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Alcona's Keegan Ritchie battles his opponent during last week's Division 4 team finals at Whittemore-Prescott. See story on page 6. Photo by Ben Murphy.

County commission, NEMCSA have no oversight for ACCOA

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

After the suspension of its executive director and resignation of four board members, some members of the community are congratulating the remaining Alcona County Commission on Aging board and have confidence in their ability to operate ACCOA and fill vacant board seats with qualified individuals.

Others, however, are feeling they have very little voice in the operations of ACCOA and are lacking confidence in its current board. They don't feel comfortable with how new board members will be appointed by the same five people who suspended the executive director without an evaluation of his merits and work composition.

They also don't feel the new board can proceed capably with the \$12.5 million grant acquired by suspended executive director Lenny Avery to build a new senior center/ community hub, housing and amenities project.

Some thought perhaps the Alcona County Board of Commissioners and/or the Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency (NEMCSA) could be of assistance in governing the ACCOA board, however, neither can offer much assistance as far as how the ACCOA operates its

board, its daily operation or the \$12.5 million state grant it is receiving.

While the ACCOA does receive funding from NEMCSA, Laurie Sauer, director of Region 9 Area on Aging said there are limitations to the scope it provides to the AC-COA.

"Our main concern is that the seniors are receiving services and support and from what we can see that is being done. We have no control or jurisdiction over their (AC-

Sauer said following that event it was relayed to her that no participant records had been accessed, but she could not recall who told her

"We made it known that all the participant records are protected and should not be accessed by people who are not trained to provide those services or have reason to know. We are limited in terms of what we can do," Sauer

Sauer explained she has

"We are aware of and monitoring the situation (at ACCOA). What we haven't heard is any complaints on the service end of things, however, if we are wrong, and services are not being performed, we would like to know that. Our focus is for and on the seniors,"

Laurie Sauer, Director Region 9 Area on Aging

COA) hiring practices, leadership or board composition. All that is locally controlled. If they are meeting the standards and requirements that are in place for the services we fund, that is our scope," Sauer said.

During the transition from the suspension of Avery to an interim executive director, many in the community are concerned that confidential files had been accessed because of the number of volunteers going into offices the day after the suspension.

not heard of any complaints about the services the AC-COA is providing. "The staff is still in place and I have not heard of any staff resignations. Kudos to them for sticking it out. As far as I am aware, meals are still offered, home meals are being delivered, and in-home services are continuing. That is our area of funding.

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Board members will select ACCOA board applicants

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

While the suspension of the Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) executive director and the resignation of four of its board members is still a topic of debate, a search is being conducted by the remaining five board members to fill the vacated board seats.

Last month, approximately 40 percent of the board (four individuals) resigned, which left five board members who voted for the suspension of executive director, Lenny Avery.

According to the ACCOA bylaws, if a board member vacancy occurs before the expiration of his or her term, the board may appoint a person by the majority action to serve the remainder of the

Otherwise, board members are elected for a three-year term, with three board members being elected, by a vote of participating members each year only in September.

The bylaws state general membership is available to all Alcona County residents who are 60 or more years of age and to their spouses. Participating membership is available to all general members by completing and having recorded a current National Aging Program Information System (NAPIS) form. It also states no NAPIS forms are recorded on election day.

The bylaws also state in une the ACCOA president appoints a nominating committee of three persons to recruit candidates for board membership. It is the nominating committee that prepares and presents a provisional slate of board candidates to the participating members with a notice given at least seven days before the July board meeting.

The executive director, on or before seven days preceding the board's August meeting, shall use his best efforts to arrange the delivery or mailing of the provisional

Additional board candidates may be nominated by participating members during the two weeks following the posting of the notice of the provisional slate. Thereafter, nominations for board candidates will be closed. All nominations must be accepted by the nominee to be valid.

A notice of the election, giving the date, time, and location of the voting sites, along with a final slate of board candidates, will be posted at each customary site at least two weeks before the election and the executive director will mail or deliver absentee ballots.

The nominating committee members shall conduct the elections and that all participating members voting in person shall sign a registration sheet. Absentee ballots are to be received by ACCOA prior to election hours. Ballots and registration sheets are then placed in an envelope and sealed to be counted at a special meeting to be scheduled by the nominating committee no later than one week following the election.

The bylaws also state that board members are expected to exhibit a high standard of ethics as relates to the purposes of the board, that meetings are open to participating membership, general membership and the public who may present questions and comments to the board in an orderly manner in accordance with rules set by the board and that Robert's Rules of Order shall be used to conduct all meetings and business except as otherwise specified in the ACCOA by-

For a complete copy of the ACCOA bylaws, contact the ACCOA by calling, (989) 736-8879 or visit the Alcona Senior Center at 207 Church Street, Lincoln during normal hours of operation.

The next ACCOA board meeting is scheduled to take place Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 10 a.m. at the Alcona Senior Center in Lincoln.



God Bless America





Obituaries



Jess A. Walker

Jess A. Walker, 66, of Harrisville, died on Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2023, at home.

He was born October 31, 1956, to Fred and Doris (London) Walker in Harrisville. He has been a lifelong resident of the

On April 19, 1975, he married Jeanette Mendyka.

Mr. Walker is survived by his wife, Jeanette; two sons, Matthew Walker and Michael (Stephanie) Walker; six grandchildren, Devon Seymour, Amiyah Walker, Caden Walker, Brady Walker, Travis Walker, and Camille Walker; one brother, Dexter Walker; his mother-in-law, Martha Jean Mendyka; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and five siblings. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. No services are planned.

Michael A. Williams

Michael A. Williams, 70, of Harrisville, died on Thursday, Feb. 2, 2023.

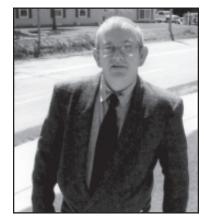
He was born December 22, 1952, to Albert and Annetia (McManus) Williams in Flint, Mich., where he was raised.

On September 14, 1974, he married Jeanne Klinck in Flint, Mich. They were residents of Flint, where Mr. Williams enjoyed a career with GM Truck and Bus.

Mr. Williams was a resident of Harrisville for the past 30 years. A talented chef, he ran the kitchen at Greenbush Tavern for 14 years.

He was a certified referee with the Michigan High School Athletic Association, and officiated baseball and basketball games for more than 15 years.

Mr. Williams is survived by his wife, Jeanne; one daughter, Christie Williams (Seth Timm) of Lachine, Mich.; one son, Adam Williams of Har-



risville; one grandson, Logan Williams; his granddog, Zevah; one sister-in-law, Linda (Greg) Kent; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and three brothers, Jim Radon, Ed Radon and Fred Radon.

Visitation will be held at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln, on Monday, Feb. 20 from 1 to 6 p.m. A time for sharing will begin at 6 p.m. to celebrate Mr. William's life.

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Kids Tourney Cancelled

The Barton City Kids Ice Fishing Tournament scheduled for February 18 has been cancelled due to unfavorable ice conditions.

Paint Party Event

The Alcona Humane Society is holding a paint party fund raising event on Tuesday, Feb. 21 at the Backwoods Bistro, 816 N. Barlow Road, Lincoln. The evening will begin at 5 p.m. with painting at 5:30 p.m. Theme is the Highland Cow, and the cost is \$40 for canvas, \$50 for wood.

Preregistration is required by contacting Queen Bee Soiree (586) 764-4544.

Art of Visible Mending

Visible mending is a unique style that emphasizes the re-

pair of clothing in a way that is not only functional but also visually appealing. A workshop on visible mending (Boro style) will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 1:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to bring one or two pieces of clothing, such as jeans, in need of repair. Registration is required and can be done by calling (989) 724-6796. There will be a charge of \$3 for supplies.

Away at School

- Hannah Brege of Lincoln graduated from Northern Michigan University with an associate degree in clinical laboratory technology in December 2022.
- Brock Franklin of Lincoln was named to the Dean's List at Northern Michigan University for the fall 2022 semester. He earned a 4.0 grade

Bradly James Yawn, 41,

of Mikado was sentenced to

one day in jail and \$200 in

fines and costs for no valid

21, of Independence, Mich.

was sentenced to one day in

jail and fines and costs of

\$2,800 for take/possess deer/

Mikado was sentenced to five

days in jail, one year of pro-

bation and \$1,840 in fines

and costs for operating while

Durham, 29, of Harrisville

was sentenced to one day in

jail and fines and costs of

\$1,480 for operating while

25, of Greenbush was sen-

tenced to 90 days in jail and

\$1,225 in fines and costs for

• Jake Thomas Mooney,

• Daltyn James Tryon-

• John Allen Wynne, 52, of

• Olivia Diane Warrington,

license in possession.

bear/turkey.

intoxicated.

visibly impaired.

domestic violence.

point average.

- Amber Heiser of Mikado was named to the Dean's List at Northern Michigan University for the fall 2022 semester. She earned a 4.0 grade point average.
- · Hannah Burger of Hubbard Lake was named to the Dean's List at Northern Michigan University for the fall 2022 semester.
- Rose Schopfer of Mikado was named to the Dean's List at Northern Michigan University for the fall 2022 semester.

Teenage Dating Violence

Hope Shores Alliance (HSA) is bringing awareness to Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. This month-long effort in February focuses on community education to stop dating abuse before it starts. Dating violence among teenagers and young adults is more common than most realize.

One in three teens will experience emotional, sexual or physical abuse from someone they're in a relationship with before they reach adulthood. Youth who experience dating violence are more likely to show symptoms of depression and anxiety and participate in risky behaviors.

Understanding and recognizing the characteristics of healthy and unhealthy relationships is critical for positive adolescent development.

The following locations will host the presentation aimed at increasing awareness to teen dating violence and becoming everyday advocates for survivors.

- Alpena Public Library -Thursday, Feb. 23 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- Alcona County Library, Harrisville Branch - Thursday, March 9 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Event registration is not required. There is no cost to attend. Some educational content related to dating violence may be triggering or upsetting to some attendees. For any accommodation needs or further questions, contact Rachel at rberzack@hopeshores.org or Paige at pallia@hopeshores.org.



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

- John Franklin Williamson, 44, of River Rouge, Mich. was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$625 for false report of medical or other emergency.
- Christine Marie Sharon, 41, of Alpena was sentenced to one day in jail and \$875 in fines and costs for malicious destruction of property under \$200.

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Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Celebrate "Love Your Library Month" with the Alcona County Library. From 9:30 a.m. to noon patrons are invited to the Harrisville branch to read the newspaper, eat a treat and enjoy coffee. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

The Community Walking Club for Everyone will meet in the parking lot of the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 9 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Veterans are invited to join follow 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 at 9:15 a.m. Weigh-in is at 9 a.m. Everyone is welcome. For mor information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-8600.

Free accessible yoga classes provide gentle movement for joint freeing, muscle strengthening and stress reduction. Classes are at 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center in Lincoln. For more information, call Liz at (989) 335-1777 or the Senior Center at (989) 736-8879.

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Youth ages 10 and up are welcome to make a "Creepy Eyeball Flower" from 3:30 to 5 p.m. during the craft activity at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call (989) 724-6796 for details

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

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

The Alcona Book Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 1 p.m. The selection for February is "The House of Cerulean Sea," by TJ Klune. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Children of all ages are invited to "Homeschoolers at the Library" for an educational activity at the Alcona County Library in Harrisville at 1 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for info.

The Sunrise Community Food Pantry is open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church. Clients are asked to cone 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.

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

There will be free classes for family searching from 1-3 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 411 Long Rapids Plaza, Alpena. Classes will be held for six weeks. This class is helpful for family historians, genealogists and beginners in family history. For more information, contact Sharon Young at (989) 657-3571 or Ella Purkiss at (989) 785-2785.

The Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council will meet at 6 p.m. at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 W. Fletcher Street, Alpena. The meeting agenda includes information about the proposed Lake Ontario National Marine Sanctuary and updates on the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary's education programs and general sanctuary updates. There will be public comment time at 7:45 p.m. For more information, contact jean.prevo@noaa.gov.

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Youth 13 and up are welcome to attend a "Movie & Munchies" event at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. A movie with popcorn will be provided starting at 5 p.m.

Learn about the continuing archaeological research on the Alpena-Amberly Ridge under Lake Huron at the presentation by Dr. John O'Shea, curator of the Great Lakes archaeology at the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropological Archaeology. His presentation will be held at 7 p.m. at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 W. Fletcher Street, Alpena. He will talk about how this discovery and continuing research has broadened the understanding of early hunters and the environment in which they lived.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

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

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Inspiration Alcona receives grant to assist youth education

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

Inspiration Alcona, an organization designed to inspire cultural opportunities in Alcona County, has received a Michigan Department of Education reimbursement grant for \$70,300. The grant is to be used for out-of-school programs for elementary through high school students.

Will St. John, president of Inspiration Alcona, said the grant is for tutoring and enrichment of youth from January through the end of September 2023. The sessions will be held at Alcona Community Schools and are taught by teachers working at the school or by other local vetted individuals.

The programs are open to all students, elementary through high school levels, even if they do not attend Alcona Community Schools.

According to the school superintendent, Dan O'Connor, the grant includes afterschool tutoring at the high/

middle school levels and the elementary school as well as enrichment classes like dance, music extension, gaming (computer) and a running club.

The grant will allow for four segment programs to operate from January through spring break on March 17; from March 27 through Memorial Day; a summer program with details yet to come; and an August/September program to jump start students at targeted grade levels. Most of the after school sessions run from 3:15 to 5:45 p.m.

Parents provide transportation home after school, however, O'Connor said the school did find funding to transport students by bus for the summer program.

St. John said Inspiration Alcona was especially concerned for elementary students whose education seemed to suffer the most during the COVID-19 closures. "For that reason, we are focusing more on tutoring, especially third and fourth-grade students," St.

toring is offered Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday by teachers, Sue Elmer, Jamie Payne and Gail Gombos.

A dance class is also offered, taught by Kyla Avery of Revolution Dance, for students in third through fifth grade. Avery said they are currently working on a variety of dance styles including hip-hop, lyrical and Jazz. There is still room for more students to join.

At the high school level, band teacher Emma Hilton is holding an after school music extension class on Mondays for students in sixth through 12th grades. "I work on anything they need help with. Some just need help with their concert music. Others need help with extracurricular music activities including All-Star Band, solo, ensemble and even college auditions," Hilton

The high school is also offering tutoring Tuesday and Thursday with teacher instruction by Tammy Nelson and Ben Erickson. On Wednesday, teacher Dru

At the elementary level tu- Carson has been holding a gaming (computer) club. A running club will begin on March 1.

> According to St. John, the Michigan Department of Education grant isn't the only grant which Inspiration Alcona has received to assist vouth. It has received multiple Michigan Arts and Culture Council (MACC) and National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) grants.

> "Inspiration Alcona has won a grant from MACC annually for the better part of a decade. NEA money is often included along with the MACC money in the grant. It's an annual competition (for those grants)," St. John said. The current MACC/NEA grant which expires in October 2023 is for \$18,725 with a required one-to-one match.

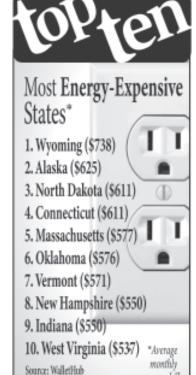
> A guitar class for youth has run sporadically since COVID-19 closures and is supported by the MACC/NEA grants and by Inspiration Alcona's general fund. Other art classes, field trips and presentations are also supported by Inspiration Alcona working hand-in-hand with Michigan Humanities and Farm to Fork Alcona programs. Guitar classes just resumed last week.

> St. John said, "The Alcona Arts Retreat used to be the biggest source of earned income for Inspiration Alcona bringing it about \$7,500 annually; but since the Sunrise Side Wine, Brew and Food Festival came under our sponsorship last year it's our biggest single income source, about \$18,000 last year.

> "The other big, earned income source is the Lost Lake Writers Retreat, about \$7,000 annually.... Without tutoring/enrichment grants and Farm to Fork Alcona, Inspiration Alcona's core budget is about \$60,000.

"We don't do traditional fund-raising like raffles because we have been successful with grants, but we welcome donations anytime."

To donate, visit the inspirationalcona.org website. For more information on after school tutoring or enrichment classes, call the school at (989) 736-8534.



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Middle School Honor Roll

Sixth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll Adriana Grimshaw, Daiana Kiselova, Holden Mahalak, Rainey Miller, Jonathan Tess-

Honor Roll

Abel Birk, Aiden Geddert, Grady Goddard, Addison Griffin, Emma Griggs, Cody Kimball, Breanna Link, Clarissa Loyer, Bradley McCracken, Brenton Merillat, Zoey O'Connor, Luke Paulk, Reid Schroeder, Brooklynn Sharp, Lila Somers, Jordyn Somers, Gracie Travis, Monica Welsh, Maisy White.

Seventh Grade

Principal's Honor Roll Joshua Abee, Myra Armstrong, Adelle Boyat, Khloe Boyd, Scott Burns, Sunny Chevillet, Madison Hall, Juliet Mann, Ava Morgan, Hope Parker, Uriah Peoples, Joshua Perez, Alanna

Honor Roll Twyla Barton, Taylor Benac, Evan Gehring, Alyssa

Schnittjer.

Hale, Henrik Healy, Arsenii Kiselov, Alexandra Laird, Ethan Levline, Taelyn Mac-Neill, Alexis Peterson, Alexis Schmidt, Amelia Sommer, Reid Travis.

Eighth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll Bailey Dellar, Katelyn Gordon, Elliyana Grimshaw, Lucas Haskins, Leigha Belanger, Edward Hechlik, Joshua Siebert, Sierra Wright.

Honor Roll

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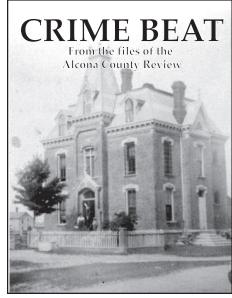
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Village of Lincoln Zoning Amendment Notice of Adoption Ordinance No. 2-2023

Ordinance No. 2 of 2023 amending the Zoning Ordinance was adopted by the Lincoln Village Council on February 6, 2023. The amendment shall take effect on the 8th day after this publication. The full zoning ordinance and the full text of the amendments can be found at https:// www.lincolnmi.com. A summary of the amendment follows: Amend Section 4.0 (Table of Permitted and Special Land Uses) to allow townhouses and condominium units as a permitted use in the B-1 District.

To All Clients of the ACCOA:

We realize that we are going through a time of confusion, uncertainty and stress. We would like to assure you that all services will continue without pause. We are going through reorganizing, but rest assured that it is internal and will not affect the services you receive. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Sincerely, LeRoy Perrin ACCOA Board President

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MEETING NOTICE

The Alcona Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on March 9, 2023 at 6 p.m. to recommend adoption of a new Zoning Ordinance to the Township Board. The new ordinance will replace the current Zoning Ordinance in its entirety. The public hearing will be held at the Township Hall at 5576 US-23 S. Black River, Mich. 48721. The full text of the new Zoning Ordinance is available at the Township Hall, online at http:// alconatownship.com or by calling Planning Chairman Al Grusnick at (248) 495-2840. Written comments may be sent to the above address prior to the meeting. The public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel.

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Alcona wrestling season ends in districts, Sheldon moves into individual action

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity wrestling team took part in the Division 4 team district tournament at Whittemore-Prescott on Wednesday, Feb. 8. The Tigers won the first round match over Oscoda 24-18, but lost to host W-P in the championship bout, 75-6.

"It was great for us to win a dual, especially at a team district event," head coach Jeff Dameworth said. "With so few kids the matchups need to fall into place just right. We knew they had five wrestlers against our four. But, because our three kids beat theirs we were able to get the points we needed to win the dual."

Winning matches on the night was Keegan Ritchie, Zean Monnier and Jesse Sheldon, who all had pins, and Zygmund Villalobos had a win on a void.

On Saturday, the Tigers traveled to Manton, Mich. for the individual district tournament.

The day was highlighted by Sheldon, who took second place in the 190 weight class, thus advancing him to the individual regional tourna-

After being seeded high enough to receive two byes, he won his first match on a pinfall over Eric Moore of Roscommon in the first pe-

riod. He lost the first place match on a pinfall to Lane Sanchez of Benzie Central. Sheldon is 21-8 this season.

Ritchie was competing in the 138 weight class. He won his first bout on a first period pinfall over Calvin Throop of McBain, but lost his next two

matches to end his run. Zygmund Villalobos (150) also competed during the day.

Sheldon continues his season on Saturday at the individual meet in Charlevoix.

"He will work on some conditioning as well as retool some of the moves he likes to use," Dameworth said. "Hopefully, he can use these reworked moves to qualify for the state tournament."

Lady Tigers dominate Thunderbolts to stay in NSL Big Dipper race

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

After a big win earlier in the week against Oscoda. there was no letdown for the Alcona girls varsity basketball team last Friday.

The Lady Tigers hosted Mio in a North Star League Big Dipper contest. They took a lopsided lead after the first quarter, and never looked back on their way to a 50-15 victory.

Alcona remains a game behind Rogers City in the hunt for the conference championship.

"We played well at both ends and had good balance on offense," head coach Mark Feldhiser said. "Our team is playing pretty good right now so, hopefully, that continues through the end of the sea-

Alcona had control of things with a 15-1 lead after the first quarter and led 27-5 at the half and 41-12 entering the fourth.

Leading the way in the win was Carmen Dellar with 10 points. Sierra West and Kelsey Hansen had nine points each. Kaylee Wambold put in eight points. Emma Travis netted six. Sage Gauthier chipped in with four. Liberty Kimball had three and Addy Beatty added

On Monday, Feb. 6 the Lady Tigers picked up what might be their best win of the regular season to date, taking down visiting NSL Big Dipper foe Oscoda, 43-37.

"Obviously, it was a big win for us, as they beat us earlier in the season, and I am really proud of the effort put forth by our team," Feldhiser said. "We continue to play great defense and rebound very well; that was the story again in this game."

The Lady Owls led 8-7 after the first quarter and 21-20 at the half. Alcona knotted things up 27-all entering the fourth quarter and they controlled that final frame.

A pair of late free throws gave Alcona a 37-34 lead and Travis sank four from the line in the final minute to help salt away the win.

Travis and Hansen each



Alcona's Emma Travis watches the ball a moment before she pounces on it for a steal during last Friday's home win over Mio. Photo by Ben Murphy.

finished with 12 points. Jena Wambold netted 11 points. Dellar added five and Gauthier scored three. Dellar also had 12 rebounds. Hansen tracked down 10 boards and Travis added eight.

"The other major factor was that we made 11 free throws in the fourth quarter, including Emma and Kelsey each making five-of-six," Feldhiser said. "I thought we played great team defense, with Sage and Jena really playing well."

Alcona (12-5 overall, 6-2 NSL Big Dipper) hosts the Charlton Heston Academy on Friday, Feb. 17 and heads to Roscommon on Monday, Feb. 20. The Tigers and Oscoda both trail Rogers City for the conference lead and have league games left with the Charlton Heston Academy

Bowling team scores

The Alcona varsity bowling Logan Bates 147; Sam Prince team competed in its last double header tournament ver the weekend. Next week is singles and then onto regionals the following week.

The first game for the boys team was against Tawas. High scores were Daniel June 165; Logan Bates 164; Sam Prince 147; Robert Napier 143; Vincent Nardi 138; Jacob June 137.

Thesecond game was against Houghton Lake. High scores were Daniel June 152; 147; Jacob June 124; Vincent Nardi 112; Robert Napier 94.

The girls first game was against Oscoda. High scores were Morgan Munsey 142; Rylee Manning 130; Danica Manning 113; Makayla Prince 95; Nyhia Jackson 91.

The second game was against Ogemaw Heights. High scores were Rylee Manning 187; Morgan Munsey 158; Danica Manning 126; Makayla Prince 112; Nyhia Jackson 92.

Deteriorating ice may prompt early shanty removal

of winter ice fishing should keep a close watch on ice conditions, as unseasonable weather may prompt shanty removal prior to the seasonal dates required by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

"Throughout most of the Lower Peninsula, Mother Nature unfortunately didn't cooperate with us this year," said acting Lt. Jeff Rabbers, DNR Law Enforcement Division. "As disappointing as it is that many anglers must cut their season short, safety is the DNR's main priority. We want to make sure that everyone has ample opportunity to remove their shanties before conditions become unsafe."

People venturing onto ice should use extreme caution as temperatures begin to rise or fluctuate. The repeated thawing and refreezing of ice weakens its strength, decreasing its ability to support

Anglers taking advantage the additional weight of people, snowmobiles, ORVs and shanties. Deteriorating ice, water currents and high winds increase the probability of pressure cracks, which can leave anglers and others stranded on ice floes or at risk of falling through the

> Shanty owners whose structures fall through the ice are subject to penalties of up to 30 days in jail, fines up to \$500, or both. If a shanty is removed by a government agency, the court can require the owner to reimburse that agency for up to three times the cost of removal.

Learn more at Michigan.gov/IceSafety.

Removal dates

• Daily use of ice shanties is permitted anywhere in Michigan if ice conditions allow and if the shanties are removed from the ice at the end of each day.

• Shanties in the northern Lower Peninsula must be removed by midnight Wednesday, March 15. Those counties include Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Arenac, Bay, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Clare, Crawford, Emmet, Gladwin, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Isabella, Kalkaska, Lake, Leelanau, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Midland, Missaukee, Montmorency, Newaygo, Oceana, Ogemaw, Osceola, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon and Wexford.

Ice shanties in the remaining counties of the Lower Peninsula must be removed by midnight on March 1.

• In the Upper Peninsula, on Michigan-Wisconsin boundary waters, ice shanties must be removed by midnight Wednesday, March 15.

All other bodies of water in the Upper Peninsula must have ice shanties removed by midnight Friday, March 31.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Tax Abatement Ordinance for Commercial and **Industrial Facilities**

Ordinance # 23-1

Ordinance # 1 of 2023 was adopted by the Lincoln Village Council on January 4th. 2023. The ordinance will take effect on the 8th day after this publication. The full Tax Abatement Ordinance text can be found at https:// lincolnmi.com.

MEETING CANCELLATION

The February 16, 2023 meeting of the Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Authority has been cancelled. The next regularly scheduled meeting will take place Thursday, March 16, 2023 at the Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Terminal located at 3961 E. Airport Drive, Oscoda, MI 48750

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vice end of things, however, if we are wrong, and services are not being performed, we would like to know that. Our focus is for and on the seniors." Sauer said.

Sauer thought the Alcona County Board of Commissioners could be of more assistance in governing the ACCOA's board, however, commission chairman Adam Brege said the commission is also limited.

"The only thing the board of commissioners can do is vote to not send money to the ACCOA or terminate their contract. It's an organization contracted by Alcona County to provide services for seniors. In that contract, we agree to administer the millage. The only recourse we would have is to not use ACCOA as our provider for services.

"We can't demand them to reform their board. We can make demands about reporting and make sure they get us all the information we need and the public needs concerning the tax dollars they are spending, but anything as far as other grants or funds they get from NEMCSA, Alcona County does not have any governing control.

"There is not much we can do besides choose not to use them for services. Conversations could be had, but to my knowledge, we have no control to tell them how they work their business operations.

"I understand there are a lot of people passionate about the situation and they would $% \left\{ \left(1\right) \right\} =\left\{ \left(1\right) \right$ like something done about it. Unless we get a major outcry from people receiving (AC-COA) services that something isn't happening properly with (those) services, there isn't a lot we can do," Brege said.

According to Brege, even with \$12.5 million grant at stake for the construction. the board of commissioners cannot do anything because the funds were granted from the state to ACCOA, not to Alcona County.

Brege has not received any emails or phone calls from concerned citizens regarding ACCOA services.

The Alcona County Commissioners meet on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in the lower level of the county building. The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, Feb. 15. Meetings are open to the public except during closed sessions which are typically announced in the agenda. To view a copy of the agenda visit alconacountymi.com.

To report any missed services by ACCOA to NEMCSA call (989) 358-4600.

I am completely happy with the service I have received from the staff of the Alcona County Commission on Aging. Thank you to all of the employees.

John Tenny

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Tigers drop key NSL showdown with Mio

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

The Alcona boys varsity basketball team entered Friday's home game with Mio just a game behind the Thunderbolts in the race for the North Star League Big Dipper. The Tigers couldn't draw even though, as fifth ranked Mio survived a low-scoring game and handed Alcona a 40-30 setback.

A pair of early DJ Howe baskets left Alcona down just 6-4, and after Mio drained a three to make it 9-4, Alcona had David Sharboneau sink a three of his own to make it 9-7. Mio got a shot in just before the buzzer though, which gave them an 11-7 lead after one.

The Bolts hit a bucket to pull ahead moments into the second quarter. Sharboneau hit another three, making it 13-10.

Alcona could only get two buckets in the paint from Evan Borsvold the rest of the half and Mio held a slim 16-14 lead at the half.

The Bolts opened the second half with a three-pointer to pull ahead 19-14, but Alcona put its best run of the game together in the ensuing moments. The Tigers went on a 9-3 spurt to surge ahead 23-21, capped off with a goahead bucket by Garrett Somers.

However, Mio was ahead 24-23 by the end of the third quarter.

The Bolts scored the first basket of the fourth to lead 26-23, and from there they regularly milked time off the clock and sank free throws to help them finish off the win.

Somers hit two threes on the night and finished with eight points. Sharboneau scored six points, hitting two threes as well. Borsvold and Jacob Renchenski had four points apiece and Ricky Schott added two points.

On Tuesday, Feb. 7 Alcona notched a road NSL Big Dipper win at Oscoda, taking care of the Owls 55-25.

"This was another great team win," head coach Alex Cole said. "It's nice to see the little things that we've been focusing on start to happen. DJ Howe was once again a force inside. But it was the defensive end that I was most proud of. Hayden Johnston was locked in on his assignment which helped us build a lead in the second half."

It was tied up at 10-apiece after the first quarter, but



Alcona's DJ Howe goes to the rim during last Friday's home loss to Mio. *Photo by Ben Murphy.*

threes in the second by Renchenski, Howe and Somers helped the Tigers get ahead. Howe had eight points in the second frame as Alcona led 28-20 at the half.

The Tiger defense was dominant in the second half, as they allowed Oscoda to score just one field-goal in the third quarter as they led 40-23 entering the fourth.

Howe finished with 23 points, knocking down three treys. Somers added five

points. Sam Johnston had five points. Schott and Renchenski put in four points each. Hayden Johnston, Logan Zuchowski, Sharboneau, Evan Borsvold, Ryken Wallenmaier and Owen Borsvold had two points apiece.

Alcona (8-7 overall, 5-2 NSL Big Dipper) hosts the Charlton Heston Academy on Friday, Feb. 17 and is at home to take on Hillman on Tuesday, Feb. 21.

Land donations add to preserve on Birdsong Bay

Two properties encompassing 168 acres of forests and wetlands on Birdsong Bay are now under the permanent protection of Huron Pines. They join the recently announced North Point Nature Preserve in an ongoing effort by the nonprofit organization to protect the water quality of Lake Huron and ensure the preservation of its undeveloped coastal habitats long term.

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) transferred ownership of the 153-acre Birdsong Bay Nature Preserve to Huron Pines in late December 2022. Situated west of US-23 near the 45th parallel marker south of Alpena, the preserve includes cedar swamps and a globally rare wooded dune and swale complex, all of which support a diverse ecosystem of plants and wildlife native to northern Michigan.

This transfer follows another made by TNC in December 2022, when 1,400 acres on Thunder Bay's North Point Peninsula were handed over to Huron Pines. The rugged preserve features four miles of Lake Huron coastline divided between Thunder Bay to the south and Misery Bay to the north, and wetlands home to carnivorous plants and the endangered Hine's emerald dragonfly

"Alpena's unique coastal areas combined with rare

habitats, islands, peninsulas, shipwrecks and recreational opportunities are what will define the region for many generations to come," said Brad Jensen, executive director of Huron Pines. "The fact we have groups like The Nature Conservancy and Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary to help us protect and enjoy these places makes me feel good about the future. We at Huron Pines feel a tremendous responsibility to help people enjoy these special areas and also to protect them forever."

"Our partnership with Huron Pines dates back years and they have been with us, side-by-side, helping create and implement a restoration plan for North Point that benefits both people and nature," said Helen Taylor, state director for TNC in Michigan. "North Point truly is a gem, and these lands are undoubtedly in good hands."

A third property, the KR Poljan Tract at Birdsong Bay, was gifted to Huron Pines in early January through a donation from the Richard Poljan estate. This 15-acre preserve at the southern base of Partridge Point offers a panoramic view of Birdsong Bay, and its marshlands are frequented by shorebirds and migratory waterfowl.

The preserve's namesake, Richard J. Poljan, was an ar-

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chitect for Huron-Clinton Metroparks and later had a long career at Ford Motor Company before retiring from Ford Motor Credit in 1996. An avid outdoorsman, Poljan obtained his real estate license and bought land, often through government tax sales. He acquired the property on Birdsong Bay from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in 2011 through public auction. Poljan died in July 2022.

"We are grateful to have the opportunity to protect this corner of Birdsong Bay for Alpena's residents and visitors," added Heather Huffstutler, development director for Huron Pines. "We're considering options that will allow visitors to explore the bay for themselves in a way that protects its sensitive habitats and supports the public's enjoyment and sense of place."

All three preserves align

have established an endowment fund to support the current and long term monitoring, management and protection of lands within the coastal priority zone. Contributions to the Huron Conservation & Stewardship Fund can be made through CFNEM at cfnem.org.

Access to North Point Nature Preserve is currently limited to guided tours only. Two public events are planned at the preserve in 2023, includ-





An aerial autumn view of Birdsong Bay Nature Preserve, where 153 acres of rare wetland habitats situated along US-23 South are under permanent protection by conservation nonprofit Huron Pines. Courtesy photos.

According to his family, Poljan wanted to see that this property would be protected and shared with the local community. Huron Pines has plans to develop a raised overlook at the preserve to honor Poljan's wishes and allow visitors to experience this unique coastal treasure.

"My siblings and I are pleased that we were able to work together to fulfill our father's intent of preserving the Birdsong Bay property,' said Amy Knapp, Poljan's daughter and trustee of his estate. "Huron Pines has been a great partner and will be good stewards of the beautiful land."

with ongoing efforts by Huron Pines and its partners to safeguard coastal areas of Lake Huron from development. The organization's Coastal Priority Zone stretches from Cheboygan County to the AuSable River and represents a region rich with ecological, geological and cultural resources unique to the Great Lakes. Many local, state and national organizations are involved in this effort to conserve and manage lands for the benefit of natural communities and the people of Northern Michigan.

Huron Pines, TNC and the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) ing a Big Birding Sit on May 13 and a grand opening on June 10. Follow Huron Pines on social media and check huronpines.org/events for details closer to those dates.

Access to Birdsong Bay Nature Preserve is limited to foot traffic only, via a twotrack off Piper Road and DNR land to the west. Conditions are often wet and hard to navigate. The KR Poljan Tract does not currently have parking or access infrastructure.

While Huron Pines works through the planning process, those looking for information about visiting the preserves can contact Huron Pines directly.

Huron Pines is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization established in 1973 to conserve and enhance northern Michigan's natural resources to ensure healthy water, protected places and vibrant communities. With offices in Gaylord and Alpena, Huron Pines strives to improve economic, environmental, educational and recreational opportunities throughout Northern Michigan. To learn more, visit huronpines.org.



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PUBLIC NOTICE MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW FOR GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP HALL 5037 Campbell Rd., Greenbush, MI 48738

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7, to examine the Assessment Roll.

No appeals will be taken at this meeting.

Public protest will be heard at the Mikado Civic Center Monday, March 13 1:30 - 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16 1:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Protest may be filed in writing and must be received at the physical or electronic address by March 13th 2836 E. McNeil Rd., Lincoln, MI 48742 greenbushtwpassessor@gmail.com

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PUBLIC NOTICE MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW FOR MIKADO TOWNSHIP

Mikado Civic Center 2291 S. F-41 Mikado, MI 48745

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7, to examine the Assessment Roll.

No appeals will be taken at this meeting.

Public protest will be heard at the Mikado Civic Center Tuesday, March 14 1:30 - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 15 1:30 - 7:30 p.m.

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Fishing shanties past and present

By Gregg Schefferly

Outdoor Writer

Native Americans started to ice fish as a means of survival. They knew the fish were there and they needed to catch them to survive.

As time passed ice fishing eventually became more recreational with the bonus of some incredible table-fare for those successful anglers.

It stands to reason that, at some point, someone weary of getting blasted by the wind on a barren lake made the first fishing shanty.

I imagine the first one started with an igloo of snow or a tepee of sorts made from pine or spruce boughs tied together with cord or sinew.

Eventually, as ice fishing became more sport than survival, there were groups gathered on a lake ice fishing when someone came out with some sort of protection from the wind. That ah-ha moment quickly gathered steam among fishermen as everyone had their own idea for the perfect ice house. Then more and more fishermen brought out their rendition of a shanty on the ice. Some ideas were advancements, others weren't. Eventually, the ice shanty evolved into what is used today.

Of course, what it's called will depend on what state an angler is fishing. In Michigan we call them fish shanties. In Wisconsin and Minnesota they are called fish houses or fish shacks. Regardless of where you live, they serve their purpose of protecting anglers from the elements, keeping them warm, and giving some concealment from other anglers so they can't see how many fish the occupants are catching.

Permanent shanties can be as simple as a frame covered by a tarp. Some anglers go as far as finishing their shanties with tongue and groove lumber and furnish them with recliners and beds. One thing is certain, being heated isn't an option but a necessity. At one time anglers used small woodstoves and burned kindling, but with the advancement of gas stoves most anglers use the latter.

Over the past 20-plus years, there's been a shift from the permanent shanty to the portable shanty. I believe this is, in part, due to a combination of milder winters and advancements in technology which make them lighter and easier to get on



Exploring the Outdoors By Gregg Schefferly

and off the ice. Permanent shanties aren't nearly as common as they used to be. Practically every lake used have any number of permanent shacks on them. Today -- not so much.

There are regions where the permanent shanty is still quite common. Further north where the climate is colder it's safer to leave them on the ice for two or three months shanty can be set up and left. Opening up a large spearing hole requires quite a bit of work. A permanent shanty covering the hole protects it from the elements, making it easier to open back up. Depending on how often an angler fishes, removing only a couple inches of ice is required compared to a couple feet. Finally, many portable shanties don't have the re-



Connor Schefferly with a whitefish he caught recently while fishing in the northwestern Upper Peninsula on Lake Superior.

and, as a result, there are many more permanent shacks. Locally, in recent years, ice formation isn't what it used to be, which makes it nearly impossible to leave a permanent shanty out long

Anglers spearing pike normally turn to a permanent shack for a few reasons. Pike like weedbeds. Once a good spot is found a permanent

quired ceiling height to allow effective spear fishing due to the length of spear handles.

My first memory of a shanty was when Dickie Karsen invited me into his so I could watch him spear pike. After many years sitting in the cold on a five-gallon bucket, it was a new world in the shanty.

In the dark environment looking under the ice was like looking into a fish aquarium. He had a sucker suspended under the ice trying to lure in a pike to spear. The sucker swam around and we'd lower our jig rods trying to catch perch from the schools moving through. Pardon the pun, but I was hooked the minute that big pike came in and Dickie speared it. I went home afterward and told my dad how awesome it was and how much I wanted to spear pike.

Looking back, it seemed almost overnight dad got us a shanty and we were in business. Lloyd Ritchie bought a spear and he'd spear during the week; on the weekends my brother and I speared.

At the time Brownlee Lake

The view through a hole in the ice with fish swimming below the frozen surface.

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in Lincoln was full of pike. We located an opening in a weedbed, chopped a hole and set up the shanty over it. Short pieces of lumber were put under the corners of the shanty to keep it from freezing to the ice, and snow was shoveled around it to prevent the light from shining in and to better insulate the hole. A metal minnow bucket was suspended from the ceiling with a chain in which we kept our sucker decoy and the spear was left in the shanty so everything was ready.

Portable shanties reign supreme when the fish being sought are constantly on the move. An angler can move with the fish in minutes with a portable. There are hub shanties that have fiberglass poles that snap outward and set up in a couple minutes. Flip shanties are a sled with conduit poles covered in fabric. Simply sit in the seat and flip it over you and you are fishing.

I grew up believing that Michigan ruled supreme as ice fishing goes. In recent vears I've discovered I couldn't be more wrong. In places like Minnesota and North Dakota they've taken ice fishing to the next level. A few years back a friend took a couple weeks to go ice fishing to Lake of the Woods in Minnesota and Devils Lake in North Dakota. On those lakes, the state maintains roads, places aluminum bridges over the pressure heaves, and puts port-a-johns at the intersections on the ice.

On Lake of the Woods a pub is placed on the ice called the Igloo bar. Patrons can watch TV, order food or beverages, and fish in the holes next to the table (https:// lakeofthe-woodsmn.com/ the-igloo-bar-on-the-ice-on-

If that isn't enough, they're now are making campers with fishing holes on the floors, and the wheels retract lowering the camper onto the ice. I'm told you can spend \$60,000 plus on one. There are guide services that will rent one to allow you to stay right on the ice and fish from

these fancy campers. (http:/ /www.towable.us/ice-fishing-trailer/).

Good fishing.

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



Buggy Rides



Eighth graders study World War II events

February 15, 1998 ~ By in a one man life boat that and the persecution of Jews. **Cheryl Peterson**

" I didn't speak German. I kept asking for water and was told 'Nein, nein,' I knew what that meant - no.'

A map was fashioned to the chalkboard behind Col. Wayne Doering as he told of his career in the U.S. Air Force, particularly the time he spent in a German Prisoner of War camp from August 1944 to May 1945.

Doering, retired and living in Greenbush, spent almost an hour sharing his World War II experiences with Linda Mitchell's eighth grade class last week.

Doering, a pilot, was shot down in the North Sea. He spent five days in the water -

tipped him out more than he was in it. He was picked up by a German mine sweeper and eventually transported via train to a German POW camp.

During his career in the Air Force Doering flew more than 10 different planes and retired from Wurtsmith Air Force Base in 1972.

Doering was the guest speaker for Jason Spare, a student in Mitchell's class. Spare and his classmates are in the final stages of a project that began with studying The Diary of Anne Frank." The students also studied the historical background of the events leading up to the Nazi invasion of the Netherlands

During the project, students were required to wear a yellow tag for one week that labeled them as 8th graders as an exercise to give them an opportunity to experience and understand what it feels like to be labeled," Mitchell said. They are different for the simple fact that they are 8th graders. The labels were worn at all times, even after school and at all extracurricular activities, and were not to be defaced in any way."

The final part of the project required students to present a written report and visual presentation which included speakers like Doering, playing music from the time period and other presentations.

"I thought that the whole unit on Anne Frank was very interesting. It makes me realize that I have it really easy,"

Ann Lappan said. "When we wore the badges I felt like an outcast even though all of my friends were wearing one

Even though we know what they (Jews) went through, we'll never really know how it felt."

"I personally didn't like wearing the badge that said 8th grader mainly because I received a lot of criticism about it. But it was a fun learning experience how the Jews were treated differently because they wore the Star of David," said Brent Deller.

The great February feather count

By Peggy Ridgway

Birding Enthusiast For those who enjoy watching those winter wings frisking to and from your yards, there's a worthwhile and valuable four-day research project

waiting for your involvement. Participation many include one or all four days. Individuals can report birds seen at feeders, around the neighborhood, nearby forests, or along open river corridors.

The Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) is a worldwide online reporting effort involving professional and amateur bird watchers submitting their observations of bird species and their numbers just prior to the massive global spring migrations.

This year's count takes place February 17, 18, 19 and 20.

Initiated in 1998 by Cornell Lab of Ornithology, this citizen science project has grown to involve 192 countries. In 2022 there were 7,099 avian species recorded throughout the world, with 682 in the U.S. alone. The average citizen reporting their findings makes it possible for researchers to gain extremely valuable knowledge of the whereabouts of various birds, plus their current populations just prior to the breeding season.

For many feathered creatures the spring movement may take as many as two or three months to complete. For those such as humming birds, tanagers, orioles, and various warblers, the journey from South America wintering grounds involves long spans of travel. Many move in the safety of night because air currents are more stable, temperatures more consistent, and there are fewer predators.

During the days, they'll rest and eat before departing under the veil of darkness. Researchers have also recently discovered various vocalizations that different species will emit back and forth to maintain contact during the nocturnal flights.

Those will constantly frequenting your winter feeders have chosen to remain and continue their busy lives even

Benghauser relates days of teaching and historical restoration

February 15, 1998 ~ By Aldean Wiltse

Senior Correspondent

Bonnie Benghauser, along with her late husband, Floyd, better known as "Bing," taught school in Alcona County for many years and were instrumental in creating the Sturgeon Point Museum and restoring the lighthouse there. Bonnie remains active in the Alcona County Historical Society.

Bonnie relates many happy memories of her students. Her eyes light up when she speaks of her favorite group, the junior high children. "They have such an eagerness to learn, and they still believe the teacher knows a few things. You can just see their little minds working," Bonnie said.

In 1980 and 1981, "Mr. and Mrs. Bing" worked with the historical society in restoring the Bailey School. "Since the school had been left open for many years, a lot of the desks and seats were used as coffee tables and furniture in various homes in the area. When we started the restoration, all of the people donated those items

back to the historical society. Bonnie and her husband

received permission from the DNR to restore the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse. The windows were gone, and the railings on the stairs had been removed and burned for beach fires. The DNR tore down the tower and put in new shutters and a new door. They rented it for a while to Dorothy Green, and she used it for an art studio."

The Coast Guard had weather equipment inside, and they restored the light. The shipping industry doesn't need the light anymore, with their modem navigation equipment, but the small boats and fishermen like the light," she said.

The historical society opened the museum-gift shop and keeps the area open from Memorial Day to mid Octo-

Bonnie makes her home in Black River, in the same home she and Bing shared since 1954.

Her home is tastefully decorated in a warm country style, with natural wood, wrought iron, and splashes of brilliant red. On a chair in her living room lies a tiger striped cat, who Bonnie describes as "her

owner." The cat awakes from a nap to emit a loud "meow" to let visitors know the cat also owns the chair. On a doorway in Bonnie's kitchen hangs her self-made quilt appliqued with trees and buildings - a miniature of her own property. Between two trees on the quilt, and also on her property, is a cable car, a downhill ride for her children and students, and now for her grandchildren, greatgrandchildren, that is a 40 mile-an-hour thrill for all.

Also on the quilt is an applique of a hollowed-out tree that would once house three of her four children, at least for a few minutes.

Bonnie and Bing had two sons and two daughters, and she speaks of them with love and pride. She has 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She is working on a quilt that will be her 13th for the grandchildren. She will, no doubt, soon begin the same projects for the great-grandchildren.

She remains active with the historical society and is an elder in her church, Spruce Presbyterian; and she also keeps busy with the women's association in the church.

Bonnie was born on April 7, 1913, to Nelson and Olla Burnett. She attended Detroit City College, now Wayne State University. She went on to school at Eastern and Michigan State. She began teaching as a substitute teacher in Royal Oak.

In our area, she taught art and science, and later became a reading specialist and taught senior-developmental reading.

She says she enjoyed this subject since it was an elected class, and the students who chose the class did so for the sole purpose of improving their reading skills, thus they were motivated to achieve more than they would be in a required class.

In 1977 Bonnie was awarded the Silver Service Award from 4-H. In 1987 then Governor Blanchard honored Bonnie as First Lady of Alcona County with a luncheon in Lansing with her family, and a tea at the Alcona County Courthouse.

In 1988 the Alcona County Fair Board elected Bonnie as Homemaker of the Year.

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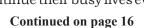


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Trivia Test By Fifi Rodriguez



- **1. TELEVISION:** What was the name of the saloon in the 1960s series "Gunsmoke"?
- **2. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** To date, how many people have walked on the moon?
- **3. GEOGRAPHY:** What is the capital of the Canadian province Nova Scotia?
- **4. MOVIES:** How many "Police Academy" movies have been produced?
- **5. U.S. STATES:** Why is Indiana known as "The Hoosier State"?
- **6. FOOD & DRINK:** What percentage of a cucumber is water?
- **7. HISTORY:** Which company published its first mail-order catalog in 1872?
- **8. ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What does the armadillo's name mean in English?
- **9. LITERATURE:** What is author Mark Twain's real name?
- **10. CELEBRITIES:** What is one of singer/actor Frank Sinatra's famous nicknames, based on a physical attribute?

Answers: 1. Long Branch Saloon.; 2. 12.; 3. Halifax.; 4. Seven, including the original movie and six sequels.; 5. The name became popular in the 1800s, likely from the poem "The Hoosier's Nest."; 6. 96%.; 7. Montgomery Ward.; 8. Little armored one.; 9. Samuel Langhorne Clemens.; 10. Ol' Blue Eyes. © 2023 King Features Synd., Inc.

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Moments In Time By The History Channel



- On Feb. 27, 1693, England's first women's magazine, The Ladies Mercury, debuted. With a print run of just four weeks, each single-sheet, double-sided issue consisted of an advice column addressing "all the most nice and curious questions concerning love, marriage, behavior, dress and humor of the female sex, whether virgins, wives or widows."
- On March 5, 1774, John Hancock delivered the fourth annual Massacre Day speech, commemorating the Boston Massacre in which British soldiers killed five men in a crowd on King Street. Hancock's oration and denunciation of the presence of British troops in Boston increased his standing as a leading patriot.
- On March 1, 1869, U.S. postage stamps featuring scenes were issued for the first time. The pictorials included a post horse and rider, a locomotive, a shield, an eagle and a ship, and the Adriatic Sea. Prior to that time, the stamps had only depicted portraits of dead statesmen.
- On March 4, 1960, actress-comedienne Lucille Ball filed for divorce from Cuban-American singer and bandleader Desi Arnaz, citing his drinking and infidelity, after 14 years of marriage. The couple most memorably earned a place in American hearts as Ricky and Lucy Ricardo on their 1950s TV sitcom "I Love Lucy."
- On March 2, 1962, Philadelphia Warriors center Wilt Chamberlain scored 100 points, the most ever by an NBA player in a single game, in a match with the New York Knicks in Hershey, Pennsylvania, with a final winning score for the Warriors of 169-147. Six decades later, Chamberlain's record still remains unbroken.
- On March 3, 1991, motorist Rodney King's severe beating at the hands of Los Angeles police officers was captured on an amateur video taken by bystander George Holliday from a nearby balcony, which later led to riots when the officers were acquitted. King had been stopped and arrested for driving while intoxicated on the interstate.
- On Feb. 28, 2013, scientists electrically connected the brains of two rats with electrodes reaching into the motor cortex, the region of the brain that processes movement. The animals were then able to share and act on each other's sensory information and were trained to press a lever when a light went on above it.

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Strange But True By Lucie Winborne

- Nintendo was founded in 1889 as a playing card company.
- Garbage collectors in Turkey have filled their own library entirely from books thrown away by residents. Originally destined for landfills, around 6,000 tomes are now safely housed on shelves, waiting to be reread -- or discovered -- by the public.
- Gray cats are frequently the result of a diluted black fur gene.
- The World's Largest Collection of the World's Smallest Versions of the World's Largest Things is a museum in Lucas, Kansas, created by Erika Nelson. It consists of miniatures created from photos of the world's largest
- On May 9, 1945, reports that Nazi Germany had surrendered to the USSR triggered a 22-hour celebration that caused the country to temporarily run out of vodka!
- An Arizona man didn't realize he was a big winner at a Las Vegas slot machine because its lights and buzzers never went on. Fortunately, an investigation by the Nevada Gaming Control Board resulted in a happy ending and the bestowal of the gentleman's \$230,000.
- Not only can you be right-handed or left-handed, you can be right or left eared and eyed.
- "Tartle" is a Scottish word referring to the feeling of hesitation or panic you experience when unable to recall another person's name.
- Though heavy metal music originated in the U.S. and the U.K., Finland has the most metal bands per capita, with Sweden and Norway tying for second place and Iceland coming in third.
- There's a name for three consecutive strikes in bowling: a turkey or sizzling turkey. Any additional strike after that is called a bagger.

Thought for the Day: "Management is about persuading people to do things they do not want to do, while leadership is about inspiring people to do things they never thought they could." -- Steve Jobs

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Kovels: Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Quilt cabinet

If the colorful panels on this cabinet remind you of a patchwork quilt, that's exactly what the artist wanted. Jim Rose makes furniture and art objects out of aged steel. His work is original and innovative, and his inspiration comes from centuries-old American styles like folk art and Shaker furniture.

This "Quilt" cabinet, which sold at Palm Beach Modern Auctions for \$1,400, was inspired by quilts made in Gee's Bend, Alabama. Gee's Bend is a largely isolated community on the Alabama River. Its African-American residents preserve the cultural traditions of their ancestors. Quilting originated in the bedcovers made in the early 19th century. Gee's Bend quilts feature colorful designs made from rectangular strips or triangular pieces of

Some follow traditional patterns; others have informal, abstract designs. Jim Rose created similar patterns in steel and wood for many of his works, including this cabinet.

Q: The other day, two of my snow globes broke. They each hold a special meaning, and I would like them fixed. One is a music box snow globe while the other is a simple snow globe. They both seem to need nothing more than their globes replaced. Do you know of a place that can fix a snow globe, or even someone I could speak with that might know something?

A: If the globes are glass, they can be replaced. You can find places that repair snow globes by searching online for snow globe repair or by searching the business directory on our website, Kovels.com. Replacement globes and "snowflakes" are available online. A toy and hobby store, a doll hospital or a store that sells craft supplies might also be a source.

TIP: You can safely store an old quilt by putting it on an unused bed and covering it with a plain coverlet.

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Doll, Hasbro, Sweet Cookie, painted face, blue eyes, open mouth, top teeth, blond wig, blue checked dress, apron, recipe book, mixer, bowls, spoons, measuring cups, 1972, 17 1/2 inches, \$70.

Jewelry, pin, red velvet petals, composite berry cluster, marked, Chanel, France, box, 33/4x31/ 2 inches, \$190.

Lamp, electric, figural, Cupid with arrow, gilt metal, round base, embroidered shade, fringe ends, glass finial, square marble plinth, mid-20th century, 30 x 15 inches, \$300.

Textile, lace, symmetrical, two seated figures, flowering vine, angels and birds, rabbits alternate



The "Goat and Bee" milk jug with incised triangle and script Chelsea mark, 1745-49, sold at Doyle for \$3,780. Photo courtest of Kovel.com

with flowers around border, signed, dated, Bete Peters, 1781, frame, 21 x 29 1/2 inches, \$440.

Glass goblet set, flutes, cranberry glass foot, four lobes, raised gilding, leafy scrolls and flowers, c. 1900, 6 1/4 inches, 12 pieces, \$445.

Decoy, swan, head turned, preening position, wood, painted, white, black beak, glass eyes, signed, JP, $7 \frac{1}{2} \times 16$ inches, \$500.

Sports card, basketball, LeBron James, rookie, Cleveland Cavaliers, Draft Pick, Topps, No. 221, 2003, \$555.

Watch, Flore, hunting case, 14K gold, gold tone dial, Arabic numerals, seconds dial, Swiss hallmarks, 2 3/4 x 2 inches, \$770.

Furniture, bookcase cabinet, Classical Gothic, cherry, burl, tiger maple, poplar, top with arched doors and side panels, molded cornice, lower case with butler's desk over two cabinet doors, inlaid bone escutcheons, 1820-40, 95 x 45 1/2 x 24 inches, \$1,280.

TIP: Use your grandmother's good dishes. Who are you saving them for?

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Veteran's Post

By Freddy Graves

\$30 million for homeless veterans grants

to award \$30 million to organizations to hire case minute. Reach out for help now. There are remanagers across the country to support homeless veterans for two years beginning this October. Those 150 case managers will assist with searching for and obtaining permanent housing and troubleshooting any barriers to keeping that hous-

Those barriers to finding and keeping housing can range from having a poor credit history, to being behind in rent, to having legal problems and more.

The VA goes by the Housing First philosophy: The veteran needs the stability of housing before taking additional steps to improve quality of life. Once the veteran is in permanent housing, the rest of the work starts -- job training, mental health care, education assistance, medical care ... whatever it takes to keep them in their home. The Housing First model was tested early on, and the results were promising: In a test of the first 177 homeless veterans, the program reduced the waiting time for housing placement from 235 days to

If you're a homeless veteran or know someone who is, call the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans at 877-4AID-VET (877-424-3838) or see www.va.gov/homeless. If you know that you're

The Department of Veterans Affairs is gearing up likely to be homeless soon, don't wait until the last sources to help you with health care, employment, housing and much more. You can also go to your closest VA medical center. While you're there, ask about Community Resource and Referral Centers (CRRCs) and their list of contacts who have the resources to help.

If your community group works to assist homeless veterans, take a look at the Housing First information at www.va.gov/HOMELESS/nchav/ resources/housing-programs/housing-first.asp.

Applications for the Case Management Grants must be received by May 4, 2023. See the notice in the Federal Register at https://tinyurl.com/ 27x3djay. If you have questions, contact the Grant and Per Diem Program at GPDGrants@va.gov.

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CryptoQuip

What would you call a group of certain small flatfish that start a company together? Co-flounders.

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: D equals F

MIPO MUTGZ RUT NPGG P QEUTX UD NJEOPCY HKPGG DGPODCHI OIPO HOPEO P NUKXPYR OUQJOIJE? NU-DGUTYZJEH.

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Mikado Goodfellows Bingo every Monday 6:30 p.m. at Mikado Civic Center. Winner-takes-all game and hot balQl. All proceeds to charity.

LEGAL **NOTICE**

State of Michigan **Probate Court Alcona County Notice to Creditors** Decedent's Estate Case No. 23-6337-DE

Court address 106 N. 5th Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 Court telephone No. (989) 724-9490 Estate of David L. Wiley Date of birth: September 16,

To all creditors: Notice to creditors: The decedent, David L. Wiley, died Auaust 21 2022

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Patricia J. Wiley, 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: February 15, 2023 David H. Cook, P40560 Attorney 5466 M-72 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (989) 724-5155 Patricia J. Wiley Personal representative 10907 - H Landings Drive Huntersville, NC 28078 (704)500-7491

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Jamieson Nursing Home

Now Hiring R.N, LP.N., CNA and a cook. Call 989-724-6889

BUYING TIMBER

Buying standing timber, minimum five acres. Cole Forest Products (989) 736-8928.

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board regular meeting held February 8 at 7 p.m. and budget workshop at 6:30 p.m. Motion passed to pay bills as presented. Motion passed to approve minutes January 11. Motion passed to deny Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) appeal. Motion passed to hire multiple contractors for APRA funds projects. Motion passed to transfer budget funds. Motion passed to apply for EGLE permit. Motion passed to hire FOIA coordinator and ordinance enforcer. Motion passed to approved site plan forms. Motion passed to hold budget public hearing and truth and taxation on March 8 from 6:30 to 7 p.m. before regular meeting at 7 p.m. Motion passed to have auditor complete ARPA funds reporting. Motion passed to adjourn at 8:36 p.m. Synopsis is being printed prior to

board approval.

Cindy Smith Township Clerk

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW CLASSIFIEDS

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BOARD OF REVIEW

Caledonia Township, Alcona County

2023 March Board of Review Times and Dates Place; Caledonia Township Hall, 6461 Gillard Rd Spruce, MI 48762

Organizational Meeting; Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 11:30 am Appeals Meeting: Monday, March 13th, 2023 at 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Appeals Meeting: Thursday, March 16th, 2023 at 9 am. to 3 p.m.

Supervisor - Cyndy Aspey

Non-Residents are able to protest by letter, provided the letter is received prior to March 7, 2023 Petitions by phone, fax of electronic device will not be heard. Mail Letters to:

Caledonia Township Assessor P.O. Box 517

Hillman, MI 49746

In commpliance with Sec. 211.34A of the general property tax law of the State of Michigan the following are the tentative ratio and tentative multipliers to be applied to the assessed values of each class of property in Caledonia Township, Alcona County, to achieve equalized values for 2023

Caledonia Township 2023	RATIO	FACTOR
Agriculturial	43.94	1.13792
Commercial	48.07	1.04015
Industrial	46.37	1.07828
Residential	41.84	1.19503
Timber Cutover	N/A	N/A
Developmental	N/A	N/A
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven-day notice. Contact: Supervisor Cyndy Aspey (989) 335-3018 8/15 thru 3/1

2023 Board of Review Notice Millen Township

Barton City FOE 4141, 671 N Sanborn Road Barton City, MI 48705

The Millen Township Board of Review for 2023 will be held at the Barton City FOE, 671 N Sanborn Road on the following dates:

March 14, 2023 3 p.m. - 9 p.m. March 18, 2023 9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. An organizational meeting will be held March 7, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this

Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is

received prior to March 14, 2023 The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of

real property and persona	al property for 202	22 are as follows:
Agricultural	50.00	1.00000
Commercial	49.93	1.00000
Residential	49.97	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

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8/15 thru 3/1

2023 BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE Harrisville Township 114 S. Poor Farm Road Harrisville, MI 48740

The Harrisville Township Board of Review for 2023 will be held at the Harrisville Township Hall, 114 S. Poor Farm Road on the following

> March 14, 2023 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. March 16, 2023 3 p.m. - 9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 7, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 14, 2023.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2023 are as follows: Commercial 49.94 1.00000 Industrial 49.92 1.00000 Residential 50.00 1.00000 Personal Property 50.00 1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven-day notice. Contact: Supervisor Carla Brimm at 989-848-2401. 2/15 thru 3/1

2023 Board of Review Notice City of Harrisville City Clerk's Office, 200 Fifth Street Harrisville, MI 48740

The City of Harrisville Board of Review for 2023 will be held at the City Clerk's Office, 200 Fifth Street on the following dates:

March 14, 2023 3 p.m. - 9 p.m. March 16, 2023 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 7, 2023 at 10:15 a.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 14, 2023.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of nerty and personal property for 2023 are as follow

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Commercial	49.98	1.00000	
Industrial	49.89	1.00000	
Residential	49.98	1.00000	
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000	

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The City will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven-day notice. Contact: Barbara Pierce at City Clerk's Office, 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. Mon - Friday at 989-724-6666. 2/15 thru 3/1

2023 Board of Review Notice **Hawes Township** VFW Post 8135, 2120 Trask Lake Road Barton City, MI 48705

The Hawes Township Board of Review for 2023 will be held at the VFW Post, 2120 Trask Lake Road on the following dates: March 13, 2023 3 - 9 p.m.

March 17, 2023 9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1 - 4 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 7, 2023 at 7 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 13, 2023.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of

real property and personal property to	or 2023 are	as follows
Agricultural	49.73	1.00000
Commercial	49.91	1.00000
Industrial	49.82	1.00000
Residential	49.59	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven-day notice. Contact: Supervisor Rodney Cordes at 989-736-8460

2/15 thru 3/1

2023 Board of Review Notice Mitchell Township

6849 W Tower Road, Curran, MI 48728

The Mitchell Township Board of Review for 2023 will be held at the Mitchell Township Hall, 6849 Tower Road on the following dates: March 13, 2023 9 - 12:00 p.m. & 1 - 4 p.m.

March 15, 2023 2. - 5 p.m. & 6 - 9 p.m. An organizational meeting will be held March 7, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this

meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 13, 2023. The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of

real property and personal property for 2023 are as follows: Agricultural 50.00 1.00000 49.94 1.00000 Commercial 1.00000 Industrial 49.92 Personal Property 50.00 1.00000

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2/15 thru 3/1

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VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, Feb. 6. at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those present included president Phillips; treasurer Mahalak, clerk Somers; council members Durham, Gauthier, Lucas, Schick, Wambold and Werth. The minutes of the January meeting were approved on a motion from Durham with support from Schick. The minutes of the January 30 special meeting were approved on a motion from Durham with support from Schick.

The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Schick with support from Gauthier. Bills were approved for payment as presented on a motion from Durham with support from Gauthier. In Public comment time Leroy Perrin read a note of apology from the ACCOA board for the actions of the suspended executive director. Rosie Perrin stated that she hopes the council will not feel that they have to be bullied into making a decision on the verbiage change due to things that happened in the past.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the verbiage change to our ordinance. A motion was made by Gauthier to add the two words, Townhomes and Condominiums to the ordinance. Schick offered support. A roll vote was taken: Durham, nay; Gauthier yea; Lucas yea; Schick, yea; Wambold, nay; and Werth, yea. Motion carried. A donation of \$250 was received toward the pavilion fund. Planning Commission meets on February 20. They will be discussing updating the bylaws and the blight ordinance as well as looking over site plans for the veterans building. The zoning report was given.

President Phillips gave an overview of the fire department budget for the upcoming year. Fire contracts will be going out later this week. Gary Graves gave the maintenance report. He has been working on routering names for the veterans memorial beside the village hall. The sewer report was given. There is a lot of work that needs to be done on Second and Traverse Bay roads. A motion was made by Schick, with support from Wambold, to have president Phillips speak with the DDA and seek its help with contacting Fleis and Vandenbrink, engineers to see about getting some grant funds to fix things properly.

Durham stated that he has received news on the electric car charging station. He met with an official from Consumers today and they are looking at a few different spots in the parking lot beside the Post Office. He will have to see about the cost and report back to the village council. There may be grant funds available as well.

The March meeting will be held beginning at 6:45 p.m. in order to hold the budget hearing prior to the regular monthly meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Schick with support from Gauthier. Carried.

Linda K. Somers Village Clerk

The Lincoln Village Council and the planning commission for the village met on Monday, Jan. 30 at 6 p.m. at the village hall/fire hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those present included president Sheila Phillips; treasurer/zoning administrator Marsha Mahalak, clerk Linda Somers, council members, Jason Durham; Bonny Gauthier; Debbie Lucas; Dorene Schick; Brett Wambold; and Brent Werth. Members of the planning commission present were Marcie Cowles and Christine Skuse. Absent was planning commission Chairman Marilyn Wissmiller and planning commission member Destinee Wambold. Village Attorney Matt Wojda was also present as well as many guests.

President Phillips stated that the only purpose of this meeting is to discuss the possible change in verbiage to our current ordinance that does not allow for townhomes and condominiums. President Phillips thanked John Smith of Northeastern Window and Door for donating chairs to be used for the meeting tonight. Additionally, thanks to Larry and Kyle Apsey for providing us with a sound system. Colored zoning maps were provided so that everyone could see what areas were being considered for the verbiage change. Meeting was opened to

Gary Wnuk of Mitchell Township said he will stand with us for doing the right thing. Kathy Schwartz asked about what the change is that we are looking at. We are discussing whether or not to add verbiage that would include condominiums and town homes to the ordinance. Apartments are already included in the ordinance. President Phillips read the description of the dwellings and the allowable structures within the B1 district. The two words that are being possibly added are condominiums and town homes. She gave a description of both as

Teri Goldstrom, Village of Lincoln, spoke of her concerns with what this will do to the already stretched first responders, fire departments and police departments. Nick Goldstrom, Hawes Township spoke. He is concerned about the sewer system that could potentially cause problems. We do not have the ability to add too many more residences to our system. Kirk Belt, village resident questioned if this would mean rezoning the entire B1 district. Does it have to be done in this manner? President Phillips stated that we are not going to spot zone. Whatever decision is made will affect all the B1 district. Village resident Liz Connolly spoke. She is wondering why there are spots that have two different zoning areas side by side. These may have been grandfathered in from many years ago. Attorney Wojda talked about the earlier ordinances or zoning that was in place in the past. Natalie Goldstrom

addressed concerns about the sewer system being overtaxes. President Phillips stated that whatever may be done in B1 areas is

not our concern as we do not have the ability to add that many more people to our system. Rosie Perrin asked if more residents moved in would they be able to connect to the system. Under the current conditions of our system we don't foresee any additions to the sewer system. Gary Wnuk expressed concerns about the traffic along Barlow Road with the possible addition of the new ACCOA complex. President Phillips stated that when the road work was done along Barlow Road an extra turn lane was added by Kris Mart and Dollar General. She stated that the ACCOA grant was given extra points due to its close proximity to the grocery stores, school and clinic. Kathy Schwartz stated that she felt a lot of people did not show up for the meeting due to the concerns over not being able to talk about the ACCOA grant. Teri Goldstrom is concerned about whether or not there will be enough people to fill apartments or town homes. Nick Goldstrom is concerned about whether or not the village is going to be left holding the bag if the buildings are not finished. Attorney Wojda stated that the village can put a time limit in place and follow

Council Member Bonny Gauthier asked about the ACCOA grant. She thought the grant was supposed to be for a much wider group than just seniors. Leroy Perrin stated that it specifies "Housing" but does not state that it has to be for the general public. Bonny stated that she is embarrassed by all the fighting over the whole situation and wants to know what the ACCOA grant involves. She is concerned about whether or not there will ever be more grants offered due to the problems that have been happening and whether or not the grant is going back to the state. Leroy stated that the ACCOA board intends to spend every last dime and use the funds for something absolutely amazing. Bonny asked if the new building would be available to rent like the current building used to be. Leroy stated that it will.

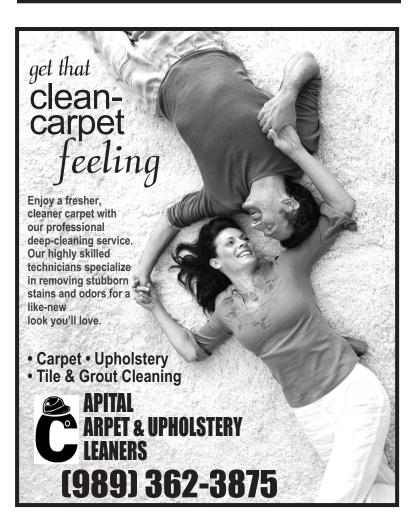
Sheriff Scott Stephenson, EMS director Scott Rice and fire chief of the Lincoln Fire Department all stated that they do not anticipate any big problems if the ordinance passes and town homes and condominiums are allowed in the community.

No further comments were heard. President Phillips thanked everyone who came out and the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m. The village council will address the possible verbiage change at its regular meeting on Monday, Feb. 6 at 7 p.m.

Linda K. Somers

Village Clerk

ALCONA COUNTY FAIR BUMP
AND RUN ON ICE
March 4, 2023 at 1:00 pm
ARA Site, Lincoln
\$10.00 Gate Fee - Kids 12 and
Under Free
Preferred Parking overlooking
track for additional \$25.00
Front/\$15.00 Back
Purchase in Advance at Ritchie
Repair, Harrisville 989-724-3250
Race Info: Bari 989-657-4600,
Kevin 989-335-0307



The Barton City
Kids Ice Fishing
Tournament on
February 18th has
been cancelled
due to
unfavorable ice
conditions and the
safety of
participants and
volunteers.

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under often inclement climatic conditions. Their survival tactics are amazing and scientists continue to learn more through new and various techniques.

However, humans are still limited physically to the amount of territory they can adequately cover. Thus, with the assistance of many citizens, the GBBC enables researchers to reach far beyond physical and technological limits and tally species at locations that otherwise may have been missed.

There is growing concern over a number of avians whose populations have dramatically declined. The 2022 State of the Birds Report for the United States found that bird declines are continuing in almost every habitat except wetlands. It continues by stating, "populations in forests, grasslands, deserts, and oceans are struggling... 70 are Tipping Point Species, meaning birds that have lost half or more of their populations in the past 50 years."

Among those listed was the evening grosbeak. I recall seeing at least 50-100 at my feeders several years ago during the GBBC. Now, there are very few local residents seeing them and reports are minimal.

On the other hand, locally we are experiencing an in-



Mallard ducks and Canada geese walk along the edge of open water. *Photo by Bill Roth.*

crease of northern cardinals. This too is an interesting and encouraging trend and, hopefully, will be documented by some count participants.

With so many different species being recorded, it's important that the observer know and use the correct name. For instance, since there are several kinds of doves around the world, it's important to list the right name for the one being reported in your region.

In our area, mourning dove would be acceptable, whereas "dove" would not be. Online identification tools are available for anyone to see quickly which species are usually found in your particular region.

To find out more about how to participate in this fabulous online event, log on to birdcount.org. Easy step by step procedures show how to enter and correctly document species you observe. If you are a photographer too, there's also a link to download and display your captured moments.

Count one or all four days at the locations of your choice and make it a memorable part of 2023. Know that there's a feather waiting for your cap.



Wild turkeys feast at an outdoor feeder. Photo by Dee Schirmer.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of February 6-12, 2023

103 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 3 Arrests; 2 Warrant Arrests; 1 Operate While Intoxicated; 16 Citations Issued.

Complaint Statistics					
Car/Deer Accidents	7	Traffic/Traffic Stop	50		
Animal Neglect	1	Warrant Arrest	2		
Property Damage Accident	1	Personal Injury Accident	1		
Assist	6	Animal/Dog	7		
Fraud	2	Patrol Check	1		
Well Being Check	4	911 Hang Up	1		
Suspicious Event	4	Criminal Sexual Conduct	1		
Operate While Intoxicated	1	Lost/Found Property 2			
Larceny	1	Suicidal Subject	1		
Civil	2	Threats 1			
Fire	1	Domestic	1		
Juvenile	1	Unwanted Subject	1		
Alarm	1	Overdose	1		
Malicious Dest. of Property	1				

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

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Alcona	6		Caledonia 6	Curtis	10	
Greenbush		22	Gustin	7	Harrisville	13
Hawes	10		Haynes9	Mikado	3	
Millen		3	Mitchell	2		
Harrisville Cit	y	8	Village of Li	incoln 4		