a half inch cordless drill. I put a half inch wood dowel in it and tie the line on. It doesn't take long to get the job done. The diameter of the dowel will grow in size as line is stripped; and as it grows, the time it takes to remove line from reels is substantially reduced.

Be careful you don't get your fingers wrapped up in the line. It's better to use your wrist to walk the line back and forth while going slow with the drill speed.

One thing that I rely heavily on is my fishing log. I'm sure I'm not the only one who struggles to remember all the tactics that worked in previous years. The last few years

Finally, I will print it and put it in a binder to reference while out fishing this year. Fishermen need all the help we can get to recall what worked previous years. A fishing log will

I've heard a few anglers discussing how fuel prices will impact the amount of fishing they'll be able to do. Last year I went through two and a half tanks of fuel – about 40 gallons of gas. While the higher fuel prices aren't welcome, running my boat will only cost me another \$80 to \$100 to fish.

The biggest impact will probably be the cost of fuel for my pickup pulling the boat back and forth. This summer I'll simply fish closer to home, make shorter runs with the big motor and fish longer when I get out. Normally when I head out, I spend the majority of the trip trolling using my small four-stroke and bow mount electric trolling motor.

Ultimately, by spending more time fishing while I'm out and utilizing my fishing log book, I hope to capitalize on the opportunities and bring home more limit catches to keep the freezer stocked.

I always save the tackleboxes for last and spend some time going through them to re-familiarize myself with what I have in my arsenal. Sitting in the boat, in the barn while doing so, gets me even more fired up to be out on the water.

So, why not take advantage of these dreary, cold, rainy, and snowy days to get your boat and fishing stuff ready? Before you know it you'll be backing your boat into the water at the launch. Good luck.

(Gregg Schefferly grew up and spent the majority of his life in northeastern Michigan. With the lakes and forests as his playground, he has spent more than 40 years hunting, fishing, and trapping. Feel free to contact him or send him pictures at northwriter@hotmail.com.)



Gregg demonstrates using a half inch wood dowel on a cordless drill to remove fishing line from reels.

from fishing. Four weeks, which will pass incredibly fast.

The first thing I do is reconnect the batteries and plug in the battery charger. Then always check to be sure the plug is in. No one needs the boat filling with water on the first outing.

Every spring I remove the rodent repellent packets and repack the boat; because every fall I remove everything and store it in totes. For some people this might seem to be going a little overboard. It's well worth the effort for me. If mice end up in your boat, not only will they make a mess of things, but inevitably they'll chew electrical wiring that'll raise havoc and can be costly and time consuming to sort out.

One thing on my list this year is to repack the bearings on the boat trailer.

I started carrying a notebook and tried to write as much as I could in regard to weather, water temperature, wind direction, dates, barometer, lures, lure color, and tactics that worked.

Last year I added two things to help me moving forward in an effort to improve my success fishing.

First, I bought a simple weather station that provided the barometer reading. With this I try to write it down before heading out fishing. Second, I developed an Excel spreadsheet that allows me to keep a running tally of what worked day-to-day and month-to-month. I wrote as much as I could in regard to what worked for me and others in previous years. In addition to compiling current fishing data, I went back and included everything I had previously from my notes.



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Two young men get stiff sentences

Court Had Given Both An Opportunity to Make Good

April 6, 1922 ~ From seven and one-half to fifteen years in Jackson, with recommendation of ten, was the sentence handed to Joseph Bolton of Hawes in circuit court Tuesday.

Joseph and Wallace Bolton plead guilty in 1920 to breaking and entering Gillard's store in Spruce, and Judge Widdis released them on probation.

They were required to report at each term of court and were warned that their conduct while under probation would be watched and that any infraction of the law on their part would bring them the limit of sentence under the burglary charge.

On the stand Tuesday Jo-

seph admitted he paid Sam Clark for chickens that had been stolen from Clark's coop and served at a supper held along about Christmas time. He denied, however, that he stole the chickens. Joe also admitted that he had a bottle of booze at a dance held Jan. 8 at the Backus school house and that he gave away drinks. He said he thought he got the bottle from Tom Baird but denied knowing anything about a still in the Hawes section.

Wallace Bolton, the younger brother, was continued on probation.

Herbert Struthers of Mikado was sentenced to 5 to 10 years in Jackson with recom-

mendation of 5, on the charge of statutory rape.

Struthers plead guilty to the charge about two years ago. He married the girl and lived with her for a time but later left the state while still under bond to appear in court. He was brought back and given an opportunity to pay the costs of bringing him here from Wisconsin and to pay a certain amount weekly for the

keep of his wife and child. He appeared at court Tuesday and it was learned that he had not lived up to the terms imposed by the court. Judge Widdis gave him the option of giving a bond to pay \$120 costs and 15 per week to his wife or of going to Jackson. He could not furnish the bond.

All criminal cases on the calendar were continued over the term. A decree was given

in favor of Geo. W. McNally against Grace L. Kirkpatrick to quiet title to lots in Harrisville city. Nothing was done in the divorce case of Helena vs. Frank Anderson.

The court will be in session until Thursday evening at least, to hear any cases that may come up under the Auditor General's petition for sale of lands for delinquent taxes.

Lake State Railway buys tracks and trains from D&M Railway

April 2, 1997 ~ By Cheryl Peterson

When one company purchases land and equipment from another company, it doesn't usually affect residents in a community, but in one instance it just might indirectly.

Last Thursday, Lake State Railway Company, purchased land and rolling stock from Detroit & Mackinaw Railway.

Co-owner Richard VanBuskirk said the transaction included the purchase of approximately 279 miles of track from Bay City through Rogers City and between Linwood and Grayling, about 285 freight cars, 11 locomotives, and some operating property in the Alpena area.

Also included in the transaction was the railroad depot in Harrisville, which could, in the future, see some restoration - something in which community members have expressed interest.

"We are very excited," VanBuskirk said. "It's not every day you buy a railroad. We were lucky to have had the option."

Lake State Railway, owned by VanBuskirk and Jim George, was formed in 1992. VanBuskirk and George were vice presidents of D&M and Central Michigan Railway Company when they decided to form their own company. Lake State Railway began operations on Feb. 17, 1992, after negotiating a lease with Detroit & Mackinaw Railway.

VanBuskirk said part of

the lease agreement included an option to buy the aforementioned land and equipment.

VanBuskirk said he is aware of the interest in renovating the depot in Harrisville. "We don't have any immediate plans, but we would like to see something done to have it restored," he said.

Last year, Lake State Railway received a \$3 million federal grant, and added \$6 million of its own funding to repair the tracks from Harrisville to Alpena.



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Mar. 27	26	15	0.00	5.6	28	N
Mar. 28	29	11	0.00	3.6	23	N
Mar. 29	30	13	0.00	6.0	19	S
Mar. 30	40	30	0.41	11.5	30	SSE
Mar. 31	50	31	0.28	5.6	38	SSW
April 1	35	24	0.02	2.4	19	N
April 2	35	22	0.00	5.3	19	S

2021-2022 Season Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.71	2.9	0.53
Month of March	3.57	8.9	2.13
April to Date	0.02	0.3	0.14
Year/Season to Date	4.73	34.2	5.38

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.)

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LEGAL NOTICE

Foreclosure Notice

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

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. April 20, 2022.

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.

Default has been made in the con-

ditions of a certain mortgage made by Wesley J. Stewert and Patricia C. Stewart, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, mortgagee, dated June 14, 2004, and recorded on June 23, 2004, in Liber 402, page 1,174, Alcona County Records. Said mortgage was assigned to Specialized Loan Servicing LLC by an assignment of mortgage dated July 16, 2020 and recorded April 23, 2021 by Document Number: 202100001686, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty-six thousand eight hundred five and 81/100 (\$46,805.81) including interest at the rate of 3.50000 percent per annum. Said premises are situated in the Township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9 of South Harrisville Acres Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 98, Alcona County records. Commonly known as: 5425 E. Pine Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be six months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accor-

dance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is one year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.
 Dated: March 23, 2022
 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
 Attorneys for Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC
 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180,
 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200
 Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Case No. 22MI00104-1
 3-23, 3-30, 4-6, 4-13

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 21-6221-DE

Estate of Darrell R. Bowman
 Date of birth: February 28, 1954
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Darrell R. Bowman, died June 30, 2021.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Nicole Bowman, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5th Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: April 6, 2022
 John J. Tomaszewski, P84610
 Attorney
 1229 S. Washington Ave.
 Royal Oak, Mich. 48067
 (248) 398-1800
 Nicole Bowman
 Personal representative
 929 E. Garfield Ave.
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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Frank J. Vandruska and Kimberly Anne Vandruska, husband and wife.

Original mortgagee: Independent Mortgage Co. Central MI. Foreclosing assignee (if any): Independent Bank FKA Independent Mortgage Company FKA Independent Mortgage Company Central, MI. Date of mortgage: April 30, 2003. Date of mortgage recording: May 12, 2003. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$39,079.29.

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 17 of Deerland Acres Subdivision No. 2, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2, of Plats at Page 61 of the Alcona County records. Common street address (if any): 4885 S. Healy Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737-9779.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclo-

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

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This notice is from a debt collector.
 Date of notice: March 16, 2022
 Trott Law, P.C.
 31440 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 145
 Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334
 (248) 642-2515
 1457181
 3-16, 3-23, 3-30, 4-6

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): William L. Dawson, surviving spouse, of Doris I. Dawson, deceased. Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Foreclosing assignee (if any): Freedom Mortgage Corporation. Date of mortgage: July 17, 2020.

Date of mortgage recording: July 24, 2020. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$74,825.70.

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Caledonia, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: Parcel D: Part of the northeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 28 north, Range 7 East, commencing at the northeast corner of Section 14, Town 28 north, Range 7 east thence south 02 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds east along the east line of said section and the centerline of Bennett Road, 767.98 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing south 02 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds east along said east line and said centerline, 200.00 feet; thence south 88 degrees 28 minutes 42 seconds west 440.00 feet thence north 02 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds west 200.00 feet; thence north 88 degrees 28 minutes 42 seconds east 440.00 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right of way purposes. Common street address (if any): 5951 Bennett Road, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747-9606

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dance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

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DNR keeps people guessing on social media

By Gabrielle Ahlborn
Capital News Service

After a four-year hiatus, the Department of Natural Resources has revived its popular Facebook series "IdentiFriday."

IdentiFriday asks participants to guess the species of a plant or animal based on a small portion of a picture each Friday. The correct answer is then posted with the full photo later in the day.

"It's good to provide some levity in our social media presence – just trying to have some fun and lighten the mood a little bit when it comes to conversations that we have regarding natural resources," said DNR social media ad-

ministrator Tyler Czarnopis. The weekly series showcases a wide variety of the state's flora and fauna, sometimes relating to a topic of the week and other times chosen randomly.

"We try to tie it into topics we're talking about," Czarnopis said. For example, during Invasive Species Awareness Week, an agency post was about the highly invasive spotted lanternfly that looms in neighboring states.

The series last ran in 2017 after three years of posts. It was revived in January to include plants and nonnative species.

"It kind of fell off because

we ran out of species to talk about eventually. At the time, we were just doing wildlife and, potentially, fish here and there," Czarnopis said.

Czarnopis started the series when he joined the DNR in 2014. "We looked at it from the perspective of trying to find ways to engage people and think about what's in Michigan," he said.

He said that species identification has always played an important role in his life.

"As I grew up, I spent a lot of time in the outdoors. My grandma taught me how to hunt and fish, and I loved wildlife," Czarnopis said. "I was actually going to school for zoology when I first started



This original IdentiFriday post from January 28 received more than 500 comments, with many guessing incorrectly Kirtland's warbler.

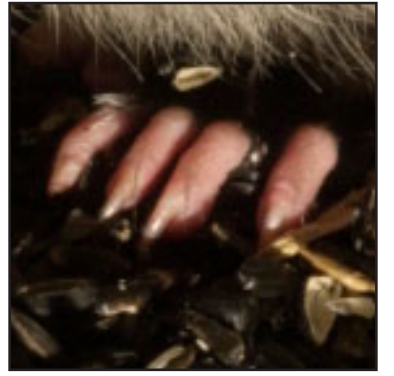
at Northern Michigan University but decided to switch to communications. "This job marries both."

Some weekly posts pose more of a challenge than others. The mourning warbler had many players guessing the Kirtland's warbler.

"I'm very purposeful in which image or which part of the animal I showcase," Czarnopis said. "I specifically tried to trick people, but I picked it because we had the new license plate for the Kirtland's warbler."

IdentiFriday receives hundreds of comments and reaches 100,000 to 200,000 people every week.

By building interest with fun activities like IdentiFri-



This original IdentiFriday post from February 18 received more than 900 comments. Photos courtesy of Michigan DNR.

day, the DNR uses its online platform to increase awareness of environmental issues.

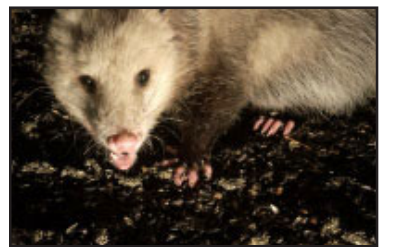
"Trying to keep a good balance between getting a large amount of engagement and also providing information and education where we need to is a fine line I walk," Czarnopis said.

The page encourages users to participate in #IdentiFriday and learn more about the natural world around them, he said.

"It's a fun way to have some laughs at the end of the week, just to challenge people's thoughts on what we have in Michigan and try to make them more aware of what natural resources we have here."



The correct answer was mourning warbler.



The correct answer was opossum.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of March 28 - April 3, 2022

60 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 1 Arrest, 1 Warrant Arrest, 3 Citations Issued.

Complaint Statistics

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Animal Neglect	1	Warrant Arrest	1
Property Damage Accident	3	Personal Injury Accident	1
Assist	1	Animal/Dog	3
Malicious Destr. of Property	1	Fraud	1
Miscellaneous	3	Well Being Check	2
Suspicious Event	3	Threats	1
Domestic	1	Salvage Vehicle Inspection	1
Alarm	3	Burglary	1
Civil	6	Found Property	1
Suicidal Subject	1	Littering	1
Open Door	1		

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