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Researchers find elusive shipwreck

Researchers have discovered an intact shipwreck resting hundreds of feet below the surface of Lake Huron in NOAA's Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary in Alpena.

The shipwreck has been identified as the sailing ship Ironton. Magnificently preserved by the cold freshwater of the Great Lakes for over a century, the 191-foot Ironton rests upright with its three masts still standing.

"The discovery illustrates how we can use the past to create a better future," said Jeff Gray, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary superintendent. "Using this cutting-edge technology, we have not only located a pristine shipwreck lost for over a century, we are also learning more about one of our nation's

Charles J. Kershaw departed Ashtabula, Ohio, on Lake Erie, with the schooner barges Ironton and Moonlight in tow. The vessels sailed empty, destined for Marquette, Mich., on Lake Superior.

At 12:30 a.m. on September 26, while sailing north across Lake Huron under clear skies, Kershaw's engine failed, leaving the ship without power. A few miles north of the Presque Isle Lighthouse, a strong south wind pushed Moonlight and Ironton toward the disabled steamer. To avoid entanglement and a possible collision, Moonlight's crew cut Ironton's tow line, detaching the steamer from the schooner barges.

Ironton's crew found themselves suddenly adrift in the dark and at the mercy of Lake

with the steamer was unavoidable.

In an interview published by the Duluth News Tribune the following day, William Wooley of Cleveland, Ohio, a surviving crew member of Ironton, recounted his experience. "At this time we sighted a steamer on our starboard bow. She came up across our bow and we struck her on the quarter about aft of the boiler house. A light was lowered over our bow, and we saw a hole in our port bow and our stem splintered." (Duluth News Tribune, Sept. 27, 1894)

The two vessels separated after the impact, both fatally damaged. Ironton's bow tore a 12-foot diameter hole into Ohio's wooden hull. Heavily laden with cargo, Ohio sank



Ironton rests hundreds of feet below the surface with its three masts standing and rigging attached to the spars, and is magnificently preserved by the cold freshwater of Lake Huron. An anchor rests still attached on the bow of the sunken schooner barge. *Photo courtesy of NOAA/ Undersea Vehicles Program UNCW.*

most important natural resources—the Great Lakes. This research will help protect Lake Huron and its rich history."

The Sinking

In September 1894, Ironton sank in a collision that took the lives of five of the ship's crew. Accounts from the wreck's two survivors provide details about the loss of the vessel in "Shipwreck Alley"—an area of Lake Huron known for its treacherous waters that have claimed the lives of many sailors.

The 190-foot steamer

Huron's wind-blown seas. Under the direction of Captain Peter Girard, they fought to regain control of the ship, firing up the vessel's auxiliary steam engine to help set the struggling ship's sails. Despite their efforts, Ironton, propelled by the wind from astern, veered off course into the path of the southbound steamer Ohio. The 203-foot wooden freighter Ohio was headed to Ogdensburg, N.Y., from Duluth, Minn., loaded with 1,000 tons of grain.

By the time Ironton's crew spotted the approaching Ohio through the darkness, it was too late—a head-on collision

quickly, with all 16 crew escaping on lifeboats. Nearby ships rescued the sailors.

The damaged Ironton, however, drifted out of sight of the responding vessels. By the time Captain Girard realized he could not save the ship, Ironton had drifted for over an hour, far from the view of any surrounding vessels.

As the schooner barge slipped swiftly beneath the waves, Ironton's seven-man crew retreated to their lifeboat. However, in the commotion, no one untied the "painter," a line that secured the lifeboat to Ironton. Survi-

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Daylight saving time starts March 12, with clocks moving forward one hour ahead.

ACCOA to hold special election

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

With the unprecedented resignation of four Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) board members after the remaining five board members suspended and subsequently terminated its executive director, the remaining members have decided to hold a special election to fill three board seats.

A fourth seat has already been filled by the ACCOA's executive committee's decision to appoint Phil Potter.

Although they were not sure when the special election would be held, it was said during the February 28 ACCOA board meeting that five applications have been submitted and no more applications would be accepted at this time.

Present at the February 28 board meeting were president LeRoy Perrin; vice-president Delores Schlicker; Secretary Robert Turek; treasurer Rolland Lynch; and directors, Stan Wojnar and Phil Potter.

Board members discussed holding the special election before the next board meeting scheduled for March 28 and it was questioned whether a nominating committee would be necessary.

According to the ACCOA bylaws, a nominating committee is elected by the board months before an election. Since this was a special election, the consensus of the board felt it would not be necessary to elect a nominating committee.

Another election will take place in September and Turek mentioned that Potter's term will expire then. He said they were still looking into when the other board seat terms would expire.

Perrin explained the executive board appointed Potter because it felt having only five members on a nine-member board was not sufficient. "We thought if someone got sick or could not make it to a meeting, we wouldn't have a quorum. We now have six (board members)," Perrin said.

Schlicker brought up she would like to have a meet-the-applicant event for participating members and guests. She felt it would allow members an opportunity to come back and dine at the senior center while getting to know a little about the applicants they will be voting for before the election.

According to the ACCOA bylaws, only participating members, who are general members aged 60 or more and their spouses who have completed a current recorded National Aging Program Information System (NAPIS) form, which is available at the senior center, may vote in an ACCOA election. Bylaws say nothing about who can vote during a special election.

Despite several attempts to reach ACCOA officers for clarification about the special election, who has applied for the seats, when it will be held or who is permitted to vote, no one returned calls or emails.



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BUDGET HEARING

The City of Harrisville will hold the General Fund Budget and Truth and Taxation meeting for the fiscal year 2023-2024 on Monday, March 13, 2023 at 7:05 PM at the City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St., Harrisville, MI 48740. Any questions, please call the city office at 989-724-6666.

HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Harrisville Township will hold its public hearing on the proposed 2023-2024 fiscal year budget at the township hall on March 14, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. **The proposed tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be the subject of this hearing.** A copy of the budget can be viewed online at harrisvilletownship.com after March 1, 2023. The regular meeting will follow the public hearing at 7p.m.
Chad Spitznagel, Township Supervisor

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BIDS WANTED

Sealed Bids for City wide HMA overlay will be received by Harrisville, at 200 North 5th Street P.O. Box 278, Harrisville, MI 48740, **until 10:00 am local time on March 31, 2023**, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. Bidding documents are available electronically via e-mail upon request. To request a copy of the plans, send an e-mail to becky.rivard@huron.esi.com and include your name, company name, address, phone number, and email address.

NOTICE

Gustin Township will hold its Annual Budget Meeting for the 2023-24 fiscal year at the township hall at 113 S. Second Street, Lincoln, MI on Monday, March 20th, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. **The property tax mileage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be the subject of this meeting.** The regular township meeting will follow at 6:30 p.m. A copy of the proposed budget is available by contacting the clerk at 989-335-0635.
Renee LaVergne
Gustin Township Clerk

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Obituaries



Lowell T. Somers

Lowell Thomas Somers, 74, of Batesville, Ind. died on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023, at Margaret Mary Hospital in Batesville, Ind.

He was born May 20, 1948, in Lincoln to Eugene and Lois (Doughty) Somers.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and fought in Vietnam.

Mr. Somers was heavily involved in the Ripley County 4-H. He got involved as a

parent and, eventually, worked on the board. He also enjoyed gardening.

Mr. Somers is survived by his wife, Nancy (Stokes) Somers; seven children, Rochelle (Joel) Eppley, Benjamin Somers, Brian Somers, Kelly Somers, Chris Somers, Tammy Magee and Jason Somers; two grandchildren, John Eppley and Niah Eppley; one brother, Leo (Sharon) Somers; two sisters, Mary

(Mike) Caverly and Kaye (Glen) Lovelace.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Marjorie Somers and Carole Sheedlo and one brother-in-law, Barry Sheedlo.

A service will be held at a later date in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to Ripley County 4-H by mailing to Meyers Funeral Home, P.O. Box 202, Batesville, Ind. 47006.

Robert W. Probst

Robert W. Probst, 87, of Hubbard Lake, died on Monday, Feb. 27, 2023, at his daughter's home in Lincoln.

He was born June 21, 1935, to Adolph and Ella (Nemis) Probst in Detroit, Mich., where he was raised.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1954 to 1956.

On October 20, 1956, he married Lorraine Baginski in Detroit, Mich. They were residents of Dearborn Heights, Mich. and Warren, Mich.

Mr. Probst was an engineer with Chrysler Motors. He retired in 1991 to Hubbard Lake, where his greatest joy was taking his family and friends on boat rides around the lake.

He was an active member of St. Catherine Catholic Church in Ossineke. He en-

joyed cars and motorcycles, spending time with his friends and family, and travelling.

Mr. Probst is survived by two daughters, Teri (Tom) Gordon of Hale and Linda (Charles) Perry of Lincoln; eight grandchildren, Crystal (Ryan) Bruza, Shannon Luft, Elizabeth Smieciniski, Kyle Gordon, Jessica Gordon, Chris (Shannon) Gordon, C.J. (Meghan) Perry and Alex (Mallory) Perry; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lorraine, on December 9, 2017, and one sister.

There will be a memorial service Saturday, March 11 at 11 a.m. at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Ossineke. The Rev. John William will officiate. Memorial donations



may be made to Hospice of Michigan, or the cancer center at MyMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

Brian S. Filer

Brian Scott Filer, 61, of Oscoda, formerly of Greenbush died on Sunday, March 5, 2023.

He was born March 20, 1961, in Pontiac, Mich. to Charles Edwin and Dorothy Ionia (Mitchell) Filer. He graduated from Oscoda High School with the class of 1979.

Mr. Filer was a truck driver for more than 10 years with Stevens Van Lines. For the past 30 plus years, he has been employed as a plumbing, heating and cooling technician for Samotis Heating and Cooling.

He loved being outdoors where he enjoyed fishing on the rivers and lakes, camping, and tubing trips down the AuSable River.

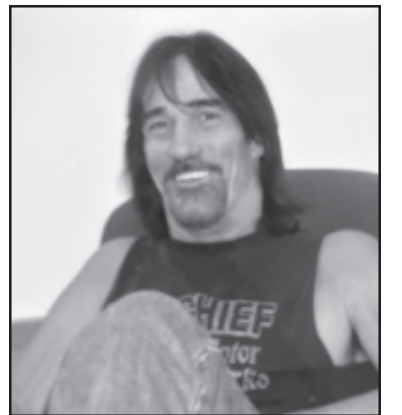
Above everything else, Mr. Filer cherished spending quality time with his family and spoiling his grandchildren.

On December 10, 2022, he married Carol Schulte.

Mr. Filer is survived by his wife, Carol Filer of Oscoda; six children; 13 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; two brothers, Mike (Cheryl) Filer and Todd Filer; three sisters, Karen Rabin, Laura Filer and Cindy (Dean) Nations; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Dorothy Filer; one brother, Mark Filer; and one sister, Linda Filer.

Visitation is Wednesday,



March 8 from noon to 4 p.m. at the Buresh Funeral Home in Oscoda. The funeral service will begin at 4 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Filer family or Friends Together, 105 Prentiss Street, Alpena, Mich. 49707.

Michael J. Fritz

Michael J. Fritz, 84, of Naples, Fla. died on Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2023, at Naples Community Hospital.

He was born on August 6, 1938, in Essexville, Mich. to Benno J. and Mary (Walraven) Fritz. He was raised in Harrisville.

He had been a winter resident of Naples, Fla. for the past 25 years and eight years ago made it his permanent home.

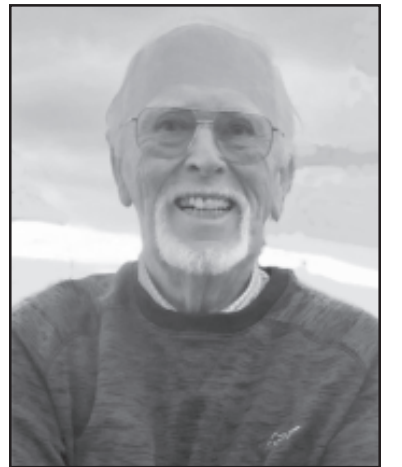
He was a graduate of Michigan State University where he also earned his master's degree in business administration.

After college, Mir. Fritz began his 30-year career with the Ford Motor Company. He retired from Ford in 1993 as a senior financial analyst.

Upon retirement he and his wife of 60 years, Virginia, opened and operated "Lake Street Daisy's," an antique shop in Harrisville for many years.

Mr. Fritz enjoyed playing tennis and golf. He was a member of Spanish Wells Golf Club in Naples, Fla. He was a member of Christus Victor Lutheran Church.

As a husband, he lavished devotion, adoration, friendship, care and love for a lifetime. As a father he provided discipline, direction, adventure, encouragement, and exemplified a love of exercise and vitality. In moderation. As a friend, he was always there with advice, a cold beer and great wit. He will be remembered for his hard



work, love of wonderful food and wine, delight in his family and playful spirit.

Mr. Fritz is survived by one son, Michael A. (Beth) Fritz of Cape Coral, Fla.; two daughters

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Calendar of Events

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

The Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library is celebrating International Women's Day by giving a plant to women who stop into the library. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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

The Sunrise Community Food Pantry is open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church. Clients are asked to come only one time per month and must be present to receive food. Recipients must remain in their vehicle for curbside pickup and follow volunteer traffic control. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county residence. Identification is required. Bring a box or bag. The church is located at 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Call (989) 727-3443 for more information.

THURSDAY, MARCH 9

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

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 info., call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-8600.

The public is encouraged to learn how to be an everyday advocate by bringing attention to teenage dating violence from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Registration is not required to attend this free event. Some educational content related to dating violence may be triggering or upsetting to some attendees. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

There will be a story time and craft activity for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 14

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.

AuSable Valley Audubon will meet at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 401 2nd Street, Tawas City. Guest speaker is Amber Hubbard, coastal stewardship coordinator from Huron Pines, a nonprofit conservation orga-

nization in northern Michigan. For more information, call (989) 387-5980. The public is welcome.

A craft activity making collages for ninth through twelfth grade will be held in the cafeteria of the Alcona High School from 3 to 5 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

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

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Storyteller and theater artist Cassandra Sadler will present her one-woman show, "Women of the Watch: Keepers of the Light," at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312, W. M-72. Everyone is welcome to this free program sponsored by the Alcona Historical Society. For more info., call (989) 724-6796.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

There will be a story time and craft activity for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21

The Alcona Book Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 1 p.m. The selection for March is "weather," by Jenny Offill. Call (989) 724-6384 for details.

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

Correspondence

To the Editor,

As if the \$12 million grant saga at the ACCOA is not divisive enough, at the last public meeting of the board, one of the members wore a MAGA hat. He certainly made a political statement which showed the true colors of the entire board!

A sizable percentage of the citizenry that the ACCOA board represents, does not subscribe to Trumpism or the want of a Trump autocracy.

As an apolitical, publicly funded board, the display of what many consider fascist imagery by an official at an official public meeting is insulting and unpatriotic. He might as well have been sporting swastikas. The guilty board member should remove the hat before public meetings, or step down.

Joe Lukasiewicz
Greenbush

Fritz

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ters, Liza E. F. Deck of Roanoke, Va. and Jessica K. Fritz of Sarasota, Fla.; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Virginia K. Fritz; one son, Benno P. Fritz; one brother, Benno Patrick Fritz; one sister, Kathryn Kniep; and one son-in-law, James A. Deck.

A memorial service was held March 4 at Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, Springs, Fla.



Attention Residents of the Northern Counties:

Are You Low-Income and Need Assistance Paying Your Rent?

The Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program administered by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) may be able to assist. The HCV program is a federally funded rental assistance program that assists low-income residents with paying their rent. Generally, eligible families must have income levels at or below the extremely low-income limit as established by HUD based on county and family size.

MSHDA's HCV Program waiting lists for all Northern Counties: **Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon and Wexford County** will be open on **3/22/2023**, at 11:00 a.m. EST and closed on **4/5/2023**, at 11:00 a.m. EST. Applications are available on-line only; no paper applications will be available or accepted. **NOTE:** You may only apply to one county waiting list.

During the time the waiting list is open, you must submit your application online at: <https://mshda.myhousing.com/>.

Applications received through the website will be entered on the waiting list in the order received (date and time). Preference will be given to County residents (those living or working in the County of application). Additional preferences will be given to Michigan residents (those living or working in Michigan) and to a head of household, co-head, or spouse with a disability.

Placement on the waiting list does not indicate you are eligible for rental assistance. A final determination of eligibility will be made when you are selected from the waiting list, including verifying household income and any preferences selected when applying to the list. If you selected a preference as part of your application and it cannot be verified once you are pulled from the waiting list, your application will be denied, and you will be required to reapply to the waiting list when it is open. Acceptable proof of preferences can be found on MSHDA's HCV waiting list webpage at: www.michigan.gov/mshda/rental/housing-choice-voucher/mshda-housing-choice-voucher-hcv-waiting-list-information.

If you or a household member is disabled and requires a reasonable accommodation to apply for the MSHDA Housing Choice Voucher Waiting List, please call (517) 241-8986 for assistance with your application.



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ACCOA executive committee asks board approval

By **Mary Weber**
Staff Writer

At the February 28 Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) board meeting the executive committee asked for many ratifications of the board.

Throughout the meeting, all board members voted unanimously to ratify, approve or accept every motion with no discussion made after motions were seconded.

ACCOA bylaws state that an executive committee consisting of four elected officers shall be empowered to act on behalf of the board in matters which require an immediate decision in person, by email, by teleconference or by phone. Executive committee decisions are then brought to the board for ratification.

Present at the board meeting were president LeRoy Perrin; vice president Delores Schlicker; secretary Robert Turek; treasurer Rolland Lynch; and directors, Stan Wojnar and Phil Potter. Absent was interim executive director, Susan Krey and member-at-large, Dan O'Connor.

In front of a light public turnout, as compared to the last few ACCOA board meetings, Perrin listed the executive committee meetings in date order:

- February 5, decisions were made to hire interim executive director, Susan Krey and appoint director Phil Potter to one of four empty board seats. The seats became available after the sudden resignation of four board members in January.

- February 12, the executive committee contracted to retain the services of Alexander Stratilatov of Lansing Legal Group as ACCOA's general counsel at a rate of \$250 per hour; the employment of Lenny Avery as ACCOA executive director was terminated and he was to receive all due unpaid leave and any personal property of his that remained in ACCOA offices. Additionally, ACCOA agreed to provide wages at his latest rate until the end of February 2023. The executive board also decided to revise the job description of the executive director in preparation for interviewing applicants.

- February 13 the executive committee authorized changing of authorized personnel on all financial accounts to allow access and smooth financial functioning. They also allowed funds to be moved from investments to the operating reserve fund and approved the 2022/2023 fiscal year budget.

- February 15 the executive board authorized interim executive director Krey to terminate the employment of Katelyn Liford effective immediately.

Under new business, Turek presented a cost proposal from Stephenson and Company to perform an in-depth internal control audit to address internal deficiencies that showed up on the financial audit.

The three-page proposal explained what Stephenson and Company could do and the time frame. The third page

reported the cost range for services, but Turek informed the board that the auditor would not know the exact cost of things until they started looking. Another unanimous decision was made by the board to hire Stephenson and Company to do the in-depth audit. No mention of the cost range was provided to the public.

- Perrin was unanimously authorized by the board to sign the service agreement between Alcona County and the ACCOA. Turek said both he and commissioner Carolyn Brummund, who is an ACCOA member-at-large, looked over the agreement and the language was standard to agreements of the past. Turek said the board should be evaluating their budget at least quarterly and that should be part of the quarterly report they are to give commissioners.

The board meeting also included the vice president's report from Schlicker who said a lot of work has been put into cleaning up the upper and lower level of the senior center including removing some items allowing people to walk around the upper-level gym area. "If you walk around the outside of the room 22 times you have walked one mile," Schlicker said.

Treasurer Rolland Lynch gave his report stating the balances were what was at the banks now and they would have to meet with the bookkeeper to go over a few things next month. ACCOA Edward Jones operating fund \$110,766. Edward Jones restricted funds, \$589,559. Huron Community Bank Food Bank of Lincoln,

\$40,221.04; Huron Community Bank \$138,408.61 making a total of \$878,954.65. The Edward Jones building fund is at \$6,300,876.

Perrin read care workers, meal, transportation and food pantry program notes including that 400 people were given food in January, 300 through the pop-up pantry program and 100 through the direct give program.

Per the report provided by Food Bank of Lincoln coordinator, Karen Hughes, monthly pop-up pantries are now being distributed out of Cole's Appliance warehouse which is east of the ACCOA Lincoln Senior Center located at 207 Church Street. Cole's Appliance owner, Brad Cole, was acknowledged for allowing the monthly use of his building as well as his staff who assists with the pop-up if necessary. In turn, the food bank has given Cole's Appliance a receipt for an in-kind donation. Volunteers for the pop-up pantries are still being sought.

Perrin commented that every time he sees the cars line up for the pop-up pantry he is amazed. "When you see 300 cars lined up to receive food, that is a dire need in this county. I would like to thank Karen for her dedication to the program," Perrin said.

The next pop-up pantry will be held Wednesday, March 15 from 2 to 6 p.m. or until food runs out.

The next board meeting is scheduled for March 28 in the upper level of the Lincoln Senior Center. For more details, meeting minutes or to be put on the list for a monthly newsletter. Call, (989) 736-8879 or (989)334-3466.

Tigers close season with a win

By **Ben Murphy**
Sports Writer

After struggling through a five-game losing streak in recent days, the Alcona boys varsity basketball team got back on track on Saturday, March 4. The Tigers hosted Charlton Heston Academy in a North Star League Big Dipper makeup contest, and claimed a narrow victory, 46-42.

"It was nice to finally get back on the winning track," said head coach Alex Cole. "We've played a really tough schedule this year, especially the last several weeks. So, it was nice to end the regular season with a Big Dipper win at home."

The Tigers struggled in the first quarter and fell behind 12-2 after one. DJ Howe helped the team get going in the second though, netting 10 points and helping push Alcona ahead 16-15 at the half.

In the third quarter, six more points by Howe and a bucket by Somers was all Alcona could get as the Patriots came out ahead, 26-24 entering the fourth.

Howe poured in 11 more points. Somers put in six and Ricky Schott drilled a three as they rallied for the win.

The Tigers were led by Howe who finished with 27

points and 14 rebounds. Somers had 10 points. Schott and Sam Johnston netted three points each. Ryken Wallenmaier netted two and with one was Hayden Johnston.

"I'd like to tip my hat to our five seniors after senior night," Cole said. "Captain DJ Howe, Captain Hayden Johnston, Logan Zuchowski, Ryken Wallenmaier, and Owen Borsvold have made huge contributions to the basketball program and a big-time impact on everyone at Alcona. I couldn't be more proud of these five and excited for their future."

On Thursday, March 2 Alcona lost a non-conference game at Division 3's ninth ranked Standish-Sterling, 72-30.

Somers led the Tigers with 10 points. David Sharboneau and Owen Borsvold had five points apiece. Evan Borsvold and Jacob Renschenski had four each, and Sam Johnston netted two.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28 Alcona played a game at ninth ranked and NSL Big Dipper champion Mio. They gave the Thunderbolts a battle, but ultimately came up short, 44-36 in overtime.

Mio raced to a 16-7 lead after the first quarter, but

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Who:

Community stakeholders, Local Businesses, Interested residents, MDOT staff and contractors

When:

Monday, March 20, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Where:

Alcona Township Hall, 5576 US-23, Black River, MI 48721

Project information:

Bridge replacement of the existing Lakeshore Drive bridge over the Black River and associated road work is planned as part of MDOT's Local Agency Bridge Bundling Project. Construction is anticipated in 2024 or 2025. To accommodate the bridge replacement, additional right-of-way (ROW) in the form of a partial fee take of the Alcona Township Huron Park is being proposed. The partial take has a dimension of 20' in width by 100' in length for a total area of 2000 square feet. Access to the park will not be impacted during or post construction. There will not be any permanent adverse effects to the protected recreational activities, features, or attributes associated with the park. The park is a recognized recreational property and is provided protection from adverse impacts associated with federal-aid transportation projects and necessitates this open house.

Due to the permanent acquisition of land from Alcona Township to the Alcona County Road Commission, the Alcona County Road Commission is seeking public input regarding the proposal as noted above. Please provide comments to Jesse Campbell at 989-736-8168 or manager@alconacrc.com. Comments must be received by 4/03/2023.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Harrisville Planning Commission is holding a Public Hearing to adopt their proposed Master Plan on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 6:30 PM at the city offices: 200 N. Fifth Street, Harrisville, MI 48740. The Master Plan can be accessed at: <https://harrisvillemi.org/planning/> or can be viewed at the Harrisville City Offices. For more information call: 989-724-6666.

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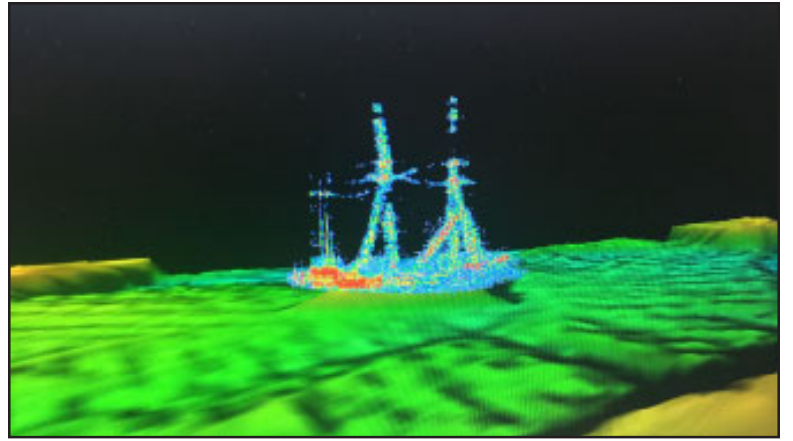
vor William W. Parry of East China, Mich., recounted: "Then the Ironton sank, taking the yawl with her. As the painter was not untied, I sank underwater, and when I came up grabbed a sailor's bag. Wooley was a short distance from me on a box. I swam where he was." (Duluth News Tribune, September 27, 1894.)

Finding Ohio

Although contemporary reports and eye-witness accounts describe the general area of Ironton's sinking, the exact location remained a mystery for over 120 years. Researchers from NOAA's Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary, the State of Michigan, and Ocean Exploration Trust used cutting-edge oceanographic technology to discover and document the shipwreck.

In 2017, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and a group of partners led an expedition to survey 100 square miles of unmapped lakebed within the sanctuary. The team discovered the bulk carrier Ohio in approximately 300 feet of water. Despite the large area mapped, the location of Ironton remained a mystery.

In 2019, researchers from



The schooner-barge Ironton as it sits on the lake floor today. This image is a point cloud extracted from water column returns from multibeam sonar. Image courtesy of Ocean Exploration Trust/NOAA.

named BEN (Bathymetric Explorer and Navigator).

"Our team is proud to partner with the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries to bring innovative technology and expedition expertise to map the Great Lakes," said Ballard. "Ironton is yet another piece of the puzzle of Alpena's fascinating place in America's history of trade and Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary continues to reveal lost chapters of maritime history. We look forward to continuing to explore sanctuaries and with our partners reveal the history found

were rewarded when the sonar returned an image from the lakebed of an unmistakable shipwreck—and one that matched the description of Ironton. The sonar images provided great detail, but the team had more work to do in order to confirm the identity of the discovered wreck.

Sanctuary Research and Exploration Continues

Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary plans to develop educational materials to help tell the story of Ironton and other shipwrecks in the sanctuary, including exhibits and multimedia products. The sanctuary intends to deploy a deep-water mooring buoy at the site of Ironton to mark the shipwreck's location and help divers visit the wreck site safely.

"The discovery of Ironton inspires us to keep exploring," said Superintendent Gray. "We will continue to map Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary, and this research will ultimately lead to even more discoveries about the Great Lakes and the unique collection of shipwrecks that rest on the lakebed."

Project Partners

NOAA and the State of Michigan jointly manage Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary. This project was made possible with the support of Ocean Exploration Trust and with technologies from the Center for Coastal and Ocean Mapping, the Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory, the University of North Carolina's Undersea Vehicle Program, and the Great Lakes Water Studies Institute at Northwestern Michigan College. The documentation of the shipwreck Ironton would not have been possible without the dedication of the United States Coast Guard.



The team utilized NOAA's Great Lakes Environmental Research Lab's RV Storm, a 50-foot research vessel equipped with a multibeam sonar and dedicated to research within the sanctuary. Photo courtesy of NOAA.

Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary set out on a mapping expedition in Lake Huron with Ocean Exploration Trust, the undersea exploration and education organization founded by famed explorer Dr. Robert Ballard, who has explored nearly every corner of the planet.

Ocean Exploration Trust brought a team of world-renowned hydrographers and the latest innovation in underwater mapping technology to Michigan, including an autonomous surface vehicle

in the underwater world to inspire future generations."

The Discovery of Ironton

Armed with the location of Ohio and further research into the weather and wind conditions from the night of the fatal collision, the team defined the area to search, and BEN and RV Storm worked in tandem mapping the lakebed.

As the project came to its final days, the team had successfully mapped a large section of the search area, but Ironton remained undiscovered. The researchers expanded the search area. Persistence and determination

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Source: www.almanac.com, wikipedia.org

Lady Tigers come up short in district final

The defense was certainly there. The offense unfortunately wasn't.

All told, the Alcona girls varsity basketball team was unable to overcome its offense woes and lost to Division 3 district finals host Oscoda, 29-20.

"We can't fault our defense at all," said head coach Mark Feldhiser. "We played a great defensive game, you hold Oscoda to 29 points you are usually going to win. The fact is that we only scored 20 points and in the second half, offensively, we were pretty ineffective and that pretty much doomed us."

The Lady Tigers had first quarter baskets by Sage Gauthier and Carmen Dellar, along with a pair of free throws by Kelsey Hansen to give them a 6-4 lead. The Lady Owls answered by getting a three-pointer from straight on to bank in and another trey that rattled off the rim and into the net, giving them a 10-6 lead after one.

Alcona started the second quarter with a pair of free throws by Dellar and a short-range bucket by Hansen, tying things up at 10-10.

The Lady Tigers only got two free throws by Dellar for the rest of the half though, which allowed Oscoda to inch ahead 16-12 at the break.

A field-goal by Hansen was all that Alcona scored in the third quarter, though thanks to its gritty defense, they trailed 19-14 entering the fourth.

Oscoda drained a three to pull ahead 24-14 with 5:30 to play. Hansen scored back-to-back hoops to make it 24-18. A steal and a fast-break basket by Emma Travis made it 26-20, but three late free throws by Oscoda sealed Alcona's fate.

"Their zone (defense) did bother us, and we didn't make any shots early and that bothered us a little bit," Feldhiser said. "If we can hit a couple three-pointers early, it is a different game, but we couldn't get them to fall."

Hansen finished with 10 points. Dellar put in six and Travis and Gauthier each scored two points.

"It is bad to see the season end like this, everyone is sad," Feldhiser said. "But one team has to win, and one team has to lose, and Oscoda played well enough to win. We had a good season. We can't complain about our season, and we had some big wins. It is just too bad it has to end like this."

On Wednesday, March 1 the Lady Tigers won the district semifinal game over Tawas, 47-10, in a contest at Oscoda.

"We did what we had to do. We played well enough to get a big lead and everyone got to play, and it was fun," Feldhiser said.

Alcona raced to a 10-0 lead after the first quarter and led 26-4 at the half and 39-8 entering the fourth.

Dellar led the way with 12 points. Sierra West put in 10. Jena Wambold added eight. Kaylee Wambold had six. Travis put in five. Hansen scored four points, and Gauthier added two points.



Alcona's Kelsey Hansen drives by an Oscoda defender during last Friday's district loss. Photo by Ben Murphy.

Alcona finished the season 15-7 overall and shares the North Star League Big Dipper championship with Rogers City and Oscoda—all three had identical 8-2 conference records.

"I just want to thank our seniors and everything that they gave us this year," Feldhiser said. "We will be back at it next year."

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Alcona pulled within 20-18 by the half. Entering the fourth quarter it was a 29-23 Mio lead, but the Tigers sent it to overtime with a deadlocked 32-all.

Howe scored 19 points in this one. Sharboneau added nine. Somers netted six, and E. Borsvold chipped in with two.

Alcona (9-11 overall) opened Division 3 district action on Wednesday, March 8 at Tawas against Johannesburg-Lewiston. Tawas, Whittemore-Prescott and Alcona are also in the district, with the finals set for Friday. The district winner moves on to the regional semifinal game in Gaylord, Mich.

Americanisms



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— Ray Kroc

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The Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon six (6) day's notice to the Board. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Board by writing or calling the following: Clerk Story, PO Box 9, Greenbush, MI 48738, 989-569-3519.

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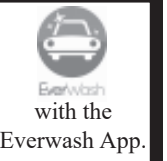
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How to appeal Medicare surcharges when an income changes

Dear Savvy Senior,

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Overcharged Andy

Dear Overcharged,

If you're getting hit with a higher premium for Medicare Part B and Part D and you think it's unjustified, you can ask Social Security to revisit its decision and perhaps reduce your cost. Here's what you should know.

Medicare Surcharges

Many retirees don't realize that monthly premiums for Medicare Part B (coverage for doctor's services and outpatient care) and Part D (prescription drug coverage) are based on your modified adjusted gross income from two years earlier. So, to determine your 2023 Medicare premium, Social Security uses your 2021 tax return. In those two years, however, your life can change in ways your 2021 tax return and current Medicare premium don't reflect. Sometimes, those changes are enough to convince Social Security that your Medicare premium should be reduced.

Part B's standard monthly premium in 2023 is \$164.90 for individuals earning \$97,000 or less; it's \$194,000 or less for joint filers. Anyone whose income exceeds those thresholds pays a higher premium, also known as an Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA), or surcharge.

The higher monthly premiums rise steadily from \$230.80 to \$560.50 through five income tiers. The same tiers apply to IRMAAs for Medicare Part D, with enrollees paying an extra \$12.20 to \$76.40 per month depending on their income.

About seven percent, or 4.4 million higher-income Medicare beneficiaries pay a surcharge on their monthly Part B and/or Part D premiums.

Reasons for Appealing

In certain situations, Social Security will recalculate your premiums – known as a redetermination – for Part B and Part D, particularly if the agency based the cost on a tax return that was later amended.

Otherwise, there are seven life-changing events that qualify for a redetermination if they hurt your income: marriage, death of a spouse, divorce or annulment, reduced work hours or retirement, involuntary loss of income-producing property, the loss or reduction of some types of pension income, and an employer settlement payment because the company went bankrupt or reorganized.

How to File a Claim

To ask Social Security for a redetermination, you'll need to complete Form SSA-44 (SSA.gov/forms/ssa-44-ext.pdf) and include supporting documents, such as the death certificate for a spouse or a letter from a former employer stating that you're now retired. If you filed your federal income tax return for the

year that your income was reduced, you will also need to provide a signed copy.

A decision usually takes a few weeks, but if you had one of the events that Social Security considers life-changing, you should win the appeal. In that case, Social Security will reimburse you for the additional premiums by adding it to your benefit one

month. If you are on Medicare but haven't started collecting Social Security, you should see a credit on a future invoice.

If your request for a redetermination is denied, there are three additional levels of appeals you could try: to the Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals, to the Medicare Appeals Council and finally

to the federal district court where you live.

For more information on the premium rules for high-income beneficiaries see SSA.gov/benefits/medicare/medicare-premiums.html.

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



Buggy Rides



Sport editor has high praise for Hazen Cuyler

March 8, 1923 ~ Pittsburgh Gazette-Times

There is going to be some desperate fielding in the right garden during the training season, with several candidates hot after the job as understudy to Bob Russell. Bueller, Barnhart and Cuyler seem to be the most promising entries.

Not the least likely of the above three, by any manner of means, is Cuyler. Few players ever came back from their apprenticeship in the minors to receive the unqualified approval that Cuyler has. He came back to the Buccos from the Charleston (S.C.) club last fall a week or so before the close of the National League season, and the improvement he showed in every department of the game was the subject of much comment among the Pirate regulars.

"There is surely the mak-

ing of a real ball player," was the remark of a veteran during batting practice one day. "I'll say he is," was the reply of several others as they watched the Michigan boy chase fungos over the outfield.

Hazen Cuyler was purchased from the Bay City club of the Michigan-Ontario League in the fall of 1921. He reported at Forbes Field that fall and went to Hot Springs with the Pirates the next spring.

He showed the need of further experience and in April was sent to the Charleston club of the South Atlantic League, where he was largely instrumental in helping Charleston win the pennant. He got into 131 ball games, hitting .309, leading the league in stolen bases, finishing second in the number of triples and fourth in the

number of doubles and home runs.

The champion Charleston club of the Sally League played off a little world series with the Wilson (S. C.) club, champion of the Virginia League, Charleston winning. It was a tight series, not being decided until the final innings of the final game, and Cuyler was the man to put the championship on ice for Charleston.

With the series a tie, the teams went, into the ninth inning of the final game with the score 3 to 1 in Wilson's favor, and it looked like a defeat for Cuyler's team. However, with a man on first in the ninth, Cuyler poled the longest home run in either the Sally or the Virginia League last season, tying up the game.

The contest dragged along until the thirteenth inning, when Cuyler again did the

heavy work with a single that put over the winning run and the championship for Charleston.

Cuyler is 24 years old, weighs 178 pounds, is 5 feet 10½ inches in height and both bats and throws right handed.

He began to play ball with the Chevrolet Motor team, champions of the Flint (Mich.) Industrial League, in 1919, after being mustered out of military service. He first distinguished himself in a series between the Flint Chevrolets and the Red Crowns of Cleveland for the industrial championship of the United States.

Cuyler helped decide the series between Bay City and Saginaw which decided the pennant the second half of the 1920 season.

Cuyler is a mighty fast man and can "go get them" in the outfield with the best of them.

Young telephone girl killed by moonshine

Alcoholic Poisoning Claims Lena Richmond Following a Night in Alpena

March 8, 1923 ~ Lena Richmond, 20 years old, died early Thursday morning at the home of Frank Walker.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon from Carle's undertaking rooms and burial was made in the west cemetery.

Circumstances surrounding Miss Richmond's death, led the authorities to investigate. They learned that the girl had spent the weekend in Alpena as the guest of Mrs. Madge Miller at a home on Chisholm Street, where Mrs. Miller is employed, and she was taken violently ill Monday on her return here.

They also learned that on her deathbed Miss Richmond told of having been given moonshine to drink and asked how much it would take to kill her. She said she was given the moonshine while on a party with two Alpena men and another girl and that they told her it was whiskey.

With these facts in hand, Coroner Carle and Prosecutor Dehnke ordered a post

mortem examination, which was performed Friday afternoon by Doctor A. R. Miller of Harrisville and Dr. Cameron of Alpena. They found the cause of death to be alcoholic poisoning.

The Review understands that these facts are in the possession of the Alpena officials and that an investigation is being conducted there to discover who gave the dead girl the moonshine and to determine what, if any, court action the case demands or warrants.

Lena Richmond and an older sister were inmates of the Coldwater orphans' home, being sent there when quite young, from Cheboygan County.

They first came into public notice in Alcona County about 10 years ago when complaints reached Judge Burt of the probate court that two white girls had been adopted into an Indian family. The judge investigated in person and brought the girls to his own home where they remained until his home was broken

up by the death of his wife, and he found another place for them in southern Michigan. The older of the two girls died shortly after this. Later on, Lena became a telephone operator and worked on the exchange in Kalamazoo. About four months ago she came to Harrisville and made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker and worked in the local telephone office. She was a bright girl and a very efficient operator.

The case excited keen sympathy for the dead girl. Believing that she had no relatives or near friends to care for her, the board of Commerce, the Red Cross and individuals generally united to defray the expenses of the funeral. A lot was purchased in the west cemetery and there were many floral offerings. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. M. Boyce.

Efforts were made immediately after the girl's death, to get in touch with her father, who was known to be

living somewhere in northern Michigan.

No word was received from him, however, until Saturday evening, when he came in on the six o'clock train too late for the funeral. He came from Levering, Emmet County, and was delayed by irregular train service.

Mr. Richmond came prepared to settle all bills in connection with his daughter's illness and death and expressed gratitude for the kindness that had been shown his girl by the people of the community.

Speaking of his early life and the circumstances which prompted him to place his two girls in the orphans' home he said that after the death of his first wife he married a woman with three boys. Developments convinced him that he either had to abandon his wife and her children or find another home for his girls.

He always kept track of his daughters and when the other one died he paid the funeral expenses.

Dan Quick, Owner,

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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **FOOD & DRINK:** Which U.S. city is known for its square pizzas with crunchy corners?
2. **TELEVISION:** Which character became a fugitive in the final season of "The Office"?
3. **GEOGRAPHY:** Which of the Great Lakes lies entirely within the United States?
4. **LITERATURE:** Which famous novelist wrote his last book in crayon due to poor eyesight?
5. **GAMES:** What are the two most valuable letters in Scrabble?
6. **MOVIES:** Which movie series features a character named Ellen Ripley?
7. **LANGUAGE:** What is a "schwa"?
8. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Which nation is credited for being the top beer-drinking country in the world?
9. **ANATOMY:** What is a common name for the axilla?
10. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What do you call an ant's home?

Answers: 1. Detroit.; 2. Creed Bratton.; 3. Lake Michigan.; 4. James Joyce.; 5. Q and Z (10 points each).; 6. "Alien."; 7. Unstressed vowel represented by an upside-down "e."; 8. Czech Republic.; 9. Armpit.; 10. A nest or formicary. (c) 2023 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword OFF THE GRID

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Imperfection</p> <p>7 1970 Simon & Garfunkel hit</p> <p>14 "— Lot" (Stephen King novel)</p> <p>20 Geronimo's tribe</p> <p>21 Scenting compound</p> <p>22 Push forward</p> <p>23 Footballer from a major Kansas city?</p> <p>25 Dwell (in)</p> <p>26 Corp. VIPs</p> <p>27 Pimples</p> <p>28 "The — of the Ancient Mariner"</p> <p>30 Fashion designer Tahari</p> <p>31 Actor Brynner</p> <p>32 Strong urge</p> <p>33 Footballer ejected from a nightclub?</p> <p>36 She helped Theseus</p> <p>39 Imparted fizz to</p> <p>41 Critical</p> <p>42 Not on a footballer's right?</p> <p>44 For the most part</p> <p>46 Aristocrat's home</p> | <p>47 Formerly</p> <p>48 Liberal —</p> <p>50 Mai — (rum drinks)</p> <p>52 Salvador the surrealist</p> <p>54 Hard hitter, biblically</p> <p>60 Ship shelters</p> <p>64 Footballer with a rod and reel?</p> <p>67 PC-sent greeting</p> <p>68 Hearing things</p> <p>70 Fast shark</p> <p>71 Bamboozles</p> <p>72 Footballer working as a sound technician?</p> <p>75 Matching pullover and cardigan</p> <p>77 Old Chrysler</p> <p>78 Think meditatively</p> <p>79 "Uh, pardon me ..."</p> <p>80 Like Goodwill goods</p> <p>82 Apple variety</p> <p>85 Humiliated</p> <p>90 Expand, as a house</p> <p>95 Footballer on a plane trip?</p> <p>97 Thin pancake</p> <p>98 Envious composer in "Amadeus"</p> | <p>101 Iterate</p> <p>102 Visit a footballer?</p> <p>104 Labor</p> <p>106 Young fellow</p> <p>107 Flush (with)</p> <p>108 Sony Bravia or Sharp Aquos</p> <p>109 Pool hall item</p> <p>110 Piece of office furniture</p> <p>112 Plaything for Fido or Fluffy</p> <p>114 Declaration when a footballer arrives?</p> <p>119 Angry speech</p> <p>120 One casting a ballot</p> <p>121 Urge on</p> <p>122 Makes a sly verbal attack</p> <p>123 Ecstasy</p> <p>124 Feds, e.g.</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 "See-saw, Margery —"</p> <p>2 Fanciers of fine dining</p> <p>3 Wrinkle-removing procedure</p> <p>4 Iterate</p> <p>5 Greek consonants</p> <p>6 Vietnamese festival</p> | <p>7 Common infant illness</p> <p>8 Girl played by Lily Tomlin</p> <p>9 Bamboozles</p> <p>10 Anger</p> <p>11 Quick escape</p> <p>12 Stuck going nowhere</p> <p>13 When typical workdays start</p> <p>14 Self-indulgent binge</p> <p>15 Have existence</p> <p>16 Experience a huge failure</p> <p>17 Remove hair from, as one's legs</p> <p>18 Like doctors' practices</p> <p>19 In an aerodynamic way</p> <p>24 Early Mexican</p> <p>29 '80s Golden Arches burger</p> <p>31 Bulldogs' school</p> <p>32 Scared (of)</p> <p>33 Kennel club classifications</p> <p>34 Rowing need</p> <p>35 TiVo device</p> <p>37 — minimum</p> <p>38 Connect-the-points puzzle</p> <p>40 Abbr. limiting a list</p> | <p>43 Canon — Rebel</p> <p>45 Exec. helper</p> <p>48 Make — out of (rebut)</p> <p>49 Skating place</p> <p>51 "It's finally clear"</p> <p>53 Woeful cry</p> <p>55 Relatives of xylophones</p> <p>56 Clickable screen image</p> <p>57 Some ring wins, for short</p> <p>58 Sommer of "A Shot in the Dark"</p> <p>59 Take it easy</p> <p>60 A helmet protects it</p> <p>61 Take — from (do as suggested by)</p> <p>62 Units of absorbed energy</p> <p>63 Vigor, in music scores</p> <p>64 "Oedipus complex" coiner</p> <p>65 Egyptian goddess of fertility</p> <p>66 Black-clad teen, maybe</p> <p>69 High point</p> <p>73 Blowout win</p> <p>74 Enshrouded</p> | <p>76 Mink's cousin</p> <p>79 "Mein Gott!"</p> <p>81 "Such a pity!"</p> <p>83 Erstwhile space station</p> <p>84 Troublemaker</p> <p>86 Rear, at sea</p> <p>87 Marine animal's pelt</p> <p>88 Title girl of old comics</p> <p>89 Like green or purple hair</p> <p>90 Doesn't reject</p> <p>91 Embedded, as a nail</p> <p>92 "Taking Woodstock" star — Martin</p> <p>93 Source of flowing water</p> <p>94 Tennis divider</p> <p>95 Shark feature</p> <p>96 Tot's wheels</p> <p>99 Pollen bearer</p> <p>100 Lowest parking garage tier, perhaps</p> <p>103 "Absolutely!"</p> <p>105 Earthy hue, to a Brit</p> <p>109 Post-Q string</p> <p>110 Fender flaw</p> <p>111 Latin "Lo!"</p> <p>113 Lyrical verse</p> <p>115 Sales staffer</p> <p>116 Outer: Prefix</p> <p>117 Rio carmaker</p> <p>118 Hi — image</p> |
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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On March 24, 1882, German scientist Robert Koch discovered the bacterium responsible for tuberculosis. Regarded today as the "father of modern bacteriology," Koch was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine in 1905.
- On March 20, 1922, Hubert Work gave an order that all American homes need to be equipped with an item that the majority of us undoubtedly take for granted today: a mailbox. Work was the country's U.S. Postmaster General, and failure to comply with the order carried a penalty of giving up one's mail delivery.
- On March 21, 1928, President Calvin Coolidge presented Charles Lindbergh with the Congressional Medal of Honor for "displaying heroic courage and skill as a navigator, at the risk of his life, by his nonstop flight in his airplane, the Spirit of St. Louis, from New York City to Paris, France, 20-21 May 1927, by which Capt. Lindbergh not only achieved the greatest individual triumph of any American citizen but demonstrated that travel across the ocean by aircraft was possible."
- On March 23, 1973, Yoko Ono was granted permanent residence in the United States. However, the good news did not extend to her husband, former Beatle John Lennon. He was issued a 60-day notice to leave the country.
- On March 22, 1978, Karl Wallenda, founder of the Flying Wallendas, fell from a tightrope 10 stories to his death during a promotional appearance for the Pan American Circus. The 73-year-old acrobat was crossing between the two towers of the Condado Plaza Hotel in San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- On March 25, 1995, Howard G. (Ward) Cunningham, an American computer programmer and pioneer in both design patterns and extreme programming, introduced the wiki, or "user-editable website." Today, Wikipedia is the world's most well-known and widely used wiki.
- On March 26, 2019, former First Lady Michelle Obama's memoir, "Becoming," surpassed 10 million copies in sales just four months after its publication. It had already become America's best-selling book in 2018 after a mere 15 days.

Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Believe it or not, cows can be potty trained -- and, it is said, with less trouble than toddlers. It's called MooLoo training, and involves not a toilet, but a special pen with artificial grass. But why bother? The practice helps the environment by reducing air and water pollution and even planet warming.
- The J.W. Westcott II is a boat that delivers mail to ships at sea. Operating out of Detroit, it's the only floating zip code in America.
- In 1931, German engineer Richter Raketennrad built a bike with 12 rockets mounted to its back wheel and reached a speed of 90 kph before his invention exploded and threw him off. While that was, sadly, the end of the rocket bike, Raketennrad himself suffered only a few scrapes.
- Kintsugi is the Japanese art of putting broken pottery pieces back together with gold.
- For over a year in the mid-2000s, members of the group Untergunther broke into the French Pantheon to repair a clock that had been broken for four decades. They later received court time for the effort but were somewhat vindicated when member Jean-Baptiste Viot, a clock restorer, was hired to repair it in 2018 after further neglect.
- Researchers have found that approximately 97% of people are keeping a secret at any given time, with the average person keeping around 13.
- In 2008, a former high school star athlete escaped a crime scene by using Craigslist to hire a dozen identically dressed (and unwitting) civilians to stand at the exact place and time of the arrival of the armored car that he planned to rob.

Thought for the Day: "Challenges are gifts that force us to search for a new center of gravity. Don't fight them. Just find a new way to stand." -- Oprah Winfrey
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CryptoQuip

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

Clue: **Q** equals **L**

HGDV QFRBDQ MFJD RO HPLG
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BOARD OF REVIEW

MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW FOR GUSTIN TOWNSHIP GUSTIN TOWNSHIP HALL 113 S. SECOND ST. LINCOLN MI 48742

Monday, March 13, at 1:30-7:00 p.m.
 Tuesday March 14, at 1:30-7:00 p.m.

Written Protests should be mailed to P.O. Box 25, Lincoln MI 48742, no later than March 8, 2023.

An organizational meeting will be held on March 8, 2023 at 5:30 pm at the township hall to examine the Assessment Roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Appearing below are the recommended tentative Equalization Ratios as provided by the Alcona Equalization Department.

	RATIOS	MULTIPLIERS
Agricultural	44.76	1.11707
Commercial	45.61	1.09625
Industrial	43.79	1.14181
Residential	41.97	1.19133
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

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The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven day notice.

Contact Pamela Ashford, Supervisor at 989 736-8312 or 989 335-3056

PUBLIC NOTICE

2023 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW HAYNES TOWNSHIP

3930 E McNeil Road, Lincoln, MI 48742

An organizational meeting will be held on Tuesday March 7th at 1:pm to allow the Board of Review members to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be heard at this time.

Public Protests will be heard at the Haynes Township Hall

Monday, March 13th from 9:am to 5:pm

And Tuesday, March 14th from 5:pm to 9:pm

Protests may be filed in writing by letter or electronic address. They must be received by March 13th, 2023, Protests must include a signed Form #618 L-4035 Petition to the Board of Review. Forms can be requested or downloaded from Michigan.gov

Mail to: 4478 M 32 W Alpena MI 49707

Email to: haynes.twp.assessor@gmail.com

Appearing below are the recommended Tentative Equalization Ratios and Estimated Multipliers as provided by Alcona Equalization Department.

	RATIOS	MULTIPLIERS
Agricultural	42.68	1.17151
Commercial	47.76	1.04690
Industrial	N/A	N/A
Residential	39.88	1.25376
Timber Cutover	N/A	N/A
Developmental	N/A	N/A
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

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Contact the assessor at (989)464-5557 Sarah Gohl Haynes Township Assessor

Curtis Township Board of Review Notice

The Curtis Township March Board of Review will meet on Monday, March 13, 2023 from 3 p.m. - 9 p.m. & Friday, March 17, 2023 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. for the purpose of hearing protests of assessments, taxable value, property classification, or qualified agricultural exemptions. The organizational meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 2 p.m. No protests are allowed at the organizational meeting.

The appeal meetings for: Curtis Township will be held at: Curtis Twp Fire Hall at 5019 Bamfield Rd, Glennie, MI. Written appeals must be received by March 9, 2023. APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED. Please call 989-734-3555 to schedule an appointment.

The tentative equalization ratios and multiplier for Curtis Township are as follows:

Agricultural Real Ratio 0.4417 ; Agricultural Real Multiplier: 1.13199; Commercial Real Ratio: 0.4592 ; Commercial Real Multiplier: 1.08885; Industrial Real Ratio: 0.3944 ; Industrial Real Multiplier: 1.26775; Residential Real Ratio: 0.4018 ; Residential Real Multiplier: 1.24440 ; Timber Cut Over Real Ratio: NA ; Timber Cut Over Real Multiplier: NA ; Developmental Real Ratio/Multiplier: NA ; Personal Property Ratio: 0.5000 ; Personal Property Multiplier: 1.00000

2023 Board of Review Notice Alcona Township

5576 N. US-23 Black River, Mich. 48721

The Alcona Township Board of Review for 2023 will be held at the Alcona Township Hall, 5576 N. US-23, Black River, on the following dates: Monday March 13, 2023- 1-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.; Tuesday March 14, 2023 - 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 3 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents can 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.

Agriculture	47.64	1.04954
Commercial	44.93	1.11284
Industrial	39.02	1.28139
Residential	44.11	1.13353
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

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Contact Sarah Gohl,

Assessor (989) 464-5557 or alconatownshipassessor@yahoo.com

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding at the Alcona County Court House, starting promptly at 10 a.m., on April 5, 2023. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage (mortgage) made by KOB Properties LLC (a/k/a K.O.B. Properties LLC), a Michigan limited liability company, which address is P.O. Box 268, Fairview, Mich. 48621, mortgagor, to Southlake Holdings, LLC, a Michi-

gan limited liability company, c/o Auburn Loan Servicing, which address is 134 Main Street, 5th Floor, Lewiston, Maine 04240 (sometimes referenced hereinafter as mortgagee). Of which mortgage is dated August 2, 2019, and recorded on August 7, 2019, at Liber 552, pages 1,068-1,079, in the Alcona County Register of Deeds, State of Michigan.

As of March 3, 2023, the amount claimed to be due under the mortgage is the sum of three hundred twenty eight thousand six hundred fifty two and 08/100 dollars (\$328,652.08), including interest at the rate per annum set forth in the Note secured by the mortgage. This sum will increase as additional interest, costs, expenses, and attorney fees accrue under the mortgage and note and as permitted under Michigan law.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public sale to the highest bidder at the Alcona County Court House, 106 5th Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740, at the

Alcona County Courthouse being the place of the holding for Alcona County, State of Michigan, on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at 10 a.m. The property subject to the mortgage (property) and to be sold at said sale is situated as follows: Land situated in the Township of Mitchell, County of Alcona, State of Michigan, and legally described as follows: Lots 9, 26, 27, 28 and 29, Block 7 of Crooked Lake Camp Site, a subdivision being part of Government Lot 5, Section 18 and Government Lots 2 and 3, Section 17 and the southeast quarter (SE ¼) of the southwest quarter (SW ¼) of Section 17, Town 27 North, Range 5 East, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 65. Commonly known as: 8425 Elk Road., Curran, Mich. 48728. Parcel No.: 114-115-007-009-00.

If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be six months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period

can be shortened in accordance with Michigan law. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the mortgagor and any other person liable on the mortgage will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Dated: March 8, 2023 Mortgagee: Southlake Holdings, LLC,

c/o Auburn Loan Servicing,

134 Main Street, 5th floor, Lewiston, Maine 04240

Attorneys for mortgagee: Kreis, Enderle, Hudgins & Borsos, P.C.

By: Jeffrey D. Swenarton

P.O. Box 4010

Kalamazoo, Mich. 49003-4010

(269) 324-3000

Fax: (269) 324-3010

3-8, 3-15, 3-22, 3-29

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The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Mortgage information: Default has been made in the conditions of a

certain mortgage made by Gary A. Wood and Elizabeth S. Wood, husband and wife, whose address is 5352 Anderson Road, Spruce, Mich. 48762, as original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., being a mortgage dated November 17, 2003, and recorded on January 22, 2004, in Liber 396 page 212, Alcona County records, State of Michigan. Said mortgage is now held through mesne assignments by Ajax Mortgage Loan Trust 2021-F, mortgage-backed securities, series 2021-F, by U.S. Bank National Association, as indenture trustee, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated July 12, 2022, and recorded on August 2, 2022, in Liber Page, Alcona County records, Michigan. On which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy-one thousand four hun-

dred one and 30/100 dollars (\$71,401.30).

Said premises are situated in the Township of Alcona, County of Alcona, State of Michigan, and are described as: The southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of the northwest quarter (NW 1/4) of Section 20, Town 28 North, Range 8 East. Street address: 5352 Anderson Road, Spruce, Michigan 48762.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA § 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCLA § 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the

mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Dated: February 22, 2023

For more information, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing:

Kenneth J. Johnson, Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC.

5955 West Main Street, Suite 18 Kalamazoo, Mich. 49009.

Telephone: (312) 541-9710

File No.: MI 23 4831

2-22, 3-1, 3-8, 3-15

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The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Hunter Clark aka Hunter L. Clark, an unmarried man. Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Foreclosing assignee (if any): NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing. Date of mortgage: December 22, 2021. Date of mortgage recording: December 29, 2021. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$164,540.98.

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Caledonia, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the southeast corner of Section 13, Township 28 North, Range 8 East, thence north 89 deg. 32' west 1318.85 feet along the section line and the centerline of the Black River Road extended, thence north 0 deg.

14' west 33.0 feet to the point of beginning, thence north 0 deg. 14' west 185.7 feet, thence north 61 deg. 0'30" west 215.59 feet along the south 33 feet right of way line of the Roe Road, thence south 0 deg. 14' east 287 feet, thence south 89 deg. 32' east 189 feet on the north 33 foot right of way line of the Black River Road extended to the point of beginning. Common street address (if any): 2870 E. Roe Road, Spruce, MI 48762-9721.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the bor-

rower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

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

This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: March 8, 2023

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Kovels: Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Apple peelers

Between 1803 and 1900, approximately 250 U.S. patents were filed for designs of apple peelers. One of the first designs was in the late 1700s.

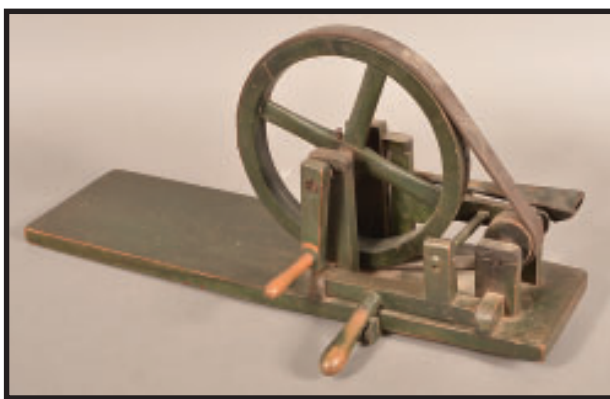
Apples were a major crop in the U.S., and the evolution of kitchen tools like apple peelers significantly sped up fall harvesting chores. Apple peelers were taken to neighbors' houses for annual "paring bees," where men operated the hand-cranked machines, and women completed the finer work of quartering, slicing and stringing the apples for drying. Dried apple slices were stored in bags and used to make applesauce or pies or for other culinary uses throughout the winter season.

Apple paring bees not only served a vital function to harvest food but were also popular social events. An unmarried man or woman would toss apple peelings over their left shoulder and try to see if they formed the initials of a future spouse.

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Q: Do old tin toys have any value? My dad was born on a small farm in 1916 and rarely had any store-bought toys, but he had a windup tin car that goes into a garage and a tin airplane. The airplane has a grooved wheel that would make it roll down a string tied between two objects. The plane is missing part of its tail piece. There is no maker's name on either toy. I don't want to sell them, but I'd like to know if they are valuable.

A: Tin toys were made in the United States, Germany, France and England beginning in the early 1800s. The "Golden Age" of tin toys was from about 1865 to 1914. The first lithographed tin toy cars were made about 1900, a few years after automobiles became more common than horse-drawn carriages. Cars that replicated real model cars were made by 1930. Tin toys were made in Japan after the end of World War II. Many were made from scrap tin from beer cans discarded by American soldiers. Others were made in factories from sheet metal. Old tin toys are collectible if they are in good condition. Windup toys and other toys



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

that move bring the highest prices. Some sell for over \$100, and a few sell for over \$1,000.

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Chair, library, mahogany, red upholstery, barrel back, round seat, revolves, straight legs, casters, arms, Continental, 19th century, 33 x 25 1/2 x 28 inches, \$382.

Doll, Mattel, Talking Barbie, blond, real eyelashes, bendable legs, orange swimsuit, lace jacket, pull string, does not talk, box, 1969, \$649.

Stoneware jug, blue, green, light brown, center panel with incised deer, white beaded borders, geometric bands, blue green handle, silver hinged lid, art nouveau, Hannah Barlow, Doulton Lambeth, 19th century, 8 inches, \$1,375.

Toy, pedal car, wood body, painted red, gold lettering, metal front plate and seat back, "Reliance" on front, front end crank with clicker, early 20th century, 23 x 36 inches, \$1,875.

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Veteran's Post

By Freddy Graves

Reports from the VA Office of Inspector General

Who would have thought it ... stealing diabetic test strips for profit? Apparently there's money to be made from those medical supplies. And one Michigan woman, in charge of procurement at a Department of Veterans Affairs pharmacy, made a lot of it, stealing in excess of 7,500 boxes of the strips over the years.

She wasn't alone in the scheme. She'd sell them to a co-thief who'd make her own sales down the line to a third party in Pennsylvania.

The first in line in the theft chain has already confessed and faces 20 years in the slammer, not to mention a very hefty fine. The second in line also confessed. The two of them, however, are pointing fingers at Number Three, who they say is the actual mastermind of the thefts.

Diabetic test strips? Who knew?

Then there is the New Jersey former Marine who claimed PTSD from having to handle human remains after natural disasters in two foreign countries. Before his scheme fell apart, he'd netted in excess of \$118,000 in disability benefits. His big mistake, besides telling lies, was that he sent threatening messages to a member of the Office of Inspector General staff, plus anyone else who would be working on the case. He'll be sentenced this summer, but he's looking at 10 years in prison and heavy fines just for the lying part, and five years for the threats as well as big fines.

In Oklahoma, a man phoned a VA facility threatening to kill people ... and then he showed up. His beef, apparently, was not getting a quicker appointment date to be seen at the clinic. He wanted his meds, and he gave them 30 minutes to prescribe them or he'd be there to murder people. Not only did he have a loaded .357 firearm (and a handful of zip ties), but he took the items into a federal facility. He later claimed not to remember making the call.

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**State of Michigan
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 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 Dale L. Wiley
 Date of birth: September 16, 1942
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Dale L. Wiley, died August 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: March 8, 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

**State of Michigan
 Probate Court
 Alcona County
 Notice to Creditors
 Decedent's Estate
 Case No. 23-006340-DE**

Court address
 106 N. 5th Street,
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740
 Court telephone No.
 (989) 724-9490
 Estate of Wallace Henry Rifenbark
 Date of birth: April 22, 1924
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Wallace Henry Rifenbark, died August 7, 2014.
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Rocky Rifenbark, 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: March 8, 2023
 David H. Cook, P40560
 Attorney
 5466 M-72
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740
 (989) 724-5155
 Rocky Rifenbark
 Personal representative
 391 S. Poor Farm Road
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740
 (989) 820-1712

**Alcona County
 Notice to Creditors
 Jeanette M. Nowakowski**

To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Jeanette M. Nowakowski, died October 14, 2022.
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Catherine Hoppe, 2332 Long Rapids Road, Alpena, Mich. 49707 within four months after the date of publication of this notice.
 March 8, 2023
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