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## Hubbard Lake to build new community center

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

After collecting funds for nearly two decades, a new Hubbard Lake Community Center has come one step closer to reality with the final site plan approval of the Caledonia Township Planning Commission last week.

Julie Mathewson, president of the Hubbard Lake Community Association (HLCA), said they are ecstatic. "It has been a long process to get to this point. In 2007 a fund was started with the Community Foundation of Northeast Michigan to raise monies to construct a new community center and library," Mathewson said.

She explained for 17 years the HLCA has worked hard operating fundraisers and raising awareness in the community for the needed 6,500-square-foot building which, when finished, will cost somewhere close to \$1 million.

HLCA treasurer, Joe Rhyne, said they have \$700,000, which mostly came from personal and business donations, including a \$244,000 donation from Hubbard Lake residents Al and Leonore Gonsler.

They have also received some smaller grant funding through Consumers Energy and were awarded \$20,000 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

Raising funds through annual golf tournaments, a dock raffle and selling \$5 firework bracelets has helped them slowly move closer to their goal. "Most of the big funding came from people who live or summer here. We've got this beautiful lake and area. They want a nice-looking community center where they can hold events such as graduations, wedding showers and retirement parties. They want a relaxing place for organizations and groups to meet or play cards.

"They also want a nicer library, which is one of our main focuses -- to build a 1,500 square foot library within the building," Mathewson said. Currently, the Caledonia branch of the Alcona County Library is housed in a much smaller building located down the street from the community center.

The plan is to build in two phases with the first phase



Julie Mathewson (left) and Joe Rhyne look over blueprints for the new Hubbard Lake Community Center/Library. The HLCA came a step closer to their goal of building when the Caledonia Township Planning Commission approved their site plan last week. The association is hoping to break ground on the new building in the next few months. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

being the exterior shell and finishing the library and restrooms. The second phase will be the rest of the center which will include a 600 square foot conference room

and a 3,800 square foot community room with a warming kitchen.

The new community center will be built on the back portion of land the current

building is on and once it is built the old building will be leveled to expand the parking lot.

The current community center is a 2,700 square foot

refurbished fire station built in the early 1950s. "Despite volunteer efforts to keep the current building looking its best, it is extremely outdated and inefficient to maintain and heat. It housed fire trucks and was never meant to be a community center," Mathewson said.

Rhyne explained in 2020 the current building had a flood and they used insurance monies to put in a new tile floor. "Volunteers bought paint and rolled up their sleeves to brighten the interior. "We bought the cheapest tiles we could find to put in a new floor. We didn't want to put much money into it, but we still wanted it as inviting as possible for our community to use until we could get the new building constructed," Rhyne said.

According to Rhyne, to find the remaining funds needed to finish and furnish the new community center they will be looking at possibly obtaining grants along with additional public donations.

"We've had to ramp up our

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## Harrisville State Park opens season with new amenity

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

The Harrisville State Park officially opened for the 2024 season and a new Action Trackchair has been added this year.

The unit supervisor for the Harrisville and Negwegon State Parks, Eric Ostrander, said the chair will give easier access for visitors who may have difficulty walking the park trails. "It has rubber tracks like a tank and can go through a little water, mud, snow, sand and rough terrain," Ostrander said.

Also new this year is the park's official opening day of camping. The park opened to campers on April 15 and will close on October 22. Ostrander said the park will be keeping the April 15 opening day for a while, no matter which day of the week it falls on.

"We think it will be easier for campers to remember our opening day," he said.

"Another thing to note is the Harrisville Haunted Halloween will be held a week

earlier this year, October 4 through 6, instead of our traditional second weekend in October," Ostrander said.

"Booking for that weekend started April 4 and by that afternoon most of the sites had been reserved. A lot of state parks will be closed after Labor Day because many of them will be going through some major renovations. As a result, there will be less holding a Halloween-themed weekend, which is probably why ours filled up so fast," Ostrander said.

He explained the change of weekends came about because last year the state changed the dates of when summer staff can work until the second Saturday in October. That left a skeleton crew cleaning up after the Haunted Halloween weekend which is one of the busiest weekends at the park.

Ostrander was happy to show off the new Action Trackchair the park received through Kali's Cure, a non-

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Eric Ostrander demonstrates the Harrisville State Park's new Action Trackchair which was donated to the park. The chair will be available free to users on a reservation basis. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



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# Obituaries



## Barbara J. Martuch

Barbara J. Martuch, 84, of Mikado, died on Monday, April 8, 2024, at home.

She was born September 21, 1939, to Irwin Eugene and Bernita Rose (London) Sweet in Mikado and has been a life-long resident of the area.

On June 3, 1988, she married Harold Martuch. She was a devoted homemaker and an excellent baker. She enjoyed babysitting her grandchildren for many years.

Mrs. Martuch worked at St. Vincent DePaul in Mikado, was a longtime member of the Mikado Goodfellows, and a member of the Alcona County Fair Board.

Mrs. Martuch is survived by one daughter, Denise (Mike) Lee, of Mikado; two sons, Douglas Travis and Richard Travis both of Mikado; six grandchildren, Joanna (TJ) Griffin, Johnny (Aubrey) Smith, Brooke (Mike) Sommer, Melody Travis, Harmony (Alex Bump), and Brilee Travis; eight great-grandchildren; seven siblings, Charlie Sweet, Irene Hartman, Cathy (Clifford) Travis, Jeannie (Tom) D'Angelo, Jim (Jenny)



Sweet, Debbie Thum, and Sandy (Russ) Scannavino; and numerous nieces, nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Harold, on June 27, 1996; the father of her children, Delbert Travis; and two brothers-in-law, Jim Hartman and Karl Thum.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A memorial gathering will be held in July. Memorial donations are suggested to the Mikado Goodfellows, c/o 2186 F-30, Glennie, Mich. 48737.

## Marguerite G. McIntyre

Marguerite Gale McIntyre, 83, of Greenbush, formerly of Madison Heights, Mich., died on Saturday, April 6, 2024, at Medilodge of Alpena.

She was born on March 8, 1941, in Detroit, Mich. to Matthew John and Margaret May (O'Riley) McIntyre. She graduated from St. James High School in Detroit, Mich.

She attended Providence Hospital School of Nursing in 1962, and went on to obtain a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Detroit and a Master of Social Work degree from Wayne State University.

Miss McIntyre worked as a psychiatric nurse at Sinai Hospital of Detroit, Mich. for 20 years and finished her career in 2006 as a social worker at the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan. Her love and care for people was evident throughout her work and personal life. No matter the need, she was always there to be of help and support.

Over the years, Miss McIntyre enjoyed exploring nature, attending sporting events, studying history and most importantly, spending time with her family.

She was a member of the American Business Women's Association, the Eagles, the Moose lodge and St. James Catholic Church.

Miss McIntyre is survived by her partner of 52 years, Nora Chimner of Greenbush; three nephews, John (Gale) Allen, Craig (Stephanie) Allen and William Gossett; two nieces, Sandra Cooper-Daniel and Sheila (Dan) McIntyre-Inman; and many great-nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by five siblings, Matthew John McIntyre, Katherine McIntyre-Allen, Mary Jacqueline McIntyre-Gossett, William McIntyre, and Matthew James McIntyre; two nephews, John Cooper and Christopher Cooper; and two nieces, Cheryl Anne Cooper and Theresa Gossett.

The funeral Mass was held Monday, April 15 at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Interment will take place in Springport Cemetery in Harrisville.

## Correspondence

To the Editor,  
Thank you, Teresa Hart, and her family and friends for putting on another successful Easter Egg Hunt in Lincoln. Thank you also to our local merchants for their participation.

There were so many families who participated in this fun event—at least 150 people, is my guess. It is growing in size each year. It was a wonderful event.

Janice MacNeill  
Lincoln

To the Editor,  
I would like to publicly thank the staff at the Alcona County Library for their wonderful community outreach projects.

Recently, we participated in the Seed Exchange at the Harrisville branch (another exchange was held at the Glennie branch - Curtis Township Library) and we enjoyed using the free eclipse glasses we picked up at the Mikado branch to watch the moon cover the sun!

We always find the staff to be friendly and helpful. Well done!

Maureen P.  
Castern-French  
Mikado

To the Editor,  
I'm thankful that my neighbor, Mr. Richard J. Powe, defended the integrity of the gospel message even while insinuating I was not true to God's word by his inclusion of Galatians 1:6-10 in his letter of March 27.

I sent Mr. Powe a note explaining my understanding of Jesus' birth and the gospel of Jesus Christ. I ended the note with the following: Jesus was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, died, was buried, and rose again! Hallelujah!

Migdal Eder means Tower of the Flock in Hebrew – Gen. 35:21. The Hebrew word "sukkah" can't mean feeding trough as it denotes a temporary shelter, tabernacle or manger. It's "sukkot" in Hebrew or "phatne" in Greek as found in Luke 2. Jacob built one and lodged his livestock in it – Gen. 33:17. This is the origin of "manger" meaning a feeding trough and not a temporary shelter of branches.

Mr. Powe stated, unbiblically, that there were only three wise men. The Bible is silent on the number. They brought three very valuable gifts for the child-king, Jesus, a year after his birth at the house. This more than likely paid for the journey to Egypt, living expenses while there and the cost of the return trip to Nazareth – Matthew 2:13-23. The creches sold and found in many homes are not Biblical renditions of the of the truth. Jesus was not in a feeding trough, there were no wise men present at his birth with gifts, no animals present, nor the "star from the East." You might as well name Moe, Larry and Curly as the three wise men. I teach the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Mike Doran  
Caledonia Township

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Source: bonnieplants.com

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# Calendar of Events



## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

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.

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.

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.

The first meeting of the Coast Guard Auxiliary will be held at 6 p.m. at the U.S. Coast Guard station, 202 Park Place, Alpena. More members are needed to help cover the season, which is April to October from Rogers City to Sturgeon Point. For more details, call John Knapp at (989) 354-5010 or Matt Mousseau at (989) 255-5511.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 19

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. 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.

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.

A free blood pressure clinic is available to seniors at 2 p.m. at the Alcona Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln. For more information, call (989) 334-3466.

Learn about world of morel mushrooms from Anthony Williams, "the Mushroom Guy," as he discusses foraging, identifying and enjoying these spring-time elusive fungi. This free event begins at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

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.

The Alcona County Library Board and the Curtis Township Library Board of Trustees will meet in the conference room of the Curtis Township Library in Glennie at 2 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 or (989) 735-2601 for information.

Celebrate "Western Night" from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Alcona Senior Center. Attendees are encouraged to wear county/

western outfits. The meal will be served at 5 p.m. and includes chili, cornbread, pickled beets and peaches. A \$3 donation is suggested for folks 60 and over and for anyone under age 59, the cost is \$6. For more information, call (989) 334-3466.

Individuals are invited to join the newly formed Glennie Book Club, which meets the last Wednesday of every month for a journey through the pages of thought-provoking stories at the Curtis Township Library branch in Glennie at 3 p.m. Meet at the side entrance. Call (989) 735-2601 for more information.

Join local high school teacher, Andrew Wolfgang, as he shares many opportunities to find unique birds in Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary. He will explain where and when to find unique birds and the ecology of Great Lakes birds will be discussed including why 2024 is going to be a great year to view birds along Lake Huron. There is no charge for admission. The event begins at 7 p.m. at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 West Fletcher Street, Alpena. For more information, call (989) 884-6200 or view thunderbay.noaa.gov and thunderbayfriends.org.

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When selecting a ground cover, consider these choices:

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- Sun or shade-loving
- Showy flowers or less showy
- Clay or sandy soil
- Seasonal or evergreen

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**NOTICE**

The City of Harrisville is accepting applications for Summer Help. The position is a 30-hour per week temporary position, that involves mowing, trimming, painting and other city maintenance projects. A valid driver's license is required. Applicant must be 18 "years of age. Applications are available at the City Office-200 5th St. 9:30 AM-12 Noon daily, 989-724-6666. Deadline for applying is noon Friday, May 10, 2024.

**LOOKING FOR FEE ACCOUNTING SERVICES**

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](mailto:Harbormaster@harrisvilleharbor.com)

**ATTENTION**

**Alcona County Fair Sponsorships**

Sponsorships are due on Friday, April 26 if you want to have your information included in the tri-fold and fair book this year. For more information contact a fair board member or Email: [kdboyat@hotmail.com](mailto:kdboyat@hotmail.com)

**See you at the fair!! August 6 – 10, 2024**

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging (AAA) announces the availability of funds for fiscal year 2025.

Annual funds are available for these services: Elder Abuse Prevention, Evidence-Based Disease Prevention, The Merit Award (Adult Day Services), National Family Caregiver Support Program and State Caregiver Support.

Funds are available for the counties of: Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon. The Region 9 AAA must receive letters of intent to apply for funds by 4:30 pm Friday, April 26, 2024.

For more information contact Katlyn Franks, Financial Analyst, (989) 358-4810 or [financialanalystaaa@nemcsa.org](mailto:financialanalystaaa@nemcsa.org).

**PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST NOTICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Public Accuracy Testing for the May 7, 2024 Special Oscoda School Election will be held at the following voting precincts as follows:

TOWNSHIP	DATE	LOCATION
Curtis	April 25, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.	Fire Department, 5019 Bamfield Road, Glennie
Greenbush	April 25, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.	Twp. Hall, 5039 E. Campbell Street, Greenbush
Mikado	April 25, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.	Twp. Hall, 2291 S. F-41, Mikado

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to record and count the votes cast at the election meet the requirements of the law.

Stephany Eller, County Clerk

**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 22: Stuffed peppers, carrots, noodles, strawberries.
- Tuesday, April 23: Sausage gravy and biscuits, stewed tomatoes, spudsters, cinnamon apples.
- Wednesday, April 24: Chili, pickled beets, corn bread, peaches.
- Thursday, April 25: Pork Chop, brussels sprouts, rice pilaf, tropical fruit.

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

**Birds of the Sanctuary**

Join local high school teacher, Andrew Wolfgang, as he shares many opportunities to find unique birds in Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary on Wednesday, April 24. He will describe how understanding the ecology and behavior of certain species is key to their conservation. Along with weather patterns and geography, he will talk about predicting the best times and places to see certain wildlife in the sanctuary.

In this free program Wolfgang will share information on over 300 species and 20-plus families of birds that are likely to show up along the shoreline or flying above Lake Huron. He will also briefly discuss some of the most controversial ecological issues surrounding colonial waterbirds nesting on northern Lake Huron's islands. No admission fee. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the program begins at 7 p.m. For more information, call (989) 884-6200.

**All About Morels**

On Tuesday, April 23 at 6 p.m. the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library is hosting a seminar with Anthony Williams, a seasoned morel mushroom hunter with a family history spanning over



Andrew Wolfgang, as a hawk researcher for the Raptor View Research Institute in Florence, Mont., will be giving a talk about birds of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary. Photo courtesy of Raptor View Research Institute.

a century in Boyne City, Mich. Williams will discuss his experiences finding morel mushrooms and topics like recognizing terrain, understanding weather patterns, and the history of morel mushroom hunting. The seminar aims to provide a cultural experience beyond just cooking morel mushrooms, inviting everyone to join, and promises an exploration of nature and family connections. This is a free program supported by the Friends of the Alcona Library. No registration is required, and popcorn and pop will be provided. For more info., call (989) 724-6796.

**Alcona GospelFest**

Inspiration Alcona presents Alcona GospelFest 2024 on Saturday, April 27 at New Life Lutheran Church, 25 Kirche in the Woods in Spruce. GospelFest is an ecumenical gospel music workshop and community concert. Those wishing to sing with the choir begin at 10 a.m. and rehearse until the free community concert at 4 p.m. The 4 p.m. concert will feature the GospelFest choir, and other local musical talent. For more information and choir registration info, visit [InspirationAlcona.org](http://InspirationAlcona.org), or call Lynn at (989) 657-4773. The church is located six miles north of M-72 off of Hubbard Lake Road.

**Regaining Balance**

Matter of Balance (MOB), a free class, is an eight two-hour group session led by trained facilitators that helps older adults concerned about falls, who have fallen in the past or are interested in improving flexibility, balance, and strength. The sessions are designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults.

The program begins on Monday, April 29 and will be held very Monday and Thursday for four weeks (eight sessions) from 1 to 3 p.m. The last session is May 23.

Classes are held at Alcona County Library in Harrisville, 312 East Main Street. Class size is limited, registration is necessary. Call (989) 358-4616 to register. This program is sponsored by Region 9, Area Agency on Aging (a division of NEMSCA) and the Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA).

**Host Families Needed**

ASSE International Student Exchange Programs (ASSE), in cooperation with the community high school, is looking for local families to host high school exchange students aged 15 to 18 from diverse countries such as Australia, Denmark, Spain, Italy, Japan, and more.

ASSE exchange students are carefully selected based on their academic achievements and personalities. Host families have the opportunity to choose a student from diverse backgrounds, countries, and interests. These students arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance coverage.

"Whether you are a young family, retired, a single parent, or empty nesters, hosting a foreign exchange student presents an extraordinary chance to expand your family's cultural horizons without ever leaving the comfort of your home," said Alina Clements, eastern regional director. For more details call (800) 677-2773 or view the website at: [asseusaeast@asse.com](mailto:asseusaeast@asse.com).

**Weekly SUDOKU**

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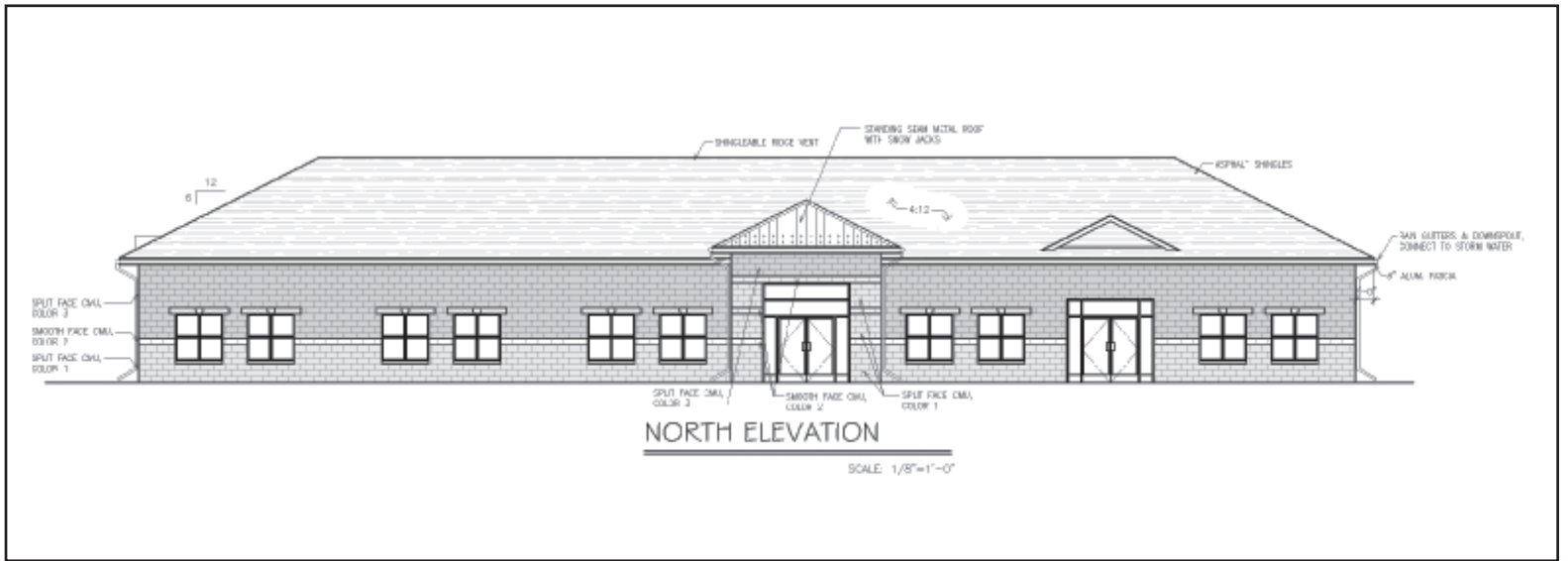
fundraising. A \$5 firework bracelet wasn't going to put us where we needed to be to build and furnish," Mathewson said.

"We are asking people to write gift donations so their names will be put on our donor wall. People are giving generous checks. They understand it is a tax-exempt donation and their name will be a part of the center," Rhynes said.

The HLCA is waiting for final plans to come in the next few weeks from Bruce Dietz, a commercial developer in Alpena, before starting the bidding process for builders.

"Once that is done, we will break ground. It's happening soon and we are so excited. When we say it is a community center, we mean it. This would not be possible without the community's help and donations," Mathewson said.

"When you drive through our town, there hasn't been a lot of revitalization. If we don't do this now, who will step up? We need to rejuvenate our resort-type community town. We want this town to be vibrant and welcoming.



A recent rendering of the new Hubbard Lake Community Center. To date, a community of donors has helped the association raise funds for the \$1 million community center/library. They hope to break ground in the next few months. To date, they have raised \$700,000 and are looking for more donors to complete and furnish the building.

"We've created inviting events for folks to visit and live in this beautiful part of Michigan. We want this place to be a hub of community activity. We need this community center to accomplish that goal," Mathewson said.

The HLCA meets on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the current com-

munity center located at 1561 Hubert Road in Hubbard Lake and all are invited to attend.

Rhynes explained all nine board members have worked to make this goal a reality. "They all chair a committee and all are actively interested in the beautification and revitalization of the Hubbard Lake area," Rhynes said.

Annual HLCA membership runs from the first of May to the end of April and Rhynes encouraged everyone to consider either sending in \$15 for a family membership or \$10 for a single membership. Only members are allowed to vote during board elections which happens at the an-

nual election meeting in June.

Anyone considering obtaining a membership or making a donation may mail a check to Hubbard Lake Community Association, P.O. Box 55, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747. Further information can be obtained by emailing HLCA49747@gmail.com.

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# Tigers take the brooms to Posen

**By Ben Murphy**  
Sports Writer

Just two days after suffering a pair of losses to open the season, the Tigers bounced back in a big way on Monday, April 8.

The Alcona varsity baseball team hosted Posen in a North Star League crossover doubleheader, and won easily in both games, 18-3 and 20-5.

“For the team overall it is good, getting the first two wins of the season is a good starting point for us to win many more games over the course of the year,” head coach Dru Carson said. “For this upcoming week I hope to win some more games, and just continue to get better every day.”

In game one, Collin Walker threw a complete game and stuck out seven batters. On offense, Gavin Dellar had two singles and stole a base.

In game two, Ricky Schott got the win, tossing a complete game and striking out five batters.

“Everyone hit the ball and worked the count to draw a bunch of walks,” Carson said.

Alcona (2-2 overall) hosted Roscommon on Monday, April 15, heads to Hillman on Thursday, April 18, and welcomes in Hale on Monday, April 22.



Alcona’s Vinnie Mahalak flips the ball to first base for an out during last week’s home wins over Posen. *Photo by Ben Murphy.*

# Posen no threat to Lady Tigers

**By Ben Murphy**  
Sports Writer

Miah Schopfer tossed a pair of solid pitching performances and the Lady Tigers had plenty of offense and defense behind her too.

The Lady Tigers As a result, the Alcona varsity softball team easily defeated visiting Posen on Monday, May 8, giving them a pair of North Star League crossover softball victories, 15-0 and 21-6; both in three innings.

“Overall, it was a great night on the field,” head coach Chelsea Neuenfeldt said. “Miah held down the pitching game. We had many players get into the game and it was truly a team effort.”

In game one, Schopfer started and threw all three innings and gave up one hit while striking out seven. In game two, Schopfer got the win in relief, tossing the final two innings and giving up two hits, while striking out four and walking one.

“Addison Beatty had an outstanding night batting 1000 both games and having a beautiful diving catch in right field,” Neuenfeldt said.

“Rilee Tracy added to the offense with a great bat and a home run.”

On Saturday, April 13 Alcona played in a tournament in Holton, Mich. They lost their first game 10-7 against Hillman, and came up short against Mendon, 10-1.

Schopfer took the loss against Hillman, going six innings and giving up 10 runs on 12 hits, five strikeouts and one walk.

Beatty had a double and a single. Borchardt had two singles. Jena Wambold and Sage Gauthier both doubled, and Baylee Goddard singled.

“We started off very strong going ahead 5-1 in the second inning,” Neuenfeldt said. “The girls played tough and

had a great day overall. Hillman had to bring in Nicole Barbeau in the third inning and we had a tough time keeping our momentum.”

Against Mendon, Schopfer took the loss, going four innings and giving up four runs, with giving up three hits, striking out two and walking one. Beatty went two innings and gave up six runs on six hits and two walks.

Beatty, Gauthier (double), Rilee Tracy, Goddard and Eliyana Grimshaw all had hits.

Alcona had a home doubleheader with Roscommon on Monday, April 15 and is set to travel to Hillman on Thursday, April 18. They will host Hale on Monday, April 22.



Lady Tiger Miah Schopfer fires in a pitch during last week’s home sweep over Posen. *Photo by Ben Murphy.*

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# Golf team has large roster of athletes

**By Ben Murphy**  
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity golf team expects to have the benefit of a large roster this spring, giving them some depth to draw upon.

The team is coached by Dustin Yokom, for his second season this year.

“Our team has a lot of promise, not only as a team but also with some of our individuals,” Yokom said. “I predict that one of our players will get to the states this year, but I am optimistic about our chances as a team. Last year we were close and got penalized on a few occasions, this year we will be trained and playing smart.

“I think we have a good chance. One very exciting thing is that our team is young. We have a lot of time to grow. This is going to lead to success in the next few years,” Yokom said.

Returning to the team are seniors David Sharboneau and Collin Walke, as well as sophomores Alex Smith, Giovanni Paluch, Cuyler Smith, and Keegan Ritchie.

“I am excited to see a lot of returning players this year,” Yokom said. “We have a few really good players that I am excited to see play this year. Our sophomore, Giovanni

Paluch, is hitting the ball really well. I am hoping to see him put a few rounds in the 70s this year, which, as a 15-year-old, would be an awesome accomplishment and set him up for a possible collegiate future in this sport.

“I’m also excited to see what our senior, David Sharboneau, will accomplish this year. Last year, he started inching his way toward breaking 80, and I am excited to see how he finishes his high school career.”

New to the team is senior Nathaneal Henderson, sophomores Anthony Perez, Gunnar Levline, Karsen Gonyea, and freshmen Edward Hechlik, Ben Myers, Zach Hall and Josh Siebert.

“Many of these players are new to the game,” Yokom said. “It is always exciting to see young people get into the sport. Golf has a lot to teach these new guys about life. This sport takes perseverance and endless amounts of practice. It is a game that teaches you how to overcome challenges without getting frustrated or giving up. These are essential skills in life. These new players are young and have a lot of years ahead of them. I am excited to see what they accomplish this

year and in the years to come,” he said.

The team has been able to practice at Bogey’s Indoor Golf in Alpena, which helps them prep for the season.

“My goal every year is improvement and growth,” said Yokom, who owns Bogey’s in Alpena. “Where in our individual scores can we eliminate some strokes? Find those areas and spend time grinding in them. For our new guys, they may drop 10- to-15 strokes by the end of the year as they start to get a feel for this game. That would be an incredible accomplishment.


“For our number one seed player, that might be one-to-two strokes, and it would be equally awesome. These guys are eager to get better, and that is what matters.”

In May, Alcona will host a Division 4 regional at Lost Lake Woods Club in Lincoln.

“Looking forward to regionals, we already know that Charlevoix, Glen Lake, and Harbor Springs will bring exceptional teams,” Yokom said. “I believe we have a good chance of getting in those top three if we are committed to making smart decisions on the course and putting in the work during our practices.”



The Electric Tigers E-sports team took a victory recently against Belding High School for the last game of the Super Smash Brothers season. The Tigers, (4-4) ended the season in 76<sup>th</sup> place out of over 200 teams, but narrowly missed the playoffs. The Electric Tigers’ Rocket League team will be in action for its final game of the regular season, hosted at Byron Center High School. The Tigers have a 4-3 record in Rocket League and are currently in 31<sup>st</sup> place out of 108 teams in Michigan, with a playoff berth in the balance of the outcome of this week’s match. This season’s partnership with Pied Piper in Alpena has been successful, with numerous Alcona players pitching in to help with the Unified League. Alcona E-sports members (From left) Rob Eby, Abel Birk, Eric Cann, Warren Leeseberg, and Marcus Prater. Missing are William Brozowski and Jayson Lincoln. Adalai Liebler, Darren Boyat, Geni Kirk and Abel Birk helped out this season; with recognition to teammates at Pied Piper and the coach, Ashlie O’Connor. *Courtesy photo.*



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**THURSDAY, APRIL 25**

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.

The first book sale of the year will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. There is a treasure trove of books spanning ev-

ery genre imaginable. Call (989) 724-6796, for details.

Join the newly organized Quilt Club at the Alcona Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln, at 2 p.m. in the dining room. Seniors are welcome to bring in completed quilting squares and/or quilts. For more information, call Megan at (989) 334-3466.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 26**

The first book sale of the year will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Harrisville

branch of the Alcona County Library. There is a treasure trove of books spanning every genre imaginable. Call (989) 724-6796, for details.

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. Learning about financial literacy is featured with a special book and activities from "Owl + Otter" For information, call (989) 724-6796.

The Northeast MI Genealogical Society will present "Exploring Your Roots" at the Alpena Public Library at 12:30 p.m. A tour of the special collections and archives will be included in this presentation. Admission is free.

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 Pastor Caincross at (989) 569-1298.

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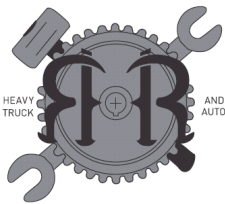
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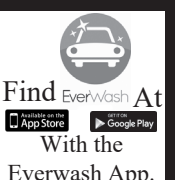
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profit organization that assists in the financial support of spinal cord research and the cure for paralysis while helping individuals who are afflicted with the disability.

"Kali's Cure has supplied quite a few chairs to state parks, typically the larger parks that attract the most visitors receive them, but because we had done some fundraising for a chair, we caught their attention and they gave us one," Ostrander said.

He owed the arrival of the chair to one man who began collecting funds for one a few years ago, David Hompstead. Ostrander explained Hompstead, who was born and raised in the area, contacted the park wanting to start fundraising for the chair.

"He said he had family in the area and saw a track chair at the park where he lives now in Bay City, Mich. We worked together through the state DNR website for fundraising and got about \$2,000 in a relatively short time. Kali's Cure came up with a large amount of additional funds for chairs but wanted to give the chairs strictly to parks that had already started some fund-raising.

"That would not have been us if Mr. Hompstead had not reached out and helped to start the process," Ostrander said.

The chair has multiple features for the user and can be operated by either the person sitting in the chair or by someone walking alongside the chair. "It's pretty cool," Ostrander said as he zipped around in the chair through a wooded portion of the park, "It's got a little kick to it, but there are wheely bars to prevent it from tipping backward."

He said the action track chair, which will be free to users, will probably be available on a reservation basis for four hours. The chair will need to charge in between uses. To reserve the chair for a certain date and time, call (989) 724-5126.

Ostrander said a new electric car charging station will be available at the park. He was also pleased that Pat Esmond, the park's explorer guide, is scheduled to hold weekly programs throughout the summer.

In addition to a full program this summer, the weekend after Labor Day, September 6-8, the Harrisville State Park will host another Hunter Safety Education Camp.

According to Ostrander, the new Nature Awaits program available to fourth-

grade teachers and their students this spring and again in the fall.

The Nature Awaits program allows students a chance to visit a state park that may not necessarily be close to where they live, but still close enough to get to tour the park and experience an educational activity and then arrive back home before the end of the school day.

According to Ostrander, in addition to the experience and education with grants available for the round-trip transportation costs, each student receives a free one-day vehicle pass to the park so they can visit it again with their family.

Additionally, Ostrander put to rest the question of whether or not Michiganders

will have the first right to Michigan state park campsites. "This has gone around for a few times now but it has not been passed. The mindset is Michigan residents would have a two-week jump on nonresidents for campsites.

"This has worked in other states, but I'm not sure the state representatives and senators understand the size of Michigan's park system. I think we have like the second or third-largest camping system in the whole country. Things for other states probably won't work for us because of the size of the system," Ostrander said.

The Harrisville State Park is located east off of US-23, a few miles south of M-72. For more information or to reserve a campsite, visit <https://midnrreservations.com/>.

# Americanisms



"No one comes from the earth like grass. We come like trees. We all have roots."  
— Maya Angelou

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## Buggy Rides

### Glennie man hurt in automobile wreck

Hit by D. & M. Train on Main Street of Omer

**April 17, 1924** ~ Jos. Tyson of Glennie, who was dangerously injured last week in a collision at Omer, is still confined in a hospital at Bay City, where he was taken following the accident.

Mrs. Tyson and Miss Helen Coleman, who were also in the wreck, were only slightly injured. Miss Coleman, whose home is at Hubbard Lake but who is teaching school at Glennie, has returned to her school and Mrs. Tyson is at Bay City with her husband.

Tyson, with his wife and Miss Coleman, were returning from Bay City with a new Ford truck. At Omer Tyson apparently drove directly in

front of D. & M. train No. 4 southbound from Alpena, without noticing its approach. Tyson was driving east and the train struck the car on the side of the cab where Tyson was riding.

All three occupants were thrown aside, and the truck was demolished. Tyson was terribly cut about the head and neck, his face being literally covered with gashes that reached to the bone and were from three to five inches in length.

He was placed in the baggage car for the trip to Bay City, and the two women were taken into the parlor car. Mrs. Tyson suffered from shock but no bones were bro-

ken. Miss Coleman was uninjured except for slight abrasions on one hand and shock.

According to members of the train crew, the truck was so badly smashed that none of the pieces remaining strewn along the track was larger than a man's head, and they cannot understand why all three were not killed.

The train was in charge of engineer C. McDonald, fireman C. C. Fleeger, conductor Wm. Bean, brakeman Mel Emerson, and baggageman Geo. Boddy.

According to the crew, the

train was not traveling over 15 miles an hour, as it was just pulling into the Omer station, and had slowed down considerably, the station being but a very short distance from the crossing.

Engineer McDonald brought the train to a stop in less than its own length. The crossing is clear on both sides, and a train can be seen from half a mile away, it is said. Miss Coleman said she did not notice the approach of the train at all until it struck them.

### Supervisors protest removal of Lincoln branch railroad

Leaders Act Against Petition of D. & M. Railway

**April 17, 1924** ~ Couching their objections in forceful language, the board of supervisors Tuesday passed resolutions in opposition to the proposed discontinuance of the Lincoln branch of the D. & M. Railway, as proposed by the railroad officials in their petition to the interstate commerce commission. They also instructed the prosecuting attorney to represent the board at the proceedings to be taken before the commission.

A delegation of business men headed by president Chas. Mills of the Village of Lincoln, went to Lansing and appeared before the public

utilities commission, making arrangements to be heard should the proceedings be conducted before that body.

Protests are coming from many sources, and if the petition of the railroad officials is granted, it will be in the face of strenuous opposition put forth by a community of interests embracing all sections of the county.

**Crptoqr7**  
Answers  
You'll really love these interesting puzzles from the Pine Tree State! Mind you, answers!

**Super Crossword**  
Answers  
RINGS SARAH EARP'S CAMO  
ILLIS TRACT DROOL OLAY  
CLOTHING ENSEMBLE GALS  
HET ORA DON EKEED BLT  
EATAT ZAPPA BRAVEFACE  
SNAPON SLAPSAT ENAMOR  
TALENT SHOW CLOT NAPS  
REHM SIRS REST  
TMAIC LOW COAT OFFPAINT  
REDUBS CATIO RIFE MOO  
TDT RELAXING MUSIC PUN  
SEE ARAL GEESE ESSENE  
HAUGHTYAIRS GRR HISS  
REAL MESA EASE  
ALTO AAHS BODYWEIGHT  
GOSOLO SISTINE WALLLOW  
EYEMAKEUP ITALO HAILLE  
LAT YAMS RPM VIA DYE  
ELSE YOU'RE PUTTING ME ON  
STEP ETAIL CRANK LOKI  
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# Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **MOVIES:** Which dramatic film features the character "V"?
2. **GEOGRAPHY:** Luzon belongs to which island nation?
3. **LANGUAGE:** What is the Latin phrase for "before the war"?
4. **U.S. STATES:** Which state has the most national parks?
5. **LITERATURE:** Which 1950s novel includes the line, "Nothing behind me, everything ahead of me, as is ever so on the road."
6. **CHEMISTRY:** What kind of gas makes a drink bubbly?
7. **TELEVISION:** Which sitcom features a mom named Debra Barone?
8. **MUSIC:** What was the former name of the English band Muse?
9. **SCIENCE:** What are the gaps between nerve cells called?
10. **THEATER:** Who wrote the play "The Crucible"?

**Answers:** 1. "V for Vendetta" (2005); 2. The Philippines.; 3. Antebellum.; 4. California, with nine.; 5. "On the Road" by Jack Kerouac.; 6. Carbon dioxide.; 7. "Everybody Loves Raymond."; 8. Rocket Baby Dolls.; 9. Synapses.; 10. Arthur Miller. (c) 2024 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On April 29, 2004, the World War II Memorial opened in Washington, D.C. The granite and bronze monument stands on 7.4 acres on the former site of the Rainbow Pool at the National Mall, between the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial.
- On April 30, 1993, tennis player Monica Seles was stabbed between the shoulder blades by Gunter Parche during a match in Hamburg. Parche, a fan of German tennis star Steffi Graf, apparently hoped that by injuring Seles, his idol would be able to regain her No. 1 ranking.
- On May 1, 1963, Gloria Steinem published the first half of "A Bunny's Tale" in SHOW magazine, recounting her brief stint as a Bunny in Manhattan's Playboy Club. Steinem's undercover reporting revealed a culture of misogyny and exploitation behind the glamorous facade of Hugh Hefner's empire.
- On May 2, 1924, Patrick Mahon was arrested at London's Waterloo train station on suspicion of murder. He was executed later that year for killing his pregnant mistress, but an important innovation resulted from the crime scene: The officers, who had no gloves, were forced to handle the victim's remains with their bare hands. After the investigation, rubber gloves became standard equipment at murder scenes.
- On May 3, 1980, 13-year-old Cari Lightner of Fair Oaks, California, was walking to a church carnival when she was struck and killed by an out-of-control car driven by an intoxicated Clarence Busch. Her death led her mother, Candy Lightner, to found the organization Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), which would grow into one of the country's most influential nonprofit organizations.
- On May 4, 1776, Rhode Island, which was founded by the most radical religious dissenters from the Puritans of Massachusetts Bay Colony, became the first North American colony to renounce its allegiance to King George III. It would also be the last state to ratify the new American Constitution more than 14 years later.
- On May 5, 1816, the first published poem by John Keats, the sonnet "To Solitude", appeared in the London journal The Examiner. Keats' sadly brief but overall brilliant span of work includes "Ode on a Grecian Urn", "La Belle Dame Sans Merci" and "Ode to a Nightingale."

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## Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- It is impossible for a human to sneeze during sleep due to a bodily state called REM atonia.
- For 200 years tomatoes were considered poisonous in Europe. In reality, their acidity was dissolving poisonous metals like lead from plates.
- Scientists investigating the occasional appearance of thousands of dead fish on the banks of an African river eventually discovered that the cause was huge numbers of hippos pooping in the water.
- Actor Danny DeVito used to be a beautician.
- Ten thousand years ago, everyone's eyes were brown until someone living by the Black Sea developed a genetic mutation that turned brown eyes blue.
- In 2007, a gorilla escaped from his exhibit, grabbed and mauled a nearby woman, and then attacked a restaurant. Later it was later revealed that the woman had been making eye contact and smiling at the primate several times a week, something zookeepers had warned her not to do.
- Freelance diamond setter Raffi Stepanian found he could collect enough bits of carelessly dropped diamonds, rubies, platinum and gold on the sidewalks of New York City's Midtown Diamond District to earn a living.
- In April of 2018, scientists at the Gladstone Institutes in California completely erased Alzheimer's disease damage in human cells by altering the structure of a single protein.

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Thought for the Day: "Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter, and those who matter don't mind." -- Bernard M. Baruch

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## Super Crossword

### APPLICATION PROCESS

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|--|---|---|---|--|--|
| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Big trucks</p> <p>5 "Serial" podcast host Koenig</p> <p>10 Brothers Wyatt, Virgil and Morgan</p> <p>15 Like GI garb, often</p> <p>19 Woeful things</p> <p>20 Bingham of "Baywatch"</p> <p>21 Slobber</p> <p>22 Nivea rival</p> <p>23 Outfit</p> <p>26 Lassies</p> <p>27 All upset, with "up"</p> <p>28 "... flaw — feature?"</p> <p>29 Actor Knotts</p> <p>30 Wrung (out)</p> <p>32 Deli classic</p> <p>33 Bother a lot</p> <p>35 Frank of rock</p> <p>38 Outward display of courage</p> <p>40 Attachable with a click</p> <p>42 Hits, as a fly</p> <p>44 Fill with love</p> <p>45 "The X Factor," e.g.</p> <p>47 Congeal</p> <p>49 Short sleeps</p> <p>50 Diane once of NPR</p> <p>51 Gentlemen</p> <p>53 Breather</p> <p>56 Apple option</p> <p>59 Cow sound</p> | <p>62 Primer for a wall, e.g.</p> <p>67 Names anew</p> <p>70 Outdoor enclosure for a tabby</p> <p>72 Abundant</p> <p>73 Cow sound</p> <p>74 Despot Amin</p> <p>75 It's often played during a massage</p> <p>78 "Let us spray," e.g.</p> <p>79 Recognize</p> <p>80 Central Asia's — Sea</p> <p>81 Honking birds</p> <p>82 Old Jewish ascetic</p> <p>84 Snootiness</p> <p>87 Cur's warning</p> <p>89 Snake's warning</p> <p>90 Not bogus</p> <p>91 Small plateau</p> <p>93 Give relief to</p> <p>96 Choir female</p> <p>99 Responses to massages</p> <p>101 Something revealed by a scale</p> <p>107 Fly without a co-pilot, e.g.</p> <p>110 Like a famed Vatican chapel</p> <p>112 Roll around in mud or dust</p> <p>113 Mascara, e.g.</p> | <p>115 Writer</p> <p>117 Ethiopia's —</p> <p>118 Ovid's lang.</p> <p>119 Tubers often candied</p> <p>120 Engine speed meas.</p> <p>121 By way of</p> <p>123 Tattooist's supply</p> <p>124 Otherwise</p> <p>126 What eight answers in this puzzle might say if they could talk?</p> <p>131 Increase, with "up"</p> <p>132 Internet sales</p> <p>133 Increase, with "up"</p> <p>134 Villain in "The Avengers"</p> <p>135 609-homer Sammy</p> <p>136 AC— (big name in auto parts)</p> <p>137 Promotes heavily</p> <p>138 Leg joint</p> | <p>3 Pertaining to an opening of the larynx</p> <p>4 Former jet to JFK</p> <p>5 Mix, as batter</p> <p>6 Desi of Desilu Studios</p> <p>7 Sleazy paper</p> <p>8 King topper</p> <p>9 Furry feet in back</p> <p>10 Biblical utopia</p> <p>11 Shirt part</p> <p>12 Clemente of baseball</p> <p>13 Oompah band genre</p> <p>14 Shirt talk?</p> <p>15 Tooth on a gearwheel</p> <p>16 A Gulf state</p> <p>17 Patroller around a food court</p> <p>18 Bivalve mollusks</p> <p>24 Sweltering summer day</p> <p>25 Ivory, e.g.</p> <p>31 Lion's hideout</p> <p>34 Fast glance</p> <p>36 Burnt residue</p> <p>37 Gp. once led by Arafat</p> <p>38 Raft wood</p> <p>39 Soda brand</p> <p>41 Utmost</p> <p>43 Dickens' miser</p> <p>46 Opposite of lge.</p> <p>48 Three, to Fifi</p> | <p>52 Slippery road condition</p> <p>54 "The Hunger Games" escort</p> <p>55 Blueprint data, in brief</p> <p>56 From Dublin or Cork</p> <p>57 Jason's wife, in myth</p> <p>58 "Ta-tal," in Tours</p> <p>60 Central Florida city</p> <p>61 Crayon stuff</p> <p>63 Less of a lie</p> <p>64 Louvre Pyramid architect</p> <p>65 Adjectives modify them</p> <p>66 Message-leavers' cues</p> <p>68 Astronomer Tycho —</p> <p>69 Mattress brand</p> <p>71 Fierce female feline</p> <p>76 1972 Eric Clapton hit</p> <p>77 Chinese menu letters</p> <p>83 Aussie girl</p> <p>85 Newlywed man</p> <p>86 "Got it, man"</p> <p>88 San Luis —</p> <p>92 Slightly excessive</p> <p>94 "How cute!"</p> | <p>95 Ugly foe of Popeye</p> <p>96 Neverending</p> <p>97 Not deserting</p> <p>98 Frightful flies</p> <p>100 Like always</p> <p>102 "Ode — Grecian Urn"</p> <p>103 Costa — Sol</p> <p>104 Use as a skating surface</p> <p>105 Mount — College (Elaine Chao's alma mater)</p> <p>106 12-year-old kid, say</p> <p>108 Set in place</p> <p>109 Gave the nod</p> <p>111 — City (Ohio town named for William Henry Harrison's moniker)</p> <p>114 Theatricalize</p> <p>116 Like sheep</p> <p>120 Move, to a Realtor</p> <p>122 Tattooist's supplies</p> <p>125 Green org.</p> <p>127 Ocasek of The Cars</p> <p>128 Endeavor</p> <p>129 Spying setup</p> <p>130 Big name in civ. rights</p> |
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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: Z equals Y

ZHS FKORRZ WYHSRCQ'U  
 CDWFKJOF C UYKWK PDQK  
 LKHLRK PFHN UYK LDQK UFKK  
 WUOUK. NDQC ZHSF NODQKFW!

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# Kovels: Antiques and Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

## Embroidered textiles

Textiles are fragile and need special care. Dust, light, insects and moisture can damage them. Antique textiles in good condition are rare and often sell for high prices.

This needlepoint casket was made about 1660 in England and sold for \$17,920, nearly three times its low estimate, at Morphy Auctions. A closer look shows that the colorful people, plants and animals stitched onto the fabric are three-dimensional, making the stitching even more complex. This tricky technique, called stumpwork, required padding the stitches to make the designs stand out.

All forms of embroidery, including stumpwork, were popular in England throughout the 1600s. Richly embroidered textiles and the items made from them grew more popular as more people could afford them. Many surviving examples of embroidery, including some museum-quality pieces, were made by amateurs, probably girls or young women. Girls would learn embroidery at a young age and practice their stitches with samplers, another popular collectible. Elaborately embroidered boxes like these may have been projects for girls learning embroidery to show their mastery of the skill.

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Q: You had an article about a "Back to the Future" VHS tape selling for thousands of dollars. What auction houses or other outlets might be interested in buying or selling VHS tapes or LPs?

A: The VHS tape that sold for a record \$75,000 was a sealed copy of the original 1985 film from a collection owned by Tom Wilson, who played "Biff" in the film. Factors contributing to the high price include the popularity of the film and the actor who owned the tape. Desirability, rarity and condition determine price. An unopened or sealed copy is more valuable than a used copy. Most VHS tapes sell for less than \$10.



The embroidered figures on this 17th-century box were made with a technique called stumpwork that shows the embroiderer's advanced skill. Photo courtesy of the Kovels.com

Vinyl records have become popular again. Many are worth less than a dollar, but sought-after albums, including those from the 1960s and '70s, are worth more. You can find prices online for both VHS tapes and LPs by searching sites like [valueyourmusic.com](http://valueyourmusic.com) or [discogs.com](http://discogs.com). Look for "sold" prices on eBay. There are stores that buy and sell old VHS tapes and LPs. They can tell you which ones are worth more than a few dollars. They'll give you about half what they expect to sell them for.

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TIP: The best way to store plates is vertically in a rack. If you don't have space, store

them with pads between the dishes.

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### CURRENT PRICES

Advertising sign, Perrier, c'est fou (it's crazy), stylized woman's face with bottles as eyes, wild yellow hair, red ground, heavy paper, linen backing, signed by artist Bernard Villemot, holes for hanging at top, 1970s-1980s, 26 x 18 inches, \$685.

Stoneware jug, cobalt blue bird and flowers, stamped White's Utica, bulbous, tapered, two high curled handles, marked at top, 5 gallons, 17 inches, \$1,375.

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# Veterans Post

By Freddy Groves

## Compensation for service-related conditions

Service-connected injuries and conditions for which you can receive compensation can be either physical or mental. But there's no one-size-fits-all when it comes to how much compensation you can receive. Whether it's hearing loss or depression, or cancer or PTSD, each one has a different rating, which results in a different level of compensation.

The Department of Veterans Affairs disability rating you are assigned after being approved is based on the severity of your condition. Your compensation will be based partially on that and partially on whatever else might increase that compensation, such as having a family or a disabled spouse, or if you've suffered severe disability or loss of limbs.

And from there it gets even more complicated.

It's possible for your rating to change over time if your condition worsens, but even when combining multiple ratings (conditions) it's nearly impossible to reach 100% disability.

Increasing your final rating by combining smaller ratings (for multiple conditions) is difficult because there are rules, charts and math to consider. There is combining the numbers, converting,

rounding up or down to the nearest 10. For example, you can't take a 20% rating and a 60% rating and come up with an 80% rating. In this case, the actual combined rating equates to 68%, but it's rounded up to 70% ... because the chart says so.

Combining three or more disabilities is even more complicated. And nowhere on that chart is a rating of 100% disability.

A 100 percent disability rating, if given, can be temporary (until your condition clears up or gets better) or permanent if given for severe conditions such as blindness or loss of limb. But reaching that level without those severe conditions is difficult enough that whole legal websites across the internet are devoted to that one effort: getting a 100% disability rating.

To wade through the disability compensation ratings and benefits, go to [www.benefits.va.gov/compensation/rates-index.asp#howcalc](http://www.benefits.va.gov/compensation/rates-index.asp#howcalc).

The ratings calculator can be found at [www.va.gov/disability/about-disability-ratings](http://www.va.gov/disability/about-disability-ratings).

The VA is currently taking 158 days to make decisions about claims.

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### top ten

#### MOST NASCAR WINS

1. Richard Petty
2. David Pearson
3. Jeff Gordon
4. Darrell Waltrip
5. Bobby Allison
6. Jimmie Johnson
7. Cale Yarborough
8. Dale Earnhardt
9. Kyle Busch
10. Kevin Harvick

Source: Motorsport.com

## MAGIC MAZE ● — TIME

A M J H F E L B U O D C A Y W  
 U R P N S L I A J H F D M B Z  
 X V T E M I R P S R Q O O M K  
 I H F D A R U O F R U O F B N  
 Z Y W W L L A R T N E C V O T  
 R DAYLIGHTSAVING  
 Q H C I F I C A P O H T I N L  
 K I H L A V I R R A C O F N D  
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 W V U S R Q O L E V A R T N M  
 K J I H F E N R E T S A E D B

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
 Unlisted clue hint: A FAST MARCHING PACE

Arrival	Four-four	Prime	Standard
Central	Hawaii	Reaction	Travel
Daylight saving	Mountain	Show	Universal
Eastern	Pacific	Small	

# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆**

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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# Couch Theater

By Demi Taveras

"The Sympathizer" (TV-MA) -- Based on the novel of the same name by Viet Thanh Nguyen, which won a Pulitzer Prize, this seven-episode miniseries tells the story of a North Vietnam spy in the South Vietnam army during the Vietnam War. This spy, called the Captain (Hoa Xuande), is forced to flee with his general to the United States near the end of the war. Now living among a community of South Vietnamese refugees, the Captain continues to act as a spy against them and report back to Viet Cong. With so many loyalties pulling him every which way, the Captain finds himself at a crossroads, unsure which of his alliances are the most true. Sandra Oh and recent Academy Award winner Robert Downey Jr. co-star in the series. The first episode is out now, with new episodes every Sunday. (Max)

"Under the Bridge" (TV-MA) -- Another miniseries that releases on streaming this



Wyatt Russell, left, and Kerry Condon star in "Night Swim." Photo Courtesy of MovieStillsDB

week is a true-crime drama starring Riley Keough ("Daisy Jones & the Six") and Lily Gladstone ("Killers of the Flower Moon"). Keough portrays writer Rebecca Godfrey, who hears about the death of a 14-year-old girl named Reena Virk (Vritika Gupta). Reena supposedly joined her friends at a party but never returned home, leaving the local police

at a loss as to how she died. Determined to write a novel about Reena, Rebecca works tirelessly alongside police officer Cam Bentland (Gladstone) to see if they can connect the dots about what happened under the bridge. The first two episodes premiere April 17, with new episodes every Wednesday. (Hulu)

"Night Swim" (PG-13) -- So far in 2024, it's

been a quiet year for horror movies, but if there's anyone who always has something spooky cooking up his sleeve, it's producer Jason Blum from Blumhouse Productions. His latest film follows a family of four called the Wallers, who happen upon the perfect new home for their household. Since the father, Ray, has an illness that can be improved

upon with the swimming pool the home offers, the Wallers quickly decide to purchase the house. However, as Ray's illness starts to go into remission, certain oddities begin to occur, like his kids getting attacked in the pool by some strange phenomenon and their cat going missing. Soon, the Wallers come to realize that their residence has a sinister history that is about to re-

peat itself. Out now. (Peacock)

In Case You Missed It

"Bob Marley: One Love" (PG-13) -- Kingsley Ben-Adir takes on the role of reggae legend Bob Marley in this biopic out now to rent! Taking place from the mid-1970s through the 1980s, the film walks viewers through the struggles that Marley had to overcome to bring his musical vision to life. From assassination attempts on his life to leaving Jamaica for his protection, Marley undergoes many trials and tribulations just because he chooses to take a stand for peace. His story is undoubtedly remarkable, and with his family producing the film, it was told in a way that commands respect. But the film still felt standard overall, missing certain visual and cinematic elements that could have propelled it to a different level. (Apple TV+)

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To all creditors: Estate of Jo Lynn Tanner-Hopp  
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Harley R. Hopp Jr., died January 22, 2024  
 Case No. 24-6441-DE  
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jo Lynn Tanner-Hopp, personal representative, of P.O. Box 128, Glennie, Mich. 48737, within four months after the date of publication of this notice.  
 Date: April 17, 2024  
 Attorney:  
 David H. Cook  
 Attorney at Law  
 5466 M-72,  
 Harrisville, Mich. 487 40  
 (989) 724-5155  
 Personal Representative:  
 Jo Lynn Tanner-Hopp  
 P.O. Box 128  
 Glennie, Mich. 48737

#### State of Michigan Probate Court Alcona County Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate Case No. 24-6435-DE

Court address  
 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street,  
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740  
 Court telephone No.  
 (989) 724-9490  
 Estate of Virginia Gillette Dimercurio  
 Date of birth: September 23, 1946  
 To all creditors:  
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Virginia Gillette Dimercurio, died September 19, 2023.  
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Joshua T. Whitten, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.  
 Date: April 17, 2024  
 David H. Cook, P40560  
 Attorney  
 5466 M-72  
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740  
 (989) 724-5155  
 Joshua T. Whitten  
 Personal representative  
 80 S. Atchison Road  
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740  
 (989) 335-1751

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 Alcona, State of Michigan: The northeast 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Township 28 North, Range 6 East. EXCEPT the coal, gas, oil, and other minerals underlying the surface of said land and all rights and easements in favor of the estate of said coal, oil, gas and other minerals. Parcel ID: 02002620001000 c/k/a: 3777 Red Run Trail, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747.  
 The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale.

/s/  
 Steven A. Jacobs  
 Steven A. Jacobs of Schneiderman & Sherman  
 Attorney for the Huntington National Bank  
 Schneiderman & Sherman P.C.  
 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300  
 Farmington Hills, Mich. 48335  
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3-6, 3-13, 3-20, 3-37, 4-3, 4-10, 4-17  
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#### State of Michigan Probate Court Alcona County Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate Case No. 24-6430-DE

Court address  
 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street,  
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740  
 Court telephone No.  
 (989) 724-9490  
 Estate of Frank M. Dimercurio  
 Date of birth: April 8, 1953  
 To all creditors:  
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Frank M. Dimercurio, died October 29, 2023.  
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the

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### CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board regular meeting held April 10 at 7 p.m. During regular meeting, motion passed to pay bills. Motion passed to approve regular meeting March 13. Motion approved to approve dust control policy; to pay and sign fire contract; to pay for furnishings at North End Park grant work; to pull permit for dredging at North End Park docks. Adjourn at 7:47 p.m.  
 Synopsis is being printed prior to board approval.  
 Cindy Smith  
 Township Clerk