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Caledonia library to hold Friendship Day

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

The Hubbard Lake Community Association is inviting everyone to nurture friendships, enrich knowledge and share community interests during its Library Friendship Day.

With the intent to celebrate all the good things happening in Hubbard Lake, the event will be held Friday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Hubbard Lake Community Center.

Ilene Larson will present her quilt and book trunk show. Larson, a school teacher from Ossineke, was instrumental in bringing a traveling quilt children's literacy program to Alpena Schools. Since her retirement, she has continued to educate using nearly 30 children's books along with matching lap quilts to engage and sharpen comprehension skills in young readers.

"The quilts and books have been well received while on display at the Bailey School, Alpena's Art in the Loft and many other venues. People of all ages seem to like them. A lot of the quilts were made years ago by older people who are no longer with us, so they hold dear memories. Many friendships have been forged through quilting," Larson said.

Denise Bearre, director of the Alcona County Library, will be joining the event to discuss the many activities the library offers. She will also talk about the library's plans for the future and how a 1,500-square-foot Caledonia branch library will be built into the new Hubbard Lake Community Center.

A \$10 entry fee per person will include lunch sponsored by Hubbard Lake Connect. Activities include a quilt giveaway and bucket raffles of other items. Participants must preregister by April 19.

Hubbard Lake Community Association event co-directors Margaret Boyer and Ann Gonsler explained while there is a need for funds for the new library the friendship day is not a fundraiser.

"This event is to raise people's awareness of our community and is more so-

cial than about collecting funds. I want people to 'Catch the Wave' (of Hubbard Lake), and talk about what is coming for us while promoting the library. People don't realize all the things the library does besides loaning books.

"If we have any funds left over from friendship day, I'd like that to go to a veteran's reception in the fall. When the community center is built, I want to make sure it is utilized by the community, maybe bring in chair exercise classes," Boyer said.

Gonsler said the new community center would add a lot of life to the quiet lakeside town and should be utilized by the whole community. "We are unique because both school busses, Alpena schools

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Alcona County residents Pam McCann (left), Lenny Avery (middle) and Mike Stone enjoy watching the moon pass the sun during the eclipse last Monday at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Clear skies gave a perfect opportunity for northern Michigan to view a near total eclipse. Photo by Mary Weber.

County encourages participation in Internet challenge

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Realizing how difficult life became in rural areas during the pandemic shutdown because of poor Internet access, the State of Michigan is conducting a "challenge" to see exactly who on the map has Internet service.

The Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) program is looking to identify locations across the state that are eligible for high-speed Internet infrastructure. Time, however, is of the essence as the state, which began the BEAD state challenge process on March 25, will end it on April 23.

In a press release from Michigan Lieutenant Governor Garlin Gilchrist II, he explained that every Michigan resident deserves access to affordable fast Internet so they can connect to online learning, healthcare and economic opportunity. "As Michigan sets the stage to connect more homes, businesses and communities, the BEAD state

challenge process will help us deploy resources more effectively.

"I encourage every Michigander to visit the portal and tell us about unserved and underserved locations," Gilchrist said.

According to the press release, current state maps of Internet services are based on existing information from federal and state sources. The state is inviting stakeholders to verify the accuracy of current maps and submit additional information, which they are calling "challenges" in areas that are incorrect on the map.

Doug Cheek, chairman of the Alcona County Economic Development Committee (EDC), explained participation of local units of government, including cities and townships will be critical in accurately identifying and determining how much of Alcona County is currently either not served at all, under-

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Joan Crick, retired Alcona Community Schools science teacher, catches a glimpse of the solar eclipse on the afternoon of April 8. She is a resident of Jamieson Nursing Home, and counted down the days to the eclipse. She explained the relative motion of the earth and moon to the sun to anyone who would listen. Several staff members joined in throughout the event, some saying it was their first solar eclipse. Courtesy photo.



God Bless America



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Obituaries

Patricia A. Kramer

Patricia A. Kramer, 82, of Lincoln, died on Saturday, March 23, 2024, at home.

She was born November 4, 1941, to Patrick and Alice (Davis) McGuire in Detroit, Mich., where she was raised.

She graduated from Grace Hospital School of Nursing, and worked as a registered nurse.

On September 4, 1965, she married James Kramer in Grosse Pointe, Mich. They were longtime residents of Troy, Mich., and retired to Lost Lake Woods Club in 1999.

Mrs. Kramer was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church in Ossineke.

She was a member of the River Aux Sables Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, where she served as past regent. She enjoyed sewing, quilting and genealogy.

Mrs. Kramer is survived by her husband, James; three sons, Michael Kramer of Spruce, Paul (Ann) Kramer of Lincoln and Christopher Kramer of Lincoln; two granddaughters, Ali (Braden)



Yokom and Kathleen (Brett Long) Kramer; and two great-grandchildren, Charlie Yokom and Olivia Yokom.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Patrick McGuire, and Alice (William) Rolston, and two brothers, Michael McGuire and Craig Rolston.

A funeral Mass was held Friday, April 5 at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Ossineke. Memorial donations may be made to the River Aux Sables chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, or to Hospice of Michigan.

John F. Garrity

John F. Garrity, 96, of Harrisville and Bradenton, Fla. died on Thursday, March 28, 2024, at home.

He was born January 7, 1928, in Detroit, Mich. to Robert and Marguerite (Locher) Garrity.

He started his college studies at age 16. He served two years in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He continued his studies in accounting and business and graduated from Michigan State University and was a member of the Delta Sigma Pi fraternity.

Mr. Garrity was an avid Spartan fan who expanded his support to include the Wolverines and Gators as family members took on additional college loyalties.

In Michigan, John worked for Alcoa Aluminum and Artco. He moved to Hollywood, Fla. in 1969 as comptroller for the development of the Opal Towers complex on Hillsborough Beach, Fla. Mr. Garrity concluded his career with 13 years of service to the MacArthur Foundation. He retired in 1993.

In retirement, the couple enjoyed splitting their time between Harrisville and Bradenton, Fla. His favorite pastimes were spending time with family and friends, playing golf, manicuring the lawn



and lakefront, and serving as a local event volunteer.

Mr. Garrity is survived by two daughters, Dr. Patricia Garrity of Chester, Va. and Kimberly (Dr. Daniel) Harber of Harrisville; and two grandchildren, Lauren (Kyle) Kittleson and Daniel Harber; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 69 years, Jacqueline "Jackie" (Osdras) Garrity; and five siblings. A celebration of life event, accompanied by Mass at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville is planned for the summer.

Correspondence

To the Editor,
This communique is in response to Margaret Kutzera's March 13 letter. I'd like to add to Margaret's list of women and would begin with almost all the women that married a man.

God said that man (Adam) should not be alone so therefore, He declared a "help meet" would be made for him; a woman.

In my opinion, to choose to be a wife of a man is a sacrifice for some women, let alone to choose to be a mother of their children. Most women see it as a blessing even when it is difficult to deal with her husband. They are heroes!

Joel, the wife of Heber, pounded a nail through the temples of Sisera, the captain of the king of Canaan's army, named Jabin, as he slept in their tent. She literally nailed his head to the ground.

Deborah, the wife of Lapidoth, a prophetess, was the supreme court's judge in Israel and her word was law. She instigated the effort to kill Sisera and had great courage. See Judges 4, Holy Bible. (Queen Esther saved the Jewish race from genocide by risking her life.)

In the 1930s, Lise Meitner, a physicist, explored the phenomenon of nuclear fission and Irene Joliot-Cuivre investigated the radioactivity of irradiated uranium with new discoveries resulting from her experiments. Also, Lise was deported from Germany by the Nazi government, forced out actually.

Other women of note can be seen and described on poster(s) currently attached to the wall by the computers of the Caledonia branch of the Alcona County Library. Enjoy life and always learn.

Even women heroes respond to "more grog wench," either in love or tolerance.

Mike Doran,
Caledonia Township

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, April 15: Stroganoff with noodles, mixed vegetables, apple.
- Tuesday, April 16: Fish, asparagus, fingerling potatoes, banana.
- Wednesday, April 17: Mostaccioli, Italian cut green beans, mixed fruit.
- Thursday, April 18: Beef chop suey, peas, rice, 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.

Caregiver Wellness Conference

Region 9 Area Agency on Aging (AAA) is hosting a free Caregiver Empowerment and Wellness Conference on Friday, April 19 at the Mio Baptist Church, 357 South Mt. Tom Road, Mio from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This day-long event is designed to give caregivers information and rest from the stress of caregiving. The conference will provide the following information:

- Useful tips and informa-


tion attendees can take home.

- New ways to engage individuals with dementia.
- Connect with other caregivers.
- Be better prepared to provide care and handle challenging situations.
- Gain new perspectives on the caregiving journey.
- Learn techniques that will help reduce stress levels.
- An array of vendors who offer supportive services.

The Area Agency on Aging can help connect older adults and family caregivers to more resources and can be reached at (989) 358-4600, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is also an online resource list at www.nemcsa.org/senior-services.

Celebrity Basketball Game

The 9th Annual celebrity basketball game with the Alpena DARE All Stars and the Lions Superstars will begin at 7 p.m. at the Alpena Thunder Bay Junior High School gymnasium, 3500 South Third Ave, Alpena. Proceeds go to the Alpena DARE Foundation and will benefit drug awareness and law enforcement scholarship in local schools. Lion legends like Herman Moore, Corey Schlesinger, Rob Rubick and more will be signing autographs. Tickets are \$25 or two tickets for \$40, and family ticket for \$50. Order tickets online at aplenadare-publicsafety.com. For more details, or to get tickets via phone, call (800) 810-7410.



If you choose to propagate wild violet plants, divide an established "clump" in spring or fall by gently separating the rooted stems from each other within the group, then replant them separately. Also, their seeds can be collected and sown in the fall, if you desire spring blooms. Other than watering following planting, and occasional watering throughout the growing season, wild violets require very little care. Their foliage is occasionally affected by spider mites in dry weather.

Brenda Weaver

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Calendar of Events

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Homeschoolers, seasoned and/or curious, are invited to the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 1 to 2 p.m. to offer inspiration and camaraderie for school-aged children. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

The Sunrise Community Food Pantry is open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church, 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Clients are asked to come one time per month and must be present to receive food. Distribution is by curbside pickup. Recipients stay in their vehicle. Identification is required. Clients are accepted regardless of where they live. Bring a box or bag. Call (989) 727-3443 for details.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

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.

Birding 101 with Peggy Ridgway, past president of AuSable Valley Audubon, will be held from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. This free, two-part class is for adults who want to hone their birding skills. Limited space for 20 individuals. Pre-registration is required by calling (989) 724-6796. Attendees should bring their field guide.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

There will be a children's craft activity and story time at 10:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. This is not just about learning; it's about unleashing the joy of discovery. For information, call (989) 724-6796.

CrossRoads Recovery, a faith-based addiction program, will meet at 7 p.m. at Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 S. State Street, Greenbush. For more information, contact Paster Caincross at (989) 569-1298.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

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.

Forge new friendships, learn to strategize and be creative in the teen-exclusive Dungeons & Dragons Club, which meets from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., which meets upstairs at the Hollyhock Emporium in Harrisville. For more details, call (989) 724-6796.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

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

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

The Alcona Book Club will meet from noon to 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. April's book is "Middle School is No Place for Magic," by Mimi Olsen. Coffee and light refreshments are available during the discussion. For more details, call (989) 724-6796.

The Knitting Klub & Crochet will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. All ages and skill levels are welcome to share stories, tips and tricks while working on projects or starting a new one. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

"White Hurricane," a dramatic tale of the worst storm in Great Lakes history, will be presented by Historian Jeff Thomas at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main Street. This free "Cabin Fever" program is brought to you by the Alcona Historical Society and the library. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

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Seniors are welcome to spend the afternoon playing games from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Alcona County Senior Center in Lincoln.

The Lincoln Pop-Up Pantry will be held at 3 p.m. at Cole's Appliance storage building by AAA Credit Union in Lincoln until the food is gone.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

Veterans and spouses and widow(er)s are invited to join other retired military members for a drop-in coffee and fellowship between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville. For more info., call (989) 724-9581.

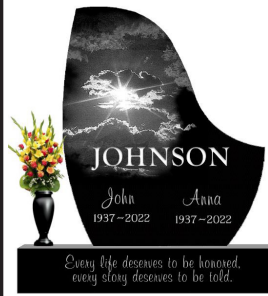
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Alcona softball readies for successful season

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity softball team has enjoyed winning Division 4 district championships each of the last two seasons. The Lady Tigers, who went an impressive 24-7 overall last year, expect more of the same this year, thanks to a huge crop of 12 returning varsity players.

"The team this year is working well together," said ninth year head coach Chelsea Neuenfeldt. "I think we will have a good run with so many returning. We have moved a few into different positions so our focus so far has been learning multiple positions as athletes and working together as a cohesive unit."

Seniors returning to the team will be Sage Gauthier (shortstop, all-state); Olivia Borchardt (third base, all-district); Jena Wambold (center-field, all-state); Miah Schopfer (pitcher, all-region); Lilly Pappas (second base); juniors, Rilee Tracy (catcher, all-district); Gracyn Tracy (outfield, all-district); Hannah Renchenski (outfield); Baylee Goddard (second base, all-regional); and sophomores, Addison Beatty (pitcher, outfield, all-district); Riley Kroon (first base); Ella Gehring (outfield); and Nyhia Jackson (outfield).

New to the team are freshmen, Claire Somers (pitcher, third base, outfield); Ellyana Grimshaw (third base, first base); Addison Birk (outfield); and Everly Gordy (outfield).

"I have five returning seniors this year, they all are leaders in different ways," Neuenfeldt said. "Saige Gauthier and Jena Wambold are returning captains. They bring a positive attitude to the team and always want to learn more to better themselves and the team."

Alcona opened the season at home on Saturday, April 6 and played in two close non-league games against a talented Inland Lakes squad.

They won the opener 7-6, but came up short in game two, 8-6.

"Overall, I am happy to start the season 50/50," Neuenfeldt said. "We have a lot to work on still and a lot of room for improvement. We had multiple errors as a team that ultimately led to our loss. Even with a five run deficit we were able to come back to within two. The girls never gave up and stayed positive."

Schopfer got the win in the opener, throwing six innings and gave up six runs on three hits, six strikeouts and six walks.

Gauthier hit a deep triple, while Goddard, Borchardt and J. Wambold all had hits.

In game two, Borchardt suffered the loss pitching; she gave up eight runs on seven hits, struck out six and walked three.

Offensively, Beatty hit a triple, with Goddard, Somers, J. Wambold and Borchardt all getting hits.

"I want the girls to stay positive and learn from mistakes," Neuenfeldt said. "We know the start might be bumpy due to inside practices but we need to work through them and not get attitudes."

Alcona hosted Posen on Monday, April 8 and heads to Holton, Mich. for a tournament on Saturday, April 13. They'll also host Roscommon on Monday, April 15.

"Usually within the conference Rogers City and Oscoda have been big names," Neuenfeldt said of North Star League Big Dipper play. "Last year we split with both and took second in conference play so we have a good chance at it this year."

Alcona Tigers return with 10 players this season

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity baseball team enters the 2024 season coming off of back-to-back district championships. They'll have a good shot at making it three in a row come June, as they return 10 players, many of which played key for the team roles last year.

"Some early thought is that we should be just as good if not slightly better than last year," head coach Dru Carson said. "I know our record doesn't show it, but we have a lot of talented guys that I can't wait to see how well we do this year."

The Tigers finished 16-15 overall last year and return seniors, Collin Walker (pitcher, infield, outfield); Nathan Nardi (outfield); Jesse Sheldon (pitcher, catcher, third base); Cayden Hebert (pitcher, shortstop); juniors, Evan Borsvold (pitcher, first base); Ricky Schott (pitcher, catcher, shortstop); Garrett Somers (pitcher, outfield); Vinny Mahalak (pitcher, second base); Jordan Benac (third base); and sophomore, Gavin Dellar (outfield, pitcher).

New to the team is senior Mike Nevins (outfield, catcher); junior Tanner Leeseberg (outfield); sophomores, Ethan Blasdel (first base); Max Kramer (outfield); and freshman, Nathen Geddert (third base).

"The team has been focus-

ing on lots of things around the game of baseball to just help us understand the game better," Carson said. "Some keys to a successful season this year is to work hard on and off the field and also to have fun. Also, keeping players arms and overall health up will be good."

The Tigers opened the season at home on Saturday, April 6, against Inland Lakes. They lost those games 9-1 and 10-5.

In game one, Borsvold took the loss, tossing four and two-third innings and striking out four batters.

In game two, Somers took the setback, throwing three and two-third innings and striking out five. Somers also had a triple and three RBI to highlight the offense.

Facing Inland Lakes, a team with a shot at a legit Division 4 state championship, to open the season probably only helps the Tigers reach their goals this season.

"Team goals I would say is to finish with a better record than we did last year and the year before, win districts again and to make a deeper run in the playoffs," Carson said. "I think the teams to beat (in the North Star League) are going to be Rogers City, Hillman and Oscoda. I think if we work hard and get things done we could stack up and beat any of these teams."

Alcona (0-2 overall) took on visiting Posen on Monday, April 8; was at home against Gaylord St. Mary on Wednesday, April 10; heads to Shepherd on Friday, April 12; and returns home to battle Roscommon on Monday, April 15.

"My hopes for the first few games are to see where we may have some weak points and then practice those and just continue to improve all season leading up to playoffs," Carson said. "I also want to see what the boys can do when we play tougher teams first. I think that I have a very well-rounded team and I can't wait to see what we can do this year. I am very happy and lucky to have the coaches and players that I do."

NOTICE

Curtis Township is currently accepting applications to fill the Township Supervisor vacancy for the remainder of the term (November 20, 2024), this is a salary position. Please submit letter of interest along with a resume to Curtis Township Clerk P.O. Box 90 Glennie, MI 48737 or email curtistownshipclerk@gmail.com Applications must be received by 4:00 p.m. on April 16th.

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The Harrisville Harbor Commission invites qualified accountants to submit proposals for fee accounting services. All bids must be received by the HHRC no later the 2 p.m. on April 30, 2024, to be considered.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) is available by contacting the Harrisville Harbor Commission at 989-724-5242 or by email request to Harbormaster@harrisvilleharbor.com

SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

Township of Greenbush Planning Commission
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989-569-3519

Meeting Date: May 2, 2024

Meeting Time: 7:15 p.m. EST

Meeting Location: Greenbush Township Hall,
5037 Campbell St, Greenbush, MI.

Purpose of Meeting: To discuss 041-140-000-039-00 residential parcel rezoning to commercial

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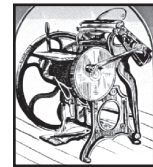
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Alcona track is looking to win more championships

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity track and field teams dominated local competition last spring, as both the boys and girls teams won the North Star League Big Dipper title. The teams expect more of the same this year, and they hope their unique group of coaches can help deliver more titles this spring.

"We don't really have a head coach, we have a collection of coaches," said coach Jason Somers. "This year we have (myself), Rachel Somers, Joy Bullis, Jamie Bullis, Jack McClure, and Lisa Dellar. Each of these coaches has an area that they specialize in, but beyond that are great people and great motivators for our athletes. We are lucky to have such a diverse staff at our size school."

The Tigers have been practicing the last few weeks, using good weather days to get outside and doing what work they can indoors on the days the weather isn't cooperating.

"It is very early on and we are still working on finding the right spot for everyone," Somers said. "The amount of athletes we have is very en-

couraging. We have been working on the basics. Things such as technique for field events that take a lot of work and the basic running form to maximize our potential."

The Tigers opened the season at Whittemore-Prescott on Tuesday, head to Standish-Sterling on Friday and have their first home meet on Tuesday.

"The goals are the same for the male and female teams; to once again win a conference championship as well as compete to our fullest setting many personal records along the way," Somers said. "The conference is always a question mark as participation varies from year to year, but all the teams compete hard and there will be plenty of great competition this year and we hope to have our athletes performing at their best when this meet rolls around. Our goal as coaches is to give kids a chance to compete in events where they will find success. The other thing that we are looking for is to stay healthy."

Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of April 1-7, 2024

103 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 5 Arrests; 3 Arrest Warrants; 2 Operate While Intoxicated; 27 Citations Issued.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	4	Traffic/Traffic Stop	51
Warrant Arrest	3	Property Damage Accident	3
Animal Neglect	2	Animal/Dog	5
Assist	4	Criminal Sexual Conduct	1
Miscellaneous	1	Patrol Check	1
Well Being Check	6	Suspicious Event	1
PBT/Drug Test	7	Personal Protect. Order Vio.	1
Trespass	1	Found Property	1
Suicidal Subject	1	No Operator's License	1
Larceny	1	Operate While Intoxicated	2
Civil	1	Alarm	1
Fire	1	Juvenile	1
Unwanted Subject	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	11	Caledonia	7	Curtis	7
Greenbush	11	Gustin	7	Harrisville	8
Hawes	5	Haynes	6	Mikado	6
Millen	4	Mitchell	10		
Harrisville City	14	Village of Lincoln	7		

Publicize an Upcoming Event in the Review & Online

The Review's Calendar of Events is a *free service* and is published in chronological order as space allows. This forum is for events and programs open to the general public.


- Calendar items are short, concise announcements of an event happening in or around Alcona County. *Please submit entries at least 2 weeks before the event.*

- Entries must have the day and date, time, location, brief description and cost if any. An entry may also include a telephone number for more information.

- Entries are automatically added to the Review's online Calendar of Events at no charge. (www.alconareview.com)


- Submissions can be mailed to: P.O. Box 548, Harrisville, Mich. 48740; Faxed to: (989) 724-6655; dropped at the Review office ~ 111 N. Lake Street, Harrisville (mail slot in front door for after hours); or e-mailed to: editor@alconareview.com.


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 Sunday Morning 9 a.m. Worship Service
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Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

Church Street at Traverse Bay Road
 Lincoln, Mich. 48742 ~ 736-1227
Pastor David Putz ~ Service, Sunday 9 a.m.

Hope Lutheran Church NALC

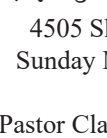
5462 Nickelson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake
 Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
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989-727-3206


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 Pastor Claire Duncan • haynescommunitychurch.org

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Rev. Reeve Segrest - Pastor - 989-724-5450

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 Rev. Reeve Segrest - Pastor ~ 989-335-4282

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 Sunday Worship Service 10 a.m.
Rev. Al Kersten, Pastor 989-471-5428

PETS OF THE WEEK

At the Alcona Humane Society

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Nuggets is 1 year old, neutered, microchipped, feline leukemia negative, has his Distemper vaccine, and has been dewormed. He is litter box trained. Nuggets loves other cats! He also loves to play with toy mice, indulge in snacks, and snuggle in a comfy bed.



Apollo is 3 years old, neutered, microchipped, up to date on Rabies, Distemper, Parvo, and Lyme vaccines, and has been dewormed and flea treated. He is a German Shepherd and Husky mix with tons of energy and requires tons of exercise! Apollo is a very happy boy!



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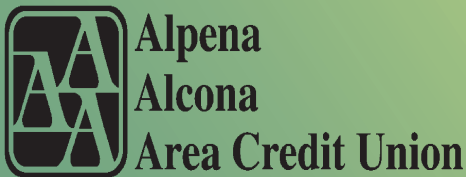
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and Alcona schools drop off students in front of our community center. We have a lot of retirees who live here too who might be interested in offering mentoring/tutoring for students at the center. We will be able to offer something for everyone in the new center, book clubs, enrichment classes and more," Gonsler said.

According to Boyer and Gonsler, the current library, which is less than 800 square feet, has been housed apart from the community center for many years. Both are in old outdated spaces in need of numerous repairs and were never meant to operate for community use long term.

To preregister for the event by April 19, call Boyer at (989) 727-1157 or mail name, address, phone number and email address to the Hubbard Lake Community Association, Attention: Margaret – Trunk Show, P.O. Box 55, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747.

The Hubbard Lake Community Center is located at 1561 Hubert Road.



Margaret Boyer (left) and Ann Gonsler, of the Hubbard Lake Community Association, hold old photographs of the buildings that ended up becoming the current Caledonia branch of the Alcona County Library and the Hubbard Lake Community Center. The ladies are promoting an upcoming Library Friendship Day to celebrate changes coming to Hubbard Lake while promoting library activities. Photo by Mary Weber.

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served or poorly served by Internet access.

"Townships have a critical role in the process. All government offices and anchor institutions, such as schools, and libraries, should participate. Businesses and residents can and should also participate, especially if they are not receiving high-speed Internet service.

"This valuable data will be helpful as the Alcona County EDC continues to meet with potential high-speed Internet providers," Cheek said.

He explained the State Challenge Portal is for local units of government, Tribal governments, and nonprofit organizations to participate, through Michigan.gov/BEADChallenge. Merit Network has provided a similar portal challenge process which households and businesses may participate in by using the address <https://challenge.merit.edu>.

While Cheek admitted the portal sites can be a little confusing if the participant is not tech savvy, but brief, well-

constructed tutorial videos accompany each site which explain the process in detail.

The Michigan High-Speed Internet office (MIHI) is also offering virtual office hours during the challenge submission phase on April 11, 16, 18 and 22 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. No registration is required and can be accessed any time during that window.

The BEAD challenge is the

first step in how funds will be utilized with the historic \$1.559 billion allocation to the state, the fourth highest amount in the nation, which the Biden Administration announced last June.

For more information on the Alcona County EDC, which continues to work to bring high speed Internet to the county, send an email to alconaEDC@gmail.com.

Specialized courts, programs, help veterans in legal trouble

By Anish Topiwala
Capital News Service

A veteran who was discharged from the military during the COVID-19 pandemic without any knowledge of support options was charged with assault.

He then found himself in a rigorous 18-month program in a veterans treatment court in Ingham County, which enabled him to build new relationships and mend old ones.

After finishing the program, he planned on pursuing a career in law enforcement. "His graduation was just an incredibly moving and memorable event," said East Lansing District Judge Molly Grenwalt, who works in the treatment court.

"He's a remarkable individual who showed so much strength and perseverance in building a life for himself while he was in our veterans treatment court," Grenwalt said.

There are 28 veterans treatment courts across the state. Of those who entered such programs, 70 percent completed them successfully, with their unemployment rate dropping by 88 percent, according to Grenwalt.

Veterans treatment courts are a post-conviction program that gives needed support to veterans facing criminal



Molly Grenwalt,
East Lansing
District Judge

charges due to substance abuse or mental disorders. The program is highly structured with five phases. It consists of a team of attorneys, veteran mentors, the Veterans Administration and other providers who regularly discuss needs with the participants.

Those needs generally include housing, financial services and health care, which includes mental health and substance abuse treatment.

"It's really a heightened level of probation, where the participant commits to voluntarily participating in the

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Look at the sun more, make plans for viewing northern lights

By John Heath
Planetary

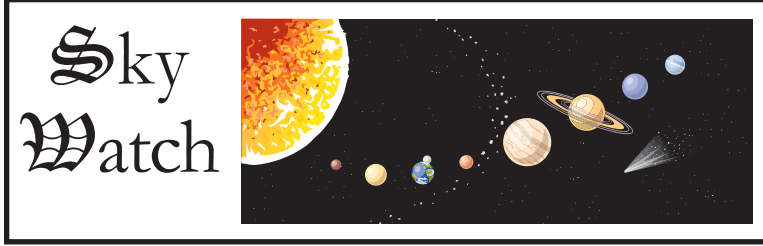
Keep those eclipse glasses. Yes, you can enjoy seeing more of our sun. Be sure first, to check your special eclipse glasses for holes or rips by shining a light at the film and looking for problems. If damage is present, obtain a good pair.

The sun is near its eleven year, high activity cycle. Log on to www.swpc.noaa.gov to see the sun's activity. Large storms can be seen using your eclipse glasses.

The same site also has an Aurora forecast.

- Push the load arrow and watch the green aurora prediction area.

- Push pause if the green bean shape covers where you are.



- Check Google for your sun set and sun rise times. Then figure the time to go to your favorite night sky watching spot, weather permitting.

You are using a short term prediction map for aurorae, but well worth a few minutes to check often. The aurora borealis, northern lights, can be an awesome sight to see for yourself!

Our sun's high activity for the next few months will surely give opportunities to enjoy: Observe storms on the

sun in the daytime with your eclipse glasses. When the prediction map shows a promising event, try witnessing the awe of night time colored lights.

(John Heath, a resident of Alcona County, is the planetary for Besser Museum for Northeast Michigan in Alpena. He has received training at NASA Glenn Research Center. He taught public school for 30 years, and has a lifetime hobby of astronomy.)

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program," Greenwalt said.

Marc Curtis, a veteran and lawyer in Norton Shores, Mich., who represents veterans in treatment courts and helps them with VA benefits, says that getting participants can be difficult because many are not aware of the program's existence.

"That's the biggest problem for vets right now," Curtis said. "Most of them get out (of the military) and they're not informed about the benefits they're actually entitled to."

Curtis uses his influence as an attorney to help fellow veterans understand such opportunities. "Any time I have a veteran that comes into my office on a criminal matter, the first question I ask is if they are enrolled in the VA for benefits," Curtis said. "If not, that's the first thing we do."

Once that step is taken, the door opens to other programs like alcohol counseling and treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder, or PTSD, Curtis said.

Another potential challenge that may arise is how time-consuming the program is, Curtis said. "I had two clients that have third shift jobs working in a factory and they didn't need full-time supervision," Curtis said. "They just needed to be monitored by a probation department," which the VA allowed for them.

A separate state program helps veterans who are in prison and county jails. The Michigan Incarcerated Veterans' In-Reach Program holds workshops about em-

ployment opportunities with advice about interviewing and resume-building.

It is funded through a Pathway Home 3 grant from the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration.

"We do mock interviewing sometimes," said Crystal Bersche, the state administrative manager of the state Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity. "That can include how to address those difficult questions when an employer may ask about the incarcerated piece," in a resume.

The content of the workshops is based on feedback from participants. "Each workshop is never going to be the same," said Bersche.

When participants are released, they receive veterans' career advisor contacts who can provide support when they face barriers in food, housing or securing additional resources.

"Once the veteran career advisors deem that veteran to be what we consider job-ready, which means all those barriers were either reduced or removed, they are then connected with our local veteran's employment representatives," Bersche said. "The ultimate goal of this grant is to reduce recidivism."

As of March 28, the program has served 214 participants with a one percent recidivism rate.

Bersche said that a grant modification to expand the program was recently approved. That would extend the program into additional correctional facilities and all



Attorney Marc Curtis

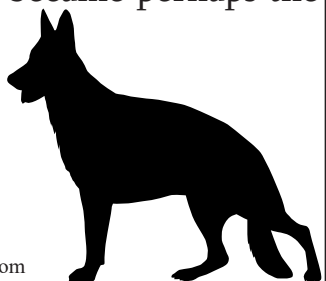
83 county jails.

"A lot of veterans will express that they don't feel as though they deserve to be considered a veteran," Bersche said. "They've lost that sense of pride when they're incarcerated. So these workshops help build them back up. We give them a hand up."

Michael Bovill, another veteran and attorney in Grand Rapids, Mich., described the struggle many veterans face in adjusting to civilian life. "It's a challenging transition," Bovill said.

"You go from a very service-oriented, mission organization where everyone coalesces around that purpose. And it is very different from what you see in many segments of society," he said. "You lose that sense of purpose and you lose that built-in community."

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ALCONA GOSPEL FEST 2024



4 p.m. Saturday, April 27
New Life Lutheran Church
25 Kirche in the Woods, Spruce

SINGERS SCHEDULE

10 a.m.: Register
10:15: Practice with the ecumenical choir
12:30: Lunch
1:30 - 3:30: Practice resumes

Singers must sign up in advance and send in \$15 for music, lunch, etc.

Singers age 18 or younger must sign up but participate for free.

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Director Jean Wilson of Saline's One Voice Gospel Choir will be accompanied by Susan Armstrong of Harrisville and others.

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How to register and more information for singers are available on the web at InspirationAlcona.org or call 989-657-4773.

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County Library. This is not just about learning; it's about unleashing the joy of discovery. Learning about financial literacy is featured with a special book and activities from "Owl + Otter" For information, call (989) 724-6796.

CrossRoads Recovery, a faith-based addiction program, will meet at 7 p.m. at Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 S. State Street, Greenbush. For more information, contact Paster Caincross at (989) 569-1298.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20
Forge new friendships, learn to strategize and be creative in the teen-exclusive Dungeons & Dragons Club, which meets from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., which meets upstairs at the Hollyhock Emporium in Harrisville. For more details, call (989) 724-6796.

MONDAY, APRIL 22
Learn how to make a dessert stand during the "Make & Take" crafting session from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Alcona Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln. There is limited seating for this session, call (989) 334-3466 to register and for details.

It's a potluck of palates and a feast of friendship at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library with the Cookbook Club, which meets at 5 p.m. Select a recipe from March's cookbook available at the circulation desk. Select a recipe, make it and share with fellow club members. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23
The Alcona County Commission on Aging board meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the Alcona Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln. The public is welcome to attend.

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

(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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Does Medicare cover weight-loss treatments?

Dear Savvy Senior,
Does Medicare cover any weight-loss treatments for overweight retirees? I just turned 65 and need to lose about 100 pounds and would like to know if Medicare can help.

Overweight Owen

Dear Owen,
Yes, traditional Medicare does indeed cover some weight-loss treatments like counseling and certain types of surgery for overweight beneficiaries, but unfortunately it doesn't cover weight-loss programs or medications. Here's what you should know.

Who's Eligible

For beneficiaries to receive available Medicare-covered weight-loss treatments your body mass index (BMI), which is an estimate of your body fat based on your height and weight, must be 30 or higher.

A BMI of 30 or above is considered obese and increases your risk for many health conditions, such as some cancers, coronary heart disease, type 2 diabetes, stroke and sleep apnea. To find out your BMI, the National Institutes of Health has a free calculator that you can access online at nhlbi.nih.gov/health/educational/lose_wt/BMI/bmicalc.htm.

What's Covered

If you find that your BMI is 30 or higher, Medicare Part B will cover up to 12 months of weight-loss counseling conducted by a medical professional in a primary care setting (like a doctor's office).

Most counseling sessions entail an initial obesity screening, a dietary assessment and behavioral therapy designed to help you lose weight by focusing on diet and exercise.

Medicare also covers certain types of bariatric and metabolic surgery for morbidly obese beneficiaries who have a BMI of 35 or above and have at least one underlying obesity-related health condition, such as diabetes or heart disease. You must also show that you've tried to lose weight in the past through dieting or exercise and have been unsuccessful.

These procedures make changes to your digestive sys-

tem to help you lose weight and improve the health of your metabolism.

Some common bariatric surgical procedures covered include Roux-en-Y gastric bypass surgery, which reduces the stomach to a small pouch that makes you feel full even following small meals. And laparoscopic adjustable gastric banding, which inserts an inflatable band that creates a gastric pouch encircling the top of the stomach.

What's Not Covered

Unfortunately, original Medicare does not cover weight-loss programs such as fitness or gym memberships, meal delivery services, or popular weight-loss programs such as Jenny Craig, Noom and WW (formerly Weight Watchers).

Medicare also does not cover any weight-loss drugs, but it does cover FDA approved diabetes drugs that have unintentionally become very popular for weight loss.

Medicare Part D plans cover Ozempic and Mounjaro for diabetes only, not for weight loss! So, your doctor will need to prescribe these

medications for diabetes in order to get them covered.

Medicare also does not cover Wegovy or Zepbound because they're approved only for weight loss.

The reason behind the weight-loss drug omission is the Medicare Modernization Act, which specifically excluded them back when the law was written 20 years ago. They also excluded drugs used for cosmetic purposes, fertility, hair growth and erectile dysfunction.

Without insurance, weight-loss medications are expensive, often costing \$1,000 to \$1,300 a month. To help curb costs, try websites like GoodRX.com or SingleCare.com to find the best retail prices in your area. Or, if your income is limited, try patient assistance programs through Eli Lilly (LillyCares.com) which makes Mounjaro and Zepbound, or Novo Nordisk (NovoCare.com) the maker of Ozempic and Wegovy.

Medicare Advantage

If you happen to be enrolled in a private Medicare Advantage plan, you may



Savvy Senior

have coverage for gym memberships and some weight loss and healthy food delivery programs. These are considered expanded supplemental ben-

efits and have gradually been added to some plans to provide coverage for nutrition, health and wellness. Contact your plan to see what it provides.



To grow standard-size daffodils in a pot, select a 2-gallon size pot. For the soil mix, use 1 part perlite to 3 parts sterilized soil. In the bottom of the pot, over a little soil, place a pinch of 0-10-10 fertilizer (do not let the bulb come in contact with the fertilizer), then fill pot to within an inch of the rim. Try to place 3 or 4 bulbs about 1/3 of the way from the top of the pot. Water every day for the first week; after this, water when the soil appears dry. After blooming, add a pinch of 5-10-10 fertilizer to the pot. This helps build the bulb for next year's bloom. - Brenda Weaver

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Buggy Rides



Former Curtis Supervisor dies at Glennie home

Fred Garrett, well-known and long-time resident of Alcona County, died at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday at his home in Curtis Township.

Although he had been in ill health for about one month, his death, from a heart attack, came as a shock to his family and friends.

He was 72 years old.

Mr. Garrett was born in Ohio on March 27, 1877. His parents were the late Owen and Margaret Garrett, who were residents of Glennie for many years. His marriage to Jessie Winning took place on April 20, 1898, in Ohio.

Four years later, with their

small son they came to Curtis Township and settled on a farm south of Glennie in the Lott district where they resided throughout the remainder of their married life. Mrs. Garrett died on December 23, 1941.

Mr. Garrett was very active in public affairs. He served as Supervisor of Curtis Township for six years and was a member of the Alcona County Welfare Board at one time. He was a Life Member of Glennie Grange, and always took an active interest in community, school and church affairs.

Lincoln newspaper changes hands

April 11, 1974 ~ The Alcona County Herald at Lincoln opened its doors Monday of this week, under a new owner.

Wayne Jack, a native of Lincoln. Mr. Jack purchased the business from Mrs. Merrill Weber. Mrs. Weber and her husband "Rusty" had owned the establishment since March of 1944. About six years ago Rusty suffered a severe stroke, and though she had always helped her husband much of the responsibility fell on Mary's shoul-

ders. With his death in January of this year, she found it was impossible for her to go on operating the business alone.

Wayne is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jack, of Lincoln, graduated from Alcona High School and attended Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant. In June 1966, while still a student in the local school Wayne began working for the Webers and has worked vacation days and during the summer months since that time.

Ambulance service upgrades to Limited Advanced Life Support

April 14, 1999 ~ After months of planning, training and working to meet state requirements, the Alcona County Ambulance Service has been upgraded to provide more medical attention to residents.

After inspection by the Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services - EMS Division, Alcona County has been approved to upgrade the ambulance service from a Basic Life Support service to a Limited Advanced Life Support service.

The upgrade will allow emergency medical personnel to initiate IV therapy as well as place breathing tubes in patients who are experiencing life threatening medical or trauma situations.

According to Alcona County Emergency Medical Services Director Rob Edmonds, the upgrade is for the Harrisville station, at this time, due to staffing requirements. Ten of the EMS personnel at the Harrisville station are trained to function at the Limited Advanced Life Support level.

"This upgrade is very important for Alcona County in

several ways with the main benefit being the improved patient care that can be given," said EMS Director Rob Edmonds. It also is a stepping stone toward the Advanced Life Support level of care, and it is anticipated that we will be able to upgrade both Harrisville and Glennie stations to the advanced level of care, with paramedics, by January 2000, providing we are in the new ambulance facilities.

Along with the upgrade of the service, there has been a new "box type" ambulance ordered, and delivery is expected in June or July, Edmonds said.

Super Crossword

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top ten

Heaviest Organs in the Body

1. Skin
2. Liver
3. Brain
4. Lungs
5. Heart
6. Kidneys
7. Spleen
8. Pancreas
9. Thyroid
10. Prostate gland

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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GEOGRAPHY:** The island of Ibiza belongs with which European country?
2. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a group of flamingos called?
3. **MOVIES:** What is the name of the island terrorized by a shark in "Jaws"?
4. **U.S. STATES:** Which state capital has the highest elevation in the United States?
5. **ANATOMY:** Where is the corpus collosum located?
6. **LITERATURE:** Who wrote the children's book "Where the Wild Things Are"?
7. **TELEVISION:** Which 1970s TV show had a spinoff hit with "Laverne & Shirley"?
8. **MATH:** How many sides does a dodecagon have?
9. **ASTRONOMY:** Which one of the planets in our solar system has the Great Red Spot?
10. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president ended the military draft?

Answers: 1. Spain.; 2. A flamboyance.; 3. Amity Island.; 4. Santa Fe, New Mexico.; 5. In the brain. It connects the two hemispheres of the brain.; 6. Maurice Sendak.; 7. "Happy Days."; 8. 12.; 9. Jupiter.; 10. Richard Nixon. (c) 2024 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On April 22, 2000, 6-year-old Elián Gonzalez, who was the sole survivor of an abortive attempt by 13 other Cuban citizens to enter America as illegal immigrants, was taken by a S.W.A.T. team from his Miami relatives. Following a number of court battles, the child was returned to his father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez.
- On April 23, 1898, Spain declared war on the U.S. after rejecting its ultimatum to withdraw from Cuba. Following the declaration, the American Asiatic Squadron, under Commodore George Dewey, engaged the Spanish Pacific squadron under Admiral Patricio Montojo y Pasarón in the Philippines' Manila Bay, and decimated the Spanish squadron.
- On April 24, 1942, singer/actress/film producer Barbra Joan Streisand was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. Considered "the girl on the block with the good voice" in her youth, and determined to be a star, her breakthrough came with the lead role in the 1964 Broadway musical "Funny Girl." In 1968, the movie version of the role earned her an Academy Award for Best Actress. To date, Streisand has sold more than 140 million albums and won 10 Grammys.
- On April 25, 2006, Iran's Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said that his country was happy to share its nuclear technology with other nations, during a meeting with the visiting Sudanese president. U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice condemned the comments, and Iran's top nuclear negotiator threatened to suspend its cooperation with the U.N.'s nuclear watchdog if the country was threatened with sanctions.
- On April 26, 1928, Filipino immigrant Pedro Flores opened the Yo-yo Manufacturing Company in Santa Barbara, CA. By November 1929, he was operating two additional factories in Los Angeles and Hollywood, which together produced 300,000 yo-yos daily.
- On April 27, 1971, eight members of the Welsh Language Society were accused of conspiring to damage, remove or destroy English-language road signs in Wales.
- On April 28, 1789, Fletcher Christian led a mutiny against William Bligh aboard the HMS Bounty and set him and 18 loyal crew members adrift in a 23-foot open boat, but the men survived a 47-day voyage to the Dutch East Indies and returned to England to report the mutiny. Christian and the rest of the crew eventually settled on Pitcairn Island and Tahiti.

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Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Extreme self-deniers</p> <p>9 Common proof of age</p> <p>15 Plotting band</p> <p>20 Cousins of croci</p> <p>21 Worker whose job is fitting</p> <p>22 Nice smell</p> <p>23 Stylized bow that's a token of affection</p> <p>24 Godly</p> <p>25 Fragment</p> <p>26 Unwrap</p> <p>27 Put on fancy duds, with "up"</p> <p>29 Many Punjabi believers</p> <p>30 Take forcibly</p> <p>31 Marry</p> <p>32 Cultural</p> <p>35 Many August babies</p> <p>36 Ford bomb</p> <p>37 Writer Elinor or Philip</p> <p>39 Praise highly</p> <p>41 Toad feature</p> <p>43 Toppings for nachos</p> <p>45 "The King —"</p> <p>46 Shakes up</p> | <p>51 Entertainer Falana</p> <p>52 Nutrition std.</p> <p>54 "— Kapital"</p> <p>55 Tapering off</p> <p>56 Flying hooters</p> <p>57 They have depots: Abbr.</p> <p>58 Father of Beau Bridges</p> <p>60 Most bizarre</p> <p>61 Rugged truck, in brief</p> <p>62 Sandy islets</p> <p>63 Napoleon's isle of exile</p> <p>64 News anchor</p> <p>65 Hebrew holy scroll</p> <p>67 Plus others: Abbr.</p> <p>69 "Noah" actress</p> <p>71 Chewed Andean stimulants</p> <p>75 Title for a fictional Southern rabbit</p> <p>77 Cowboys' city, informally</p> <p>79 Writer Dinesen</p> | <p>81 Suffix with Seattle</p> <p>82 Behind bars</p> <p>85 Bruno — (shoe brand)</p> <p>86 Moo — pork</p> <p>87 Be boastful</p> <p>88 Hurting from hiking, say</p> <p>90 Color tone</p> <p>91 Gridiron stats</p> <p>92 Pale brown</p> <p>93 Legume-family plant</p> <p>94 Incline</p> <p>96 "Not so!"</p> <p>98 PC memory units</p> <p>99 19th-century Shakespeare editor</p> <p>100 Chevy muscle car</p> <p>101 Farfalle, e.g.</p> <p>105 A8 carmaker</p> <p>107 Paige of "Evita"</p> <p>109 Gene-splicing need</p> <p>112 Trellis plants</p> <p>113 Current style</p> <p>115 Finale</p> <p>116 Colorado ski mecca</p> <p>117 Vetoed</p> <p>118 Early online protocol</p> | <p>CROSSWORD DIVERSION</p> <p>14 Equestrian training</p> <p>15 Bit of outdated hi-fi equipment</p> <p>16 Traveled in a curved path</p> <p>17 Tennis' Becker</p> <p>18 Astonish</p> <p>19 Suit coat flap</p> <p>28 — monster (large lizard)</p> <p>32 Lofty trains</p> <p>33 — del Fuego</p> <p>34 Romantic evening meal</p> <p>38 In-favor votes</p> <p>40 Longtime politico Mo</p> <p>42 Rival of Xerox or Canon</p> <p>43 Political pull</p> <p>44 DIYer's book</p> <p>47 Build upon</p> <p>48 Deadlock</p> <p>49 Mil. officer</p> <p>50 Mil. officer</p> <p>53 Mgr.'s aide</p> <p>59 Tasty tuber</p> <p>62 December 25</p> <p>64 Periodic payment to a stockholder</p> <p>66 Taper off</p> <p>68 Judges' org.</p> <p>70 Very fine rain</p> | <p>72 Hora or hokeypokey</p> <p>73 Classic arcade name</p> <p>74 Smooth transition</p> <p>76 31-Across on the sly</p> <p>78 Viscous</p> <p>80 Novelist Jane</p> <p>82 Possibilities</p> <p>83 This moment</p> <p>84 Java</p> <p>85 Fulfill expectations</p> <p>87 Really tired</p> <p>89 Sailing races</p> <p>95 "Take it out" mark</p> <p>97 Beatified Fr. woman</p> <p>101 Really yearns</p> <p>102 Teresa of —</p> <p>103 "Boxcars" roll</p> <p>104 Cold temps</p> <p>106 River mouth</p> <p>108 Silly prank</p> <p>110 Constituent of gunpowder</p> <p>111 At — for words</p> <p>114 — ex machina</p> <p>116 Observe</p> <p>119 Ill, to Italians</p> <p>121 Inclined</p> <p>122 '16 Olympics host</p> |
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- While death by guillotine might seem like an ancient ritual, the practice was still in use in France up until 1977 -- when the original "Star Wars" was in theaters.
- Sleeping through summer is called estivation.
- The Museum of Bad Art in Somerville, Massachusetts, is pretty much exactly what it sounds like -- a collection of really bad art! But then again, who's to judge?
- The American Psychiatric Association's DSM-5 handbook classifies caffeine withdrawal as a mental disorder.
- Humans invented booze before the wheel.
- When swallowed by toads, bombardier beetles project hot, noxious chemicals from their anuses, which sometimes forces the predators to puke the beetle back up.
- The town of Baarle straddles the Dutch-Belgian border. In some places, the official borderline cuts through houses and cafes.
- There are approximately 200 feral cats roaming the grounds of Disneyland, where they help control the park's rodent population. All of them are spayed or neutered, and park staff provide them with both extra food and medical care.
- The second-half kickoff in Super Bowl I had to be done twice, as NBC didn't cut back from a commercial break in time to catch the first one on camera.
- In Japan, instead of a "Man in the Moon," people see a "Rabbit in the Moon."
- The Mobile Phone Throwing World Championships are held in Finland. One winner said he prepared for the event by "mainly drinking."
- Sometimes it snows on Mars, but the flakes are made out of carbon dioxide, not water.
- After the band OutKast sang "Shake it like a Polaroid picture," Polaroid released a statement warning that "shaking or waving can actually damage the image."

Thought for the Day: "The stupid neither forgive nor forget; the naive forgive and forget; the wise forgive but do not forget." -- Thomas Szasz
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Kovels: Antiques and Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Regency style



Although it was made in the 20th century, this wine rack brings Regency style into a modern setting. Photo courtesy of thekovels.com

Furniture revivals have taken place since at least the 19th century and probably earlier. New technology made earlier ornate styles easier and less expensive to make, and therefore more accessible to the average buyer. Some are difficult to distinguish from authentic pieces. If you see the word "style" in a description, it is probably a copy or revival piece, not an authentic piece from the period.

For example, this wine rack is described as "Regency style." It was made in the 20th century, not the Regency period, and it sold for \$813 at New Orleans Auction Galleries. The Regency period was from 1811 to 1820 in England, when King George III's son served as Prince Regent. The corresponding American furniture period is American Empire.

Both Regency and Empire were influenced by classical art of ancient Greece, Rome and Egypt. Mahogany was a favorite wood. This wine rack imitates mahogany with a dark stain on pine wood. The wine rack has a brass gallery on top and ring handles on the sides, features that can be seen on authentic pieces from the Regency period.

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Q: I have an L.C. Smith typewriter, serial number is "1386874B." Are old manual typewriters worth anything?

A: Lyman C. Smith and his brothers made guns before they made typewriters. They started making a few typewriters in their gun shop after 1884. In 1887, they sold the gun business and founded Smith Premier Typewriter Co. in Syracuse, New York. It became L.C. Smith & Bros. Typewriter Co. in 1903. The company merged with Corona Type-

writer Co. in 1925 to become L.C. Smith & Corona Typewriter Co. Personal computers replaced typewriters in most homes, schools and offices beginning in the 1980s. Smith-Corona no longer makes typewriters; it now makes thermal labels. The serial number on your typewriter indicates it was made in 1937. Some old typewriters are collectible

and sell for a few hundred dollars. A few rare typewriters sell for more than \$1,000. Many common old typewriters sell for \$20 to \$50.

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TIP: To clean furniture, dip your dusting cloth in 1/2 cup of vinegar mixed with a teaspoon of olive oil.

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CURRENT PRICES

Pottery jar, San Ildefonso, black matte, carved designs with inset turquoise, rounded form, Juan Tafoya, 5 1/4 x 5 3/4 inches, \$115.

Quilt, pieced, nine-patch pattern, 16 squares, each with nine yellow diamond patches, blue and yellow sawtooth border, white ground, Pennsylvania, 1910, 72 x 72 inches, \$260.

Daum dish, frog on a lily pad, pate de verre glass, irregular shape with figural frog on rim, green shaded to yellow to gold, marked Daum France, 2 3/8 x 6 x 6 inches, \$500.

Poster, travel, Meeting of the Chiefs, Native American man on horseback, rock formations in background, Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Co., copyright 1949, 18 x 24 inches, \$620.

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VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, April 1 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those present included president Phillips; treasurer/zoning administrator Mahalak; clerk Somers; and council members, Lucas, Schick, Skuse and Wambold. Gauthier and Durham were absent.

A short discussion was had regarding the need to get things taken care of with our RRC designation. A motion was made by Wambold, with support from Lucas, to appoint Dorene Schick to be the administrator for the RRC. Additionally, Dorene will be responsible for all the paperwork that is associated with this project. Motion carried.

The minutes of the March public hearing on the Downtown Development and Tax Increment Plan were approved on a motion from Wambold with support from Skuse. The minutes of the budget hearing were approved on a motion from Skuse with support from Wambold. The minutes of the regular monthly meeting were approved on a motion from Wambold with support from Lucas. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Wambold with support from Schick.

The payment of the bills was approved on a motion from Wambold with support from Skuse. The budget amendments were approved on a motion from Wambold with support from Schick. Toni Stumpo with Citizens for Local Choice brought information on Public Act 233 that involves zoning issues with wind and solar power farms. This is an attempt to allow the local people to decide where these things can be placed rather than having the state put the guidelines in place for us. Gauthier joined the meeting at 7:12 p.m. A letter was received from Teri

Goldstrom stating that she is interested in being on the planning commission. A motion was made by Schick with support from Lucas to appoint Teri Goldstrom to the planning commission. Carried. Mahalak gave the zoning report. The beach project is supposed to be taken care of this week.

Nate Walker gave the fire department report. One fire and 14 medical calls were taken during the month of March. The group had a refresher course recently. Firefighter 1 and 2 courses will be offered later in the year. Nate is hoping to sort through a lot of the old items that are no longer useful.

Gary Graves gave the maintenance report. They are doing repairs on equipment and getting ready for summer. Brett Wambold gave the sewer report. So far everything is going well. A written road report was given by president Phillips. She ordered road salt for next year. She gave the report from EGLE regarding the old Twin Lakes property. President Phillips asked for the council to be thinking about what they would like to do about allowing marijuana as facilities in the village. We currently have an opt out ordinance in place for these facilities. If we decide to change the ordinance we could have some help from NEMCOG and our attorneys. The planning commission would be the first step in the process to decide whether or not to move further along with this and present their findings to the village council. A motion was made by Schick, with support from Wambold, to have Franks Key and Lock Shop give us an estimate on new locks for the pavilion restrooms. Carried. We will address this issue at the next meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Schick with support from Wambold. Carried.

Linda K. Somers
Village Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

Case No. 22-3710-CH - Circuit court sale in pursuance and by virtue of an order granting motion for default judgment and for judicial foreclosure as to all defendants in the circuit court for the County of Alcona, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 6th day of June, A.D., 2023, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein the Huntington National Bank, was the plaintiff and Tait J. Mahlmeister and Kelly Ann Lester were the defendants. Notice is hereby given that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at public vendue, at the Alcona County Courthouse (that being the place of holding the circuit court for said county), on the 1st day of May, A.D., 2024, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, viz: A certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Caledonia, County of

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fied that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Peter Stalker and/or Robert F. Stalker II, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5th Street, P.O. Box 385, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: April 10, 2024
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Alcona County will conduct a public hearing on May 1, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. at Alcona County Board Room, 106 5th Street, Harrisville for the purpose of affording citizens an opportunity to examine and submit comments on the proposed application for a CDBG grant.

Alcona County proposes to use CDBG grant funds in the amount of \$236,000 for providing income-eligible homeowners with funds to make necessary repairs to their homes to meet applicable rehabilitation standards and code requirements. We will be leveraging funds with HPG of \$66,095 to assist at least 7 households in Alcona County. All activities, upon completion, will benefit low- to moderate- income households. Zero persons will be displaced as a result of the proposed activities and.

Further information, including a copy of Alcona County's community development plan and CDBG application is available for review. To inspect the documents, please contact Alcona County Housing, Diane Rasch at 989-724-9515 or via email drasch@alcona-county.net or review at Alcona County Housing. Comments may be submitted in writing through May 1st to Alcona County Housing P.O. Box 272 Harrisville, MI 48740 or made in person at the public hearing.

Citizen views and comments on the proposed application are welcome.

Alcona County
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Happy smiles and hungry belly's lined the Alcona High School Sugar Shack last Saturday for the school's annual Maple Syrup Celebration Day. Alcona FFA students offered a free pancake breakfast with maple syrup they processed themselves and sausage the students made from a pig they butchered. (From left) Alcona FFA/agriculture student Ben Myers manned the grill cooking sausages while Zeon Monnier, David Sharboneau and Levi VanKoningsveld cooked pancakes.



Alcona High School FFA senior Warren Leeseberg (left) along with junior, Richard Schott demonstrate how to properly drill into a maple tree to collect sap in buckets for processing into maple Syrup. Leeseberg said depending on the weather and the tree, buckets may need to be emptied often when the sap is flowing.

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF ALCONA COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that **MONDAY April 22, 2024** is the last day to register to vote in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk for the May 7, 2024 Oscoda Schools Special Election.

Any qualified elector who is not already registered may register to vote at any Secretary of State branch office, a designated State agency or with their respective County, City or Township Clerk. Registration forms may be obtained at www.mi.gov/vote. Voters who are already registered may update their registration at www.expressSOS.com. After this date, anyone who qualifies as an elector may register to vote in person with proof of residency (MCL 168.492/497) with their City or Township Clerk at the below address:

CURTIS TOWNSHIP: 5091 Bamfield Road, Glennie, MI 48737
Saturday, May 4th from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 5th from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP: 5070 Woodland Drive, Greenbush, MI 48738
Saturday, May 4th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 5th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP: 113 s. 2ND Street, Lincoln, MI 48742 (989) 736-8974
Saturday, May 4th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MIKADO TOWNSHIP: 2291 S. F-41, Mikado, MI 48745 (989) 736-7721
Saturday, May 4th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 5th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The following offices and proposals will appear on the ballot:
School Bond Proposal: Oscoda Area Schools Bond Proposal

Full text of ballot proposals may be obtained from the County, City or Township Clerk's office. Sample ballots may be viewed at www.mi.gov/vote

Persons with special needs as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the appropriate clerk's office. This notice is given as required by law (MCL 168.498(3)).

Stephany Eller, Alcona County Clerk



Sophomore Ella Gehring, holds a six week old Champagne d'Argent rabbit for Hadlee Reisinger, 7 and Remington Good, 1, to pet. *Photos by Mary Weber.*