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County begins new year with balanced budget

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

The Alcona County Board of Commissioners finished the year by balancing the 2022 general fund budget with relative ease compared to years past.

Adam Brege, commission chairperson, said the budget for 2022 is set for \$5,649,339 -- approximately \$161,000 higher than the 2021 general fund budget the board proposed last year.

"We are still working on last year's numbers, but it is looking a lot better than we thought it was going to. We were actually able to carry some funds over for the roofing project," Brege said, referring to the spring/summer project of installing a new roof on the county building. The roofing project was awarded to Great Lakes Roofing with a bid of \$156,000.

Last year at this time it looked like the county would

be dipping into the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund (DTRF) as well as the county's general balance fund for approximately \$700,000 to make ends meet.

Brege said working on the budget for 2022 was one of the nicest budgets to work with since he took his commissioner's seat in 2016 because of two substantial reasons, one being the county was no longer housing prisoners full time and the other

because the county was able to garner American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds of \$265,000.

"Not having to house prisoners is saving us more than \$400,000 a year. We still have to have the facility open overnight just in case someone is detained," Brege said.

He explained that the ARPA funds, intended to cover losses due to COVID-19 expenses, do not require the county to line item every COVID-19 expenditure it made last year, so the whole \$265,000 can just go into the general fund.

According to Brege, the county made some cost-of-living adjustments for county employees for 2022, something commissioners thought would be impossible when they worked on the 2021 budget.

He explained some funds are set aside in the DTRF and general balance fund just in case something should arise out of the ordinary. "That's so if something does go crazy, we don't have to do any major acts to cover it. We have about \$230,000 allocated, but not necessarily required," Brege said.

He does not believe there will be an increase in staff and was happy to be able to increase wages to keep the competent and trained staff already hired.

Last year also brought about a change in how the county kept track of its budget by hiring two staff members to perform additional jobs with pay as lead and assistant budget coordinators.

"Having budget coordinators has helped immensely in the day-to-day tracking of budget issues. Now, if there is a shortage in a line item, we know about it within days instead of weeks, allowing us to address the problem much sooner. We started this about March of last year and it has been very beneficial.

"This year there has been a definite change. When I first took the commissioner's seat, we were facing a half-million-dollar deficit, the year after that there was a \$700,000 deficit and we asked for a five percent cut in every department. We even talked about cutting back hours. It was a really big deal and then coming into this year, I couldn't believe it. I looked at the new commissioners and told them how nice it was to be in this position.

"We didn't come in balanced right off the bat for 2022, there was a negative sum, but not anywhere near as bad as it used to be. It made a big difference not housing prisoners full time," Brege said.

He explained the county contracts with Iosco County to hold prisoners which costs far less than to house them in the county jail.

Brege was cautiously optimistic, however, and said costs are on the rise and he isn't expecting the 2023 budget to come together quite as well. "Costs are going up, inflation, we still get the flat tax (at the same level as 2008) and we had an 11 percent increase in our insurance, which we got down to three percent with employees being responsible with more of the costs."

Brege said another win for the budget is the county is almost all newer hires where many employees, union and nonunion are closed off to full benefit retirements and are on defined contribution which is more like a regular 401K scenario.

"We're making strides, it's painful and slow, but we will keep at it," Brege said.

Two perish in unrelated crashes

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Two Alcona County residents lost their lives in vehicle crashes in the last week.

The first occurred on Wednesday, Jan. 12 in Haynes Township near Poor Farm and Beaton roads. According to the Alcona County Sheriff's Department, deputies were dispatched to the area at 7:50 p.m.

Officials determined that the crash resulted in the fatality of the driver, Keith Thompson, 37, of Harrisville Township.

According to a press release issued by the sheriff's department, Thompson's vehicle was north bound on Poor Farm Road when it left the roadway, collided with a culvert and turned over, trapping the driver underneath. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

The Alcona County Sheriff's Department was assisted by Alcona EMS, first responders from Harrisville and Lincoln, and the Alpena County Sheriff's Department accident investigation team.

The incident remains under investigation.

The second crash happened in the early morning hours of Saturday, Jan. 15 in Mikado Township. Alcona County Sheriff deputies were dispatched at 3:30 a.m. to the area of Vandercook Road near the Vandercook Trailhead for a snowmobile crash.

According to the sheriff's department, a snowmobile driven by Curtis Vonfintel, 57, of Lincoln was riding east on Vandercook Road when the snowmobile left the roadway, collided with a tree and ejected Vonfintel, who also hit the tree. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

This incident remains under investigation by the Alcona County Sheriff's Department, who was assisted by Alcona EMS, Alcona County Sheriff's Department victim services unity and the Alpena County Sheriff's Department accident investigation team.

Budget amendment satisfies veterans board

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

While Alcona County Board of Commissioners worked through the general fund budget for 2022 rather easily this year, the non-general fund hit a snag when the commissioners decided the veterans board budget had increased that department head salary too much.

The county non-general fund allocates monies coming into the county from taxes, grants and millages to go to entities such as the Veteran Fund, Library Fund, Friend of the Court, Alcona County Commission on Aging, and 911 Service along with many other entities that fall under non-general accounts.

Many of the entities, such as the veterans board, are

expected to submit a budget for the coming year to be approved by county commissioners. When the veterans board submitted its budget for 2022 the commissioners were surprised by the increase in salary requested for department head Tony Atkinson.

"It was considerably more than what we had in mind. This was unprecedented because in years past the veterans didn't have that kind of money to spend. We felt decreasing the amount of \$48,000 (which the veterans board wanted) by \$2,000 would be equitable," Brege said.

In years past, the Alcona County Commissioners allocated about \$27,000 to service the approximately 1,500

veterans in the county with a counselor working one day per week.

In 2019 the State of Michigan offered a one-year grant of \$55,000 with the stipulation that all veteran officers become accredited and available to assist veterans 20 hours per week. Tony Atkinson received his accreditation and with the help of the grant, the veterans board increased his hours to a full-time position.

After a year with Atkinson helping many veterans in the community and seeing the need to keep the veterans office open full time, the board sought an eight-year millage of .20 mills on the August 2020 ballot. Voters passed the millage, which at that time was estimated to bring

in approximately \$155,000 to the veterans board during 2021.

According to veterans board chairperson, Patrick Smylie, with millage funds coming in, the veterans board no longer needed the \$27,000 from the county to assist with veterans office operations and decided to work solely on what it would receive from the millage funds.

Smylie said they were surprised when the board asked that he and Atkinson attend a board meeting in December so they could ask them some questions before approving the veterans board budget. "They hardly asked anything that meant something and the next thing we know they

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God Bless America



Obituaries

Lynn Faultersack

Lynn Faultersack, 72, of Eau Claire, Mich., died on Saturday, Jan. 8, 2022, at Select Specialty Hospital in Battle Creek, Mich.

She was born on January 22, 1949, in Barton City to James and Arden (Michaud) Basselman.

She was a 1967 graduate of St. Joseph High School and resided in Berrien County most of her life.

Mrs. Faultersack was a proud advocate and distributor of Shaklee vitamin products for over 40 years. She loved her family deeply and cherished the time spent with them on holidays, birthday parties and other special occasions.

Mrs. Faultersack also enjoyed watching her children and grandchildren play sports. She loved spending time up north in Barton City at the cabin she and her husband, Stan, built and visited as often as possible.

She loved animals, especially the two horses she had as a teenager, the numerous dogs and cats over her lifetime and the chickens she raised recently.

Mrs. Faultersack is survived by her husband, Stan; her mother, Arden Basselman of St. Joseph, Mich.; two daughters, Kim (Mike) Sarola of St. Joseph, Mich. and Lisa (Scott) Walters of St. Joseph,



Mich.; one son, James (Chelsey) Barber, of St. Joseph, Mich.; six grandchildren, Drew (Alix) Sarola, Alicia (Ryan) VanTuyl, Seth Walters, Hailey Walters, Henry Barber and Madelyn Barber; four great-grandchildren, Kaden VanTuyl, Isabelle VanTuyl, Max Sarola and Charlie Sarola; one sister, Marilyn (Jimi) Pleasants of Barton City; one brother, Bob (Lynn) Basselman of St. Joseph, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, James Basselman, and one stepson, Dustin Faultersack.

A family celebration of life event will be held at a date yet to be determined. Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan or Lory's Place.

Douglas A. Middleton

Douglas A. Middleton, 72, of Glennie, died on Monday, Jan. 3, 2022, at Covenant Medical Center in Saginaw, Mich.

He was born May 11, 1949, to Braught and Margaret (Simo) Middleton in Omer, Mich. He was raised in Glennie.

He served in the U.S. Army, during the Vietnam War. He earned two Bronze Service Stars, a Bronze Star Medal and was awarded a Purple Heart.

Mr. Middleton worked for General Motors in Flint, Mich. and retired to Glennie.

He loved classic cars and attending car shows. He enjoyed NASCAR races.

Mr. Middleton is survived by his children, Carrie Middleton and Jake and Jennifer Petty; three grandchildren, Hailey (Dresden) Parkinson, Sydney Petty and Charley Petty; two great granddaughters, Evelyn Parkinson and Ivy Parkinson; and numerous cousins including, Sherry (Edward) Kohl, Lydia Bittner, Debbie (Dan) Short, Fredrick (Alicia) Middleton, Georgie Middleton, Janell Kerr, James (Celynn) Middleton, Barbie McMinn, and Jimmy (Dianne) Simo.

The funeral was held Friday, Jan. 7, at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln. Burial will be in Glennie Cemetery. Memorial



donations may be made to the Alcona Humane Society.

Keith C. Thompson

Keith Craig Thompson, 37, of Harrisville, died on Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2022 as the result of an automobile accident.

He was born March 23, 1984 to Irwin "Hank" and Pamela (Wilson) Thompson in Alpena. He was raised in Harrisville.

He was a skilled mechanic, and there was not an engine he would not tackle.

Mr. Thompson was a former member of the Alcona Township and Lincoln Fire Departments.

On September 4, 2021, he married Danielle Zeglevski in Mikado.

He enjoyed hunting and his hobby farm where he raised cows, pigs and chick-

ens. His pride and joy was his family.

Mr. Thompson is survived by his wife, Danielle; one daughter, Andrea Thompson; three stepchildren; his mother, Pam Wilson; one brother, Guy (Sam) Thompson; one niece, Mekala Thompson; one nephew, Justin Thompson; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Andrew Thompson; his father, Hank Thompson; Cathy Dettling; and his grandparents, George "Babe" and Yvonne Wilson and Fred and Ionia Thompson.

The funeral was held Tuesday, Jan. 18 at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln. The



Rev. Chirstina Bright officiated. Burial was in Mt. Joy Cemetery, Haynes Township.

Memorial donations are suggested to the charity of the donor's choice.

Thomas I. Inman

Thomas Ira Inman, 63, of Curtis Township, died on Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2021.

He was born October 6, 1958 in Flint, Mich. to Jack and Gwendolyn (Grush) Inman.

Mr. Inman loved spending time with his grandchildren.

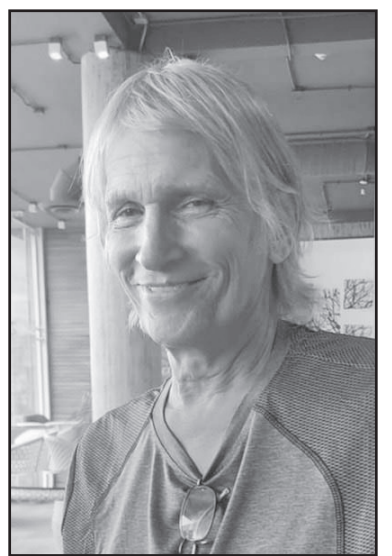
He was an avid fisherman, hunter and bowler. He loved being in the woods and tinkering on projects around his home and work.

Mr. Inman spent his life as a lumberman, cutting and hauling wood in his semi for his company, TI Forest products, which is shared with his son, Alex.

Mr. Inman is survived by his wife, Kathy (Frasher) Inman; one son, Alex (Kendra) Inman; two grandchildren, Evan T. Inman and Caiden Budziak; his mother, Gwendolyn Inman; two brothers, Albert (Marianne) Inman and Jack (Shannon) Inman; four sisters, Jacqueline (Kent) Wellhoff, Nannette (Bruce) Miller, Martha (Kevin) Harger, and Dawn Inman; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jack.

Services were held at Buresh Funeral Home in Hale on Friday, Jan. 7. He was buried in Glennie cemetery.



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Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

Michigan author Marie-Claude Desrosiers will discuss her book, "Aiming for Your North Star" at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 6 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

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.

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.

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.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

There will be a story time and craft activity for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 10:30 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Children of all ages are invited to Homeschoolers at the Library for a fun and educational activity at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 1 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

The teenage craft activity for youth ages 12 and up is coco bombs at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24

Ladies of any denomination are invited to attend the Bible study hosted by Solid Rock Church of God featuring "Women of the Bible" at

10 a.m. Refreshments will be served. The church is located at 160 N. Barlow Road, Lincoln - across from Alcona Health Center. For more information, contact Darlene Ramey at (734) 718-7760.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

Children of all ages are invited to Homeschoolers at the Library for a fun and educational activity at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 1 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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.

The Alcona County Library Board will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. The public is welcome.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

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.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

There will be a story time and craft activity for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 10:30 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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5. Reduce stress
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7. Stick to budget
8. Grow spiritually
9. Travel more
10. Learn new skill

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Local Notes



Playhouse Opens Doors

The Shoreline Players are hosting a “Winter Wonderland Grand Reopening” on Saturday, Jan. 22. After two years of being closed, the Players are welcoming everyone back into their house with a full season beginning with the “Winter Wonderland Grand Reopening.” The master of ceremony will be J.D. Hock and the show will include a variety of performances including singing, stories, poetry, the Shoreline Players Youth Drama Association (SPYDA) and an epic light show finale by Eric Joseph.

The group was founded in 1973 in Oscoda. On March

14, 2020, as the winter comedy was about to open, the country shut down due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Since then, the group held three outdoor cabaret shows, the premiere of the first feature length film by local production company Wendigoh Pictures and hosted the “Epic Dragon” and “Epic Dragon Awakens” laser light shows.

After much hard work and fundraising in the last two years, the doors will reopen with a new furnace and a few other updates including air conditioning.

The Winter Wonderland Grand Reopening begins at 7 p.m. at the Shoreline Players Theater. Doors will open at

6:40 p.m. with general seating and no admission cost, but a free will offering will be collected to support SPYDA program. Concessions will be available. The theater is located next to the Robert Parks Library on the former Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda. For more information about this show or any upcoming Shoreline events go to Shoreline Players on Facebook or call (989) 739-3586.

Anyone who is experiencing homelessness, they can call the NEMCSA Coordinated Entry Access line at (866) 484-7077.

Application for Scholarships

The Northeast Sunrise Chapter of the American Business Women’s Association (ABWA) is offering a scholarship worth \$2,000 funded through the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund to a deserving area woman.

Each year, local leagues of ABWA provide Stephen Bufton Memorial Scholarships to female students who will be attending accredited U.S. colleges, universities seeking a four-year degree. Applicant must be citizen of the United States; residents of AuSable, East Tawas, Glenie, Greenbush, Hale, Harrisville, Lincoln, Mikado, National City, Oscoda, and Tawas City, attending college in August 2022. with a GPA of 3.5 or higher. Eligible women interested in applying for the scholarship should contact: Belle Flora, professional development chairperson, Northeast Sunrise Chapter of ABWA. Email to: BelleFlora@charter.net.

Applications must be completed by March 31, 2022 at www.sbmfef.org. A minimum of three eligible completed applications are required in order for the scholarship to be awarded.

The scholarship recipient will be notified in May 2022.

Homeless Count

On the last Wednesday in January, local nonprofit agencies and volunteers will be concentrating their efforts on identifying those who are experiencing homelessness. The annual count, known as Point in Time (PIT), taking place on January 26, will identify the number of both sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness across several counties in northeast Michigan.

The count is an opportunity to contact people who are sometimes invisible in local communities. Although PIT data is valuable, it is easy to forget that actual people — husbands, wives, and children — are behind those numbers. For many, this is the starting line to their pathway to housing. It is the difference in moving people off the street and into housing. The pathway to housing utilizes coordinated entry.



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Alcona Community Schools proudly announces the following grade level openings for the 2021/2022 school year for School of Choice student enrollment:

Kindergarten through 12th grade: Unlimited openings

Applications for limited seats available for the 2021-2022 school year will be accepted by January 28th at 3 p.m., 2022. Successful applicants will be notified of their acceptance and must be enrolled by January 31st 2021. Contact the building offices for enrollment procedures. For further information or an application, contact Alcona Community Schools, 51, N. Barlow Rd., PO Box 249, Lincoln, MI 48742 or call (989) 736-6212 or visit www.alconaschools.net.

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Health department shifts case investigation, contact tracing priorities

Due to significant case increases and more efficient spread of the COVID-19 Omicron variant in Michigan and locally, combined with waning public participation in contact tracing and case investigation, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and District Health Department No. 2 (DHD2) pandemic response will begin shifting away from universal contact tracing and individual case investigations. Starting this week, the greatest focus of DHD2’s efforts will be high priority community groups and those in congregate settings.

“With more than 10,000 new COVID-19 case referrals per day being reported across Michigan – hundreds per week across our small, four-county jurisdiction – and the surge of Omicron expected to continue, individual level case investigation and contact tracing are no longer as effective with respect to controlling COVID-19 transmission on a population level,” said Devin Spivey, epidemiologist/community health director.

“We will continue to provide guidance, education, and support for our communities at various levels so that people know what their test results mean and how to best move forward while limiting the spread of infection to their

friends and family. But patience will be needed as we make this shift. Locally, our greatest focus will become monitoring and providing outbreak investigation and infection prevention support for long-term care facilities, shelters, schools and other congregate-like settings,” Spivey added.

DHD2 officials remind residents of four key points amid case increases and the Omicron variant being detected in all four counties within the jurisdiction:

- Stay home if sick and experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19.
- Get tested if symptomatic or once five days have passed after an exposure to a confirmed case of COVID-19. Stay home until results are received.
- Wear a mask when out in public settings correctly and consistently, whether fully vaccinated or unvaccinated, as an extra layer of protection.
- Get vaccinated and boosted. The safe and effective vaccinations are offered at several local pharmacies and at DHD2 clinics. Individuals may schedule an appointment to receive a COVID-19 vaccination at a DHD2 office by calling (800) 504-2650 or find information on other vaccination sites by vis-

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are voting our budget down and made a motion to pay Tony \$2,000 less than what we asked for him. We felt that was unfair," Smylie said.

A few days later a special budget meeting was held by commissioners and at that time the veterans board showed up with other community veterans who told the board of commissioners if it weren't for Atkinson's knowledge and diligence to get the job done, they would have never been able to access the benefits they are now receiving.

Veterans praised Atkinson's knowledge to get through all the governmental "red tape" so they could get the benefits they deserved.

"Tony does the job of three people; he doesn't have a secretary or an extra counselor to help him. He goes out of his way every day doing things for veterans that he doesn't have to do. He even goes to their homes if they can't make it into the office. We have never had a complaint about Tony.

"Just about everywhere I go someone will stop me and thank me for Tony. They call me at home and thank me," Smylie said.

Smylie said it was unfair that commissioners allow other committees to set their budgets and they wouldn't let the veterans board set theirs. "We came to them with a balanced budget. We are the ones who see the effort Tony puts in. We didn't just come up with this figure off the top of our heads. We checked with other administrators and talked to other county veterans' boards at length. We even visited with them to talk about it.

"After we considered the information gathered, we felt this was a fair salary. It was more than some pay and less than what others pay. We gave him what we thought was right and fair and what was fair to our budget and the tax payers.

"There are veteran administrators in other counties that have more veterans than us and they get a lesser salary, but they also have secretaries and assistants to help them. Other administrators have fewer veterans in their county than we do and get paid more than Tony.

"The people voted for our veterans, and they are finally getting their fair shake in the county. Who better to set Tony's salary but the board who sees what he is doing for the community? It felt like they didn't trust us. This money has nothing to do with the county budget, but by law, they have the final say. We gave them all the reasons in the world why he deserves the salary we chose but the commissioners never gave us a single reason why they would decrease it by \$2,000," Smylie said.

Atkinson explained he serves 1,348 veterans and their families in Alcona County and answers about 60 calls per week. "The numbers are falling as veterans and their families pass away, but because I am here to help them the

revenue has generated an increase from \$9 million per year with 1,505 veterans in 2016 to \$12 million with 1,348 veterans.

"This is money coming to veterans living in Alcona County, much of it spent right here in our community, it's money they use for food and services, money they pay their taxes with," Atkinson said.

After hearing community members speak, commissioner Terry Small made a motion to accept the veterans board's budget as it was submitted. The motion carried with three votes yes and one nay.

Brege said the whole issue was just a lack of communication between the veterans board and the commissioners. He and Smylie agreed to work on that. Brege said this year there will be two commissioners assigned to attend veterans board meetings so there are no communication mishaps again.

"This was just awkward and new to us," Brege said. He explained when the commissioners first saw the vet-

erans board's budget it made their eyebrows go up because it was such a substantial gap between what Atkinson made last year and what the veterans board wanted to give him this year.

Smylie was pleased with the result and optimistic about the future. "Even if I have to come to commission meetings I will. We have had a real lack of communication with the commissioners in the past even though they have a representative attending our meetings.

"We will know within a few months if things change, but for now we are happy with the outcome. Things seem very positive between the veterans and the county. I hope it stays that way. How refreshing to start the year working together for the common good," Smylie said.

Brege said a lot of good came from all of this and they will be working closely with veterans from here on out, especially since the veteran's board has let commissioners know they are unhappy with the office Atkinson works from

in the county building and are thinking of relocating him to much larger space more centrally located in the county.

Currently, the veterans office is located on the first floor of the county building in a room which used to be a storage closet.

"Now that the veterans office is fully funded, we can do what is necessary to help the

veterans in the county," Brege said.

The Alcona County Commissioners meet on the lower level of the County Building on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Public is welcome to attend the meeting or view it on YouTube.

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Lady Tigers drop close game at Ogemaw

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Lady Tigers didn't return home from Ogemaw Heights with a win last Thursday; they fell in a back-and-forth battle that ended with a 41-37 final.

"We had a tough time getting any rhythm on offense in this one," said girls varsity basketball head coach Mark Feldhiser.

"We didn't get the game going at the pace we like. We had some defensive lapses late in the second quarter that allowed them to build a lead. To our credit we came out and played a good third quarter but just couldn't quite finish the deal. We will continue to learn from the close losses and I am confident our girls we start to play at a consistent level as we work

our way through the season." Alcona led 7-6 after the first quarter, but fell behind 22-17 at the half and trailed 30-28 entering the fourth. Kelsey Hansen and Emma Travis had 11 points apiece to lead the Lady Tiger offense. Alcona (4-4 overall) hosts Rogers City on Friday, Jan. 21 and heads to Fairview on Monday, Jan. 24.

Mio too much for Tigers in NSL battle

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Tigers played a close game against the Thunderbolts in the first North Star League Big Dipper opener on Monday, Jan. 10, but came up short 49-38.

"Mio is always a very tough place to play and (Mio head coach) Ty McGregor has his boys playing very hard as usual," said boys varsity basketball head coach Alex Cole. "Unfortunately, we didn't

match their intensity in the second half and fell short. But we aren't going to look back. After a tough week of practice, we are ready to get into the heart of league play this week."

In the first quarter, David Sharboneau hit a three-pointer and had seven points, as Alcona led 13-11 after one. The Tigers pushed their lead to 25-18 at the half but Mio rallied from there and jumped ahead 36-30 entering the

fourth quarter. Mio hit seven free throws down the stretch to salt away the victory. Sharboneau hit four threes and finished with 18 points. DJ Howe netted nine points. Collin Walker put in five points. Gavin Walker added four and Michael Basner added two points.

Alcona (2-3 overall, 0-1 NSL Big Dipper) plays at Rogers City Thursday, Jan. 20 and is at home against Fairview on Tuesday, Jan. 25.

Varsity bowlers continue to improve

After the third match of the season, the Alcona girls varsity bowling team has moved up to fourth place in the league.

According to coach Tina Stern, Samantha Nordstrom, Morgan Munsey, Jerzey Brown, Rhylee Manning, and Elly Keyser "are doing a great job this year."

High games scores are:

Manning, 163 (119); Brown, 139 (114); Munsey, 134 (134); Keyser 118 (99); and Nordstrom, 113 (115).

The boys varsity bowling team is also improving, according to Stern.

Team members are, Logan Bates, Sam Prince, Jacob June, William Brozowski, and Waylon Nedwash-Long.

After the third match of the season, the boys have moved up to the fifth place position in the league.

"They are doing great," Stern said.

High game scores are: June, 170 (127); Bates, 165 (129); Brozowski, 149 (99); Ned-wash-Long, 126 (103); and Prince, 122 (110).

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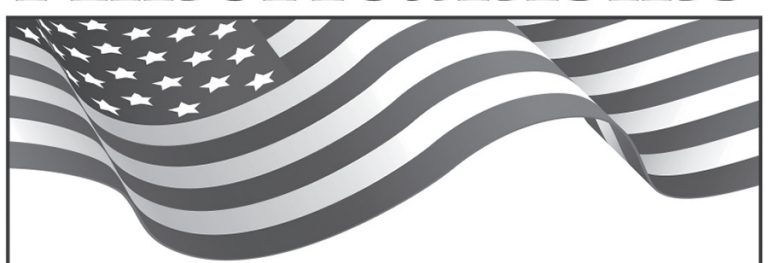
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Utilizing nature's bountiful harvest

By Gregg Schefferly
Outdoor Writer

Living in northern Michigan we've always been blessed to be able to stock our freezer with fish and wild game from the woods and waters. Never has this been more appreciated the last couple years as we try and offset the ever increasing cost of living.

If one thing good comes out of the current state of things, it's the importance of becoming more self-reliant. I have always felt a special satisfaction from doing things myself. There's a sense of independence, when, at the end of the day, you look at what was accomplished and say, "I did this."

While growing up I remember that my parents and grandparents did a lot of gardening and canning. In addition to canning stuff from the garden; dad would bring home fresh salmon, from which mom would make some of the most incredible salmon patties. At the time I had no interest in canning. Now I regret not taking advantage of the opportunity to learn from my grandparents and my mom.

My first attempt at canning was while I was in working in Alaska. I bought a pressure cooker and not only canned salmon, but I picked huckleberries and made my first batch of wild huckleberry jam. Both the salmon patties and the jam were the best. I'm hoping to get some salmon to can this year because it's hard to beat whenever you get the hankering for salmon patties.

As a result of the times, last year has been a year of many firsts. Shannon and I built a couple raised garden boxes made from lumber cut from downed cedar we got from my brother's property. We planted vegetables and spent last summer gardening and canning. We made and canned spaghetti sauce, carrots, tomatoes, beans, salsa, applesauce, and blueberry, and grape jam. While gardening and canning was a lot of work, it was worth every minute.

One special memory was made when my mom gave me my grandparent's food mill, which they used many years ago to make applesauce themselves. It was a pretty cool feeling to be using the very



Exploring the Outdoors

By Gregg Schefferly



Satisfaction of living off the land seeps in after grinding venison burger, canning venison and making beef sticks -- ready for storage and eventual consumption. Photos by Gregg Schefferly.

food mill they used so many years ago.

Throughout the summer, in addition to gardening, I spent as much time as I could on the water fishing walleye and putting some away to enjoy later. Then summer turned to fall and I was blessed with a bountiful harvest of venison. For many years I've owned a grinder and have ground and vacuum sealed venison burger to use in place of ground beef.

Over the years I've mixed beef trimmings, beef suet, and bacon with venison. I try to mix a ratio of 20 percent fat, trimmings, or bacon to the venison. I've used the bacon mix when grilling burgers, and the beef fat for spaghetti, tacos and chili.

Recently, Shannon and I decided to try a few more firsts. We purchased a couple of breakfast sausage and salami kits. We also picked up some high temperature cheddar cheese to add to the salami mix. After cutting up a deer, we canned one batch, four pints of venison, and ground up the remainder of the venison mixing it with pork butt to split between the two mixes. The first batch

was for breakfast sausage, which was mixed with the seasonings then vacuum sealed.

After mixing in the seasonings into the ground venison for the salami, we added some of the high temperature cheddar cheese. Shannon's son, Holden, brought over his dad's sausage stuffer and in 10 minutes we were done -- the casings were filled and ready for smoking. After leaving it in the fridge overnight, the pellet grill was fired up and we spent the better part of the day smoking two batches of salami sticks. Once the meat had cooled, the sticks were cut from the coils and vacuum sealed to enjoy during future outings.

Nothing is more satisfying than making dinner and looking at your plate and realizing everything on it is a result of your own doing. Yes, while there are things that are beyond our control, living in northern Michigan allows us the opportunity, space, and the means to be self-reliant. Living here we can cut firewood to heat our homes. We can plant a garden, pick mushrooms, wild berries for jam, fish, hunt wild game, and feel the satisfaction and peace as a result of being independent. When the going gets tough, the tough get going.


As the temperatures plummet and the water turns hard, anglers are starting to venture out on the water to try their luck ice fishing. Nothing is more rewarding than putting a limit of scrappy panfish on the table for dinner.

So, get out there, be safe, and enjoy the outdoors.

(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.)

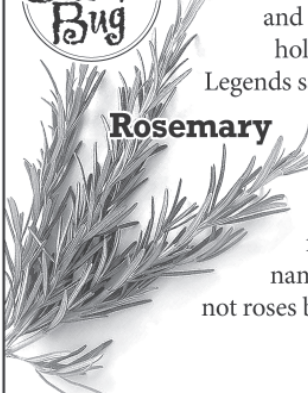


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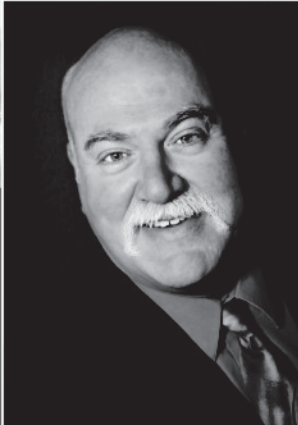
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A railing on the bridge would have prevented this accident and if put up now may prevent others.

Meet the teachers

January 20, 1972 ~ Mrs. Bonnie Benghauser is presently employed as a Reading and English teacher at Alcona High School.

Mrs. Benghauser did her undergraduate work at Wayne State University. She received her degree in Physical Education with minors in social studies and English from Eastern Michigan University. She then did graduate work for a specialist in reading at Michigan State University.

Before coming to Alcona Mrs. Benghauser taught three years at Algonac High School, two half years at Eastland High School in Roseville and three years at Caledonia Elementary. She has been employed at Alcona for fourteen years.

Mrs. Benghauser has been very active in the High School. She started the Future Teachers Club and the Girls Athletic Association. At present she is advisor to the National Junior Honor Society. She is also involved in 4-H activities.

The Benghausers have four children. Karen and Kurt are married. Karl is finishing up his degree at Oakland University after returning from Vietnam.

Kristin is a junior at Alcona High School. The Benghausers live on a farm and are kept busy with their horses, gardening and other crafts.

Friendly IGA market entered by thieves

January 20, 1972 ~ Late last Wednesday night or early Thursday morning, the Friendly IGA store in Harrisville, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gauthier, was entered by thieves, for the second time this month. The store was broken into on January 3 the first time.

According to Alcona County Sheriff's Department officials, its believed entry was gained by forcing open the back door of the building.

Deputies reported it appeared a vehicle may have been backed into the plate glass doors at the front of the building breaking the glass and bend in the frame. Locked inner doors evidently forced them to find another way to enter.

The incident was discovered by a Free Press delivery boy making his rounds at 4:50 a. m. Thursday, January 13.

An undetermined amount of cash was stolen. The incidents still under investigation.

Fire destroys house, leaves family homeless

January 15, 1997 ~ By Cheryl Peterson

Friends and family are pulling together to help the Higgins family who was burned out of their home last Wednesday.

Edward "Mickey" and Susan Higgins and their children Morgan, 4 and Brenton, 1, were not injured when their home on 345 S. Poor Farm Road was destroyed by fire. They lost everything, including three family pets. The family has no insurance.

According to Harrisville Township Fire Chief Robert Webb, the garage attached to the home was on fire when the Harrisville Township Fire Department arrived at the scene around 10:30 p.m. Jan. 8. The garage was fully engulfed and the flames went right up the wall," Webb said. Lincoln, Mikado and Greenbush fire departments assisted Harrisville Township in putting out the blaze.

Firefighters battled cold

temperatures and windy conditions during the night and finally cleared the scene around 7:30 a.m. Jan. 9. They returned to the scene several times that day to extinguish blazes that erupted from the rubble.

The cause of the fire has not been determined.

The Higgins family is staying with relatives as they try to put their life back together in the meantime, friends and family members are planning several benefit events and ways to help the family recover from the fire.

- There will be a benefit spaghetti dinner at the Top Stop Restaurant, Harrisville on Jan. 26 from 1 to 4 p.m. Cost is \$5.

- There will be a benefit dance Feb. 2 at the Mikado Township Hall beginning at 4 p.m. and running to whenever. The cost will be \$15 per couple and \$10 for singles. The Pretty Busy Band will perform.

- An account has been set up in the family's name at Northland Area Federal Credit Union, 116 Main Street, Harrisville. Donations can be sent through the mail or dropped off.

- Donations can also be sent to the Alcona Chapter of the American Red Cross, P.O. Box 571, Harrisville, Mich. 48740.

- Any other donations can be taken to the Village Barber and Styling Shop or Joanne's Cut and Curl, both located on south U.S.-23, Harrisville.

Timber wolf caught near Spruce

January 19, 1922 ~ The first wolf to be caught in Alcona county for some time was trapped Sunday afternoon by Lawrence Gunderson.

The animal is a big gray timber wolf and measured 5½ feet from tip to tip. It was caught in the woods back of Gus Alstrom's place. There are at least two more of the animals in that vicinity, according to reports, and the residents will not be satisfied until all have been caught.

The time was that the state paid a bounty for a wolf scalp, but recently the law was changed, and the bounty removed.

Super Crossword

Answers

LOOTER	ZEN	IMAM	RAMBO
IGUANA	IPOD	NANO	ICERS
ALTERNATIVE	FUEL	GENOA	RES
OAR	ESA	YACHTING	CULTURAL
HERITANCE	ANON	BEL	GTI
DOT	CARDINAL	SIN	LG
NEONS	ATEASE	YOM	PAE
AN	SIP	BODY	ART
FOUR	THE	STATE	DOULA
NCIS	AWAKEN	MACHO	BEFORE
TAX	ECLARD	AMOURS	TROY
VITILE	RUMMAGE	SALES	VANESSA
ESE	TIBIA	NBA	HEFTED
SET	IN	NED	COUNTRY
ROAD	NOR	SIR	OTO
ELMS	DISCRETION	ARY	TNCOME
INTREPID	EVE	ERN	FED
STROP	PRIVATE	PROPERTY	CRAWL
PINETREE	CAPOTE	SODDY	YSER
ORG	KRAMER		

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2021

Weekly Report

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
Jan. 9	30	10	0.00	3.9	25	W
Jan. 10	14	4	0.00	3.2	23	N
Jan. 11	24	2	0.00	7.2	50	SSW
Jan. 12	30	24	0.00	2.0	13	N
Jan. 13	30	19	0.00	1.7	20	N
Jan. 14	26	9	0.00	14.4	33	NNE
Jan. 15	16	11	Trace	10.6	33	NE

2021-2022 Season Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	Trace	Trace	0.42
January to Date	0.09	3.2	0.90
Year/Season to Date	0.09	11.6	0.90

Climatological Observations taken by Stanley L. Darmofal at the Harrisville National Weather Service Coop Station located 1.8 miles NNE of Harrisville Post Office. Observations for each day are from midnight through 11:59 p.m. T=Trace (less than 0.005" Water Content.)

Trivia Test

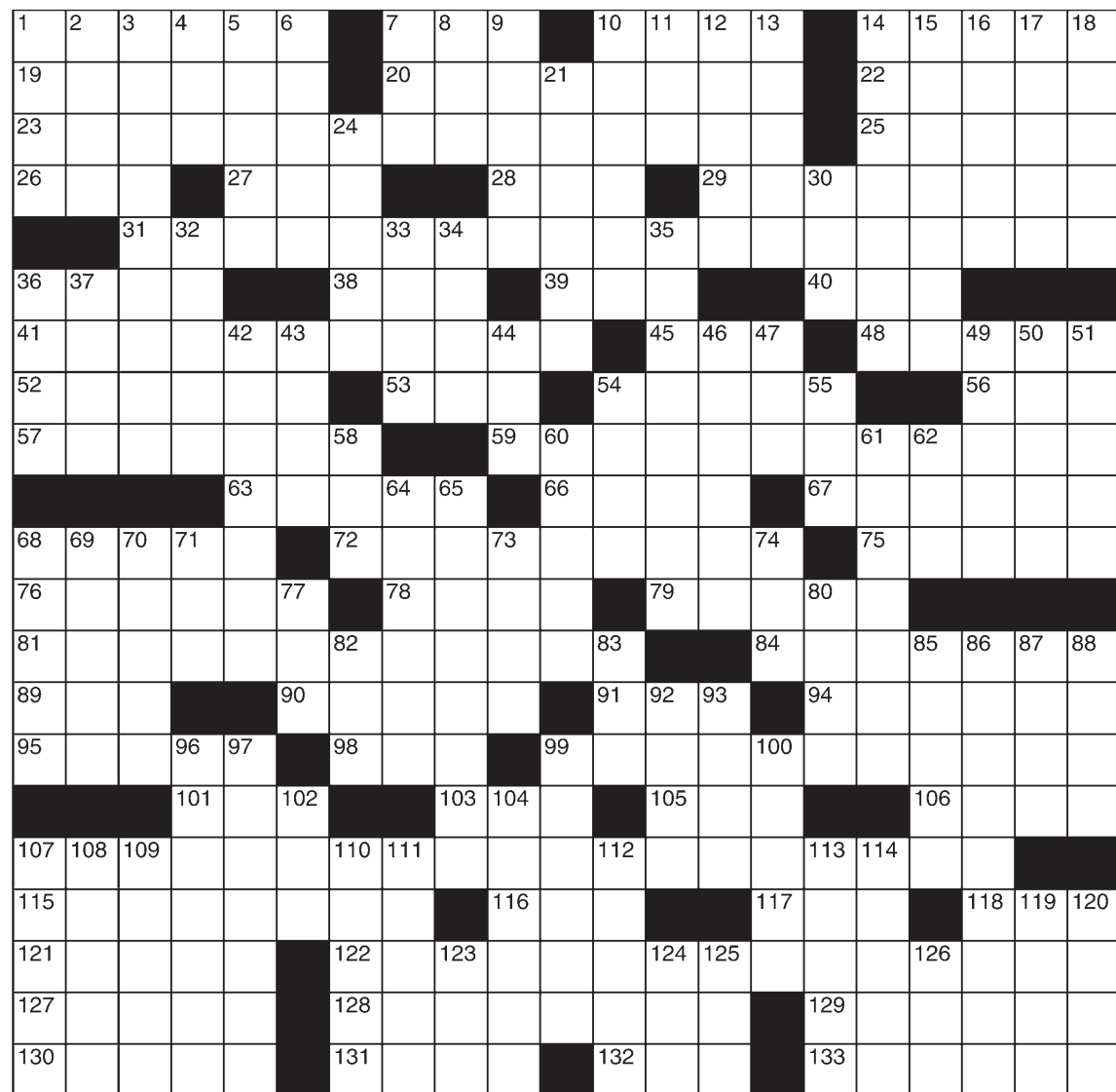
By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is the largest island in Africa?
2. **LANGUAGE:** What does "Auld Lang Syne" mean?
3. **MOVIES:** How many spirits visit Ebenezer Scrooge in "A Christmas Carol"?
4. **THEATER:** On which opera is the rock musical "Rent" based?
5. **FOOD & DRINK:** What is marmite?
6. **GAMES:** How many weapons are available in the original board game "Clue"?
7. **TELEVISION:** What is Jean-Luc Picard's catchphrase as captain in "Star Trek: The Next Generation"?
8. **LITERATURE:** Which Victor Hugo novel was made into an animated Disney movie in the 1990s?
9. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** When was the first Times Square Ball Drop on New Year's Eve?
10. **SCIENCE:** What is it called when a gas changes into a liquid?

Answers: 1. Madagascar; 2. Times long past; 3. Four, including Jacob Marley and the spirits of past, present and future; 4. "La Boheme"; 5. A savory food spread that is the byproduct of beer brewing; 6. Six -- revolver, wrench, knife, lead pipe, candlestick and rope; 7. "Make it so."; 8. "The Hunchback of Notre Dame"; 9. 1907; 10. Condensation (c) 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Pillager</p> <p>7 Branch of Buddhism</p> <p>10 Mosque minister</p> <p>14 Stallone role</p> <p>19 Large lizard</p> <p>20 Shirt-pocket audio player</p> <p>22 Wine coolers</p> <p>23 Gasohol, e.g.</p> <p>25 Italy's largest port</p> <p>26 Apartment, e.g.: Abbr.</p> <p>27 Sculling need</p> <p>28 That, in Spanish</p> <p>29 America's Cup sport</p> <p>31 Passed-on value system, say</p> <p>36 Ever and —</p> <p>38 "The Fresh Prince of — -Air"</p> <p>39 Volkswagen hatchback</p> <p>40 Ellipsis bit</p> <p>41 Serious moral offense</p> <p>45 Big Apple airport code</p> <p>48 Superbright colors</p> <p>52 "Relax, G!"</p> <p>53 — Kippur</p> | <p>54 Song of thanksgiving</p> <p>56 Drink sample</p> <p>57 Tattoos and piercings</p> <p>59 Journalistic profession</p> <p>63 Childbirth assistant</p> <p>66 Two-spinoff CBS series</p> <p>67 Quit sleeping</p> <p>68 Very manly</p> <p>72 Like gross profits ... or how the ends of eight answers in this puzzle might appear</p> <p>75 Digital greeting</p> <p>76 Illicit love affairs</p> <p>78 Helen's city</p> <p>79 4-point Scrabble piece</p> <p>81 Events to move merchandise for charity</p> <p>84 Redgrave of film</p> <p>89 Ending for Canton</p> <p>90 Leg bone</p> <p>91 Pro hoops gp.</p> <p>94 Tested the weight of by lifting</p> | <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Perjurer, e.g.</p> <p>2 Leer at</p> <p>3 Earned more points than</p> <p>4 — Bo (fitness system)</p> <p>5 Register, to a Brit</p> <p>6 Rushed toward</p> <p>7 Pimple</p> <p>8 Start for dermis</p> <p>9 Many a fiction book</p> <p>10 Newborn</p> <p>11 Egyptian — (certain cat)</p> <p>12 In the blink of —</p> <p>13 Grinding tooth</p> <p>14 "You said it!"</p> <p>15 Transparency film</p> <p>16 "MIB" part</p> <p>17 Ride to bust</p> <p>18 Plains tribe</p> <p>21 Fashion</p> <p>24 Caribbean isle</p> <p>30 "El —" (1961 epic film)</p> <p>32 Oct. 24 observance</p> <p>33 Count (on)</p> <p>34 Besides that</p> <p>35 Boisterous merriment</p> | <p>36 Hail — (yell "Taxi!")</p> <p>37 Western mil. alliance</p> <p>42 Dancer Duncan</p> <p>43 Roman despot</p> <p>44 Global financial gp.</p> <p>46 Reaches</p> <p>47 Jacuzzi sigh</p> <p>49 Honshu port</p> <p>50 Saltpeter</p> <p>51 Fork out</p> <p>54 Purple-brown</p> <p>55 School lobby gp.</p> <p>58 Soaking spot</p> <p>60 One way to serve ham or pastrami</p> <p>61 "It's Pat" star Julia</p> <p>62 Tic-toe linkup</p> <p>64 Leaves alone</p> <p>65 "Yes, sorry to say"</p> <p>68 Former fillies</p> <p>69 Entertain</p> <p>70 Tailed orbiter</p> <p>71 Engine noise</p> <p>73 Dancing girl in "Return of the Jedi"</p> <p>74 VII times II</p> <p>77 Boss of a cpl.</p> <p>80 Actor Bert of "The Wizard of Oz"</p> <p>82 A, to Wilhelm</p> | <p>83 — -cone (frozen treat)</p> <p>85 Actor — Zimbalist Jr.</p> <p>86 Robbed</p> <p>87 Stitched line</p> <p>88 Counts up</p> <p>92 Wave-tossed bobber</p> <p>93 Voting "no"</p> <p>96 Exclusive group of people</p> <p>97 Lack of a response</p> <p>99 Fancy tie</p> <p>100 Copier ink</p> <p>102 Agent, for short</p> <p>104 "The nerve!"</p> <p>107 Wafers, e.g.</p> <p>108 Prelim</p> <p>109 Fine fiddle</p> <p>110 Prone to tilt</p> <p>111 "The Wire" actor Elba</p> <p>112 Trendy again</p> <p>113 Earthen pot</p> <p>114 Comparable (with)</p> <p>119 Feminizing suffix</p> <p>120 Batik artisan</p> <p>123 Feminizing suffix</p> <p>124 Ending for cannon</p> <p>125 Cribbage pin</p> <p>126 Green-minded gp.</p> |
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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Jan. 14, 1639, in Hartford, Connecticut, the first constitution in the American colonies, the "Fundamental Orders," is adopted. The Fundamental Orders declared that "the foundation of authority is in the free consent of the people."
- On Jan. 13, 1842, a British army doctor reaches the British sentry post at Jalalabad, Afghanistan, the lone survivor of a 16,000-strong Anglo-Indian expeditionary force that was slaughtered in its retreat from Kabul. He told of a terrible massacre in which the Afghans killed 4,500 soldiers and 12,000 camp followers.
- On Jan. 14, 1875, Nobel Prize-winning physician Albert Schweitzer is born in Upper-Alsace, Germany. Schweitzer's philosophy revolved around what he called "reverence for life," the idea that all life must be respected and loved.
- On Jan. 16, 1919, the 18th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, prohibiting the "manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes," is ratified and becomes law. Large-scale distribution of alcoholic beverages and organized crime flourished anyway.
- On Jan. 11, 1937, nearly two weeks into a sit-down strike by General Motors auto workers at the Fisher Body Plant in Flint, Michigan, a riot breaks out when police try to prevent food deliveries to the strikers from supporters on the outside. The melee was later nicknamed the "Battle of the Running Bulls."
- On Jan. 10, 1946, the first General Assembly of the United Nations, comprising 51 nations, convenes in London. Then, on Jan. 24, the General Assembly adopted its first resolution, a measure calling for the peaceful uses of atomic energy and the elimination of atomic and other weapons of mass destruction.
- On Jan. 12, 1981, prime-time ABC soap opera "Dynasty" debuts. The show's elaborately melodramatic plot lines resembled those of the daytime soap operas (kidnappings, amnesia, characters returning from the dead), and its style fit perfectly with the over-the-top excesses of the 1980s.

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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- If all the stars in the Milky Way were grains of salt, they'd fill an Olympic-size swimming pool.
 - The Louvre museum in Paris was originally built as a fortress to repel Vikings.
 - In 1887, a group of men added Susanna Madora Salter of Argonia, Kansas, to a mayoral ballot as a prank intended to embarrass and curtail the influence of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, of which she was an officer. Instead, she won over 60% of the vote and became America's first female mayor.
 - Olympic medalist Mark Spitz was famed for his large mustache in an era when swimmers shaved their bodies to become more hydrodynamic. He once joked to the Russian team's coach that his mustache helped him swim faster by deflecting water from his mouth and making him more bullet-shaped. The following year, a mustache was sported by every member of the male Russian team.
 - Despite their humps, camels have straight spines.
 - The first use of the word "Superbowl," credited to a Chinese writer named Lom Ba Di, dates to the third century.
 - In 2008, Chile minted 1.5 million 50-peso coins with a spelling error, only noticing a year later they'd spelled "CHIE" instead of "CHILE."
 - Honeybee venom has been found to destroy some types of cancer cells.
 - There's a Google map for Mercury, Venus, Earth's moon, Mars, Pluto, three out of four of Jupiter's moons, and all but one of the round Saturnian moons.
 - Juan Ponce de Leon brought cattle when he landed at Charlotte Harbor in 1521, his second trip to La Florida. When he came under attack, four of his heifers and a bull fled into the scrub, thus introducing cows to America.
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- Thought for the Day: "What matters most is how well you walk through the fire." -- Charles Bukowski
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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: U equals K

VID LMBULJSDE VIZED TAXE TJHD
VIDSEDPHDE JFD ZU, WAV VIDX
BZAPG IJHD WDDL IJLGPDG WDVVDF.

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How to write an obituary for a loved one

Dear Savvy Senior,
Can you provide any tips on how to write an obituary? My dad, who has terminal cancer, has asked me to write his obituary, which will be published in the funeral program and run in our local newspaper.

Not a Writer

Dear Not,
I'm very sorry to hear about your dad's prognosis. Writing your dad's obituary would be a nice way for you to honor him and sum up his life, not to mention avoiding any possible mistakes that sometimes occur when obituaries are hurriedly written at the time of death. Here's what you should know, along with some

tips and tools to help you write it.

Contact the Newspaper

Before you start writing your dad's obituary, your first step is to check with the newspaper you want it to run in. Some newspapers have specific style guidelines or restrictions on length, some only accept obituaries directly from funeral homes, and some only publish obituaries written by newspaper staff members.

If your newspaper accepts family-written obits, find out if they have a template to guide you, or check with your dad's chosen funeral provider. Most funeral homes provide forms for basic information

and will write the full obituary for you as part of the services they provide.

You also need to be aware that most newspapers charge by the word, line or column inch to publish an obituary, so your cost will vary depending on your newspaper's rate and the length of your obit - most range between 200 and 600 words.

Also note that many newspapers offer free public service death listings too, which only include the name of the person who died along with the date and location of death and brief details about the funeral or memorial service.

Obituary Contents

Depending on how detailed you want to be, the most ba-



Savvy Senior

sic information in an obituary usually would include your dad's full name (and nickname if relevant), age, date of birth, date of death, where he was living when he died, significant other (alive or dead), and details of the funeral service (public or private). If public, include the date, time, and location of service.

Other relevant information you should include: cause of death (optional); place of birth and his parents' names; his other survivors including his children, other relatives, friends and pets and where they live; family members who preceded his death; high school and colleges he attended and degrees earned; his work history and military service; his hobbies, accomplishments and any awards he received; his church or religious affiliations; any clubs, civic and fraternal organizations he was members of; and any charities he feels

strongly about that he would like people to donate to either in addition to or in lieu of flowers or other gifts. You'll also need to include a photo of your dad.

Need Help?

If you need some help writing your dad's obituary there are free online resources you can turn to like Legacy.com, which provides tips and articles at Legacy.com/advice/guide-to-writing-an-obituary. Or consider the 25-page e-book "Writing an Obituary in Four Easy Steps" available at DearPersonObits.com for \$5. This guide will help you gather the details of your dad's life so you can write an obituary that will reflect his personality and story.

Online Memorials

Many families today also choose to post their loved one's obituaries online and create digital memorials. Some good sites that offer this are MyKeeper.com, GatheringUs.com and EverLoved.com, which provide a central location where family and friends can visit to share stories, memories and photos to celebrate your dad's life.

Or, if your dad used Facebook, you could also turn his profile into a memorial (you'll need to show proof of death) where family and friends can visit and share anytime.

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

Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of January 10-16, 2022

37 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 2 Citations Issued.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	5	Traffic/Traffic Stop	7
Civil	4	Property Damage Accident	3
Personal Injury Accident	1	Assist	1
Animal/Dog	1	Miscellaneous	1
Well Being Check	5	Suspicious Event	1
Trespass	1	Threats	1
Animal Abuse	1	Alarm	1
Fatal Accident	2	Child Neglect	1
Domestic	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	5	Caledonia	3	Curtis	5
Greenbush	3	Gustin	2	Harrisville	5
Hawes	3	Haynes	1	Mikado	1
Millen	1	Mitchell	3		
Harrisville City	4	Village of Lincoln	1		

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