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## Civic group stands the test of time by caring and doing for the community

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

*"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members,"*  
~ Coretta Scott King

Compassionate giving is often the foundation for many organizations, it is the fuel that drives the unity of its members. In Alcona County, the Barton City Eagles Aerie No. 4141 Auxiliary is a perfect example of how compassion multiplied can continuously work to strengthen a community.

For nearly 40 years, the auxiliary, a group with about 210 women members, has been joyfully serving the community by rolling up their sleeves and doing what they do best, mostly cooking, to fund other charitable organizations, assist with student scholarships and help community members in need.

Auxiliary secretary Sue Remilong said serving the community is the group's passion. "We help a lot of different causes in the community, currently we are col-

lecting funds to fill boxes and baskets with all the ingredients needed for nice Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners for veterans and their families. We have sent out gift boxes to troops and we collect funds every year for student scholarships.

"We help other charities such as the Alcona Humane Society. We assist in providing school supplies, so teachers don't have to dig into their own pockets.

"We also work with the Eagle Airies 4141 (men's group) to hold benefits to raise funds. We did a cornhole tournament so a family could be with a child that needed medical treatment and raised \$10,000.

"We have given out gas cards to families in desperate need, helped fulfill Christmas wishes by buying toys specifically for a girl or boy according to their age for families in need that St. Vincent DePaul disperses each year and a lot more," Remilong said.

When it comes to serving children, the ladies have a

soft spot and put on three grand parties a year, a Halloween party with food snacks and games which will be held this year on October 28, a Christmas party with gifts for every child and a visit from Santa to be held on December 16 and an Easter egg hunt with treats, money and sometimes tickets for prizes in the eggs. "We hid 3,000 plastic eggs last year, the kids have so much fun," Remilong said.

The parties are free and open to all children from newborn to age 12 no matter where they live.

In mid-October, the ladies host a lunch for all safety personnel including firefighters, emergency medical staff and the sheriff's office as their way of thanking them for their service.

Even the group's fundraising strengthens family connectivity and unites the community with open-to-the-public monthly dinners held from October to March.

According to Marlene Forsythe, president of the

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Elizabeth Baker of Tawas, formerly of Harrisville, captured a bald eagle feasting on a pike on October 1 in Tuttle Marsh.



Members of the Alcona County Sheriff's Office participate in the 85<sup>th</sup> Michigan Pistol Match in early September. Deputies Steve Harshberger and Jason Dellar brought home the Governor's Trophy for first place in team competition. Harshberger also won the Sheriff's Trophy and a first place in individual competition. The Governor's and Sheriff's trophies are traveling trophies and the Alcona County Sheriff's Office gets to claim them until next year's competition. The Governor's Trophy has been in existence since 1968 and the Sheriff's Trophy since 1972. This is an annual event where deputies, police officers, and correctional officers from across the state compete against one another and display their pistol shooting skills. *Courtesy photo.*



The Barton City Eagles Auxiliary 4141 board takes a moment from their monthly meeting for a photograph in front of the map painted in the 50s by school children. (Front row from left) Debi Sutton, chaplain; Judy Flanigan, past president and trustee; Marjorie Forsythe, past president; and Marlene Forsythe, president, (back row) Sue Remilong, secretary; Theresa Collins, treasurer; Lisa Dellar, trustee; Denise Devers, inside guard and Karen Sutton, trustee. Not in photo: Ann Arnold, Past President; Lee Kubbe, vice president; and Brenda Lange, outside guard. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



# God Bless America



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# Obituaries

## Beatrice I. Dellar

Beatrice Ionah Dellar, 95, of Atlanta, Mich., died on Monday, Oct. 2, 2023, at home.

She was born August 24, 1928, to Lawrence and Susan (Paul) Healy in Flint, Mich. She was raised in Glennie.

On February 16, 1946, she married Lyle Dellar in Harrisville where they were long-time residents.

Mrs. Dellar worked as a teacher's aide but enjoyed working at home in her kitchen. She loved baking, cooking and taking care of children. She was known for her hand decorated cakes and singing with Sweet Adelines.

She lived in Florida for several years, before moving to Atlanta, Mich. in 2019.

Mrs. Dellar is survived by her children, William (Marilyn) Dellar, Armeta Dellar, Allen Dellar, Lois Ann (Michael) Dellar; 16 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren, 17 great-great-grand-



children; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lyle, on September 19, 2003; one daughter, Janet Dellar; one grandson, Steven VanSickle; and seven siblings.

The funeral was held Saturday, Oct. 7 at Gillies Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

## Sterling R. Rogers

Sterling R. Rogers, 68, of Barton City, died on Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2023, at home.

He was born February 20, 1955, to Donald and Grace (Rapson) Rogers in Detroit, Mich. He was raised in Glen-

Mr. Rogers worked for Chrysler in Detroit, Mich., and retired to Barton City, where he loved to ride his motorcycle, and was always helping people.

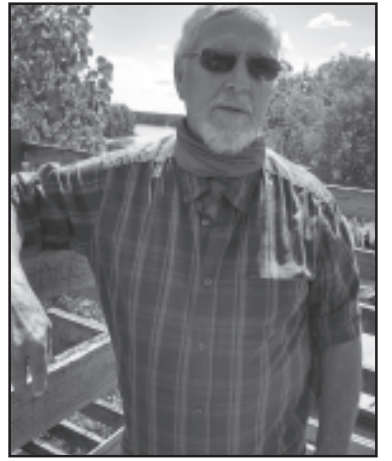
He was a member of the Barton City Eagles Club Aerie No. 4141. He enjoyed playing pool and horseshoes, and spending time with his family.

Mr. Rogers is survived by one daughter, Candace

Rogers; six grandchildren, Kevin Liford, Katelyn Liford, Johnathon Hebert, Cayden Hebert, Sierra Winn, and Jered Winn; two great grandchildren, Waylon Saling and Zoey Saling; two brothers, Bob (Sue) Remilong and Kenny (Kathy) Rogers; two sisters, Diane Harvey and Julie (Edward) LoSasso; his dear friend, Paula Smith; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Linda; one son, Gregory Rogers; three stepsons, Harold Blaton, Jered Blaton, and Darwin Winn; his brother, Donald (Lee) Remilong; and his brother-in-law, Donald Harvey.

A celebration of life event



will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 3, at the Barton City Eagles Club. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

## Linda A. Klei

Linda Ann Klei, 83, of Mikado, formerly of Detroit, Mich., died on Thursday, October 5, 2023, at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

She was born in Detroit, Mich. on January 27, 1940, to Cyril and Marian (Mills) Werstine. She graduated from Redford High School.

She married Ronald E. Klei on October 27, 1962, they cherished nearly 61 years of marriage.

Mrs. Klei devoted her life to raising and caring for her family. Over the years, she enjoyed gardening, sewing and tending to her hummingbirds.

She was the deputy clerk

for the Greenbush Chamber of Commerce for many years.


Mrs. Klei is survived by her husband, Ronald; one son, Eric (Karyl) Klei of Redford Township, Mich.; one daughter, Jill (Jon Erdman) Merritt of Saginaw, Mich.; three grandchildren, Kelsey (Charlie) Randall of Redford Township, Mich., Kendall Merritt and Jared Merritt of Saginaw, Mich.; and one great-grandson, Teddy Randall.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, David Werstine.

The funeral was held on Monday, Oct. 9, at 11 a.m. at



Glen Eden Cemetery Chapel in Livonia, Mich., with interment to follow.



### Cutting back perennials

When it comes to perennials, don't cut them back until after several hard frosts. The roots are still reclaiming energy for healthy growth in the spring, and the decomposing leaves insulate the plant during freezes and thaws and provide fertilizer for spring growth. Leave seed-heads standing to feed the birds in cold weather. However, you should remove dead foliage containing pests or disease.

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## David E. Blower

David E. Blower, 86, of Harrisville, formerly of Clarkston, Mich., passed away on Thursday, July 20, 2023, at his home.

Dave was first a family man that loved us all beyond words and was very proud to be head of our family. He was also ambitious, courageous, competitive, emotional, patriotic, talkative, and a happy warrior.

Self-driven, he was a businessman that founded two floor covering businesses, Blower and Sons in Clarkston, Mich., and Sunrise Carpet "Dave the Carpet Man" in Harrisville, for a total of over 50 years.

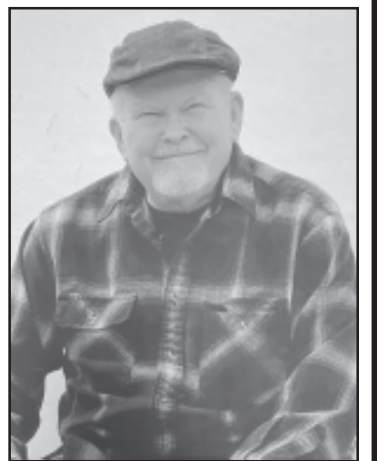
Dave taught all four of our children his serious work ethic of always being dependable and never being satisfied until the work was well done. He was in the National Guard Reserve for four years. He was a Golden Glove State Champion at the age of 19 as a middle weight. He contracted and built a home and remodeled three others. One of his greatest joys was coaching young people in baseball, softball, football, and boxing for over 20 years.

He loved a good pool game, the movies Shane and Rocky, the Detroit Tigers and Lions,

and Kate Smith's recording of God Bless America. Dave was always a talker. He loved to tell his life stories which are legendary, and he never met a stranger. From a greeter buddy at Meijer, who was so kind to him, to his customers, friends, and family, he was always ready for conversation.

In his last years, Dave loved to sing and entertain us with his stories and antics. Basically, his favorite diet was ice cream, Oreos, and strawberry jelly sandwiches. A daily car ride was a must. He was very emotional about babies, cats, dogs, and music. Since there was never a dull moment with Dave, it's impossible to sum up his life in a few words. However, we have love, laughter, and many memories and our family is so grateful to have shared this adventure with a man we will never forget.

Dave is survived by his wife, Judith; four children, Daniel (Laurie) Blower, Donald (Donna) Blower, Pamela (Judy Dornton) Blower, and Cyndie (Harold Issac Jr.) Sherman; his grandchildren, Jennifer, Sharon, Kevin, Sarah, Shayla, Erica, Tyler, Garrett, and Jared; great-grandchildren, Sydney, Blake, Mason,



Bryson, Lily, Liam, Alex, Ivy, and Willow; two sisters-in-law, Jeanne Blower and Patricia (Douglas) Robertson; as well as many nieces, nephews, and special friends.

He was preceded in death by five siblings, Henry, Dorothy, William, Thomas, and Robert.

There will be a memorial service Saturday, Oct. 21, 2023, at the Community Bible Church, 1888 Crescent Lake Road, Waterford, Mich. 48327. Visitation will begin from 11 a.m. until the service at noon.

Memorial donations are suggested to Hospice Compassus, the Harrisville Lion's Club, St. Jude's or the charity of your choice.

Paid Obituary



# Correspondence



To the Editor,  
This letter is to inform residents of the State of Michigan of a bill, which Governor Whitmer supports, to be introduced in the State House of Representatives that would eliminate all local authority over the location and permitting of utility-scale renewable energy facilities.

This would include wind and solar facilities as well as large scale battery facility and move the permitting of utility-scale renewable energy facilities from the local level to the Michigan Public Service Commission. The legislation would preempt and override a township's existing ordinance for renewable energy.

As far as is known, this legislation would be acted on by the end of October or early November.

I urge any state resident to call their representative to oppose this bill, as soon as possible.

Muriel Goddard  
Harrisville

To the Editor,

There are many wonderful things available to all who live in Alcona County. We have been truly blessed.

One of the things I am most thankful for is our local Alcona Animal Clinic in Lincoln. They have provided me with high quality, compassionate care for all my animals for about 30 years now.

Unfortunately, like most of the country, there are more pets with needs that available veterinarians and staff. I just had an emergency with my little dog, who had been with me for over 17 years.

Fortunately, there is now the Thunder Bay Veterinary Urgent Care facility working out of the Sweitzer Vet Clinic in Alpena. They were just superb, and I thank them from the bottom of my heart.

They are open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday for specific hours to provide emergency medical care for your pets. You can contact them at (989) 340-0975. I highly recommend them for emergency pet care services.

Richard Peterson  
Barton City



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### Jamie S. White

Jamie Sue White, 85, of Spruce, died on Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2023, at home.

She was born June 30, 1938, to James and Juanita (Henneke) Jackson in Flint, Mich., where she was raised.

She worked for General Motors for many years.

On April 6, 1956, she married Roy White in Flint, Mich. In 1987, she moved to Spruce where she loved working on her farm and tending to her horses. She enjoyed crochet, sitting on her front porch and sitting around the bonfire.

Mrs. White is survived by one daughter, Peggy (Benson) Cripps of Grand Blanc, Mich.; one son, Jim (Tere) White of Interlochen, Mich.; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Judy (George) Gunckel.



She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy, on December 14, 2008, and one daughter, Diana White, on August 25, 2020.

Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

### Andrea L. Kiefer

Andrea L. Kiefer, 63, of Birch Run, Mich. died on Thursday, Oct. 5, 2023, at home.

She was born July 17, 1960, in Tawas to David and Darlene (Spainhower) Roberts. She attended Oscoda High School, graduating from the class of 1978.

She married Lawrence Kiefer on November 3, 1991.

Mrs. Kiefer was a server for 19 years at Applebee's in Birch Run, Mich.

She was a member of Saint Francis Church and Clare Catholic Church. In her younger days, she was a Girl Scout leader and enjoyed helping with vacation Bible school.

She loved camping; her happy place was Grand Marais, Mich. She enjoyed every sunset from Lake Superior to Naples, Fla., and was known for being an artist.

More than anything she loved her family and enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

Mrs. Kiefer is survived by her husband, Lawrence Kiefer; four daughters, Becki



(Shaun) Bornemann, Elizabeth (Cory) Strobel, Christen (Gregory) Oginsky, and Kimberly (Edward) Raleigh; four grandchildren; her parents, David and Darlene Roberts; two brothers, Brad Roberts and Mark (Jan) Roberts; one sister, Karen (Jim) Hartman; and several nieces and nephews, especially one special great-nephew, David Dion.

The funeral was held Monday, Oct. 9 at the O'Guinn Family Funeral Home in Birch Run, Mich. Cremation followed. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Compassus Hospice.

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# Calendar of Events

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

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, OCTOBER 12

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.

A Fall Book Sale will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. There

are more than 1,000 books available to purchase in support of the Friends of Alcona County Library.

There will be a candle light vigil in honor of survivors of domestic violence from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and the Alcona County Library is partnering with Hope Shores Alliance to host this event.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

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

A Fall Book Sale will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There are more than 1,000 books available to purchase in support of the Friends of Alcona County Library.

CrossRoads Recovery, a faith-based addition program,

will meet at 7 p.m. at Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 S. State Street, Greenbush. For more information, contact Pastor Caincross at (989) 569-1298.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

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.

A craft show and bake sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Barton City Eagles Aerie No. 4141, 671 Sanborn Road, Barton City. For details, contact Theresa at (989) 820-2186.

A Fall Book Sale will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There are more than 1,000 books available to purchase in support of the Friends of Alcona County Library.

There will be a Soup, Salad

and Pie Dinner from 4 to 6 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 N. Second Street, Harrisville. Cost is \$8 per person, \$20 per family, and children under 6 are free. Beverage is included.

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

A free lunch for safety personnel will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Barton City Eagles Aerie No. 4141, 671 Sanborn Road, Barton City. Non safety personnel are welcome, lunch is \$5. For details, contact Theresa at (989) 820-2186.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

Practice ukulele at 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Ukuleles are available for checkout and players of all skill levels are welcome to participate. The ability to read music is not required. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

The Alcona Book Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at noon. Ray Bradbury's "Fahrenheit 451" is the book

for October. Join in the discussion of main themes and plot points in the group over pastries and coffee.

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

The knitting Klub & Crochet meets at 1:15 p.m. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Bring a project underway or start a new one while chatting with group members at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

There will be a taco/nacho dinner served from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Barton City Eagles Aerie No. 4141, 671 Sanborn Road, Barton City. Everyone is welcome.

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

The Lincoln Pop-Up Pantry for Alcona County residents will be held at 3 p.m. at Cole's Appliance storage building in Lincoln (near the AAA Credit Union) until the food is gone.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

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

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

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

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

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## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

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

*(Editor's Note: Entries for Calendar are always welcome. The deadline is Friday at noon. They will be published in chronological order as space allows. Entries should be turned in at least two weeks prior to the date of the event. Events sponsored by businesses or individuals to make a profit or governmental units for meeting notification are not eligible for this free public service. Sorry, bingo, garage sales, raffle ticket sales, or political campaigning information is not eligible.)*

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 Pastor Christina Bright Office 736-7816

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 Pastor David Putz ~ Service, Sunday 9 a.m.

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 5462 Nickelson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake  
 Sunday Worship 10 a.m.  
 Rev. Dr. Bryan Salminen  
 989-727-3206

**Catholic Parishes of the Resurrection**  
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 • Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 • Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m.  
 • Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.

**Haynes Community Church**  
 4505 Shaw Road, Harrisville, Michigan 48740  
 Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m. • 989-724-6665  
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# Bruce Catton's Michigan

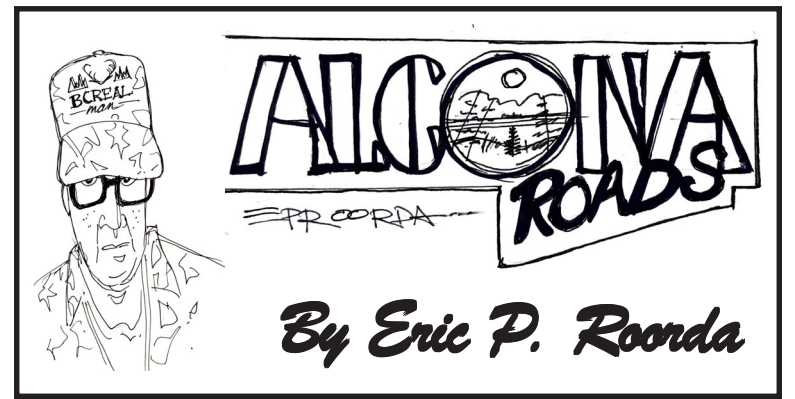
**By Eric P. Roorda**  
Artist & Author

Bruce Catton, the great Civil War historian, wrote a history of his home state entitled, "Michigan: A Bicentennial History," as part of "The States and the Nation Series," published in 50 volumes by W. W. Norton and Co. during the patriotic surge of 1976.

My parents gave me a copy for Christmas that year—the slim paperback was small enough to be a stocking-stuffer, but too weighty for my teenage attention span. Catton's Michigan ended up in a box of books from my boyhood bedroom bookshelf, in my father Bill Roorda's attic, until recently. I've finally been reading it and enjoying it enough to write this column to recommend it.

There are few other histories of Michigan to read. "Michigan: The Wolverine State," by Willis A. Dunbar and George S. May first appeared a decade before Catton's book, with subsequent revised editions in 1980 and 1995. The third edition is still in print. "Michigan: The Great Lakes State," by Bruce E. Rubenstein and Lawrence E. Ziewacz, has gone through five editions, the latest published in 2017, which is still in print by Wiley. It is a textbook (supposedly "college-level," but what school teaches a Michigan history course?). It reads like one.

Catton, conversely, wrote like a novelist. Unfortunately, "Michigan: A Bicentennial History" was a one-off, never



reprinted, let alone revised—Catton died in 1978. More's the pity, because it is the best of the small bunch of Michigan histories.

Catton integrated into Michigan parts of his evocative 1972 memoir of growing up near Battle Creek, "Waiting for the Morning Train," which belongs in the canon of Michigan literature. Catton's lyrical voice is heard in that work, as well as in his landmark "Army of the Potomac" trilogy, which recounts the Civil War through the experience of the Northern forces in the Eastern Theater.

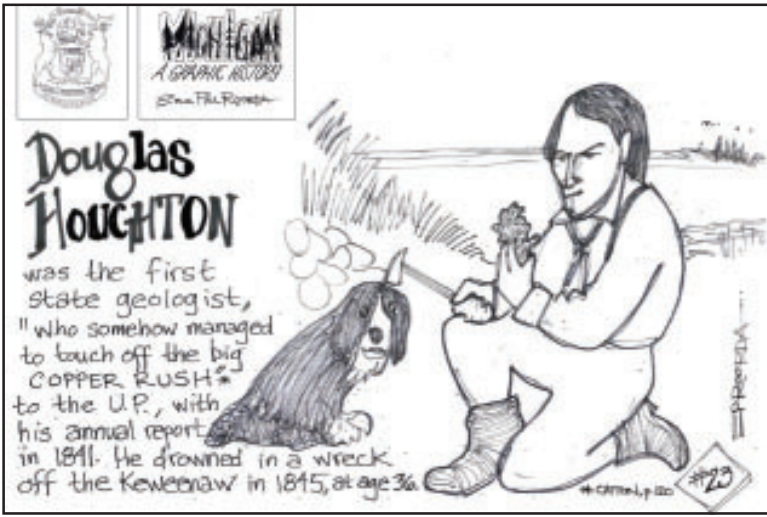
That 1,300-word masterpiece has been included in the definitive "Library of America" series. It is a refreshing contrast to the Rebel-centric trilogy by Shelby Foote, which is undeservedly more famous, due to Ken Burns' blockbuster PBS series in 1989, which featured the writer, with his honey-dripping Mississippi drawl. (If Catton had been the talking head instead, Ken Burns Civil War might not have argued the Confederate argument so loudly.)

Catton's lyrical voice narrates Michigan history in his 1976 account, which is surprisingly undated, despite its age. Forty-seven years later, his prose is fresh, witty and insightful. These are the opening sentences: "Michigan has never really had a present moment. It has a mysterious past and an incalculable future, attractive and terrifying by turns, but the moment where the two meet is always a moment of transition... The great American feeling of being en route—to the unknown, to something new, to the fantastic reality that must lie beyond the mists—is perfectly represented here."

The first colorful figure to burst from the story is the forgotten Etienne Brulé, a young man with a great facility for learning the Huron and Algonkian languages, who was the first European to visit the Great Lakes. What would Champlain have done without Brulé, who became his eyes and ears in the wilderness? Not much, probably.

I like Catton's Michigan so

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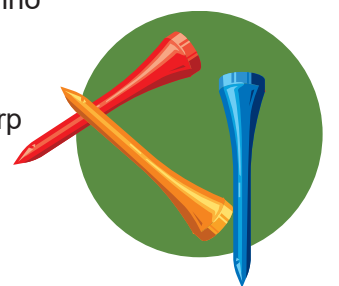
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# Local Notes



## Senior Menu

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

- Monday, Oct. 16: Beef stew, biscuit, pickled beets, mixed fruit.
- Tuesday, Oct. 17: Chicken with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, peaches, A&B Dessert.
- Wednesday, Oct. 18: Ham, scalloped potatoes, squash, grapes.
- Thursday, Oct. 19: Spaghetti with meatballs, corn, mandarin oranges.

All meals include milk, bread and butter according to guidelines. Menu is subject to change due to food availability. A donation of \$6 for folks under 60 and \$3 for those over 60 is welcome. For home delivered meals, call by 8 a.m. Monday through Thursday.

change in attitude. Burnout can occur when caregivers do not get the help they need, or if they try to do more than they are able.

Caregivers often are so busy caring for others that they tend to neglect their own emotional, physical, and spiritual health. Or they may feel guilty if they spend time on themselves. Some ways to prevent burnout include joining a caregiver support group, using respite care service, setting realistic goals, consulting a professional counselor, practicing self-care activities, and accepting the feelings being experienced by the caregiver.

Self-care includes anything an individual can do to keep themselves healthy. Not practicing Self-Care has consequences such as burnout. Anyone that is in a caregiving role is encouraged to attend the free caregiver workshop

that NEMCSA-Region 9 Area Agency on Aging is offering a free caregiver workshop. The workshop provides participants with information, skills, and attitudes to manage stress and increase effective caregiver skills, and tips on how to deal with difficult emotions. A workshop is coming up soon. If interested, contact (989) 358-4616 or [mainvilleb@nemcsa.org](mailto:mainvilleb@nemcsa.org) or visit [www.nemcsa.org](http://www.nemcsa.org).

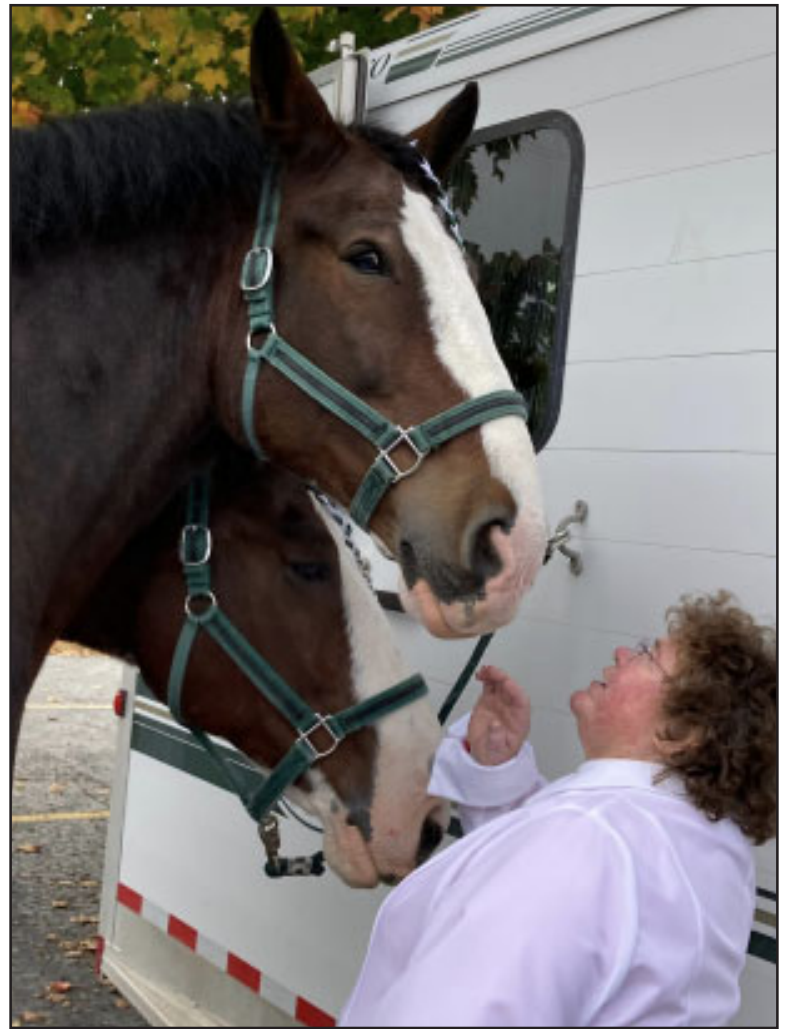
Michigan has approximately one million informal family caregivers who perform over one billion hours of caregiving annually. Their unreimbursed services have a value of more than nine billion dollars (Family Caregiver Alliance). NEMCSA Region 9 Area Agency on Aging offers many other services for family caregivers. To learn about caregiving resources in your area, visit [www.nemcsa.org/senior-services](http://www.nemcsa.org/senior-services).

## Library Book Sale

Stock up for cozy, winter reading at the book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. The sale will be held on Thursday, Oct. 12, Friday, Oct. 13 and Saturday, Oct. 14. There is a great number of large-print books; a Time-Life set on World War II; a complete set on sewing/needlework; many mysteries; fiction; non-fiction; travel; health; self-help; gardening; cookbooks; classics; crafts/home; nature/science; sci-fi/fantasy; action/adventure; romance; holiday-related; spiritual/religion; and more. A wide selection of videos are free.

## Prevent Caregiver Burnout

Caregiving is no simple task; it is not uncommon to feel lonely or frustrated. If self-care practices are not being utilized, it can lead to caregiver burnout, which is a state of physical, emotional, and mental exhaustion. Overwhelmed caregivers may experience fatigue, anxiety and depression. It may be accompanied by withdrawal; loss of interest; change in appetite and sleep patterns; feelings of irritability; hopelessness and helplessness; and a



During the annual Blessing of the Animals, held last Saturday, Meg Nisbet, a lay leader of the Harrisville United Methodist Church, blesses Gunner and Little Ben brought to the church by Pat Perkins of Glenview Clydesdale's in Harrisville. The blessing also included many dogs and cats. *Courtesy photo.*

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# Tigers place second at jamboree in Oscoda

**By Ben Murphy**  
Sports Writer

In a close boys' race, Fairview took first place with 27 points, Alcona placed second with 32 points and the Charlton Heston Academy was third, tallying 71 points in the third North Star League jamboree held in Oscoda on Tuesday, Oct. 3.

Cole Upper continued his impressive sophomore season, winning the race in a

sub-18 minute time of 17:48. Carter Upper had a good run as well, crossing the line third with an 18:40. Darren Boyat was seventh at 19:50, Zygmund Villalobos took a 10<sup>th</sup> place finish with a run of 20:50 and Colin McKenna placed 18<sup>th</sup> on a 22:44.

On Saturday, Alcona was in Fairview, taking part in the Leroy Maxie Invitational. The Tigers took second place in this event as well.

Carter Upper placed fifth place on a time of 17:10. Cole Upper was sixth at 17:18. Darren Boyat placed ninth at 17:55, Zygmund Villalobos had a 14<sup>th</sup> place finish and time of 18:51, and Colin McKenna was 18<sup>th</sup> by clocking a 19:51.

Alcona hosted the NSL championship on Tuesday, Oct. 10 and runs at the Hale Invitational on Tuesday, Oct. 17.



Runners take off at the start of the third North Star League jamboree held at Oscoda. Pictured Alcona runners are (from left) Darren Boyat, Carter Upper and Cole Upper. Photo by Ben Murphy.

# Soccer team gets road win over Fairview

**By Ben Murphy**  
Sports Writer

The Tigers beat Fairview last month, with a score of 8-0. On Monday, Oct. 2 the Tigers did it again, notching a road win over the Eagles, by an identical score of 8-0.

The scoring got started early on with a goal by Colin McKenna. From there, Preston Sharp booted two in for a 3-0 lead.

This was followed by goals by Danica Manning, Cole Upper, Dawson Rigby, Matt Abee and Carter Upper.

Michael Nevin was in goal and made seven saves.

On Thursday, the Tigers dropped a tough home game with Harbor Springs Harbor Light Christian, 4-2.

The Tigers took a 2-0 lead into the half, on what head coach Tim Steiner called "beautiful" goals by Cole Up-

per and Sharp.

"Coming out after halftime we suffered a few injuries to four of our defensive players that were costly," Steiner said.

Harbor Light knotted the game thanks to a goal off a corner kick and a penalty kick. They booted in two more goals late in the contest to steal the win.

Nevin played in goal and made 13 saves.

Alcona (2-5-3 overall) hosted Pinconning on Monday, Oct. 9 in their regular season finale. The Tigers played at Fairview on Wednesday, Oct. 11 in the Division 4 district opener, with the rest of the district tournament taking place Monday, Oct. 16 and Wednesday, Oct. 18. Other teams in the district are Tawas, Oscoda and Roscommon.

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Alcona County Library is requesting sealed bids for the snow plowing, shoveling, and/or deicing of the parking lot and sidewalks of the Harrisville Branch (312 W Main St). The contract will be for services, from November 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024; the bid price shall be made per plow. Plowing needs to be done when there are 2 or more inches of snow, and before the library opens in the morning (9:30 a.m.)

Successful bidders will be required to provide proof of \$1 million dollars of liability insurance.

Sealed bids must be received by Monday October 23, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.; either by Mail or email. Bids must clearly be marked "2023 Snowplow bid" (on the front of the envelope or in the subject line).

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**Denise Bearre, Library Director**  
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auxiliary, the ladies hold amazing soup and dessert dinners for a nominal fee of \$6, \$3 for children ages six to 10, to try one or all the soups and desserts. "A family can eat a hearty meal out all (the) while helping their community. And no one has to wash dishes but us," she said.

A nationality dinner with recipes from countries such as Germany, Italy, China and more is also held once a month. The next nationality will be an Italian dinner night on November 18. Cost is \$10, \$5 for children aged six to 10. Under six eat free.

The club also hosts a Taco Nacho Bar dinner, costs are \$6, \$4 for children aged six to 10. The date for the next one is October 17. Occasionally, the auxiliary will also host a Sunday breakfast from 9 a.m. to noon and other specialty dinners. Often, during the dinners they will have karaoke or a DJ to entertain. "We like having fun," Remilong said.

Except for the Soup and Dessert dinner which is held on the first Saturday of the month from 5 to 7 p.m. Most of the dinner dates vary. The ladies advise to watch for postings on their Facebook page Barton City FOE 4141 for upcoming dinners and events such as their craft show and bake sale which is October 14.

"We always seem to have something cooking in our kitchen or going on in the hall. On November 10 we will have our annual pastie sale with hot from the oven pasties or purchase frozen, to cook later, for \$8 each," Forsythe said.

The Barton City Eagles 4141 is located at 671 Sanborn Road in a building as strong and unique as its members.

Marjorie Forsyth, the mother of the current president, Marlene, has been a past president and member in good standing for many years. She explained they recently did some research on the building which was once an Alcona County Elementary School.

"The school opened in 1956 and vacated when they opened the larger elementary school in Lincoln in the 80s.

We came into it in 1985, and when it was a school a large map of the United States was painted on the wall.

"Roy Rifenbark was a student here at the school and he said Florence Cordes, a teacher at the school drew the map on the wall. On nasty days when it was snowing too hard or raining, she had the kids paint in each state. That was sometime shortly after 1956.

"The map remains today. Some have said the wall should be painted over, but the ladies here like it. It's part of history and it should stay just as it is," Marjorie said.

Marlene Forsyth wanted to share that anyone can become an Eagle member. "It's been rumored that Eagle members must be veterans and that simply isn't true. You don't have to be a veteran or be married to a veteran to become an Eagle. We have no restrictions like that.

"However, to become a member you must fill out an application, be interviewed and be voted on. We make sure you are of good character," Forsythe said.

Her mother nodded, adding that once a member is voted into the auxiliary they are considered a sister. "You are part of the family," she said. Dues are \$10 per year to join.

Like many organizations, they agreed there are only about 20 ladies who do the bulk of the cooking for the fundraisers, but when they need help, the call is put out to the remaining members, everyone steps up.

Forsyth said, "It is a lot of work. Sometimes it feels like we see more of each other than our family, but that's okay. We are a family. We like each other's company and it's all for a good reason."

The Barton City Eagles also rents the hall and does memorial dinners. They also have a Cinco de Mayo celebration, an annual cornhole tournament, and a horseshoe, pool and shuffleboard league.

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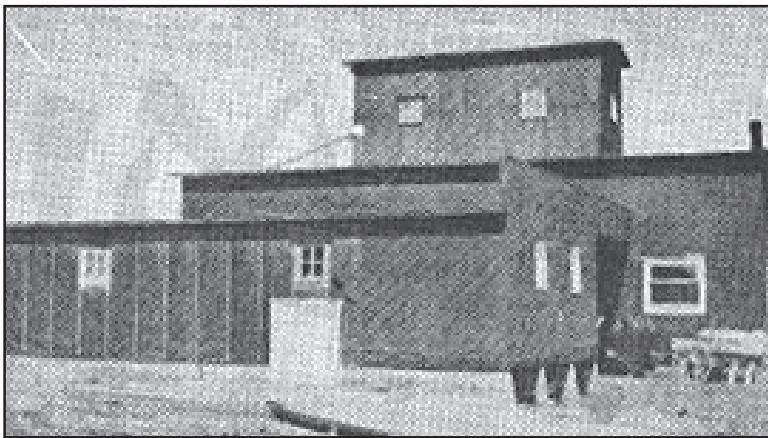
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### Mikado elevator completely destroyed by fire Sunday



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The fire was discovered by Mrs. Gus Holm at approximately 6:30 a.m., and she immediately gave out the alarm. Mr. and Mrs. Loyer and family had left town for the weekend, and had left the keys with Kenneth Collins, who, with early arrivers at the fire, saved the large trucks and some of the household goods before the blaze got out of control.

The elevator bins were full and a large quantity of sacked grain was in storage at this time of the year, and were completely destroyed. Mr. Loyer stated that he estimates the loss on grain and some

building material that he handles, would value at \$815,000. About 20,000 feet of lumber, piled on the north side of the building, was also destroyed.

The Oscoda, Lincoln and Harrisville Fire Departments answered the call, but were of little assistance, except to aid in preventing the spread of the fire elsewhere.

Mr. Loyer purchased the building in 1944 and converted it into a modern elevator. The building was moved to its location from the D. & M. property where it was used as a depot and freight shed.

Mr. Loyer estimates the total loss at about \$35,000 to \$40,000. Plans are being made to rebuild the plant in early spring

### KiKi to Boston

**October 14, 1948** ~ Friends will be pleased by the announcement that KiKi Cuyler will be with the Boston Red Sox Baseball Club this coming season. His appointment as Coach, was made this week by Manager Joe McCarthy. This appointment with an American League Club will enable his many friends to see him, when attending Detroit games.

Ki recently resigned as manager of the Atlanta Crackers. He won three Southern Association pennants, his first at Chattanooga in 1940. He managed the club from 1939 through 1941. In 1945 and 1946 he won the pennant managing the Atlanta club, which he managed from 1944 through this year. He also acted as coach in major league at Chicago in 1942 and 1943.

### Harrisville business has new owners

**October 11, 1973** ~ In a recent business transaction Mr. and Mrs. John Pridnia became owners of the Shell Service Station, the Mobile Home Park, the Dairy Dome, and the K. L. Noyes home, on the corner of Church Street and State Avenue in Harrisville.

The Pridnias, who took possession on Wednesday, September 19, formerly lived in Huntington Woods, where Mr. Pridnia was engaged in sales work. They are the parents of three sons, John 10, David 9, and Chris 7.

Mr. Pridnia said that in connection with the gas station, he will have a mechanic on duty seven days a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Noyes, the former owners, opened the Shell Service in 1937, and in later years built the Mobile Home Park, their small home, and the Dairy Dome. At present they are occupying the former Harry Panzer trailer in the Mobile Home Park, and their plans for the future are indefinite.

## Roads

**Continued from page 5**

much, I began a serialized "Graphic History of Michigan," based on the main historical actors in his narrative. It appears in the week-end edition of the Alpena News and is currently in its sixth month of publication. Here are a few examples from the book-in-progress.

*(Eric has been hanging around Springport, on and off, for 50 years. His books can be found on Amazon by Googling his name, including The White Tail Family Coloring Book, based on his weekly cartoon on the Outdoors page of The Alpena News.)*

### Super Crossword

**Answers**

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# Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GEOGRAPHY:** Which body of water lies between Alaska and Russia?
2. **TELEVISION:** What city is the setting for the dramatic series "The Wire"?
3. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** What is President Joe Biden's Secret Service code name?
4. **MOVIES:** What is the name of the island in "Jurassic Park"?
5. **MUSIC:** What is the pop band that The Dude dislikes in "The Big Lebowski"?
6. **SCIENCE:** Which metal conducts electricity best?
7. **HISTORY:** What is believed to be the oldest system of writing?
8. **ANATOMY:** What is the longest muscle in the human body?
9. **U.S. STATES:** Which two states don't observe Daylight Savings Time?
10. **ASTRONOMY:** In which constellation can you find the Horsehead Nebula?

**Answers:** 1. Bering Strait.; 2. Baltimore, Maryland.; 3. Celtic.; 4. Isla Nublar.; 5. The Eagles.; 6. Silver.; 7. Cuneiform.; 8. Sartorius, which stretches from the pelvis to the knee.; 9. Arizona and Hawaii.; 10. Orion. (c) 2023 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Oct. 23, 1964, French existentialist philosopher and writer Jean-Paul Sartre published a letter in the newspaper Le Figaro to explain why he didn't want to accept the Nobel Prize for Literature that he'd been awarded the day before, stating he didn't wish to take sides in the East and West struggle of the Cold War by accepting an award given by Western institutions.
  - On Oct. 24, 1926, the world famous escape artist Harry Houdini, though ill with a high fever, cold sweats and pain, gave what would be his last performance at the Garrick Theater in Detroit, Michigan. Immediately afterward, he was rushed to a local hospital, where he died a week later on Halloween.
  - On Oct. 25, 1955, Tappan sold the first microwave oven, a large, 220-volt model priced at \$1,295. Only 34 units were produced that year, and didn't sell well. But by 2000, the ovens could be found in 90% of American homes.
  - On Oct. 26, 1977, the last natural case of smallpox was discovered in Merca District, Somalia. Three years later, the World Health Organization declared the disease eradicated. To date it remains the sole infectious disease to have achieved that distinction.
  - On Oct. 27, 2013, singer-songwriter Lou Reed died at the age of 71 from a liver-related illness. The Velvet Underground frontman had undergone a liver transplant and was known for his heavy alcohol and drug use.
  - On Oct. 28, 2011, British Commonwealth leaders unanimously agreed that female heirs to the throne would be equal in the rules of succession. The previous rules, in place for over three centuries, had decreed that first-born sons had the right to the throne, while daughters would only inherit the monarchy if no sons had been born or survived. It was also agreed to lift the ban barring British monarchs from marrying Roman Catholics.
  - On Oct. 29, 1982, Lindy Chamberlain was found guilty of the murder of her 9-week-old daughter, Azaria, after a jury dismissed her claim that a wild dingo actually took the baby during a family camping trip.
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## Super Crossword

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| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Durable, lustrous fabric for table linen</p> <p>7 Babysits, e.g.</p> <p>12 Heavy burden</p> <p>16 Machines connected to mice</p> <p>19 Person expressing viewpoints</p> <p>20 Do some igniting</p> <p>22 Syrup source</p> <p>23 Beginning of a riddle</p> <p>25 Even a hint of</p> <p>26 Not so bright</p> <p>27 Old sporty Pontiac</p> <p>28 The Palm Treo was one, in brief</p> <p>29 Arctic home</p> <p>31 Riddle, part 2</p> <p>39 "— qué?" ("Why?," to Juanita)</p> <p>40 Tofu base</p> <p>41 Contest involving balancing on a floating log</p> <p>42 Lead-in to bad news</p> <p>45 "— girl!"</p> <p>47 Fortunetellers</p> <p>49 U.S. pres. during the Gulf War</p> <p>53 Riddle, part 3</p> | <p>57 Austrian "a"</p> <p>58 Hidden valley</p> <p>59 "— From Muskogee"</p> <p>60 "Incredible" superhero</p> <p>61 Bert's Muppet pal</p> <p>63 "— darn tootin'!"</p> <p>64 Broad smile</p> <p>65 Foal's father</p> <p>66 Mini-carpet</p> <p>68 Riddle, part 4</p> <p>72 Woman with will power?</p> <p>74 Deteriorates</p> <p>75 Dahs' Morse counterparts</p> <p>76 Pet treat</p> <p>79 "Tomorrow" musical</p> <p>80 "— d'oeuvres"</p> <p>81 Peru's capital</p> <p>82 "Gotta go!"</p> <p>83 Muscle jerk</p> <p>84 Riddle, part 5</p> <p>89 Tree of Life's garden</p> <p>91 Boffo reviews</p> <p>92 Funnywomen Schumer and Poehler</p> <p>93 Has a go at</p> <p>94 Have a loan from</p> <p>96 Lead-in to puncture or pressure</p> <p>97 Class for U.S. immigrants</p> <p>98 End of the riddle</p> | <p>107 Put back to 0, perhaps</p> <p>108 NASA "yes"</p> <p>109 Tolkien meanie</p> <p>110 Rom- (film genre)</p> <p>112 Aussie avian</p> <p>113 Riddle's answer</p> <p>121 Diana Ross musical, with "The"</p> <p>122 Relaxes, informally</p> <p>123 Shoelace hole</p> <p>124 Disco (guy on "The Simpsons")</p> <p>125 "Yes, yes!" in Yucatán</p> <p>126 Discontinues</p> <p>127 Cookout condiment</p> | <p><b>POTENT POULTRY</b></p> <p>10 Visit briefly</p> <p>11 Reading room</p> <p>12 Two — kind</p> <p>13 Not a one</p> <p>14 Website ID</p> <p>15 Frozen floating brine</p> <p>16 Church song</p> <p>17 Tippy craft</p> <p>18 Observe slyly</p> <p>21 Put — on (limit)</p> <p>24 Broadway's Hagen</p> <p>30 Mapmaker's sci.</p> <p>32 Home to Barcelona</p> <p>33 Driver's alert</p> <p>34 Lauder of perfume</p> <p>35 Chomsky of linguistics</p> <p>36 Vacuum cleaner company</p> <p>37 Actress Petty</p> <p>38 Rick's love in "Casablanca"</p> <p>42 Azalea of rap</p> <p>43 Manicurist's tool</p> <p>44 From the time that</p> <p>45 Guitarist Chet</p> <p>46 Entity</p> <p>47 Rejects with disdain</p> <p>48 Trapped morays</p> <p>50 Much-married English king</p> <p>51 Nintendo console that debuted in 2012</p> <p>52 Rare blood type, in brief</p> <p>54 Pierces</p> <p>55 Japanese massage technique</p> <p>56 Ogling looks</p> <p>62 Old washcloth</p> <p>64 Say "hi" to</p> <p>65 Cutoffs, e.g.</p> <p>66 Hostility</p> <p>67 Affix a new label to</p> <p>69 Hexa- halved</p> <p>70 Recurrent theme</p> <p>71 Benefit spiritually</p> <p>72 Dislike a lot</p> <p>73 "National Velvet" novelist</p> <p>77 Roof's edge</p> <p>78 Feet have five</p> <p>80 Widespread destruction</p> <p>81 Primate of Madagascar</p> <p>82 Keyboard command for "paste"</p> <p>85 Rich rocks</p> <p>86 Vatican's denom.</p> <p>87 Go quickly</p> <p>88 Stilted-sounding reply to "Who's there?"</p> <p>90 G flat, for one</p> <p>95 — hat (Broom-Hilda costume part)</p> <p>96 Beginning of a classic JFK quote</p> <p>97 Artist working on glass</p> <p>98 Pub offerings</p> <p>99 Send in, as payment</p> <p>100 Japanese truck maker</p> <p>101 "Mighty" trees</p> <p>102 Yule songs</p> <p>103 9-Down and 119-Down are opposite ones</p> <p>104 Bit of a circle</p> <p>105 GI tract bacterium</p> <p>106 Tender spots</p> <p>111 Fictitious tale</p> <p>114 "Bali —"</p> <p>115 Officeholders</p> <p>116 Hi-tech film effects</p> <p>117 Dove's noise</p> <p>118 Cobra type</p> <p>119 Certain caucous reply</p> <p>120 — Aviv-Yafo</p> |
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## Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Like verbal language, sign language has tongue twisters, known as "finger fumlbers."
- In Japan, ramen noodles are a fuel source for more than just humans: The Amaterasu Railway's sightseeing train uses biodiesel made out of leftover ramen oil, which has the added benefits of curbing CO2 emissions and supporting local businesses.
- Physarum polycephalum, a type of slime mold, can solve complex mazes and other spatial problems even though it has neither a brain nor a nervous system.
- There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.
- A bald eagle, upon catching a fish that may be too heavy for it to lift, will use a movement strikingly similar to the human breaststroke to maneuver its prey to the shore.
- The world's oldest known musical instrument, a flute made from a vulture's wing bone that was discovered in a German cave, dates back nearly 40,000 years.
- Minnie Mouse's first name isn't Minnie, but Minerva.
- Rapper Yung Gravy donated nearly 2,000 bras thrown at him during concerts to a women's charity.
- A candle's flame is blue in zero gravity.
- Janine Sugawara sued the makers of Cap'n Crunch cereal for falsely advertising its contents by not using real berries. Her complaint was quickly dismissed, however, when the judge pointed out that there's no such thing as Crunch Berry.
- And speaking of the good captain, his full name is Horatio Magellan Crunch, after explorer Ferdinand Magellan.
- You are more likely to have a weird or scary dream while sleeping on your stomach.
- During the 1980s, American Airlines found it could save an annual \$40,000 simply by removing a single olive from its first-class meals.

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Thought for the Day: "You know you're in love when you can't fall asleep because reality is finally better than your dreams." -- Dr. Seuss

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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: **V** equals **F**

FLBP ZLXSGH WI PLI VBKXYDPI

VYSDPE WIKIYBJI XV OLSYOL

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# Kovels: Antiques and Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

## Playing cards

Playing cards provide innocent amusement: a game with friends, a magic trick to entertain a child, a round of solitaire to pass some time alone. So what's a devil doing here?

This novelty pitcher made by Royal Bayreuth about 1930 has a body that looks like it's made of playing cards and has a smiling devil figure for a handle. It sold for \$250 at a Potter & Potter auction.

In the past, playing cards were seen as sinful, whether they were associated with gambling, divination or merely idle frivolity. (Do those friendly games, magic tricks or solitaire sessions sound less innocent now?)

In 1890, Mrs. John King Van Rensselaer published a book on the history of playing cards called "The Devil's Picture-Books," after a Puritan

name for cards. According to one anecdote in the book, Columbus's sailors brought decks of cards with them on their voyage across the Atlantic Ocean, but threw them overboard out of superstitious fear during bad weather. After the ships landed safely, the crew made themselves new cards out of tree leaves. Later, even the Puritans approved of some card games if they had educational themes. Seeing playing cards as a sin doesn't eliminate their appeal. In some cases, it may even contribute.

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Q: I have seen different types of maple furniture, like "bird's-eye maple," "tiger maple" and others. What are the differences? Do they come from different varieties of trees? Do they affect the value or quality of the furniture?



Can you resist anything but temptation? Buyers couldn't resist this Royal Bayreuth pitcher with a devil and playing cards. Photo credit Kovels.com

A: Maple is a strong, sturdy wood that is popular for furniture. Figured maple has naturally occurring variations in its grain pattern. The cause

for these variations is not known, but environmental factors like climate, soil type, disease and injury to the tree may contribute. Bird's-eye maple and tiger maple are two types of these patterns. Others include spalted and quilted maple. Tiger maple is also known as curly maple. Figuring does not mean a lower quality wood; in fact, figured maple is especially desirable for decorative pieces like furniture, crafts and musical instruments. Since the 19th century, inexpensive woods and other materials have been painted to imitate grain patterns, and naturally patterned wood adds to the value of a piece.

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TIP: Don't use the popular aluminum foil and baking soda system to clean antique silver. It leaves the silver with

an undesirable tin-looking color.

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### VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, Oct. 2 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those in attendance included president Phillips; treasurer/zoning administrator Mahalak; clerk Somers; and council members, Durham, Lucas, Schick, Wambold and Werth. Member Gauthier was absent. The minutes of the September meeting were approved on a motion from Durham with support from Wambold. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Schick with support from Wambold. The bills were approved for payment on a motion from Durham with support from Wambold. Mahalak gave the zoning report.

Brian Renchenski gave the fire department report. There will be a CPR training class on October 10. Brian and assistant fire chief Nathan Walker attended a training seminar on September 12 in Frankenmuth, Mich. Gary Graves gave the maintenance report. Brent Werth gave the sewer report. President Phillips gave the road report. Trick or treat hours are from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 31. Trick or Trunk and the Chili Cook-off is on Saturday, October 21 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A motion to adjourn was made by Schick with support from Durham. Carried.

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# Tigers secure big road win over AuGres, players show progress

**By Ben Murphy**  
Sports Writer

If the Alcona varsity football team was looking to make a statement, they certainly made one last Friday.

The Tigers were playing at sixth ranked AuGres in a North Star League crossover game, and picked up what might have been their best victory of the season, 42-12.

"This was a good win for us," head coach Jason Somers said. "It showed that our guys are continually improving as the season progresses and that is the goal. The key was to have a great plan going in, then to watch the kids know and understand the plan was great. We did not have many breakdowns and in games where teams are evenly matched that is key."

Alcona had a dominant first half. They scored the game's first touchdown on a 23-yard touchdown pass from Garrett Somers to William Liebler for a 6-0 lead.

In the second quarter, Somers made a big play on defense, hauling in an interception and returning it for a touchdown and 12-0 advantage.

On their next series, Somers threw a touchdown pass to Collin Walker, making it 20-0 midway through the second.

AuGres nearly scored in the finale minute of the half, but a big stop on fourth-and-goal kept the Tigers' 20-0 lead intact.

The Wolverines scored an early third quarter touchdown to pull within 20-6, and they stopped Alcona's next offensive series. Somers grabbed another interception though, sparking the Tigers to score twice in the third quarter, as it was 34-6 entering the fourth. Both teams scored a touchdown in the final frame.

Somers finished 10-of-20 passing for 200 yards, two touchdowns and one interception, and he also ran 19 times for 157 yards and two touchdowns. Walker had five receptions for 77 yards and one touchdown, and he had one rushing touchdown as well. Jeremiah Bullis had two catches for 57 yards, and Liebler had the 23-yard touchdown reception.

As for the defense, William O'Neill had 12 tackles, two of which were for a loss. Somers

had 11 tackles and three interceptions, including the one that went for a pick-six. Jacob June had 11 tackles and Walker nailed 10 tackles.

"This week the couple things that stood out were practices leading up to the game and the crowd at the game," Somers said. "As you know, you are only as good as the game prep, this week our whole team, including members of the JV squad helped us prepare very well. In my estimation that is what makes this win so special, everyone

who had a hand in preparing should take pride in this victory.

"Lastly, how about a shout out to the Alcona fans who were so loud in supporting their team Friday. I was on the field and could feel the energy and the players could too, we need a repeat performance this week as we play Rogers City for homecoming."

Alcona (6-1 overall, 2-0 NSL Big Dipper) is scheduled to host Rogers City (4-3, 3-0) on Friday, Oct. 13. The Hurons are coming off a 36-28

win over Mio last week. A win in this contest clinches at least a share of the league title.

"This will be a great game on Friday," Somers said. "You can throw out the records going into this one, their coach always has his team ready to play this game and this week will be no exception. We have played them close the last few years and we will be ready to play another great game this week."

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## Popular trends in home exteriors

Certain homes have an undeniable wow factor. That instant appeal tends to be noticeable the moment visitors pull up to the curb, and it might be a byproduct of homeowners' willingness to embrace the latest exterior design trends.

Trends come and go, but recognition of the current fashions can help homeowners create that highly sought-after wow factor. The following are some recent trends in home exteriors that have helped homeowners set their properties apart.

### Wood

Natural wood has undeniable appeal, and it hasn't only found newfound devotion among home interior decorators. Natural wood garage doors create a sense of warmth and can set a home apart from others with steel doors, which tend to be the most popular garage door material. In addition to the garage door, natural wood entry doors and wood decks are popular ways to impart this classical, warm look to a home's exterior.

### Painted brick

Like natural wood, brick is a traditional material that's both sturdy and classical. But homeowners can add character to brick with a coat of paint, which has become a popular trend in recent years. Light tones tend to be most popular when painting bricks. The experts at Better Homes & Gardens note that this could prove a long-term commitment if homeowners so desire, as a properly painted brick exterior could last as long as 20 years.

### Outdoor lighting


It makes sense that individuals looking to spend more time enjoying their properties outdoors would want more lighting outside. Ambient outdoor lighting can be utilized throughout a property. Such lighting can light up walkways and driveways and be used to light up landscaping features like trees and gardens.

Home design trends tend to be fickle. But recognition of the current trends in exterior home design can set homes apart and turn properties into awe-inspiring places to enjoy the great outdoors. TF234820

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