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Progress slow, but ongoing for Harrisville's train depot

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

The Harrisville Train Depot is getting some much-needed support and care from the community thanks to the Alcona Historical Society and the depot committee.

The quaint limestone building has been tucked away between the Dock Street cul-de-sac and the train tracks for 122 years. It is a remarkable building with a long history of serving the community and an even longer history of being vacant and neglected.

In its day it was a bustle of activity utilizing one of the best ways to travel and ship goods in the early 1900s — all by train.

Today, while walking along the cracked concrete floors, the sound of decades of footsteps, some wearing combat boots, others heavy with farm soil, the shoes of businessmen, mothers and children, can be heard in the silence.

The shell of the ticket booth remains intact, although the equipment from it is long



The Harrisville Train Depot, a 122-year-old limestone building, is slowly being restored to its original beauty by the Alcona Historical Society's Harrisville Train Depot Committee and a cast of 10 to 15 volunteers. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

gone. One can only imagine the excitement felt in that line of people purchasing their tickets for the journey ahead.

The rich history of the building is what the depot committee wants to bring

back to share with the public, according to co-chairperson Becky Schroeder, who explained since receiving the deed from the Lake State Railway Company last January, the committee has

been chipping away at improvements.

"The security cameras, Wi-fi and having the electric reconnected were the first improvements and since then the vandalism has ceased," Schroeder said.

She explained how vandalism scarred the building inside and out, leaving painted graffiti, nearly impossible to get off limestone. She shook her head at how anyone could have been so cruel to treat such a noble piece of history so shamefully.

While the graffiti has been thoroughly scrubbed to the best of the committee's ability, it remains embedded on the sides and back, although somewhat subdued by volunteer elbow grease and chemicals.

Another improvement was the addition of temporary fencing, which was called for in the deed requirements to keep people safe as trains move along the tracks behind the building. Schroeder explained the green plastic fencing is only temporary and they will be replacing it with a period-looking wrought iron fence.

"We've priced that out and it will cost about \$18,000. We have done well on our fundraisers, and we are looking for grants, but we aren't able to come up with all of the funds needed for that. We may just sell panels of wrought iron fencing for families to purchase as a memorial. We already have a handful of families interested in doing that.

"It's not as easy as it sounds, first we must fix the outside of the building. We've been told to hold off on the wrought iron fence until the exterior limestone and roofing work has been completed because the fencing may interfere with machinery to get that job done," Schroeder said.

A new wood door has been installed in the back of the building and the boards have all been taken off the windows, allowing sunlight to once again stream across the dark wood paneling and concrete floor.

Some of the windows have been worked on as well. Schroeder said they are still looking at the amber glass windows at the back of the building. They'd like to replace one that is missing.

The committee is also trying to figure out what to do with the exterior cracked

Great Lakes shipping continues to decline

By Eric Freedman
Capital News Service

Shipping on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway is continuing its long-term downturn, and changes in the region's steel industry are largely responsible for the trend, according to a recent Congressional Research Service report.

Iron ore, limestone and coal are the three leading commodities by tonnage shipped on the lakes. They're followed by salt — mostly Canadian rock salt to deice roads — asphalt and slag left over from extracting iron from ore.

Iron ore for steelmaking accounted for 42 percent of Great Lakes tonnage in 2020, the report said.

"Iron ore volumes show a steady decline, as steel is increasingly produced from scrap metal in mini-mills that are plentiful and scattered throughout the country," according to the nonpartisan agency's report. Scrap metal can easily be transported overland, so mini-mills don't need to be near a waterway or iron ore mine.



Ships iced in at Whitefish Bay on Lake Superior in March 2022. *Photo courtesy of Lake Carriers' Association.*

The volume of asphalt, salt and gravel, slag iron and cement being shipped is holding steady, and sand and gravel volume is increasing, it said.

Most Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway traffic is on foreign-flagged ocean-going saltwater vessels, freshwater vessels crewed and owned by American companies, and

Canadian freshwater vessels. The maximum size of Great Lakes ships is limited by the dimensions of the locks they must pass through.

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God Bless America



 **Obituary** 

Keegan M. Kruttlin

Keegan M. Kruttlin, 28, of Harrisville, passed away at home on Tuesday, August 8, 2023.

He was born September 19, 1994, to Teddy and Julie (Pasinski) Kruttlin in Alpena. He was raised in Harrisville.

Keegan graduated from Alcona Community High School in 2013. He loved being with his family and friends. He enjoyed taking long walks, listening to music, and sitting by the bonfire.



Teddy Kruttlin of Harrisville; his stepfather, Terrence Krumbach of Harrisville; his brother, Kyle (Lianna) Kruttlin of Alpena; as well as many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Martha Pasinski and Edward Pasinski; his paternal grandparents, Kelly Kruttlin and Ted Kruttlin Sr.; and his uncle, Mark Pasinski.

Funeral Mass was held Monday, Aug. 14 at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. The Rev. Tyler Bischoff officiated. Burial was in St. Anne Catholic Cemetery. Memorial donations are encouraged to St. Vincent DePaul in Mikado.

Arrangements were handled by Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Paid Obituary



He worked at Loggers Trace Golf Course in Harrisville and helped the Lincoln and Harrisville Lions Club with their annual Duck Race for the past 15 years.

Keegan is survived by his mother, Julie Kruttlin of Harrisville; his father,

 **Calendar of Events** 

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

Celebrate Splash Day, with a variety of water-themed activities that will keep participants cool and entertained and involved in the Summer Reading Program at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

The youth Summer Reading Program with the Alcona County Library ends. Participants are asked to turn in all of their tickets. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

Discover a world of imagination, where heroes are born, and legends unfold at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. The new Dungeons and Dragons Club will meet at 3 p.m. Beginners are welcome. Call (989) 724-6796 for information.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

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.

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.

Youth ages nine and up are invited to the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library for a free craft activity and snack. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

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

Prizes will be awarded for the Alcona County Library's Summer Reading Program at 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch. Participants do not need to be present to win. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

Harbor Nights concert series features Suzanne and Jim in this week's free concert at the Harrisville Harbor at 6 p.m. Everyone is wel-

come to attend. Attendees should bring a lawn chair or blanket as seating is on the lawn. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

There will be a "Discover Your Depot" outdoor social from 6:30 to 9 p.m. This social will include adult yard games corn hole, croquet, etc. Participants should bring their own chair, favorite beverage and stay until the train passes by.

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, AUGUST 19

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

There will be a crafts trunk sale at the Craftmakers' Cabin in Harrisville from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call Nancy at (734) 904-0108.

The Lincoln Train Depot and Logging Museum is open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Everyone is invited to experience what train travel was like and learn about the logging era that shaped this region and state. Free admission. The depot is located in Lincoln on the corner of Lake and Fiske streets.

There will be a vinyl record mandala painting class from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call (989) 724-6796 for details about this free program supported by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council and Art in the Loft.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

Practice ukulele with other confident beginners at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Confident beginners will know several chords and are eager to become familiar with playing in a group. The ability to read

music is not required. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

The Alcona County Library Board will meet at the Harrisville branch at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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.

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Teenagers are encouraged to "slurp and savor the ultimate ramen experience" during the Sizzling Teen Ramen Party and D&D Club at 3 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. This event is just for teenagers. This event is sponsored by the Alcona County Friends of the Library.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

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.

Youth ages 13 and up are invited to watch an age-appropriate movie and movie-style buttered popcorn at 5 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

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The Review tries to publish as much information about the person's life as possible - marriage, career, military service, interests, survivors (first and last names), etc. - to share what their life entailed. An obituary reflects the person's life - as presented in a newspaper. The Review makes this effort because, while the death of the person is considered news at the time of their passing, a full obituary with vital information also serves as a connection to the future as many people use obituaries to research family history - which is a very popular pursuit these days.

Obituaries must be submitted directly by a close family member or a funeral home. We do not republish obituaries from other newspapers or electronic formats. The editor reserves the right to edit for length, clarity and style. Obituaries may be submitted by email to: editor@alconareview.com.

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Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

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

Harbor Nights concert series features Bob Hausler in this week's free concert at the Harrisville Harbor at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. Attendees should bring a lawn chair or blanket as seating is on the lawn. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

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A pig roast, dance and silent auction supporting the historic Harrisville Train Depot will be held at 6 p.m. at Lost Lake Woods Club. Tickets can be purchased at Precious Paws or the Hollyhock Emporium in Harrisville. For more information, or to purchase tickets online, visit harrisvilledepot.com.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

St. Augustine Church in Hillman is hosting a Parish Festival beginning with 10 a.m. Mass procession of the Holy Eucharist in honor of the feast of St. Augustine. From noon to 2 p.m. lunch is available to purchase. There will be many games and activities for children. There will be a live silent auction at 2 p.m. Proceeds from this event will prepay the roof.

Hope Lutheran Church will have guest speaker Dr. Richard Olree at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Olree is a featured presenter on the importance of chiropractic health with an emphasis on the importance of minerals and diet. His talk

will help attendees have a deeper understanding of nutrition in relation to viruses. Hope Lutheran Church is located at 5462 Nicholson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

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Does Medicare cover preventive health services?

Dear Savvy Senior,
How does Medicare cover preventive health screenings? I'm due to get a physical and a colonoscopy this year, but I want to find out what I'll have to pay for before I go in.
Just Turned 65



Savvy Senior

Dear Just Turned,
You'll be happy to know that Medicare covers a wide array of preventive and screening services to help you stay healthy, but not all services are completely covered. Here's what you should know.

Free Preventive Benefits

Most of Medicare's preventive services are available to all beneficiaries (through Part B) completely free with no copays or deductibles, as long as you meet basic eligibility standards. Mammograms; colonoscopies; shots against flu, pneumonia, COVID-19 and hepatitis B; screenings for diabetes, depression, osteoporosis, HIV, various cancers and cardiovascular disease; and counseling to combat obesity, alcohol abuse,

and smoking are just some of Medicare's lengthy list of covered services.

But to get these services for free, you need to go to a doctor who accepts Medicare "on assignment," which means he or she has agreed to accept the Medicare approved rate as full payment.

Also, the tests are free only if they're used at specified intervals. For example, cardiovascular screening blood tests once every five years; or colonoscopy, once every 10 years, or every two years if you're at high risk.

Medicare also offers a free "Welcome to Medicare" exam with your doctor in your first year, along with annual "Wellness" visits thereafter. But

don't confuse these with full physical examinations. These are prevention-focused visits that provide only an overview of your health and medical risk factors and serve as a baseline for future care.

Cost Sharing Services

There are, however, a few Medicare preventive services that do require some out-of-pocket cost sharing. With these tests, you'll have to pay 20 percent of the cost of the service after you've met your \$226 Part B yearly deductible. The services that fall under this category include glaucoma tests, diabetes self-management trainings,

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An Open Letter of Appreciation and Thanks to Our Dedicated Alcona Music Project - WxTF-FM Community

On Saturday, July 29th we held our Annual Fundraiser at St. Anne Church-Maria Hall.

This is the most important event for our non-profit organization. The funds raised enable us to cover many of the ongoing expenses it takes to keep WxTF-FM on the air and continue our support of the community.

We are happy to announce that the effort put forth into this year's event, from our many dedicated Alcona Music Project volunteers, musicians, and the tremendous community support, enables us to move closer to our goal of the organization's continued sustainability.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE THE ALCONA MUSIC PROJECT!!!



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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, Aug. 21: Beef stew, biscuit, three bean salad, mandarin oranges.
- Tuesday, Aug. 22: Ham, sweet potato soufflé, mixed vegetables, pineapple.
- Wednesday, Aug. 23: Baked chicken and gravy, baked potato, carrots, peaches.
- Thursday, Aug. 24: Goulash, Brussels sprouts, tropical fruit.

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

Bay to Beacon Race

The Bay to Beacon Half Marathon will take place on Saturday, Aug. 19. It is a foot race set of a half-marathon, 10K, and 5K courses along the Lake Huron coast in Alcona County. The half marathon features a start at Negwewon State Park and a finish at Sturgeon Point Lighthouse.

The Bay to Beacon Half Marathon was conceived in April 2020 in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic to establish a foot race event that highlights the natural resources of Michigan to promote environmental stewardship and improve awareness of public health.

There will be no race day registrations, therefore, registration packet pick-up will take place at the LaVigne Family Blueberry Farm at 275 North MacGregor Road in Harrisville on Friday, Aug. 18 from 4 to 8:30 p.m.

Regardless of the weather, all participants are encouraged to be at packet pick-up to collect their chipped race bibs along with their T-shirts and swag bags. During the packet pick-up on Friday, participants and their families can enjoy a blueberry pancake dinner and concert on the lawn. Park on the shoulder of the road when arriving at packet pickup. Race day pickup is available for those preregistered.

For more information and registration fees, visit Bayto-Beaconhalfmarathon@wordpress.com or email nemihalfmarathon@gmail.com.

Luge Athlete Fundraising

Chase Somers, the grandson of local residents and business owners, Gary and Mo Somers, is a member of the United States Luge Candidate Team and has aspirations of representing the United States in future Olympics. In order to assist with his traveling expenses to Germany, Latvia and Canada this year and to attend the Youth Winter Olympics in Pyeong Chang, South Korea at the end of October, a drawing is being held to win a 2023 Honda 500 Pioneer side-by-side. Tickets are \$50 and only 800 tickets will be sold. Fundraising committee will pay the taxes for the winner of the side-by-side. The drawing will be held on September 30 at the Alcona Masonic Lodge, need not be present to win. Tickets can be purchased at the Barton City General Store or by contacting somersneil71@gmail.com or calling (989) 213-1341.



Chase Somers

Native Trees & Plants

Well-known garden writer and instructor, Janet Macunovich, will give a presentation on “Michigan Native Trees in the Landscape,” on Tuesday, Aug. 22 from 2 to 3:30 p.m., at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library (312 W. Main Street).

By definition, a “native” plant is one that is living, growing, and reproducing naturally in a particular region. Many people are surprised to learn how many plants (trees, shrubs, flowers) already in their gardens and yards are native to Michigan, and how many more there are that can add beauty and other endearing qualities. Discussion will include what makes a tree “native” and when they are best used or when a nonnative would better suit the goal.

Garden writer and instructor Janet Macunovich and horticultural photographer Steven Nikkila will share tips for making the most of native plants’ best qualities: lower maintenance, less disease and pest problems and more wildlife. All are welcome.

The Sunrise Gardening Club, which is hosting this event, is asking attendees to register for this free presentation by going to www.ReLeafMichigan.org and clicking on the link to reserve a spot: https://www.releaf-michigan.org/uploads/1/1/3/4/113491487/harrisville_presentation_flyer_8.22.23.pdf. Questions can be directed to Ann Pringle at (910) 691-7735.

Americanisms



“It’s useless to hold a person to anything he says while he’s in love, drunk, or running for office.”
— Shirley MacLaine

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concrete. Schroeder said the committee didn't want to put too much money into it right now because it will probably be dug up to bring in the city water and sewer at some point. Still, it is cracking heavily, and the committee is concerned with public safety traversing it. She is hoping someone who knows concrete in the area could be of assistance in how to move forward with that.

The building is being worked on by a handful of volunteers which includes painting over some of the graffiti that was spray painted on wood and trying to restore and weatherproof other areas.

Schroeder explained a woman that worked on a now-defunct committee to save the depot years ago had a stockpile of the original limestone squares in her garage and had recently donated them back to the depot. "We keep piling things like that as we receive them in the building, so we are running out of room to allow the workers to do what they need to do on the inside. We need a shed," Schroeder said.

To fundraise for the building, the committee held a garage sale in June earning close to \$6,000 in just two days and another \$500 through sales of remaining items through social media. "The whole building was just packed with donated items for the sale that we collected the month before. It is just remarkable how this community has stepped up, volunteered, donated and purchased, to raise funds for this little building.

"We are truly grateful. Every time we have a work bee, people show up. It's truly heartwarming how people have come to help," Schroeder said.

During the summer and running until October 20 the depot has had a series of events every third Friday of the month from 6:30 to 9 p.m., including a mini carnival, with sack races and ring toss games as well as adult yard games such as corn hole and croquet. The event details scheduled for September 15 and October 20 have yet to be determined.

On August 26 a pig roast dinner/dance and silent auction will be held at the Lost Lake Woods Club pavilion. Schroeder explained they can only accommodate 150 people and because of that the \$25 tickets are almost sold out. Tickets were sold at Hollyhock Emporium, Precious Paws and through the depot website. Those interested can check to see if any tickets are left.

"This is all very new for us, none of us have put on a dinner like this before so we are just winging it. We are getting a lot of fabulous silent



Becky Schroeder is hoping someone who knows concrete could come up with a solution for the cement that is crumbling around the exterior of the depot. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

auction items; we've got three golf packages, a horse riding package, a plane ride, a 22-inch Blackstone griddle and propane tanks, gas cards and a lot more all donated by the community," Schroeder said.

According to Schroeder, the traffic of people coming down to check out the depot has increased, and people seem to enjoy the monthly Friday evening events. "Some just bring a lawn chair and

sit and watch the train go by. It's wonderful to see people checking it out," she said.

On December 9 the committee is hoping the public will stop by the depot to take pictures of their kids with Santa from 1 to 4 p.m.

For more information about the Harrisville Depot or to volunteer, visit the website at www.harrisville-depot.com or email the committee at harrisvilledepot@gmail.com.

Do you have news we can use?
Call the Review (989)724-6384


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- This forum is not intended as a thank you section for groups and organizations. Thank yous are considered personal messages and therefore advertising.


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The Welland Canal locks between lakes Erie and Ontario can't accommodate vessels more than 740 feet long by 78 feet wide. The maximum for ships traveling through the Soo locks between lakes Huron and Superior is 1,200 feet long and 110 feet wide.

As for slowing or reversing the decline in shipping, "there are limits to what we can do to stimulate market demand," said Jim Weakley, the president of the Lake Carriers' Association, which represents U.S.-flag vessel operators.

Even so, Weakley and the congressional report point to several positive developments, including more container shipping and construction of the first large U.S.-built self-propelled ship for use on the Great Lakes.

Weakley said U.S. and Canadian shipping companies have benefited from tariffs imposed on Chinese steel to combat that country's dumping of its excess steel at prices below production costs.

The Army Corps of Engineers is constructing a new lock in Sault Ste. Marie. The agency said it completed the first phase of the project last August "under budget and ahead of schedule" and announced last month that it remains on schedule as major construction continues with phases 2 and 3 this season.

The Army Corps estimates that the second phase will be done next summer and the third phase will be finished in 2030.

Also, the Biden administration's infrastructure funding law has boosted demand for limestone and cement used for construction, he said.

But the switch by electric utility companies from coal to natural gas to renewable energy sources has slashed the volume of coal shipped on the Great Lakes.

"It's hard to replace that

many millions of tons of cargo with limestone or iron ore," Weakley said.

Eric Peace, the association's vice president, said, ship operators and companies that depend on shipping, such as steel mills and iron ore mines, have been hurt in recent years by the U.S. Coast Guard's insufficient ice breaker capacity. Some of those ice breakers are more than 40 years old.

In 2020, ice in Whitefish Bay—a critical point between Duluth, Minn. and the Upper Great Lakes at one end and the Lower Great Lakes at the other end—idled vessels for three days or longer because of a shortage of ice breakers, he said.

An association report by Peace blamed inadequate icebreaking in 2019 for \$1 billion in losses and more than 5,000 lost jobs.

And despite last winter's comparatively mild weather, a quick freeze left nine vessels stuck for a several days after Christmas in the Toledo-Monroe area of western Lake Erie.

Congress has authorized \$350 million to build a new ice breaker, but it's expected to appropriate only \$75 million of that amount for the upcoming fiscal year, he said.

"It's a lengthy process," Peace said, noting that it will likely take 10 years to finish the vessel, although "we are

looking to have that expedited with additional funding."

Meanwhile, Pure Michigan, the state's tourism promotion unit, touts cruising as a way to "experience the Fresh Coast," urging, "Experience unique ports of call in Michigan and surrounding states and provinces as you cruise through the Great Lakes and discover thriving cities, grand landscapes filled with indigenous wildlife, rolling dunes and miles of white sandy beaches."

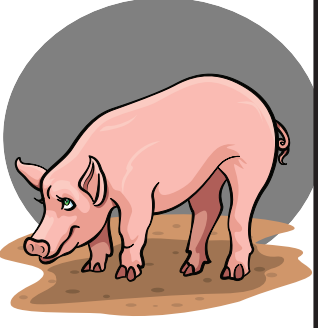
The Congressional Research Service report cited a "nascent cruise business" on the lakes with an estimated 170,000 passenger visits on 11 ships this year. However, American Queen Voyages announced in June that it will discontinue its Great Lakes cruises later this year for financial reasons and will sell two of its ships, the Ocean Voyager and Ocean Navigator.

Peace said American Queen Voyages, unlike other cruise companies, has left its Great Lakes vessels idle in the winter.

"Those guys were not going to leave the lakes and not have a winter (cruise) season (elsewhere). I don't see the other operators slowing down," Peace said. He noted that other operators move their ships for use in warmer climates during the winter.

Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport – Local Development Finance Authority
 The September 14, 2023 meeting of Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Local Development Finance Authority (OWA-LDFA) has been rescheduled. The meeting is now scheduled to start at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22, 2023.

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(Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, Okla. 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](https://www.SavvySenior.org).)

The Garden Bug

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- Saint John's Wort (*Hypericum perforatum*)
- Golden Alexander (*Zizia aurea*)

- Brenda Weaver
 Source: birdsandblooms.com



Cross Country coach sets high goals for team

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Tigers return every runner from the boys team that took second place in the North Star League last fall, which includes two state qualifiers.

They should be in pretty good shape to make a serious run at the conference championship.

"I have a great group of athletes this year and my expectations for this team are very high," said coach Tammy Nelson. "They are all capable of performing well and my goal is to help them work as a team and to push and challenge each other along the way."

Team members are Carter Upper, senior, state qualifier; Zygmund Villalobos, senior; Cole Upper, sophomore, state qualifier; Alex Smith, sophomore; and Darren Boyat, sophomore.

"Since this team consists of five runners, it will be important for everyone to perform their best at each race to achieve their team goals for this season," Nelson said. "(In the early season) we have focused on setting our team goals and individual goals for the season. We have been working hard conditioning. We ended the (first) week with an eight mile run which included some hills. The last couple years my athletes have done very well with courses involving hills as that is one thing we focus on early in the season."

If the team can stay healthy and things go its way, Nelson



Alcona senior Carter Upper runs during an early season meet last fall. *Photo by Ben Murphy.*

can see the Tigers accomplishing some pretty big things too.

"Team goals are to win the Hale Invitational, end as league champions and qualify for states as a team," she said. "Carter's goal is to keep up with his brother, Cole, and get a time of 17:05 by the end of the season. Cole's goal is to end the season with a time of 16:55. Zygmund's goal is to set a personal record each meet and make it to states this year. Darren's goal is run a mile under five minutes, place in the top five in North Star League Conference, make it to states. Alex's end of the season goal is to get a final time under 20 minutes."

The Tigers open the season

on Thursday, Aug. 31 at the Rau Invitational, at Ogemaw Heights. The first North Star League jamboree will be on September 19 in Fairview.

"We lost to Fairview last year in the league. We are going to work hard to come out on top this year," Nelson said. "My hopes for the first few races this year is to help my team to feel confident and comfortable with each other. I want them to learn from those with more experience and work together to help one another grow as a team."

"My hope is that they realize when they succeed as individuals, they will also succeed as a team. I have a great group of athletes this year and I have set high expectations for each and every one of them."

With 12 returnees, Alcona football team plans big things this fall

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

Playing in the second season of eight-player football last fall, Alcona made some big strides, finishing the year with a 7-2 record. The Tigers are now small enough to make the playoffs enrollment wise and with 12 returning players, the Tigers appear to be in pretty good shape to get things done in 2023.

"This team has a great mix of youth and experience," said head coach Jason Somers. "They work well together and have a love for the game. We are focusing on execution (in early practices). The fact that there are so many returners, has helped speed up learning and has allowed us to get to the details sooner."

"This team returns many players that are very capable of doing great things and if you couple that with the new players to the roster, I think we have a great group that will do great things," he added.

Returning from last year's team are seniors Jeremiah Bullis, all-conference; Sam Johnston; Zean Monnier; Nathan Nardi; William O'Neill, all-conference; Jacob Renchenski; Jesse Sheldon; and Collin Walker, all-conference, all-state. Juniors coming back are Garrett Somers, all-conference; William Liebler, all-conference; Jacob June, all-conference; and Evan Borsvold.

New to the team are seniors Nathaneal Henderson, and Sawyer Seminoff, and juniors Jordan Benac, Aiden Reno, Jayson Lincoln, Richard Schott, Kelvin Travis, Travis Walker and Evan Woods.

"This year's team seems to be focused on goals that we don't typically speak about in newspapers," Somers said. "They have goals such as being selfless, maintaining a positive mindset and working together as a family-type unit. I love this approach and I believe their performance goals will be a by-product of this type of thinking."

The Tigers started last season 6-0, before falling to Au Gres and Rogers City in weeks seven and eight. They'll play the Hurons in week eight once again this season, and it could prove to be a critical late season match-up.

"I think the NSL Big Dipper has some really good teams this year and we are all chasing last year's champ, Rogers City," Somers said. "They have a lot of good numbers, and their coach (Jesse Fenstermaker) will have them ready; he is a darn good football coach."

Of course, that doesn't mean Alcona is looking beyond other opponents this season. They'll open up the season on Friday, Aug. 25 at

Mio, in what will also be an NSL Big Dipper game. The Thunderbolts went 4-5 last year, but put up huge offensive numbers, averaging 47 points a game.

"My hope is to play as close to mistake free football as we can for week one," Somers said. "We know our opponent and we know that they will be ready. We will have to match them in both execution and intensity. That will be key."

top ten

World's Coldest Places

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2. Plateau Station, Antarctica
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4. Verkhoyansk, Russia
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6. Eismitte, Greenland
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8. Prospect Creek, Alaska
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10. Rogers Pass, Montana

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The scheduled meeting date for Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Authority board for Thursday, August 17, 2023 has been rescheduled. Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Authority board will now meet at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 24, 2023.

If there are any questions, please contact Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Administration Office by calling (989) 739-1111.

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Fair time enjoyable, despite an incident

By Mary Weber
Columnist

The Alcona County Fair has come and gone for another year. Although I have enjoyed attending it for nearly 20 years and have covered its happenings in numerous articles for well over a decade, I have never quite experienced fair time as I did this past week.

This fair was different, extremely special in some ways and, no fault of the fair board, a bit confusing in others, but in the end, my faith in human kindness was restored.

As in years past, the fair board did an outstanding job in collecting a variety of different entertaining shows and putting on a complete county fair experience from beginning to end.

The entire grounds were carefully prepared, trimmed and inviting, restrooms were well attended, barns were clean and a large variety of food trucks came to serve everything from traditional fair foods such as elephant



Alcona's Backyard

By Mary Weber

of the year and spends holidays and summers with my husband and me in Mikado.

She has been showing rabbits for three years now at the fair and has learned a lot doing so. I figured if she was willing to put herself out there and compete, maybe I should learn a few things from her and compete as well.

My very worthy opponent was Shannon Rifenkark. Shannon has been on the fair committee watching over the Rabbit and Poultry Barn for as long as I've been a resident of the county so that put a bit more pressure on me knowing she's had farm experi-

From the look of things, the adults had a great time and so did the pigs, many of them getting yet another chance to romp and root through the arena.

As I mentioned, not all events ran as smoothly as could be. In one youth rabbit event, a rabbit got stressed and jumped, clipping his 10-year-old owner, Matthew Sobek in the nose causing it to bleed quite badly. Matthew, although still bleeding on his crisp white show shirt, insisted on finishing his showmanship techniques, taking a blue ribbon for his skill and effort.

Hope lightheartedly said Matthew will be on her radar next year as the one to beat. I love seeing youth competing aggressively one minute and then hugging and congratulating their opponent the next.

Another incident was minor, and just against me, but it confused me to the point I wrote about it on social media to see how others would have handled the situation.

Wednesday night was the very popular fair steak dinner which has been going on for decades and my husband, Wil and I have attended for the last 18 years.

Even though we had tickets, and everyone who has tickets gets a premium steak cooked to order along with corn on the cob, baked potato and all the trimmings including dessert, we know to get there early to get a seat under the pavilion.

Wil, Hope and I got there about an hour before the dinner and chose a spot we would be able to get to easily once we got our meal. As senior citizens, Wil and I don't bend quite like we used to and picnic tables can often be a bit cumbersome for those in our age group. We chose an end seat and patiently waited for five o'clock when the dinner would start.

My Wil, 77 years young, has been on oxygen since suffering from Covid last year. He also has heart problems and a host of other health concerns. While we were sitting, I noticed how tired he was, the week of running up to check on fair bunnies with Hope, trying to watch and entertain Hope while I worked on numerous fair articles and his passion to keep maintaining our 20-acre mosquito heaven had taken a whopping toll on him over the previous week.

He was extremely exhausted, suffering from the heat of the day, topped off by skipping lunch in anticipation of dinner. Hope and I told him to stay and watch our seats and we would go up and get his meal. At five minutes to five, we went to stand in line, but there wasn't much

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Shannon Rifenkark (left) and Mary Weber compete in open rabbit class during the Alcona County Fair. Courtesy photo.

ears and corn dogs to healthy and tasty salads.

There was something for everyone. Even adults were included this year to show off their animal skills in front of a judge.

Although the experience of showing a rabbit in front of a judge was a bit nerve-racking, as I am not big on competition nor am I any kind of expert at raising rabbits, I entered the event for the sake of my 11-year-old granddaughter, Hope Stevens.

Hope is a city girl who lives downstate for eight months

ence I've never come close to while growing up downstate.

The judge, Allie Dean, put us through our paces. My young rabbit, which we just acquired a few months ago, wasn't as willing to show off her best to the judge, but to my utter surprise, I managed to receive a blue ribbon.

Shannon and I agreed we both had a lot of fun although it was a bit disappointing that no other adults stepped up to show off their competitive rabbitry skills.

Hope told me later that all my hard work studying under her tutelage paid off and she was proud and completely happy I got a ribbon, even though she didn't place anywhere near where she wanted in her age group. We actually competed against each other in breed class and her rabbit took a second-place ribbon, mine took a third.

Another event that took place with adults was an open swine competition, which had several adults competing with borrowed pigs. In this competition the judge, Michelle Devine, who was the large animal judge for beef, lambs, goats and swine, asked a few of the senior youth, namely Brielle Keyser and Emily Lobaugh to question the adults, giving them a chance to walk in her shoes.

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Competing at the Fair



4-H Awards

The most prestigious awards that were presented at the Alcona County Fair went to (from left) Adelle Boyat for Junior 4-H Member of the Year; Savannah Wright for Member of the Year; Reid Schroeder received the citizenship award; Emma Schroeder received the achievement award; Jaydon Siebert received the leadership award and Sierra Wright received the service award. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



Daemon Rifenbark, 9, took a grand champion ribbon and trophy home for his goat, Midgie. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



Chloe Bunton took a first in the open horse speed show. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



New to the fair this year was the Hosch Family, (from left) Fern, 12, Cole, 14, and Josey, 13. All did well with Cole taking home grand champion and Josey getting reserve champion awards. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

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Showing Rabbits
A long line of market rabbits were examined by the judge, Allie Dean; (back to front): Josey Hosch, Lily Schroeder, Emma Schroeder, Fern Hosch, Nelson Phinney, Julie Alderman, Rylee Kroon, Cole Hosch, Zoey Arcand, Sierra Wright with Fair committee member Shannon Rifenburg and judge Allie Dean. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

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of a line. We stood back a bit away from the grill trying to stay out of people's way and waited.

Suddenly, people from the whole first row of picnic tables near the grill stood up and a man who was previously just sitting and talking asked why we were there. I explained we had been waiting there for five minutes and offered to let his table go before us. He argued I wasn't there and told me to go to the end of the line then shoved me with his hand against my back, hard enough for me to lurch forward.

I was shocked and appalled. My posttraumatic stress disorder from a previous bad marriage to an abusive person kicked in and I was about to come unglued on this beast, but the look on my granddaughter's face caught my attention.

She was terrified at seeing her grandmother shoved like that. I realized what this man wanted was a confrontation, it wasn't worth trying to reason with him or explain that we only wanted to get my husband something to eat.

Instead, I decided to kill him with kindness. I turned around and wished him a very nice meal and hoped that the rest of the evening was good as well. He looked surprised. Hope and I left to wait at the end of the line, which was now longer than ever.

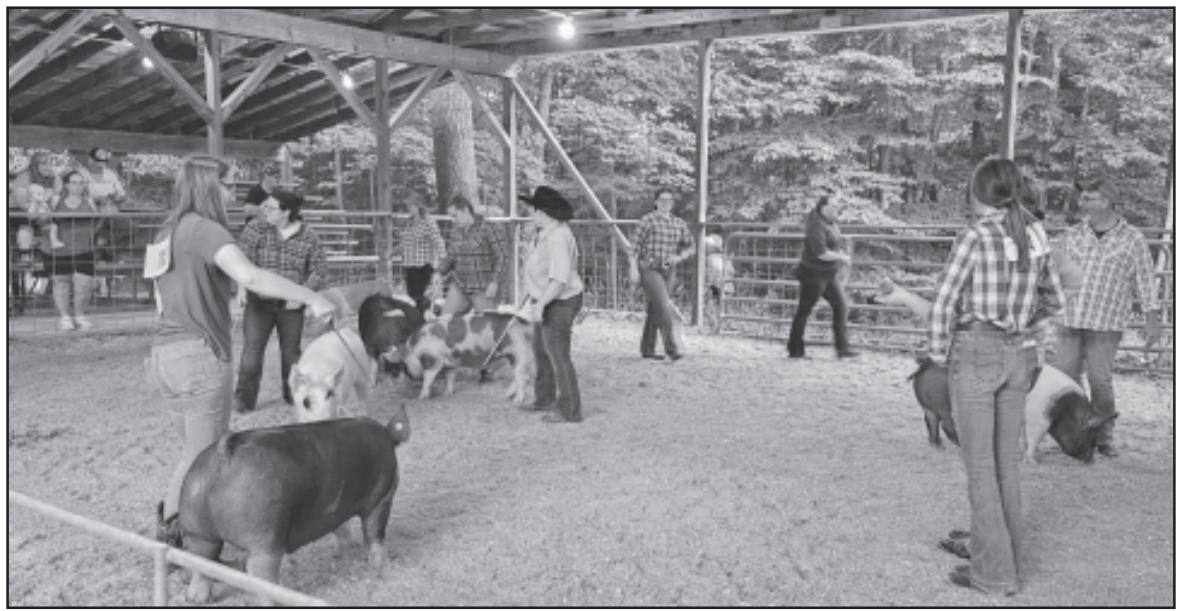
The whole time I was in line, I kept my eye on Wil who had no idea what had taken place, only that he saw we got out of line. I was glad I kept my composure in front of my granddaughter and hoped that she learned that people like that were not worth the effort to get upset about.

We got our meals. Our steaks were fresh off the grill and the corn and potato were piping hot and the servers could not have been kinder, even though at least 100 plates had been served and they were very tired. Our meal was just as delicious as if we had been at the front of the line.

Afterward, we spent time visiting with friends and touring the barns before heading up to the stage to watch the live tribute show.

Wil, despite his oxygen dipping down into the 80s asked me for a dance. Our grand was thrilled to watch us and was equally happy that she and I got to dance to some great music too. We had a good time. I'm a very blessed and lucky person to have the family I do.

After I posted about the incident, several members of the fair board took it upon themselves to write to me and apologize, although none of them had anything to apologize for. Many of them said if I had told them about it when it happened, the man would



This was the first time in fair history that adults were able to compete in front of judges. Michelle Devine invited two senior youth, Brielle Keyser and Emily Lobaugh, to assist her in judging. (From left) Stephanie Domke, Olivia Bowers, Shannon Rifembark, Casie Phinney, Lyndsey Sharboneau, Brielle Keyser, Stephanie Boyat, Emily Lobaugh, Michelle Devine (judge - obscured in photo) and Scott Kroon during the open swine class event at the Alcona County Fair. *Courtesy photo.*

have been asked to leave the fair as they don't condone that type of behavior.

It seems this community, our state and our country has gone awry somehow these past few years, some of it is because of political or racial bias and some of it is just very angry people who seem to think pushing and shoving is the only way they can survive. I feel sorry for them, their lives must be miserable.

The best part was when people told me their experi-

ence at the fair dinner was just the opposite with people offering to save seats or go and retrieve meals for elderly patrons, those with walkers and other special needs being treated respectfully.

I'm grateful that shining examples still present themselves daily, like a fair board that goes above and beyond to bring smiles to young and old alike, people who care and are kind to others and kids who think more about others than they do themselves.

(Mary Weber was born and raised in the suburbs of Detroit, Mich. She moved to Alcona County in 2005 with her husband, Willy, when he retired. Life in the north woods, away from city life presents new experiences with nature and a community of mostly caring, friendly people, they now consider family...and they love every minute of it.)

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Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of July 24-30, 2023

125 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 1 Arrest; 2 31 Citations Issued.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	5	Traffic/Traffic Stop	63
PBT/Drug Testing	6	Property Damage Accident	2
Assist	3	Animal/Dog	7
Fraud/Scam	5	Miscellaneous	2
Well Being Check	1	Suspicious Event/Noise	3
Trespass	1	Threats/Harassment	4
Assault	1	Operate While Intoxicated	1
Dog Bite	1	Alarm	3
Civil	5	Drive While License Susp.	2
Juvenile	2	Larceny	2
Domestic	2	Fingerprints	1
Burglary	3		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	8	Caledonia	8	Curtis	14
Greenbush	16	Gustin	7	Harrisville	9
Hawes	3	Haynes	7	Mikado	4
Millen	6	Mitchell	12		
Harrisville City	16	Village of Lincoln	15		

Tips to stay safe from harmful algal blooms

Michigan residents living near or visiting bodies of water should be aware of the potential for harmful algal blooms (HABs).

HABs form due to a rapid growth or "bloom" of cyanobacteria. Cyanobacteria naturally occur in lakes, rivers and ponds; however, they can produce toxins, called cyanotoxins, that can be harmful to people and animals.

In 2022, HABs were reported in 80 water bodies in 38 Michigan counties. Breathing in or swallowing water with HAB toxins may cause illness, such as runny eyes or nose, asthma-like symptoms, difficulty breathing, stomach pain, vomiting, diarrhea, weakness, headaches or dizziness. Skin contact may cause rashes, blisters or hives.

"If you had contact with or swallowed water with a suspected HAB and feel sick, call your health care provider or seek medical attention as soon as possible," said Dr. Natasha Bagdasarian, Michigan Departments of Health and Human Services chief medical executive. "If you have questions about algal blooms

and keeping yourself safe, call (800) 648-6942."

The MDHHS, Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), and Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) have collaborated with Michigan's local health departments (LHDs) and expanded HAB testing efforts to increase public safety around HABs.

HAB reports are increasing in frequency and geographic distribution across Michigan. To increase HAB response capacity, MDHHS starting funding local health departments to do their own site visits and testing for HABs in 2022. Participating LHDs visit suspected HAB sites, collect samples, test them for cyanotoxins and send data and samples to MDHHS. LHD testing for HABs has provided additional capacity to respond to the increasing number of HAB reports.

District Health Department No. 2 (Alcona, Iosco, Ogemaw and Oscoda counties) (2022 and 2023) is one of the many participating health departments.

HABs are often green but can be other colors and can be different textures, such as spilled paint, scums, streaks, mats or discoloration of the water with algae. They typically occur May to October, and most often in August and September.

What should people do if they think they have found a HAB?

- Do not let people, pets or livestock in the water or near the shore in affected areas. Unaffected areas of a lake can be used, unless a bloom covers most of the lake.

- Always rinse off people and pets after contact with any lake water.

- If there is a posted HAB advisory or closing, follow its instructions.

Report suspected HABs to EGLE by e-mailing AlgaeBloom@Michigan.gov with pictures of the suspected HAB. Residents can also call (800) 662-9278 to report.

- Anyone who had contact with or swallowed water with a suspected HAB and feels sick, they should call their doctor or Poison Control at (800) 222-1222. If symptoms are severe, get medical attention right away.

- Report HAB-related illnesses to the local health department.

What are the threats of HABs to animal health?

Animals, including dogs, can have vomiting, diarrhea, staggering, seizures or even die after contact with HABs. To prevent illness, keep dogs away from discolored or scummy water and shorelines, rinse them off after contact with lake water and bring them clean drinking water.

If an animal gets sick after contact with a HAB, call a veterinarian right away. Report animal illness due to HABs to MDARD by calling (800) 292-3939.



Buggy Rides



A. J. Freer resigns Sheriff's Office

Action Came Quickly After State Officer Called

August 16, 1923 ~ Andrew J. Freer resigned Thursday from the office of Sheriff of Alcona county, after being informed by a representative of the attorney general's office that charges would be referred against him by the state if he remained in office.

Freer made immediate arrangements to vacate the jail and by Friday had moved back to his home on the island in Mud Lake. Under Sheriff Chas. Conklin acted in the capacity of sheriff during the temporary vacancy existing before the appointment of a successor to Freer.

The deposed sheriff is under bond to appear at the next term of circuit court for trial on the charge of bastardy preferred by a young woman of Harrisville township.

Under the statutes, appointment to fill the vacancy will be made by the county clerk and the prosecuting attorney.

Wilson appointed to Sheriff's Office

Appointment Made From List of 19 Names

August 16, 1923 ~ George Wilson, age 48, farmer and former deputy under Sheriff Forsyth, was selected Tuesday by County Clerk Johnson and Prosecutor Dehnke to succeed former Sheriff Freer, resigned.

The selection was made after 19 names had been considered for the position.

The new sheriff lives in Harrisville township and has spent nearly all of his life on a farm and in the woods of Alcona county. During his four years as deputy, he demonstrated an aptitude and fearlessness in the discharge of duty that was commendable.

As to his physical fitness he is way above par, a fact recognized by all who are familiar with his size and strength. He is married and has three children.

4-H'ers earn awards during fair week

August 19, 1998 ~ Best Barn Display Trophy Winner: Northern Exposure 4-H Club - leaders Randy and Donna Mallory. Members had displays in the Rabbit/Poultry Barn, Sheep Barn and their community service project was planting flower gardens surrounding the fair office.

Most Creative Club Display: Alcona Saddle Club and Barnyard Buddies — leaders Bob and Sheri Reynolds. Members of the Alcona Saddle Club participated in the Musical Kerr as part of project along with decorating Horse Barn.

Both clubs also had an outstanding display in Home Arts Building.

County Project Award Winners: Awards are an honor awarded one per project area one per year either at Showcase or the county fair.

The winners this year are Jordon Reynolds, Chris Mallory, Jeremy Mallory, Megan Gibson, Hilary Metheringham, and Leslie Sweet.

Participants are nominated by club leaders for youth who have learned basic principles

of animal science by owning, and caring for and keeping records on one or more projects.

They must demonstrate a knowledge of sound breeding, feeding and management practices.

The must be able to identify types and grades of livestock and employ efficient marketing methods; develop integrity, sportsmanship and decision-making capability. They must learn the value of scientific research and influence it has upon livestock and the meat industry. They must also acquire safety skills to prevent injury to persons and livestock.

4H Advisory Council Small and Large Animal Sweepstakes: This event is for youth to develop showmanship skills in all species of livestock, encourage good sportsmanship and cooperation between 4-H'er and FFA, develop an appreciation for all forms of livestock.

Small Animal Sweepstakes Winners-Junior, Tara Robbins; Senior-Jeremy Mallory, Large Animal Sweepstakes Winners-Junior, Justin Prema; Senior-Tim Boyat.



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Kovels: Antiques and Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Waste bowls

I saw a beautiful antique Chinese porcelain bowl at an auction. It was blue and white with painted dragons, and it had an unusual shape -- rounded with a flared rim. The description called it a "zhadou," but did not say what that meant.

A zhadou is a bowl for discarding used tea leaves and other table scraps. They usually have a globular body, shoulders, a flared rim and a short foot. The shape resembles a squat vase. They are often porcelain, but some are made from pottery or cloisonne. Some auctions may list them as spittoons. In the early 20th century, the word "zhadou" was translated into English as "leys jar" from a Dutch term. Now, it is usually translated as "waste bowl" or "slop jar," but these are not the same thing.

European and American waste bowls, often part of 19th century silver or porcelain tea sets, are shaped like conventional bowls with straight sides and a round base. Some may be more elaborate, with features like a pedestal base, flared rim or side handles. Slop jars are not part of a table setting. They usually have handles and often have lids. They are used in a bathroom.

Q: Advertising for beer and other alcoholic drinks is everywhere. I have a lighted (it still works) Budweiser King of Beers sign with pheasants eating corn on the cob. It has a curved plastic cover. Is it valuable?

A: Breweriana is very popular these days, especially



A zhadou is a bowl for discarding table scraps. This one sold for \$7,680 at Nadeau's Auction Gallery. Photo courtesy kovels.com

signs. While neon signs are the most popular and getting very high prices, yours is a popular brand, Budweiser, and is in working condition. It is worth between \$190 and \$225.

TIP: Use an old nylon stocking bunched into a ball to clean a rough-surfaced mirror frame, carved wooden piece, or other irregular surface.

CURRENT PRICES
Pottery, plate, Mashiko, stylized fruit tree, speckled ground, tan and brown triangles around rim, Sakuma Totaro, 10 inches, \$25.

Toy, Road Grader, driver, orange paint, cast iron, nickel plated grader blade, white rubber tires, Kenton, 1920s, 7 1/2 inches, \$125.

Trivet, horseshoe shape, three legs, shoe shaped feet,

early 19th century, 2 x 5 x 6 inches, \$160.

Majolica, urn, on pedestal, relief grapevine around rim, relief lion's masks on pedestal, four-lobed base, multicolor, 22 x 9 inches, \$190.

Peking glass, vase, white, carved, high relief dragon scrolls, low relief leaves on neck, flared rim, round foot, engraved mark, Chinese, 10 1/2 inches, pair, \$340.

Rug, Navajo, Storm pattern, two overlapping center diamonds, geometric border, tan, brown, black, Ella Henderson, 2001, 68 x 54 1/2 inches, \$2,585.

Advertising, poster, Levi's, denim, two cowboys lighting cigarette, "Without A Match," multicolor, painted, stenciled, Velvetone Poster Co., 72 x 29 inches, \$4,305.

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Veterans Post

By Freddy Groves

New presumptives coming

Cross your fingers that we'll see three new presumptives added to the list of medical conditions that the Department of Veterans Affairs uses to consider automatic service connection after toxic exposure.

Getting these new conditions added to the list is part of the PACT Act. The act itself added 20 presumptives to the list when it was signed and covers a wide variety of toxic exposures. There is the water at Camp Lejeune and Marine Corps Air Station New River, agent orange, radiation and much more.

Now they are considering adding acute leukemias, chronic leukemias and multiple myeloma outside of the head and neck to the list. The locations include deployment to Jordan, Iraq, Syria, Yemen, Djibouti, Egypt, Afghanistan, Somalia, Lebanon, Uzbekistan and southeast Asia.

Inclusion on the list of presumptives won't be immediate -- they never are.

Super Crossword

Answers

SELMA	ADAPT	USB	GRABS
TRAIL	SIDEA	TEA	RESET
ARIDE	AMERICANS	NOOKER	
GOLDEN	FLIECE	TSA	ROTO
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ENT	LAI	HASTA	TEL
QUEENS	ROOK	HOSTELS	
INLAW	UNEATEN	SAHARA	
SIPS	ALLOW	SADAT	ACES
CATTLE	ELEVATOR	SHAFT	
LYS	SISTI	ILE	ASIA
SCORPION	STING	TITHES	
ALTO	NITRO	ETAS	AMES
TEXTAD	RETREAD	KNITS	
CRONIES	ESCAPED	CON	
ASP	ARENA	GEE	ANT
THUMBS	SUCKER	SAL	ORAL
MIRA	AMO	RADIATOR	HOSE
FLIMFLAM	MARTISTS	HANNA	
ELSIE	NED	INNIE	ENDER
ESTER	NSA	AETNA	ADORN

But scientific reviews have begun, and if they're approved, we won't need to prove that the cause of our medical condition was our service in those locations. The assumption will be automatic, as will the benefits.

The current presumptives list includes cancers of the brain, head, kidney, neck, pancreas and many more. Less serious are allergic rhinitis, bronchial asthma, chronic bronchitis and others. Of the five conditions most frequently claimed via the PACT Act, hypertensive vascular disease tops the list, with 80% of claims granted.

If you have any of the three new conditions and served in any of those locations, apply for VA health care and benefits right now. Don't wait until you hear that they've been approved. It's possible you could be approved for care and benefits even before the three new conditions are declared presumptives.

To read more about the PACT Act, check online at www.accesstocare.va.gov/healthcare/pactact. Or see VA.gov/pact for the full list of presumptives and eligible locations, or call them at 800-698-2411. Get Form 10-10EZ to apply for VA health care.

Ask about exposure screenings and get signed up. Get on the books so if you ever need the care, you will have saved several steps.

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Now Here's A Tip

By JoAnn Derson

• Glitter cleanup can be a hassle. Here's my tip for getting it up quickly with no mess left behind: Use play dough. Just press it into the stray glitter and it will pick it right up. Then you've created glitter dough! Oh, your kids will be impressed. Here are some more kid tips. -- JoAnn

• Can't seem to part with those baby blankets now that the kids are not babies anymore? Don't! Sew them into floor pillow covers and watch the kids get a few more years out of them.

• My daughter is old enough to play on our street with her friends, but not necessarily old enough for a cellphone. Instead, we repurposed a set of walkie talkies. Her boundary is in walkie talkie range, and we can communicate. Plus, it's just fun! -- T.F. in Maryland

• Our friends who live in an apartment have a great storable sandbox solution. They use a plastic under-the-bed storage bin filled with sand and toys. It has a lid and can be stored easily on their balcony. The kids still get to play in the sand even on rainy days. -- W. in Kentucky

• I saw this idea in a maga-

zine somewhere, and now I make them for other moms and dads, as they are cute and functional: Make a cell number beaded bracelet your kids can wear when you go out. Little kids may not remember Mommy's cellphone number, but they can bring the bracelet to a store employee and ask him or her to call the number on the bracelet. Use elastic thread and colorful number beads. -- P.S. in Oregon

• If you use a 1/4-inch hole punch, which you can get at

a hardware store for cheap, you easily can make a straw hole in the plastic tops of kids' single serving drinks, like milk and water bottles. Less chance of a spill.

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CryptoQuip answer

We only answer questions pertaining to wispy, high-altitude clouds. Cirrus inquiries only.

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: S equals Q

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BZHGMDYDYC GN JDUBT, EDCE-

MIGDGOPZ AINOPU.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GEOGRAPHY:** What South American country lies between Colombia and Peru?
2. **MEDICAL TERMS:** What is the more common name for a contusion?
3. **CHEMISTRY:** What is the chemical element symbol for tungsten?
4. **MATH:** What is the Arabic equivalent of the Roman numerals DXC?
5. **U.S. STATES:** What is the state capital of Michigan?
6. **LANGUAGE:** What does the Greek suffix "gamy" mean in English?
7. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a group of domesticated turkeys called?
8. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Who was the first president to fly in an airplane (while in office)?
9. **TELEVISION:** What is the name of the dog on "Family Guy" animated series?
10. **AD SLOGANS:** "The dogs kids love to bite" are made by which company?

Answers: 1. Ecuador.; 2. A bruise.; 3. W.; 4. 590.; 5. Lansing.; 6. Marriage.; 7. A rafter.; 8. Franklin D. Roosevelt.; 9. Brian.; 10. Armour.
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Super Crossword

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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Aug. 28, 1789, William Herschel, court astronomer under England's King George III, discovered Enceladus, one of Saturn's innermost moons, while using his new 40-foot telescope for the first time. Enceladus reflects almost 100% of the sunlight that strikes it and has at least five different types of terrain.
 - On Aug. 29, 1998, a strike by 6,200 Northwest Airlines pilots seeking a 15% pay raise left 70,000 frustrated passengers high and dry around the U.S. The pilots had been in contract negotiations for more than two years, and an agreement was finally reached on Sept. 10 after the strike had cost the airline \$26 million per day.
 - On Aug. 30, 1951, Sgt. John R. Rice, a decorated World War II veteran and part-Native American soldier killed in the Korean War, was refused burial in Sioux City, Iowa's Memorial Park Cemetery on the grounds of his ethnicity. After hearing the news at a press conference, President Harry Truman authorized a telegram to Rice's widow, Evelyn, offering her a plot in Arlington National Cemetery, which she accepted.
 - On Aug. 31, 1888, 43-year-old Mary Ann "Polly" Nichols, a prostitute from London's East End and married but separated mother of five, was found brutally murdered near Whitechapel Road, becoming the first known victim of serial killer Jack the Ripper.
 - On Sept. 1, 2013, new internet restrictions imposed by the Vietnamese government prohibited the country's users from discussing current affairs, with social media and other sites, including blogs, limited to sharing personal information but not news stories. The law was criticized by both internet companies and a number of human rights groups.
 - On Sept. 2, 1969, the original "Star Trek" TV series aired its final episode after running for just three years. While it never rose higher than No. 52 in the ratings, it remains a beloved cult classic, eventually generating movies and other series.
 - On Sept. 3, 1908, J.M. Barrie's play "What Every Woman Knows" debuted at London's Duke of York's Theatre. Written prior to the women's suffrage movement, the show's theme suggested that "every woman knows" she's really the invisible power behind the success of the men in her life.
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- When African American soldiers began enlisting in the Civil War, they were paid \$10, while white troops earned \$13, and were also charged a monthly fee for their uniforms. In protest, they refused to accept their pay at all for 18 months, though they continued to fight.
- Throughout the average sofa's life, it will hold roughly 782 visitors.
- While it was believed for a long time that ancient Greek sculptures made of white marble were originally colorless, scientific studies confirmed the theory that they were actually painted in a wide range of shades that eventually wore away under the long-term effects of light and air.
- The lollipop, invented in 1908 by George Smith, was named after a racehorse known as Lolly Pop.
- Researchers have found that octopuses occasionally punch fish, sometimes for obvious reasons, such as directing them away from intended prey, and other times for no apparent reason at all -- unless, perhaps, they're merely having a bad day.
- A flight data recorder, aka black box, isn't black at all, but bright orange. The heat-resistant paint hue makes it easier to spot in the event of an accident.
- The most expensive guitar ever sold, a Martin 1959 D-18 acoustic, changed hands at auction for a staggering \$6 million. Formerly owned by Nirvana frontman Kurt Cobain, it was used by the singer-musician during the band's 1993 MTV Unplugged performance.
- Including television, theater, film and radio, Charles Dickens is the most adapted author of all time.
- Oh, my aching feet! In an average day of walking, those appendages at the ends of our legs experience forces totaling hundreds of tons -- the equivalent of a fully loaded cement truck!

Thought for the Day: "The question isn't who's going to let me, it's who's going to stop me." -- Ayn Rand
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Said premises are located in the Township of Harrisville, Alcona County Michigan, and are described

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Dated: August 2, 2023

File No. 23-007525

Firm Name: Orland P.C.

Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084

Firm Phone Number: (248) 502-1400

8-02, 8-9, 8-16, 8-23

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board regular meeting was held August 9 at 7:03 p.m. During the regular meeting, a motion passed to pay bills. Motion passed to approve minutes for regular meeting July 12 and July 21 special meeting. Motion passed to approve fence at Holcomb property using COVID funds. Motion passed to approve rezoning requests for Savage and Reynolds effective immediately. Motion passed to approve Grave Adoption Policy.

Motion to move November regular meeting date to November 13 at 7 p.m. at Caledonia Township Hall. Motion passed to hire Myer's Lawn care for snow plowing. Motion approved to use COVID funds for bar/kitchen area up to \$2,500. Motion approved to pay mileage for court lawsuit. Adjourn at 8:08 p.m. Synopsis is being printed prior to board approval.

Cindy Smith
Township Clerk

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VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, Aug. 7 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those present included president Phillips; treasurer/zoning administrator Mahalak; clerk Somers; and council members, Gauthier; Lucas; Schick; Wambold; and Werth. Member Durham was absent.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved on a motion from Werth with support from Wambold. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Gauthier with support from Schick. The bills were approved for payment on a motion from Wambold with support from Gauthier.

The Beautification Committee addressed the council. Kathy Putsky, Joan Toombs and Debbie Shaneour notified the council members that they are stepping down effective at the year's end. The ladies stated that they are simply tired and feel that it is time to hand the reins to a younger group. President Phillips thanked them for their efforts and said the council and community appreciate everything they've done through the years. Joe James stated that this is a significant concern from the DDA's standpoint as well. He will be addressing it at the meeting tomorrow night.

There was a party at the pavilion over the weekend that left a huge mess. Food and trash were left by a group that did not pay for renting the space. A discussion of how to handle situa-

tions like this took place. There has also been concerns about four wheelers being ridden inside the pavilion. Council members suggested that signs be posted about contact information regarding rentals and reminders about being respectful of the property.

A public hearing will be held on Monday, Aug. 21 regarding changes to the ordinance for housing that was adopted in February. The planning commission will meet first at 6 p.m. and there will be a public hearing with the special meeting for council members to follow.

The zoning report was given. There are two property owners that have ignored all efforts by the zoning administrator to take action in removing their trash. Their information has been turned over to our attorneys and court action will now be taken. Some of the people who have received letters have begun to take action and are cleaning things up.

Brian Rechenski, fire chief and Nathan Walker, assistant chief addressed the council. They have several ideas to get things updated and get more people enlisted to join the department. They are going to have upcoming training sessions and are looking forward to learn about the budgets and grants. President Phillips suggested that they look into securing grants.

Gary Graves gave the maintenance report. He introduced Lornie White as his helper. They are keeping

busy just keeping everything maintained. Brent Werth gave the sewer report. He stated that the storm drain on Hawley will be fixed within the next week or so. There is concern about higher than normal readings lately.

President Phillips gave her report. The county commissioners gave their approval for the property on Second Street to be turned over to the Alcona County Veterans Administration for construction of the new VA building. There was a discussion of the new build project for the ACCOA. The buried tank at the Methodist church has been taken care of.

In new business, a bill was presented by Debbie Shaneour for usage of a brush hog to clean up autumn olive along Anderson Road and Lincoln Drive. A motion was made by Schick, with support from Gauthier, to reimburse Mr. Shaneour. Carried. A request was received from Heather Gagnon, parent liaison for Great Start Collaborative from AMA-ESD, to place a small lending library at the Flights of Imagination playground. Council members agreed it will make a great addition to the area. Lincoln Lions will be holding their Car Show on August 25 and 26. A motion was made by Wambold, with support from Lucas, to allow the Lincoln Lions to block off the streets as needed for their event.

A motion to adjourn was made by Wambold with support from Gauthier. Carried.

Linda K. Somers
Village Clerk

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What's that in the water? Freshwater jellyfish

As anglers, swimmers and other water recreation fans flock to Michigan lakes and streams this summer, some may catch a glimpse of a common, though rarely seen invertebrate known as the freshwater jellyfish.

These jellyfish are not harmful to humans and are believed to have negligible adverse effects on the aquatic environment.

Freshwater jellyfish (*Craspedacusta sowerbyi*) are related to the various marine species of jellyfish, but in essence are not true jellyfish since they have a membrane called a velum that the marine species do not.

Despite this difference, the appearance and movement of freshwater jellyfish mimic those of a true jellyfish. They are not native to Michigan or even North America and are believed to be native to China and Asia. However, this species has been found throughout most of North America for well over a century and is considered to be a nonharmful member of aquatic communities.

The first documentation of freshwater jellyfish in Michigan occurred in 1933 from the Huron River in southeast Michigan. Today, they can be found in most Michigan lakes and streams, and are most frequently spotted in lakes in the late summer and early

fall. Freshwater jellyfish are polymorphic, meaning that there are multiple forms of the same entity within a population.

The jellyfish life cycle includes the following steps:

- The jellyfish spend winter in bodies of water in a podocyst resting stage.



Freshwater jellyfish can be found in most Michigan lakes and streams. *Photo courtesy of Greg Lashbrook, PolkaDotPerch.com.*

• As conditions become more favorable, such as during spring, the podocysts develop into polyps and continue the life cycle with asexual reproduction.

• By late summer, polyps develop into the medusa

stage, which most resembles a free-swimming jellyfish. Jellyfish in this stage take an umbrella-shaped form and can range in size from a penny to a quarter. This is the life stage that is visible to the human eye and often observed during late summer.

"These are the sightings that often trigger calls to local

species, their tiny size means they lack the ability to sting, and so they're not harmful to people. It is also believed to be unlikely that freshwater jellyfish could consume enough zooplankton in our bodies of water to negatively compete with fish species."

"We generally think our waterways are inhabited only by fish, aquatic plants, waterfowl and various invertebrates. However, there is an entire other spectrum of life under the surface, such as plankton, bryozoans and jellyfish."

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