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Comments necessary to solve build up at Black River/ Lake Huron

"If you build it they will come," the famous quote from the "Field of Dreams" movie seemed to be the prevailing sentiment at a public information meeting presented by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) on April 4 regarding the mouth of the Black River at Lake Huron.

Held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, some 30 interested citizens attended, and an-

other 12 joined electronically, to learn what was found in a study performed by GEI Consultants of Michigan PC of Plymouth over the last couple of years.

Alcona Township Supervisor Marlena MacNeill explained the study was initiated by DNR to figure out some possible solutions to prevent sand from migrating into and narrowing the channel at the mouth of the river. As a result of their prelimi-

nary assessment of the site, three ideas were presented by the consultants from GEI.

One solution was to do nothing and eventually treat the site as a "carry in/carry out" access to Lake Huron. A second solution was to build a "groin" or barrier on the north beach/mouth area to catch sand from the prevailing motion from the north before it got to the river. The final, and most expensive and expansive idea, was to build

a jetty on both sides of the river into Lake Huron to maintain a channel for access to the lake.

According to MacNeill, the do-nothing suggestion was met with solid opposition and the groin concept was mostly discarded as only a temporary fix. Mostly undaunted by the price tag and the possible challenges of permitting of the jetty option, many who have been long-time users of the area to access the lake

agreed that solution would bring the site back to a dependable access and usage would increase dramatically.

Lack of usage is one of the considerations in prioritizing any work there; however, local users were quick to point out that they travel longer distances to use launch sites at Harrisville or Alpena because there's no guarantee the Black River site will be navigable. Many voiced frustration over having to jump out and manually drag their boats over the sand shoal that develops at the mouth.

Further, others pointed out the long distance between sites to launch a rescue vessel such as the Alcona Township Volunteer Fire Department's rescue boat, in the event of a boat in distress on the lake.

According to MacNeill, the township has a long-term lease with the DNR and takes care of the routine maintenance of the property along the north side of the Black River to Lake Huron. For many years, the township took responsibility for dredging the mouth, but with the ever-changing shoreline, it became an onerous task. The township came to an agreement with the DNR to take over the dredging as crews, equipment, and work schedules allowed. With that change came the question of whether there was a better way to tackle the problem of keeping the mouth open and that's when the DNR initiated the study.

Former county commissioner and Black River resident, Dan Gauthier, has long been a user and volunteer to maintain the launch and park area. "The more comments regarding the need for improvements to access the lake, the better. We need to let the DNR know the high level of interest there is in improving the Black River site."

To view the results of the study in detail, go to Michigan.gov/DNRWaterways. Comments about the study and/or usage of the river can be sent via email to DNR-PRD-GaylordDistrict@michigan.gov. Comments can also be submitted to Harrisville State Park, P.O. Box 326, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. Comments are being received through April 28.



Alcona High School students from Kathrin Luce's environmental studies class listen to Harrisville Harbormaster Steve Alexander (standing, left) talk about the role of the harbor for boaters, visitors and surrounding community. During the field trip last Thursday students studied the soil, looked at stormwater runoff patterns, established a plan to install native plants and create plans for a future rain garden. This place-based education connects students to their community, environment and future careers. The Northeast Michigan Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative (NEMIGLSI) is a network of education and community partners working to promote quality place-based stewardship education opportunities in northeast Michigan for the benefit of youth, community, and environment. *Photo by Cheryl Peterson.*

Future local training for mental health support

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Specialized training will be coming to Alcona County sometime in May or June with a program provided by Partners in Prevention.

The training is to enable early intervention by preparing school personnel, emergency first responders, law enforcement and others to recognize the signs and symptoms of mental health challenges.

"Mental health issues have

many different levels. This program provides training for those who may encounter someone that is having a mental issue, how best to interact and how to get necessary services. There is so much we can do just by allowing people to be seen and heard that can alleviate symptoms," said Mary Schalk, program director for Partners in Prevention.

The training is the result of a \$125,000 Mental Health Awareness Training (MHAT)

grant that will offer multiple training sessions in Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties, over the next two to four years. Schalk said the plan is to have at least one session in each county per year.

The training, which is geared for a class size of 10 to 25 individuals, will include mental health first aid, youth mental health first aid, and suicide intervention skills.

According to Schalk, recognizing the signs and symp-

toms of a mental health issue is important and not something everyone knows how to do.

"Training participants will learn the ALGEE action plan. The first letter A stands for approach and access for risk. Is this a crisis or not? If it is not, go on to the letter L which stands for listening non-judgmentally. The letter G is for giving reassurance and information. The first E is for

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NOTICE

The Harrisville Township Planning Commission will hold a special meeting on May 3, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to review the Harrisville Township zoning ordinance regarding solar energy. The public is welcome to attend. Written comments can be sent to the Harrisville Township Zoning Administrator, Tony Atkinson, 4120 E Dellar Road, Harrisville, MI 48740.

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SUMMER HELP WANTED

The City of Harrisville is accepting applications for summer help. This position is a 30-hour per week temporary position that involves mowing, trimming, painting, etc. A valid driver's license is required. Must be 18 years of age. Applications are available at the city office from 9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. For more information, please call the City Office at 989-724-6666. Applications must be submitted by Friday, May 5, 2023 at 12 noon.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Caledonia Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing Monday, May 8th at 10:00 a.m. at the Caledonia Twp. Hall. One variance request will be heard at this time. The variance is requested by Dick & Cherrie Sharpe for property at 5868 Mt. Maria Rd, Hubbard Lake, MI. The petitioner(s) are requesting a variance to the setbacks for a house or building. Written comments will be accepted by Caledonia ZBA Secretary, Ed Bolanowski, 360 E Spruce Rd, Spruce, MI 48762.



The Garden Bug Dogwood trees

The dogwood has graceful blossoms and distinctive bark, and also attracts wildlife. Silk moths and several species of butterflies favor dogwoods as hosts. The flowers provide nectar to many pollinating insects. American robins, northern mockingbirds and sparrows will build nests on its horizontal branches. Many birds eat its berries, including cardinals, titmice, bluebirds, juncos and waxwings. - Brenda Weaver

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Obituaries



Adolfo Gonzalez

Adolfo Gonzalez, 81, of Black River, died on Sunday, April 9, 2023, at MyMichigan Medical Center of Midland, Mich.

He was born February 18, 1942, in Mercedes, Texas to Vincente and Librada (Valdez) Gonzalez. He was raised in Fresno, Calif.

He served in the U.S. Army from August 3, 1961, to July 15, 1964.

He married Kimberly Brown on August 30, 1991, in Pontiac, Mich.

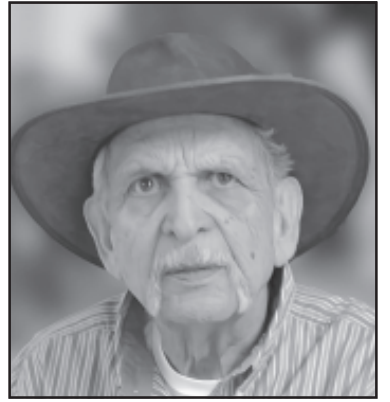
In 1993, Mr. Gonzalez retired from the City of Pontiac, Mich., where he was the supervisor of water utilities. He

relocated to Black River in 1996.

He enjoyed fishing, wood-working and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Mr. Gonzalez is survived by his wife, Kim; one son, Anthony Gonzalez; three daughters, Alexis (Josh) Dewar, Ashley Gonzalez and Katrina Gonzalez; four grandsons, Bentley Gonzalez, Elliot Dewar, Nicholas Dewar and Malcolm Gonzalez-Rynca; and two sisters, Virginia Garcia and Bertha (Robert) Silva.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers,



Pablo Gonzalez, Vincent Gonzalez, Ramon Gonzalez and Frank Gonzalez; two sisters, Janice Romera and Petra Pumario.

Vivian I. "Sis" MacNeill

Vivian I. "Sis" MacNeill, 100, of Harrisville, died on Saturday, April 15, 2023, at Jamieson Nursing Home.

She was born February 23, 1923, to Alva and Emlie (Flentge) Richmond in Sturgis, Mich.

On July 3, 1941, she married Roy MacNeill in Ossineke. They were residents of Colon, Mich.

In 1947, she received a cosmetology license, and worked as a beautician.

After moving to Harrisville, Mrs. MacNeill opened a beauty shop where she worked until she retired in 1996.

Mrs. MacNeill was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Harrisville,

where she taught Sunday school and sang in the choir.

She enjoyed traveling, dancing, playing cards and other games.

Mrs. MacNeill is survived by one son, Larry (Therese) MacNeill of Dracut, Maine; 12 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy, on December 5, 1999; two daughters, Pamela MacNeill Blankenship and Patricia MacNeill; one son, Alex MacNeill; and one brother, Eugene Richmond.

Visitation is Friday, April 21 at the First United Methodist Church in Harrisville



from 11 a.m. until the funeral service at 1 p.m. Meg Nesbit will officiate. Burial will be in Springport Cemetery, Harrisville.



Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

A Pop-Up Pantry will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln from 2 to 5 p.m., or until food is gone. Distribution will be held at the large, end storage unit facing the AAA Credit Union. Look for the banner.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

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

TOPS 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in begins at 9 a.m. Meeting begins at 9:15 a.m. The first visit is free. 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 info.

A movie, with muchies, will be shown for youth 13 and up at 5 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

Story time and a craft activity for children will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 10:30 a.m. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

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 Paster Caincross at (989) 569-1298.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

A gun show will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Mikado American Legion, 2205 Alger Street, Mikado. Admission is \$6. Coffee, doughnuts and lunch will be available. This event is sponsored by the Glennie Sportsman Club (genniesportsmanclub.com).

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

Play euchre at the Lincoln Senior Center, lower level, 207 Church Street, Lincoln from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. All seniors are welcome to participate in this free activity.

Jordan and Zara Pride from Michigan Gemstones will present an introduction to collectible rocks and minerals of Michigan, along with geological history, visual demonstrations, information

about locations, hobbyist tips, tricks, and more at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 5:30 p.m. The gemstones will be on display at the library until May 1 during library hours. Call (989) 724-6796.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

The Alcona County Library Board will meet at the Harrisville branch at 2 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The 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 pickup and follow volunteer traffic control. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county residence. Identification is required. Bring a box or bag. The church is located at 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Call (989) 727-3443 for more information.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

A books sale will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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Local Notes



Church Open for Services

After two years of being closed because of COVID, Trinity Lutheran Church of Barton City has reopened. Services are at noon every Sunday. Everyone is welcome.

Library Book Sale

Get started on a summer reading list by checking out the book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library Thursday, April 27, Friday, April 28 and Saturday, April 29. A wide variety of subjects will be available including fiction, mystery, cooking, crafts, non-fiction, biography/autobiography, history, literary, religion/spiritual, science fiction, westerns, health, self-help, action/adventure, holidays, children/youth, many large-print books, DVDs, videos, and more. The sale is sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln. Reservations are required by 11 a.m. each day by calling (989) 334-3470.

- Monday, April 24: Blackberry dijon chicken, baked potato, carrots, flavored apple sauce.
- Tuesday, April 25: Sausage gravy, biscuits, stewed tomatoes, peaches.
- Wednesday, April 26: Pork chop bake, wax beans, pudding.
- Thursday, April 27: Stuffed cabbage, mixed vegetables, Mandarin oranges, tossed salad.

All meals include milk, bread and butter according to guidelines. Menu is subject to change due to food availability.

Takeout meals can be reserved at the same number by calling no later than 10 a.m. No membership is required. A donation of \$6 for folks under 60 and \$3 for those over 60 is welcome. For home delivered meals, call by 8 a.m. Monday through Thursday.

Sanctuary Tourism Award

Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary was recognized for its exemplary contributions to sustainable tourism practices with a "Pure Award" at the Pure Michigan Governor's Conference in Tourism.

More than 600 tourism representatives, economic development professionals, and meeting planners from across Michigan convened at the annual conference in Grand Rapids, Mich. to discuss and better understand the latest trends and changes in the industry, including ways to make travel more accessible and inclusive for a diverse range of travelers.

The Pure Award recognizes a Michigan entity that has pioneered the incorporation

of innovative and exemplary best practices in natural, cultural, and heritage stewardship into daily operations.

According to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, the sanctuary is a unique destination involving local communities, while also providing an international draw to the first freshwater national marine sanctuary in the nation, changing the face of Michigan tourism locally, regionally, and statewide.

Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary was also recognized for working to preserve and protect the Great Lakes by fostering best practices in freshwater diving and working collaboratively to address the effects of climate change on the Great Lakes.

Sunrise Ringers Concert

While the development of the modern handbell can be traced to more than one source and time period, it is widely accepted that this instrument came from England and was an outgrowth of the church tower bell. The introduction of the instrument to America is widely attributed to the famous entrepreneur P.T. Barnum who included an ensemble of English men that were dressed in Swiss clothes and wore long moustaches. Though they were English this ensemble was billed as the "Swiss Bell Ringers," and Barnum feared that their distinct British accents would ruin the pitch, so they were forbidden to talk in public.

Since that time handbell choirs have developed into widely enjoyed musical ensembles usually in school or church settings. The instrument itself is a hand-held percussion instrument that is capable of many different types of sounds. By utilizing various techniques, the player can create sound ranging from long swirling echoes to tiny staccato plucks all contributing to the larger fabric of sound rising from the ensemble. With as much as five octaves of range, the modern handbell choir is capable of extremely complex music.

• On Saturday, April 29 at 3 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Harrisville's own "Sunrise Ringers" will present its spring 2023 concert. This group is an independent not for profit organization founded and still located in Harrisville.

For years the group has met and rehearsed countless works in a myriad of styles for the joy and enlightenment of its audience.



Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Superintendent Jeff Gray accepts the "Pure Award" at annual Pure Michigan Governor's Conference on Tourism. Photo courtesy of Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

This spring concert will not only include a program of folk songs, Broadway hits and original works composed for handbells, but it will also include a sing along section of works arranged by the Sunrise Ringers themselves. In addition, the bell choir will welcome as an introductory act the "Swollen Fingers String Band" This well-known blue grass Ensemble has performed in various venues around the state. Admission to this concert is free and contributions are encouraged.

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Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	12	Traffic/Traffic Stop	47
Prop. Damage Accident	4	PBT/Drug Testing	21
Alarm	1	Assist	4
Well Being Check	2	Animal/Dog	8
Suspicious Event	4	Fraud/Scam	3
Fingerprinting	3	Patrol Check	1
Vehicle ID Inspection	2	Larceny	3
Threats/Harassment	1	Fire	3
Domestic	2	Personal Injury Accident	1
Trespass	1	Suicidal Subject	1
Civil	2	Child Neglect	1
Overdose	1	Operate While Intoxicated	1
911 Hang-up	2		

aComplaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	12	Caledonia	6	Curtis	8
Greenbush	14	Gustin	9	Harrisville	9
Hawes	17	Haynes	5	Mikado	9
Millen	5	Mitchell	3		
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SATURDAY, APRIL 29

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TUESDAY, MAY 2

The Alcona County Baby Pantry is open from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at St. Raphael Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado. This is the summer schedule. Alcona County residents with newborns through age five are eligible and welcome. This is not an income-based program. There is free formula, diapers, toys and new and gently used clothes and shoes. Layettes are available in the eighth month.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

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The personal item pantry at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 Second Street, Harrisville is open from noon to 3 p.m. for those in need.

THURSDAY, MAY 4

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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
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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
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 Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
 Rev. Dr. Bryan Salminen
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 St. Anne, Harrisville Sunday 11 a.m.
 St. Gabriel, Black River, Saturday 6:30 p.m.
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 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.

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 Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m. • 989-724-6665
 Pastor Claire Duncan • haynescommunitychurch.org

First Baptist Church of Lincoln
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Schooner flounders in storm, John Glennie dies in rescue attempt

By William Parsons
Local Historian

A tragedy was unfolding in the early hours of April 15, 1880, on Lake Huron. The *Chriss* (sic) Grover was up-bound to Frankfort, Benzie County, with a load of limestone and general merchandise. She encountered heavy seas and attempted to seek haven in Thunder Bay. The lake was too strong and she rounded to seek the safety of Tawas Bay but floundered and was swept ashore about a mile south of AuSable.

The following article was printed in the Alcona County Review in the April 23, 1880 edition: *Terrible Storm, Wreck of the Chriss Grover. John W. Glennie Killed While Trying To Rescue Her Crew.*

"The latter part of the week we experienced one of the most severe storms that has visited this shore in a number of years. Thursday afternoon the schooner *Chriss Grover* was first struck by the storm off South Point, near Thunder Bay. She was driven helpless before the wind until 9 o'clock that night, when she was cast ashore about a mile below AuSable. Friday morning three of her crew succeeded in coming ashore in the yawl, but went back on board shortly afterward.

"At ten o'clock, a.m. the wind increased in violence and the waves began to wash over the doomed vessel. The crew, having failed to come ashore while the opportunity presented, were now in great peril, their yawl having been washed away by the sea. The *Grover* was driven within 40 rods of the shore in 5 or 6 feet of water.

"A crowd soon gathered on the beach and means were devised as to how the crew might be rescued. The telegraph wires were down and no dispatches could be sent. At noon teams were sent to the Tawas lifesaving service, twelve miles distant, after the life-boat and crew. It was then thought that a rescue might be effected by firing a line out

to the vessel, and a small cannon (weighing about 100 pounds) belonging to Geo. Loud, was procured and heavily loaded. An iron bar, to which a rope was attached, was placed in the muzzle, and after several attempts the gun was fired by Mr. Glennie.

"A terrible explosion followed, and when the smoke had cleared away the fact was reviled that the gun had burst, and Mr. Glennie, Geo. Loud, Jno. C. Gram and Frank Fortier were knocked down, and for a time supposed to be killed. Fortier was not hurt; Geo Loud and Gram were but lightly injured. Mr. Glennie presented in horrible appearance. His right arm was terribly mutilated, and his right leg broken in a half dozen places.

"He was conveyed to the home of his sister, Mrs. Geo. H. Keating and Drs. Bredin, Wier and Southerland summoned, who pronounced amputation of the leg and arm were absolutely necessary. But before the operation was commenced, in less than two hours after the accident John W. Glennie breathed his last. At the time of the accident Mrs. Glennie and her daughter Lizzie were away from home – the former visiting the latter, a pupil in the state normal school.

"At 12 o'clock Friday night the boat and crew of the lifesaving station arrived on the scene. The boat was launched and less than half an hour the entire crew (six men and one woman) was landed safely on shore. The *Grover* is said to be a total wreck. She was built in Black River in June 1878, by W. A. Jones, who then owned her, and in 1879 rated A2. Her insurance value in 1879 was \$7,000, but as vessel property has greatly advanced, she could not probably be replaced for \$10,000 or \$12,000.

"Mrs. Glennie and daughter arrived in Bay City at 5 o'clock Sunday morning. The tug *Music* was secured and

shortly after noon they started for AuSable. When off Pinconning they were met by the tug *Balize*, which started back to AuSable.

"A meeting of the citizens of AuSable was held on Saturday, the 17th for the purpose of passing resolutions and expressing the keen sorrow and loss of the community in the death of their most public spirited and highly esteemed citizen. The funeral of the deceased took place Tuesday afternoon. At the time of his death, Mr. Glennie was a custom collector of that port, village treasurer, an extensive dealer in lumber and pine. He was one of the leading citizens of AuSable and one of the most enterprising business men on the shore. His loss is keenly felt by the entire community in which he lived."

The men who attempted the rescue were very brave, not knowing when the lifesaving crews would arrive from Tawas because of the storm. John Glennie was buried in the family plot at Pinecrest Cemetery in Oscoda. On the day of his funeral, all of the church bells in AuSable tolled in his memory and in 1894, Glennie in Alcona County was named after him.

(Bill Parsons is a local historian and lives quietly on the River in AuSable with his wife, Alice.)



John Glennie grave stone in Pinecrest Cemetery. Courtesy photo.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging (AAA) announces the availability of funds for fiscal year 2024.

Annual funds are available for these services: Elder Abuse Prevention, Evidence-Based Disease Prevention, The Merit Award (Adult Day Services), National Family Caregiver Support Program and State Caregiver Support.

Funds are available for the counties of: Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon. The Region 9 AAA must receive letters of intent to apply for funds by 4:30 pm Friday, April 28, 2023.

For more information contact Yvette Smigelski, Director Business/Financial Resources—Community Based Care, Region 9 AAA, 2569 US-23 South, Alpena, MI 49707, smigelskiy@nemcsa.org, or call (989) 358-4613.

PUBLIC HEARING ANNOUNCEMENT

The NEMCSA – Region 9 Area Agency on Aging will conduct a public hearing on its proposed Annual Implementation Plan for Fiscal Year 2024. The plan will outline the use of funds and provision of services under the Older Americans Act, for the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon.

The hearing is scheduled for Monday, May 22, 2023 at 1:00 pm at NEMCSA, 2569 US-23 South, Alpena, MI. To register please contact Connie at 989-358-4661 or mcquarriec@nemcsa.org

A summary of the plan will be available upon request, 15 days prior to the public hearing. Copies may be obtained by calling 989-358-4661 or online at www.nemcsa.org. Written testimony or email will be accepted through June 9, 2023.

We would like to take this time to give a BIG THANK YOU to all area businesses and private individuals that donated, participated, and volunteered in the 14th Annual Alcona County Easter Egg Hunt in Lincoln.

Alcona Humane Society, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union for donating 4 bikes, Cozy Cabin Donation, Gillies Funeral Home for donation in memory of Don Read, Coach Craft donation, Lincoln Hardware, Kris Mart donation for part of our candy, Byce Realty donation, Lincoln Precision donation, Lincoln Outdoor Center donation, Rex and Sherry Manning for donating his sound system and time to do our event, Northern Precision donation, Hillman Extrusion Tool, Alcona Tool, Huron Quality Manufacture donation, Huron Community Bank donation, John's Home Maintenance, Coles Appliance, Alcona Motors donation, Fick n Son/Marathon and propane donation of 4 helmets, Solid Rock Church, The, Backwoods Bistro, Roxy's Diner for grilling our hotdogs and passing out eggs, Miller Office and Machine donation of fliers, Roger MacNeill for pulling out the fire trucks so we could utilize the fire hall, Helen Ann Cordes Advisor of the Junior honor society and the Junior honor society students, Alcona Animal Clinic donation, Margaret Read Donation, Ellen and Brian Knight donation, Ted and Patty James for the donation of candy and eggs, and Gary Graves of the Village maintenance for moving our picnic tables for us, we appreciate you so much!

Because of all you wonderful and caring individuals you made it possible for the Egg Hunt to continue for the children of Alcona County. We had an incredible Easter Egg Hunt for the children, 160 children and their parents turned out for our event. We gave away 20 bikes, and helmets. We thank you so much for supporting this wonderful event.

Winners of the bikes were:

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As we have told you before, we are proud to belong to such a caring and generous community, without you we would not have been able to put on such a successful event. Just the smiles on all the children's faces said it all; they enjoyed Hot dogs, chips and punch. And visiting with the Easter Bunny as he stopped to visit at our event. A Big thank you goes out to those individuals that volunteered their time to help at this event, Jamie Jo Reichert, Jess Smith, Ellyiana, and Adriana Grimshaw, and to My husband and children who are always so supportive, we couldn't have done it without all of you.

Thank you again,
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Bandit is a 2 year old St. Bernard weighing 135 pounds and will gain more weight as he matures. Bandit has his distemper and parvo vaccine, has been dewormed, and is microchipped. He is very playful and is a zoomie machine. Bandit has food allergies and requires a special diet. His special diet will be expensive as well as any vet care he may need. He can get frequent ear infections. We require breed/size experience for his adoption. Bandit is an oversized teddy bear that wants all the love and attention!

Alcona Tigers sweep Posen to open season

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity baseball team opened a new season on Monday, April 10 winning both sides of the doubleheader, 16-1 and 15-4.

The Tigers played host to Posen in a North Star League crossover game.

In the first game, Evan Borsvold got the win, as he struck out eight batters. On offense, Vinny Mahalak had two hits and one RBI and Nathan Nardi smacked a double.

The game two winner was Owen Borsvold who struck out seven batters. The offense was led by E. Borsvold, who went three-for-three.

On Thursday, April 13 Alcona remained at home to face Mio. The Tigers lost the opener 4-3 but bounced back to pick up a lopsided in game two, 11-1.

Game one saw E. Borsvold take the loss, despite pitching well. He tossed all six innings and gave up four runs while striking out 14 batters. For the offense, Garrett

Somers hit a triple and scored a run and E. Borsvold had two hits and one RBI.

In game two, O. Borsvold earned the victory. He went five innings and gave up one run on two hits and had 12 strikeouts.

The offense had E. Borsvold get a double, single and three RBI and he also stole two bases. Gavin Dellar added a double, a single and two RBI.

Alcona (3-1 overall) hosts Hillman Thursday and heads to Hale on Monday, April 24.



Alcona's Jordan Benac ropes a base hit during last weeks' home games against Posen. Photo by Ben Murphy.

Alcona softball rolls to wins over Posen, Mio

The Alcona varsity softball team took on Posen in an early season doubleheader on Monday, April 10.

The Lady Tigers had little trouble with the visiting Lady Vikings during that North Star League crossover game. They won 18-6 and 21-9. Both came in just five innings thanks to the mercy rule.

"Everyone played a part in these wins, working together, pushing the base paths and making minimal errors," said head coach Chelsea Neuenfeldt.

In game one, Miah Schopfer got win, as she went five innings and gave up three hits while striking out seven and walking two. On offense, Addison Beatty, Riley Tracy and Sage Gauthier all had three hits. Schopfer, Jena Wambold and Carmen Dellar got two hits apiece.

"Defensively the girls played well together," Neuenfeldt said. "Offensively we started off hot batting



Miah Schopfer fires in a pitch during last week's home contests with Posen. Photo by Ben Murphy.

around the line in the first inning."

The 21-9 win in game two was much of the same.

Addison Beatty got the win from the circle. She gave up seven hits and walked nine but struck out four and settled down as the game went on.

"Both teams started off strong, endinginningone 10-7 but we dug deep in inning three adding nine more runs to Posen's one," Neuenfeldt said.

Rilee Tracy had a huge game at the plate by getting four singles. Schopfer, Baylee Goddard and Beatty had two hits each. Wambold, Gracyn Tracy, Sage Gauthier and Olivia Borchart had one hit each.

On Thursday, April 13 the Lady Tigers won two more home games, this time over Mio, 21-9 and 15-4.

Schopfer was the game one winning pitcher. She struck-out seven batters and walked three. Game two saw Beatty get the win by striking out five and walking three. Borchart pitched three innings of relief in game two and struck out six batters.

"Offensively the bats were hot, but Sage Gauthier was the hottest of the evening totaling three triples, two doubles and two singles for the night going 7-for-8 at the plate," Neuenfeldt said.

Alcona plays at home against Hillman on Thursday and travels to Hale on Monday, April 24.

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Boys track takes first at Tawas invitational, girls place third

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity track and field teams competed at the Tawas Area Invitational on Friday, April 14. The Tigers had a great showing at the event on an unseasonably warm day, as the boys team took first place while the girls had a third place finish out of 12 teams.

The boys won the meet with 233 points, well ahead of second place Ogemaw Heights with 177 points and third place Harrison that had 156 points.

Garrett Somers took first place in both the 100-meter and 200-meter dashes, with times of 11.35 and 22.95. Jeremiah Bullis was also fourth in the 200. In the 400, Sawyer Seminoff got a second-place finish while the 800 saw Carter Upper and William Liebler finish second and third.

Zygmund Villalobos was the top finisher in both distance events, coming in 21st in the 1600 and eighth in the 3200. Cole Upper added fifth place finishes in both the 110 and 300 hurdles.

In the 4x100 relay, Brandon Fogle, Jack Goldstrom, Liebler and Somers took second. They also had a second place team in the 4x200, thanks to runs by Bullis, Somers, Mason Norling and Brandon Fogle.

In the 4x400, it was a fourth place finish for Cole Upper, Seminoff, Daniel June and Dawson Rigby. The 4x800 saw Matt Abee, Carter Upper, Kelvin Travis and Villalobos run to a sixth place finish.

Logan Zuchowski threw to a second place finish in the discus, and he placed seventh in the shot put. June was sixth in the discus event. Seminoff had a seventh place finish in the high jump, Bullis and Cole Upper were second and fifth in the pole vault and



Alcona's Zygmund Villalobos runs his leg of a relay event at the Tawas Area Invitational. Photo by Ben Murphy.

Fogle had a seventh place finish in the long jump.

On the girls team, Kelsey Hansen took 10th place in the 100-meter dash. Emma Travis was third in the 400 and Lauren Travis was fifth in the 800. L. Travis was also sixth in the 1600 meter run.

In the 100 hurdles, Piper Whitefield was third and Haley Glick was fourth. Jenna West was the team's top finisher in the 300 hurdles, coming in eighth.

The Tigers also had a fourth place 4x200 relay team, consisting of Addi Beatty, Mayson Morgan, Jenna West and E. Travis.

Hansen had wins in both throwing events. She won the shot put with a throw of 36-11.5 and she won the discus with a distance of 106-02.

Hansen was also the winner in the long jump, with a bound of 15-06. Angelina Howe added a fourth place finish in the high jump.

Alcona competed in the a North Star League meet at Oscoda on Tuesday, April 11. The Tigers had both teams take first place, giving them the early leg-up in the conference championship race.

Alcona competes at Standish-Sterling on Friday, April 21 and hosts a meet on Tuesday, April 25.



Alcona's Piper Whitefield bounds over a hurdle. Photo by Ben Murphy.

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Dreading the detour, again

By Eric Paul Roorda
Artist & Author

Once again, M-DOT construction on US-23 is imposing a long detour, as it did two years ago. Maybe you've heard the old saying, in Michigan there are just two seasons: winter and road under construction.

Northern Michiganders can confirm highway closures often complicate their lives.

Transportation in this region has passed through three stages.

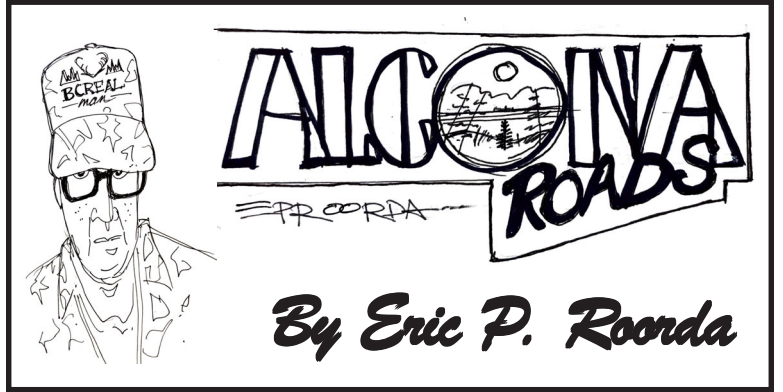
First came passenger ships, like the City of Alpena of the Detroit and Cleveland Navigation Company, which began linking Lake Huron's coastal communities in 1893.

Next came the railroads, which killed off the steamships: the Detroit, Bay City and Alpena Railroad; the Detroit and Mackinac Railroad; and the AuSable and Northwestern Railroad. Their depots and whistle stops served towns along the shore and inland alike.

In Alcona County, trains stopped in the micro-communities of Russell, Hardy, Bryant, Mud Lake Junction (Barton City), Glennie, Mi-

kado, Harrisville, West Harrisville (Lincoln), Alcona, and Black River, where there was a roundhouse. Passengers could even board and disembark the train near Sturgeon Point, where the lighthouse and lifesaving station was a tiny town unto itself.

Last came the highway.



The famous Dixie Highway, begun in 1915, ran from Key West, Florida to Mackinaw, with a segment through Alcona County. The southernmost stretch of Barlow Road is one of the few remaining sections of the original Dixie Highway, most of which was integrated into the new U.S. Highway System in 1926.

It is no coincidence that the completion of a new highway route along the Lake Huron shore 20 years later occurred around the same time as the closure of the train depots operated by the Detroit and Mackinac Railroad, which had absorbed the Detroit, Bay City and Alpena line. The AuSable and Northwestern Railroad had already

failed some years before. US-23 facilitated car traffic, but deprived the railroad of passengers. Since then, the railroad, owned by Lake State Railway since 1992, has been reduced to hauling limestone and other bulk freight, and all but a few of its train stations have long since disappeared. In Alcona County, the only survivors are the West Harrisville/Lincoln Depot, which the Alcona Historical Society maintains, and occasionally opens as a museum, and the Harrisville Depot.

The railroad companies shamefully allowed the Harrisville Depot to deteriorate

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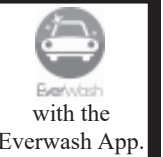
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over decades of neglect, while refusing to allow other people to care for it. But recently, happily, as readers of these pages know, a local group of heritage-minded citizens, informally headed by Becky Schroeder, obtained the deed to the property, and is beginning the expensive work of restoring the building, and enhancing its grounds. Stay tuned! And consider a contribution...

US-23 is the main artery of northeast Michigan, pumping traffic—which equals income—through the region.

When it becomes blocked or diverted, the economy and the people suffer. Alcona County is experiencing another arterial blockage that will last until August—US-23 will be closed, again.

Harrisville is where M-72 ends and the fun begins!

But the pain began there for motorists two years ago. Do you remember? Road construction closed US-23 at that intersection—site of the only stop light in the county. Drivers were forced to detour due west on M-72, all the way to F-41, a distance of more than

six miles, then north for another 13 miles to where F-41 intersects with US-23 at Chippewa Point, less than a mile from the Alpena County line.

Enterprises like Alcona Brew Haus, The Mountain Bar and Grill, and Cedarbrook Trout Farms, already rocked by COVID-19 closures, were denied all but a trickle of their usual business. Cedarbrook never re-opened. *(Granted, Jerry Kahn had other reasons to close the historic business, established in 1923, after running it for a half-century, but COVID didn't help. Do you miss Cedarbrook Farms trout, too? I sure do...)*

This year, to get around the construction zone, the detour is sending drivers down Black River Road to Barlow Road. (The details are on the M-DOT site: <https://www.michigan.gov/mdot/news-outreach/press-releases/2023/04/03/us-23-resurfacing-in-alcona-county-starts-april-10>.) Rosa's Lookout Inn will lose out on its usual seasonal through-traffic, and will have to rely on regulars to drive past the "local traffic only" signs.

Are these detours really necessary? The road seems to be in good shape. But even if it needs work, isn't it possible to carry out on such a vital stretch of US-23, the economic bloodstream of the region, without detouring cars

and trucks so far out of their way? One would expect engineering and logistics to have advanced beyond such prolonged highway shutdowns.

In 1945, the forgettable film "Detour" left its title tune in the popular culture, which many country music performers have covered. (Check out the ditty on YouTube, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MQ-M81JBYYc>.) It remains an earworm for me from my boyhood, because my father sang it whenever we had to drive out of our way.

Singing "Detour" is a cheerful response to that inevitable annoyance. With apologies to Jimmy Walker & Paul Westmoreland, the writers and first performers of the song, here's a timely adaptation. I'll be singing it often this summer, while driving on Barlow Road instead of US-23.

"Dee-tour! That's the M-DOT up ahead.

Dee-tour! Off to the West we're bein' led?

Dee-tour! Makes no reason, makes no rhyme.

Lord, I hate this Dee-tour time!"

You can also see the movie poster with an online search. The cartoon here is a take-off on it.

(Eric lives in Springport, where his parents put down roots 50 years ago. He was a college history professor for three decades.)



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4. Birds
5. Mice
6. Fish
7. Bees
8. Dogs
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Training Continued from page 1

encouraging appropriate professional help and the second E is for encouraging self-help and other support strategies.

"This training is for any adult who would like to know how to help someone who may have a mental health issue. Perhaps this information may be something an employer would like his staff to be trained in, possibly a veteran's or church group would be interested or individual members of the community.

"There are things we can do as ordinary citizens. It's not always about a paid professional. There are things we can all do to help each other," Schalk said.

Skills taught will also include where and how to get the necessary help for someone in need of professional mental health care.

"One of the exciting things about this grant is the ability to come to each county to offer the sessions and customize them to train towards success in that location," Schalk said.

An additional part of the grant is an awareness campaign. "We would love to hear

from people who may have struggled with a mental health concern and how they have found treatment and success to be able to give others hope.

"Part of our message is that treatment works and recovery is possible. There are services available to offer support," Schalk said.

She explained some people may not want to talk about it because there is a stigma about mental health issues. "One of our goals is to make it okay to talk about and share with others what has worked. The more we talk about it the more people can get the help they need," Schalk said.

Schalk is looking forward to Alcona County's training beginning soon. She would like feedback from the community as to who would like to attend the training and where the best spot to hold the training session would be.

"This is more than just a project," Schalk said, "It is an opportunity to engage many people in lasting change that will elevate the mental wellness of our community. The various elements are de-

signed to build on and support each other. We are working with our many vital partners to put actions in place that will continue to produce results even after this funding ends."

The grant funding is for two years with two additional years available pending performance and is part of the federal Bipartisan Safer Communities Act channeled through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and then to Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

Anyone who would like to host the training sessions or attend a session can contact Schalk at (989) 356-2880 or contact her by email at mary-@nemcpi.org.

Anyone feeling they are in crisis can call the toll-free hotline Suicide Intervention number 988 or chat 988life-line.org. Anyone seeking mental health or substance use treatment should call SAMSHA's national helpline at (800) 662-HELP (4357) or visit findtreatment@samhsa.gov.

Explore the stories of the state's Underground Railroad

From the shores of Lake Michigan to the heart of Detroit, and north to Sault Ste. Marie, sites in Michigan echo through time with stories of the past not often found in textbooks – the stories of people fleeing enslavement in the mid-1800s, abolitionists who assisted them, and communities that stepped up to protect freedom seekers.

The Michigan History Center, in partnership with the Michigan Freedom Trail Commission, has collected two dozen of these stories – always fascinating, sometimes harrowing – into a new interactive map to help anyone interested in this moment in history discover and learn more.

From the Crosswhite family's escape from Kentuckians seeking to return them to enslavement to the story of abolitionist Laura Smith Haviland, who devoted her life to antislavery activism, the interactive map includes 24 Michigan stories recognized by the National Park Service Network to Freedom – a federal register of

programs, places and activities that commemorate the stories of the men and women who risked everything for freedom and those who helped them.

Nominations to be listed in the Network to Freedom require rigorous research and documentation. Nominees may be a site represented by a building, a cemetery, a marker or a monument; a regularly offered program or tour featuring the Underground Railroad; or a research institution with collections about the topic.

The stories on the new map are tied to physical sites across the state. Some are marked with new signs that note a site's recognition by the National Network to Freedom and the Michigan Freedom Trail Commission. The signs include a QR code that, when scanned by a mobile device, connects to the interactive map and the stories of people and events at that site. "The new, interactive Michigan Freedom Trail map will share powerful stories of freedom and liberation in two dozen sites across our state," said Gov. Gretchen Whitmer.

"With this project, the Michigan History Center and its partners are showcasing Michigan's stops on the Underground Railroad and bringing so many places and people to life. This is all a part of our rich, proud history, and it will now be accessible to more Michiganders and visitors. "The Michigan Freedom Trail interactive map and updated physical signage are part of a project made possible by a 2021 grant from the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, the Department of the Interior, the National Park Service and the National Network to Freedom. "This project goes beyond identifying and commemorating historic sites," said Amanda Camp-bell, past chair of the Michigan Freedom Trail Commission and author of the grant. "It underscores the power of place, connecting people to the outdoors, neighborhoods, structures and history, and encouraging stewardship and care of important historic sites." The project offers the stories of the Underground Railroad usually limited to museum exhibits, special events and webinars. It makes this traditionally under-represented history a more visible part of Michigan's story, both online and in person.

"We expect that the Michigan Freedom Trail signs and online resources will make the Underground Railroad stories a more prominent part of Michigan tourism and education," said Sandra Clark, director of the Michigan History Center. "Our hope is that the heightened visibility will encourage more local groups and historical societies to document their connections to the Underground Railroad and seek National Network to Freedom recognition."

Explore each of the 24 stories at Michigan.gov/MIUndergroundRR.



Buggy Rides



Four hours in a well woman's plight

Mrs. Jos Specht Has A Terrible Experience

April 12, 1923 ~ Four hours in a well, wet to the skin, numb with the cold and fright, exhausted by her efforts to escape and to attract attention, was the terrible experience last Friday, the 13th, of Mrs. Jos. Specht Sr. at her farm in the Dean district.

Mrs. Specht was at home with her little grandchild and shortly after four o'clock she went to the well for water, leaving the child in the house.

The well is one that had been dug down 10 or 12 feet

Exhausted by Her Struggles Help Comes Just in Time

and then a drive point used. The curbing gave away under Mrs. Specht's weight and she fell to the bottom of the dry hole and was wedged in so she could not get out. She was sorely bruised by the fall and the water and snow came in on her from the surface so that she was soon soaking wet. All her efforts to get out and to call help were without avail.

About eight o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Specht, who live with Mrs. Specht and who had been to town, returned

home. They found their baby asleep on the floor, chairs overturned, ashes scattered around where the little tot had evidently busied himself. The house was cold and they could not account for Mrs. Specht's absence.

While putting out their horse they heard a noise which they thought was a hoot owl. It was the imprisoned woman calling. It was not until Ray noticed the water pail gone from its place that it flashed on him where his mother was and running

to the well he found her—barely able to talk.

Help was summoned and the unfortunate woman was in a pretty bad condition when she was finally raised out of the hole and put to bed. Prompt action by doctor and nurse is believed to have warded off serious results from her long exposure. Mrs. Specht is able to sit up in a chair and her worst trouble seems to be a sprained or wrenched knee, which prevents her walking.

Spruce VFW Post 6754 and auxiliary elects officers

April 22, 1998 ~ Newly elected officers for the Spruce VFW Post 6754 auxiliary for the coming year are:

President, Bertha Colder; Senior Vice, Pat Eller; Junior Vice, Donna Bushey; Treasurer, Erma Wyers; Chaplain, Betty McKinnon; Conductress, Alma Tacia; Guard, Emma Liske; and Trustee, Frances Ziesman.

New officers for the post are: Commander, Mike Liske; Senior Vice, Arnie Liske; Junior Vice, Bill Walton; Quartermaster, Chuck Gauthier; Adjutant, Ken Dupuis; Guard, Carl Ziesman; and Trustee, Al Vickunas.

Installation will be held before the May 5 meeting.

Hospital Chairman Alma Tacia announced the delivery of 104 lap robes to Tendercare and Greenview Tendercare of Alpena.

Americanism chairman announced the presentation of 200 American flag pins to DARE graduates of Alcona Elementary School and the presentation of an American flag to the Alcona Township Hall.

Additional donations of 23 three foot by four foot American flags have been made to members of the community.

The VFW Auxiliary held a

luncheon for 120 Exceptional Friends of Ossineke on March 29. Art and Sherry Olson provided music.

Lite-a-Bike kits were presented to 120 third and fourth grade students at Hubbard Lake Elementary School and Sanborn School in Ossineke.

Donations were made to the following organizations: Jacobetti Veterans Hospital; Golden Ages Games; a Boy Scout troop in Black River; and the proposed playground in Ossineke.

Other donations went to the DAV in Alpena toward a van to be used for transportation of veterans to various

hospitals.

A new tire swing and sandbox was placed in the Caledonia Township Park in Spruce.

Glen's Save and Share receipts must be turned in by July 31 due to them restructuring of the program.

Loyalty Day will be observed on May 1. This program at Hubbard Lake and Sanborn Elementary schools recognizes the principal and teachers' dedication to teach our children to honor our country and our freedom.

- Submitted by Annie Gauthier



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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **TELEVISION:** Which drama focuses on the inhabitants of Wisteria Lane?
2. **GEOGRAPHY:** The Aswan Dam is located on which river?
3. **LANGUAGE:** What is the only word in the English language that ends in "mt"?
4. **MOVIES:** What is the name of Ryan Reynolds' Alaskan hometown in "The Proposal"?
5. **U.S. CITIES:** How many buildings in New York City have their own ZIP codes, including the Empire State Building?
6. **SCIENCE:** Entomology is the scientific study of what?
7. **CHEMISTRY:** Which natural element is the most unstable?
8. **FOOD & DRINK:** What is the condiment tahini made of?
9. **LITERATURE:** What is the setting for John Kennedy Toole's novel "A Confederacy of Dunces"?
10. **ANATOMY:** How many lobes are in the human brain?

Answers: 1. "Desperate Housewives."; 2. The Nile River.; 3. Dreamt.; 4. Sitka.; 5. More than 40.; 6. Insects.; 7. Francium, because it has 49 more neutrons than protons.; 8. Sesame seeds.; 9. New Orleans.; 10. Four. (c) 2023 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword "TAKE IT BACK"

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Reid and Lipinski</p> <p>6 "Born Free" lioness</p> <p>10 Really bothered</p> <p>15 Refer to as an example</p> <p>19 Beethoven's "Für —"</p> <p>20 "The Wizard of Oz" actor Bert</p> <p>21 Abu — (Persian Gulf emirate)</p> <p>22 Over again</p> <p>23 Ailey of choreography</p> <p>24 Mild Dutch cheese</p> <p>25 Tricky billiards shot</p> <p>26 Fare- — -well</p> <p>27 Start of instructions for making sense of 67-Across</p> <p>31 "— Haw"</p> <p>32 "A Wrinkle in Time" director DuVernay</p> <p>33 Alev may relieve it</p> <p>34 Got in a trap</p> <p>37 Rowing blades</p> <p>39 Be present</p> <p>41 Renoir's skill</p> | <p>42 Vent views</p> <p>43 Part 2 of instructions</p> <p>45 Appear to be</p> <p>47 Goulash, e.g.</p> <p>48 Fetal homes</p> <p>49 Cooing park scavenger</p> <p>51 Genre of serious films</p> <p>54 Kissing and caressing</p> <p>58 Greek god of the sun</p> <p>63 Huge Brit. lexicon</p> <p>64 Pedicured body part</p> <p>66 "Ay, —!" (cry on "The Simpsons")</p> <p>67 Message to congratulate solvers who figure out this answer</p> <p>72 Northeast African nation</p> <p>73 Decorator</p> <p>74 Suffix with Gabon</p> <p>75 Welding alloy</p> <p>76 Jihad</p> <p>78 Capri and Aruba</p> <p>80 Plant lice</p> <p>82 Disconnected</p> <p>85 Units of work</p> <p>89 Locale</p> | <p>90 Part 3 of instructions</p> <p>96 Ballet moves</p> <p>98 "Planet Money" ailer</p> <p>99 Misspends</p> <p>100 Spout off</p> <p>101 Calif. volcano</p> <p>103 Basic idea</p> <p>104 "We need assistance!"</p> <p>106 Onetime Pan Am rival</p> <p>107 End of instructions</p> <p>111 Heath</p> <p>113 Former congressman Mo</p> <p>114 For — (not gratis)</p> <p>115 Acoustic</p> <p>116 Push along</p> <p>117 Gymnastics legend Comaneci</p> <p>118 — a soul (no one)</p> <p>119 Headstone locale</p> <p>120 Disarray</p> <p>121 Artery-opening tube</p> <p>122 Portuguese for "years"</p> <p>123 More rational</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Cousin of a coffeehouse</p> <p>2 Curative plant</p> | <p>3 Monte Carlo setting</p> <p>4 "Yeah, right!"</p> <p>5 Actress Berger of "De Sade"</p> <p>6 Brits call it a "lift"</p> <p>7 Put freight on</p> <p>8 Make pointy, as a pencil</p> <p>9 Hostile insect in a swarm</p> <p>10 Guys writing slogans, maybe</p> <p>11 This and —</p> <p>12 Item dyed for a spring holiday</p> <p>13 One who fails to show up</p> <p>14 Stadium rows</p> <p>15 Sleeps lightly</p> <p>16 Get via will</p> <p>17 Simple shirt</p> <p>18 Baaing "ma"</p> <p>28 Dodge</p> <p>29 Venetian beach resort</p> <p>30 "Fifth Beatle" Yoko</p> <p>35 Indy-to-Cleveland dir.</p> <p>36 Dawn droplets</p> <p>38 Pond gunk</p> <p>40 Coiled like ivy</p> <p>41 Speller's clarification</p> <p>44 Zeta follower</p> <p>46 Fine goat coat</p> <p>49 What a head rests on in bed</p> <p>50 Brand of spongy balls</p> <p>51 Sleeps lightly</p> <p>52 Printing proof, for short</p> <p>53 Alev alternative</p> <p>55 Naval acad. grad's rank</p> <p>56 Groups devising plots</p> <p>57 Tyke</p> <p>59 Tyke</p> <p>60 Push along</p> <p>61 Like Santa, weight-wise</p> <p>62 Strongboxes for valuables</p> <p>64 Pipsqueaks</p> <p>65 Three — kind</p> <p>66 Pool stick</p> <p>68 "— be my pleasure!"</p> <p>69 La — Tar Pits</p> <p>70 Title for a monk</p> <p>71 Mesmerized</p> <p>76 List of currently popular songs</p> <p>77 Polish river</p> <p>78 Hip-hop mogul Gotti</p> <p>79 Mix together</p> <p>81 Suggested subtly</p> <p>83 Elvis and Priscilla</p> <p>84 Fable writer</p> <p>85 Tree infested by bark beetles</p> <p>86 No longer active: Abbr.</p> <p>87 Fake hearth items</p> <p>88 Balls, geometrically</p> <p>90 Taunt in fun</p> <p>91 Rosh —</p> <p>92 "Here We Are" singer Gloria</p> <p>93 Fiber source in some muffins</p> <p>94 Disentangle</p> <p>95 Country music's — Brothers</p> <p>97 Used a chair</p> <p>102 Shell-shocks</p> <p>103 Note a half step above F</p> <p>105 Thick rugs</p> <p>108 Actress Lena of "Chocolat"</p> <p>109 Streamlined, informally</p> <p>110 Ambience</p> <p>111 Not saying a word</p> <p>112 Metal in rocks</p> |
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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On May 6, 1527, the Renaissance ended with the Sack of Rome by German troops as part of an ongoing conflict between the Habsburg Empire and the French Monarchy. German troops killed over 4,000 Romans, imprisoned the pope, and looted works of art and libraries. An entire year passed before order was restored.
 - On May 1, 1830, Irish-born American labor leader Mary "Mother" Jones was born in County Cork, Ireland. After losing her husband and four children in the yellow fever epidemic of 1867 and all her belongings in the Chicago Fire of 1871, she devoted herself to organizing and advancing the cause of labor, delivering her last speech on her 100th birthday.
 - On May 5, 1865, Decoration Day was first observed in the U.S., with the tradition of decorating Civil War soldiers' graves with flowers. Later the date was moved to May 30 and included American graves from the first and second World Wars, eventually becoming better known as Memorial Day.
 - On May 3, 1939, The Andrews Sisters recorded "Beer Barrel Polka," aka "Roll Out the Barrel." The song became a popular standard during World War II and later the signature tune of flamboyant singer/pianist Liberace.
 - On May 7, 2001, Ronnie Biggs, one of the "Great Train Robbers" who managed to elude capture and settled in Brazil following his prison escape on July 8, 1965, returned voluntarily to Britain, where he was jailed to complete the remaining 28 years of his sentence. He was released in 2009, two days before his 80th birthday, on "compassionate grounds" and died four years later in a nursing home.
 - On May 2, 2011, U.S. Special Operations Forces killed Osama bin Laden during a raid on his secret compound in Abbottabad, Pakistan, ending a 10-year manhunt for the leader of the al-Qaida terrorist organization and coordinator of the attacks on the World Trade Center in 2001.
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- In 1998, a British man faked his own death by leaving his clothes on the beach and hiding to make his wife realize how much she missed him. Unfortunately, the prank backfired, as she divorced him after learning about it.
 - Former First Lady Hillary Clinton served on the boards of TCBY and Walmart.
 - Earthworms in the northern part of North America are a non-native, invasive species and a major factor in forest deterioration.
 - The last duel in Canada wasn't much of a fight at all, being between two men who were so terrified that one fainted and the other was seized by horror. As if that weren't enough, their guns were loaded with blanks.
 - Michael Bay, producer of "Friday the 13th," walked out of the film's screening because it contained too much sex.
 - Ever wonder why garlic is so anathema to vampires? One theory goes that it's an antibiotic, and since vampirism was often thought to be a disease, it was harmful to them. Another holds that it was believed to repel mosquitoes, and since they're both bloodsuckers, vampires would be repelled as well.
 - Brazil has the largest Japanese community outside of Japan.
 - A city in Sweden uses light therapy in bus stops to combat depression during the winter when 19 hours of the day are darkness.
 - Astronomers have discovered a cloud of fiery gas about 3,000,000 light years across that reaches temperatures in the tens of millions of degrees and gobbles entire galaxies as it moves along.
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- Thought for the Day: "Nature has given us all the pieces required to achieve exceptional wellness and health, but has left it to us to put these pieces together." -- Diane McLaren
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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: N equals S

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State of Michigan Probate Court Alcona County Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate Case No. 21-6167-DE

Estate of Leo Dean Pearce
Date of birth: September 27, 1936
To all creditors:
Notice to creditors: The decedent, Leo Dean Pearce, died November 29, 2020. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Julia K. Stach, 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 19, 2023
David H. Cook, P40560
Attorney
5466 M-72
Harrisville, Mich. 48740
(989) 724-5155
Julia K. Stach
Personal representative
167 E. Ritchie Road
Lincoln, Mich. 48742
(989) 736-8079

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board's regular meeting was held April 12 at 7 p.m. Motion passed to pay bills. Motion passed to approve minutes from March 8 for regular meeting. Motion passed approve fire contract with Sanborn Township. Motion passed to approved assessor contract for tax roll. Motions to spend COVID-19 funds on kitchen cupboard, bar area cupboards, countertops, electrical work in hall, hall generator with gas line, carpet stage, baseball diamond bases and gravel. Motion to hire Myer Lawncare. Motion to appoint Ryan MacKinnon to planning commission. Motion to approve dust control policy to be the same as last year. Synopsis is being printed prior to board approval. Motion passed to adjourn at 8:46 p.m.

Cindy Smith
Township Clerk

HELP WANTED

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