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HUNT millage request on November 8 ballot

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

A millage request to “enhance law enforcement efforts in county wide drug interdiction” is on the ballot in the November 8 general election.

This request asks voters to decide whether to “levy a new millage not to exceed 0.15 mill (\$0.15 per thousand dollars) of taxable value of property for a period of four years beginning December 1, estimated to generate \$110,395 in the first year, disbursed to Alcona County for the purpose of funding the drug interdiction program known as the Huron Undercover Narcotics Team (HUNT).”

While not an unfamiliar question for Alcona County voters – a millage request was turned down twice four years ago, the Alcona County Board of Commissioners decided to revisit the issue. A unanimous vote of the commissioners put it on the November 8 ballot.

“We just believe that this is what we need for our county,” said Kevin Boyat, chairman of the board. “Four years ago things were different... there are designer drugs, people are using opiates for currency – all of the stuff that’s going on now, it’s scary. We want to keep this away from our kids and keep them safe.”

Safety isn’t the only concern. Boyat explained that cleanup of methamphetamine production – which is considered hazardous material – is costly. “The meth (debris) found in the ditch out in Glennie recently... that cost \$2,500 to clean up,” he said. “With HUNT there is no cost to the county. Without them, the county has to pay for the cleanup. One large meth clean up could break our county... I support this 100 percent,” Boyat said.

In an effort to explain the issue in more detail, the following questions were presented to Alcona County Sheriff Douglas Atchison and Detective Lt. Stewart Sharp, commander of the Huron Undercover Narcotics Team (HUNT).

Sheriff Atchison

Question: If approved, what happens to the millage funds?

Answer: The millage will generate roughly \$110,000 annually. These funds will be utilized to pay the wages and benefits along with necessary equipment for an Alcona County deputy assigned to work with the HUNT team. This deputy will be an employee of Alcona County, paid by Alcona County, and will

work towards making Alcona County a safer community.

Q: Why not just keep those funds to use for an officer in your department dedicated to investigating drug activity in Alcona County?

A: If this officer was limited to the boundaries of Alcona County it would be near impossible for him/her to effectively execute his/her duties. The flow of illegal narcotics does not recognize borders. They do not stop at the county line. To disrupt the flow of

dangerous drugs it truly needs to be a regional effort.

Q: What benefit does the sheriff’s department/county get out of having a deputy work with HUNT?

A: The use and abuse of heroin, methamphetamines, and opiates are, unfortunately, increasing everywhere. Every effort needs to be made in an attempt to keep these devastating narcotics out of our communities.

The benefit to the county

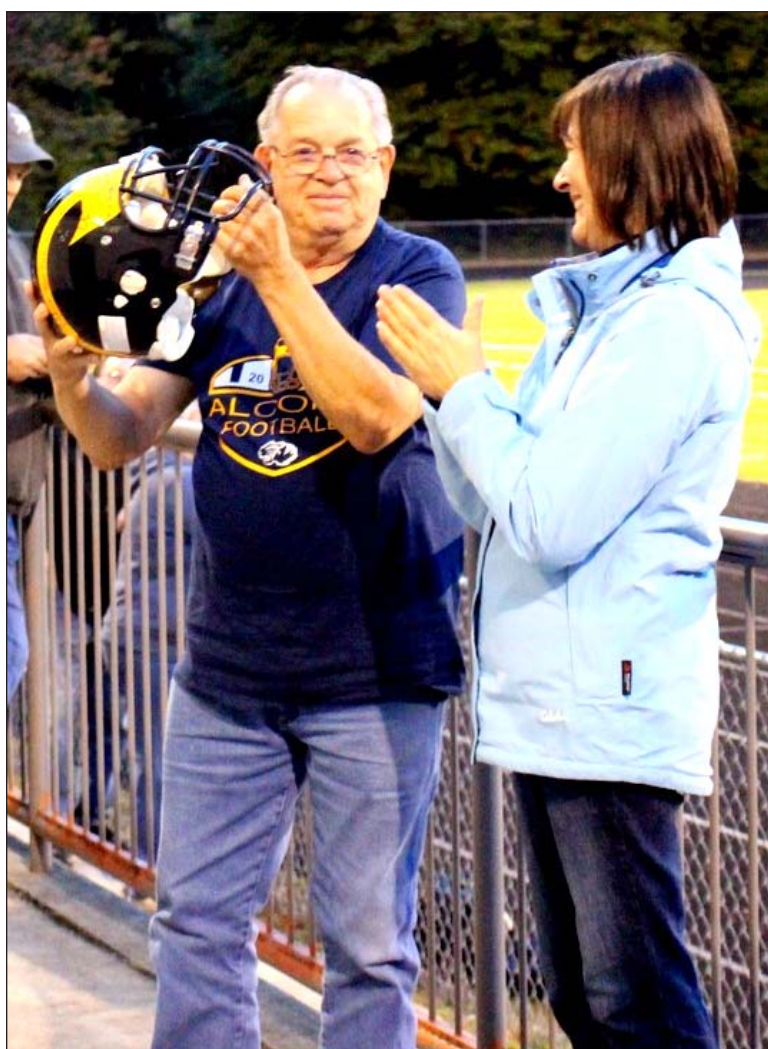
is that we will have direct participation in a multi-jurisdiction drug team whose sole purpose is to fight against the influx of dangerous drugs into our community. The benefit to the sheriff’s office directly is having one of our own on the team. This officer will be trained and will (be) gaining experience that can then be drawn upon by road patrol officers to make a more effective battle against these types of drugs. This officer will act as a liaison between

(our) road patrol and officers of the neighboring counties. Networking is an essential part of our profession.

Q: A majority of Alcona County residents/tax payers are living on a limited budget; this would be a new “tax” – how much will this impact my family’s budget each year?

A: This millage will not exceed 0.15 mills. The impact on a family’s budget is simple. If your State Equalized Value (SEV) is \$100,000 this will

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Music is back in Alcona Schools

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Music is once again being played in Alcona Community Schools and the sound is a sweet symphony to those who worked hard to bring the band program back to the school.

It’s been six years since a band program has been offered in the district -- something that freshman Ben Thomas wanted to change and was working toward when a caring superintendent and principal and a teacher coming out of retirement came together.

This year nearly 40 sixth and seventh-grade students are taking beginning band two mornings a week under the direction of Ray Reynolds. Reynolds taught music for 30 years at Alpena schools before retiring last June.

He wasn’t tired of teaching, he just needed a change.

“Beginning band is always the most exciting because that’s when the kids are the most eager and ambitious and seeking new things. To be here and start this at the very beginning again is fun. There’s no pressure, just a matter of coming in and enjoying the students and guiding them,” Reynolds said.

The issue of no band pro-

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Alcona Tiger Dresden Parkinson (above) plows through Lake City players in Friday night’s game.
For the story, see page 10.

Don Franklin (left), “The Voice of Alcona Football,” holds up the Golden Helmet he was given at Friday’s game. For 49 years Franklin has announced football games at the school. This is his last season. Superintendent Shawn Thornton (right) made the presentation, which allows Franklin admission into every Tiger game free -- for his lifetime.

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 **Obituaries** 

Evelyn Hills

Evelyn J. Hills, 92, of Harrisville, died on Friday, Oct. 14, 2016 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

She was born June 28, 1924 to Andrew and Flora (Neumann) Oprsal in Ferndale, Mich., where she was raised.

On January 31, 1946, she married Justin Hills in Detroit, Mich. They lived in Troy, Mich. and Florida before moving to Harrisville in 1964.

She enjoyed crochet, crafts, and ceramics and owned and operated Hills Hobby Hut in Harrisville for several years.

Mrs. Hills is survived by two sons, Michael (Connie) Hills of Harrisville and Steven (Rita) Hills of Ocala, Fla.; four grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and three sisters.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Justin, on May 12, 2000; one son, Gary Hills in 1999; two sisters; and one brother.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. No services are planned at this time.

 **Gary L. Martin**

Gary L. Martin, 70, of Greenbush, died on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2016 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

He was born February 2, 1946, to Oscar and Shirley (Boehme) Martin in Harrisville and was raised in Greenbush. Gary attended Oscoda Area Schools, where he was captain of the swim team.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1964 until 1968. After his discharge, he attended Belhaven University and the University of Alabama.

Mr. Martin worked as an estimator for Bekins Van Lines, and later as a traffic controller for Honeywell in Phoenix, Ariz. He returned to Greenbush to care for his mother.

Mr. Martin is survived by one brother, David (Marilyn) Martin of San Tan Valley, Ariz.; two nieces, Carrie VanTuyle and Elizabeth Telles; two nephews, Matthew Martin and Eric Martin; one uncle, Lynn Procnier of Greenbush; and a special cousin, Mike Procnier.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A memorial service will be held in Queen Creek, Ariz. at a later date.

 **Death Notice** 

James E. Visnaw

James E. Visnaw, 72, of Lincoln, died on Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2016 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

He was born May 29, 1944 in Mt. Clemens, Mich. to John F. and Kathryn (Ulrich) Visnaw.

Mr. Visnaw is survived by his wife, Martha; three sons, James E. (Tracy) Visnaw II, Mark Visnaw, and Todd (Cassie) Visnaw; and four grandchildren, James, Harry, Devin, and Avery Visnaw.

There will be a memorial Mass on Saturday, Oct. 22 at 11 a.m. at Holy Cross Church of Our Lady on the River Catholic Parish in Marine City, Mich.

There will be a memorial service Saturday, Oct. 29 at 11 a.m. at Lost Lake Woods Club.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

 **Memorial**

Douglas E. Beckley

A memorial service for Douglas E. Beckley will be held Saturday, Oct. 22 at 2 p.m. at New Life Lutheran Church, 25 Kirche In The Woods, Spruce. Mr. Beckley died on July 31, 2016.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,
 Our public school leaders have worked hard to put an end to bullying in our schools. Students who are singled out for being "different" tend to eventually lash out in some form. Probably every individual can look back to their school years and remember how hatefully some were to others.

How sad it is to see someone who aspires to be the leader of our county, set an example that is exactly opposite of what has been a priority of educational leaders. Say No to bullying.

Sandra Williams
 Spruce

To the Editor,
 We would like to thank all the Harrisville State Park employees and the many volunteers who worked so hard to make this year's Spook-tacular so much fun. The children's activities, trick or treating and the hayride were well planned to ensure everyone could enjoy it all. The creativity of the local businesses and the campers showed great imagination. The generosity of all the people involved gave the kids full goodie bags and big smiles.

What a great day, our grandchildren are still talking about it.

Gordon and Susan Calder
 Harrisville

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2015-2016

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	Oct. 9	53		38	0.00	4.3
Oct. 10	55	35	0.00	5.2	19	N
Oct. 11	60	46	0.00	4.3	18	SSW
Oct. 12	62	46	0.52	4.6	21	SSW
Oct. 13	52	39	0.01	2.4	16	SSE
Oct. 14	54	36	0.01	5.1	25	SSE
Oct. 15	64	47	0.00	6.9	23	SW

2015-16 Season		Precipitation Summary (Inches)	
	2016	2015	Normal
Weekly Total	0.54	0.08	0.56
October to Date	1.73	0.23	1.20
Year to Date	23.44	17.55	23.36

Climatological Observations taken by Stanley L. Darmofal at the Harrisville National Weather Service Coop Station located 1.8 miles NNE of Harrisville Post Office. Observations for each day are from midnight through 11:59 p.m. T=Trace (less than 0.005" Water Content.)

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,
On October 12, while alone and cutting wood on the family farm, I was pinned down by a felled tree. I was able to use my cell phone and call 911. The response was outstanding.

The operator was extremely professional in getting all pertinent information

and making sure I was physically okay. A county sheriff was first to arrive and cut and removed the tree that was on my leg. An ambulance and several first responders were next and all were extremely professional and greatly appreciated. I feel the care and concern they exhibited showed their pride

and training. Unfortunately, I didn't get any names but they know who they are. I spent 25 years as a police officer and know the value of teamwork and backup. Thanks again to all who helped me.

Dennis Golec
Traverse City, Mich.

To the Editor,
One in five women report sexual assault. Report sexual assault. We all know that the vast majority of sexual assaults are never reported.

An unscientific survey of my female acquaintances indicate that number is much higher, more like three in five. And those are only the ones I know about. Virtually none of those assaults were ever "reported," because the women in question want to

put it behind them and move on.

Reporting a sex crime results, unfortunately, in at least as much scarring as the actual abuse. Absolutely everyone reading this letter knows assault victims, whether they are aware of it or not.

The women who have come out (and the list keeps growing) as harassed by Donald Trump (or anyone else, for that matter) are not seeking

publicity, fame, or dollars. They want to show solidarity with other victims.

I am heartened by the growing awareness of these incidents, and the growing lack of acceptance towards the (mostly) men involved. I hope this is not a temporary trend, but that the human right not to be objectified is permanent.

Trina Borenstein
Greenbush

To the Editor,
I would like to reply to a letter to the editor dated October 12. The information provided by Kathleen Sanders is correct -- in 2015 the estimated value of marijuana seized was \$176,000, in sharp contrast the dollar amount of methamphetamine seized was \$500.

She was spot on with the math -- the marijuana was 88 percent of the total estimated street value of seized drugs. The value of \$1,000 is the amount provided to each marijuana plant based upon very old standards. It was assumed that a marijuana plant could produce a pound of usable marijuana and the street value of that pound was \$1,000.

A simple internet search

of a current value for high quality marijuana in Michigan is \$4,543.04. More commonly, marijuana is going for \$200 an ounce or \$3,200 a pound, so actually, we have extremely underestimated the value of the marijuana seized.

What is not being said is that the Huron Undercover Narcotics Team (HUNT) had only 11 arrest counts for delivery of marijuana, three for manufacturing marijuana and eight for possession of marijuana. More importantly, HUNT recorded 129 arrest counts for "those" other drugs, including 47 counts of delivery of heroin and 17 for delivery of opiate prescriptions.

To put this into a percentage -- marijuana involved ar-

rests made up only 5.8 percent of total arrest counts. In addition, the 127 persons arrested that year could no longer pollute our community with dangerous drugs.

Those people opposed to HUNT have often times found themselves being held accountable for their own actions, it's up to the citizens of Alcona County to educate themselves on the very real dangers facing our communities.

The street value of the drugs we seize has no bearing on the very high quality of work provided by a very dedicated group of detectives.

Detective Lt. Stuart Sharp
Huron Undercover
Narcotics Team

Calendar of Events

(Editor's Note: Entries for Calendar are always welcome. 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.)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19
My Brother's Hope will be accepting donations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207

Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

A blood drive will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring your Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive identification. For more information, visit redcrossblood.org or call (800) 733-2767.

A candidate forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Alpena County will be held at 7 p.m. at Alpena County Library, 211 North 1st Avenue. For more information, contact Anne Nave at (989) 727-3029.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20
Anyone interested in amateur radio emergency and public service communications is invited to attend the Alcona County Amateur Radio Group meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the EMS building, 2600 East M-72. Open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, visit www.alcona-radio.org or call Stan Darmofal at (989) 724-5550.

Join your fellow comrades at the veteran's coffee hour from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville. All veterans are welcome.

Alcona retirees will meet for a potluck lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring a dish to pass.

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KEEP YOUR COMMUNITY SAFE

To Citizens of Alcona County:

This letter is in reference to this office's continued support of the Alcona County Sheriff's Office and its effort to preserve and protect the health and safety of the children, families and visitors of Alcona County. Illegal drug trafficking and use has reached epidemic proportions within Alcona County and northeast Michigan. In the last several years the Alcona County Sheriff's Office has dealt with a criminal enterprise from Detroit that focused on distributing Heroin and Cocaine in five counties in northeast Michigan...all out of a house in Harrisville. Meth labs, toxic and very hazardous waste from those labs and the meth waste that has been dumped in our pristine forests. Heroin is the new substitute for opiate addicts and has, unfortunately, found its way into Alcona County. Drug overdoses have quadrupled over the past decade and access to illegal and legal substances used in an illegal and very dangerous manner has become a serious safety and health concern for our community. Drug overdose deaths are becoming too common place. Pills are being used as a new currency by many individuals through what is termed by law enforcement as prescription or "pill diversion." It is time to take a stand and help stop this epidemic.


The cost of this epidemic in our community has been immense. The pain, fear and trauma seen in the eyes of children as they are being removed from their home to be placed elsewhere because of Mom's addiction is well...just devastating. The tears and grief of parents, family, friends and relatives when their child or loved one succumbs to addiction and overdoses, the sheer terror and pain in the eyes of children when their father overdoses and passes away in front of them. Yes...all in Alcona County. The cost to us as a community is just unacceptable.

As your Prosecuting Attorney over the last twenty-four years, I have had the opportunity to observe, work with and prosecute thousands of drug related cases on behalf of law enforcement and the people of this county and state. I have found the officers that are involved in drug interdiction second to none. They are well trained, skilled, professional, effective, efficient and knowledgeable in all aspects of drug interdiction. HUNT is northeast Michigan's major asset in fighting illegal controlled substance activity and upon request, HUNT also provides necessary support for all of our local law enforcement agencies.

Based upon my experience, I believe the Drug Enforcement millage is money well spent and provides some hope that our community can slow down and stop this epidemic. Law enforcement, our families and especially, our children need your help to stop the damage being done to our community. Vote YES on November 8.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this vital matter.

Respectfully submitted
Thomas Jay Weichel
Alcona County Prosecuting Attorney



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Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 8:30 a.m.

"Free Range Crafts" will meet from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Bring your crafts in progress, ideas and questions to share with others. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Learn about lifestyle changes that you can make to prevent, reduce or delay your risk for type 2 diabetes. The program will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. at Iosco Regional Educational Service Agency (IRESA), 27 North Rempert Road, located five miles west of Tawas City on M-55. Call (989) 362-3006 extension 168 for more information. Sponsored by Sunrise Side Lifelong Learning.

Join in a discussion of the major issues of the national election. Highlights will include issues reflected in each party's campaign platform. Bill Richardson will be the neutral facilitator. The program will be held from 10 a.m. to noon at Iosco Regional Educational Service Agency (IRESA), 27 North Rempert Road, five miles west of Tawas City on M-55. Call (989) 362-3006 extension

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TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:30 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. First meeting is free, handicapped accessible. For more information, call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-4483.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

Reformers Unanimous, a faith-based addictions program, will meet at 7 p.m. at the Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 South Street Street. For more information, contact Wayne Whitten at (989) 335-0172.

Classic movie night at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 5:45 p.m. Free popcorn. For more information, call (989) 724-6796. Co-sponsored by Inspiration Alcona.

Barton City Eagles, at 671 Sanborn Road, will be hosting a benefit pizza night to Toys for Tots from 5 - 8 p.m. Pizzas are \$10 for one item and 50¢ for each additional item. For more information call (989) 736-3050.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

Fall into Fashion Style Show and luncheon sponsored by the Zonta Club of Alpena will be held at the Center Building in downtown Alpena. The day of style will be complemented by a fashionable luncheon provided by the Fresh Palate at noon. A cash bar will be available for those interested in putting a little spirit into the event. Tickets are \$25 which includes lunch, dessert and a beverage. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. For more information, contact Karen Kamyszek at (989) 358-6619 or Julie Dietz at (989) 916-5543.

My Brother's Hope will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

Finding family with DNA testing, presented by Richard Hill from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Robert J. Parks Library, 6010 North Skeel Avenue in Oscoda. After a break for lunch, there will be opportunities to ask specific research questions relating to DNA testing. There is no cost but registration is required. Bring a brown bag lunch, dessert and water provided. Call (989) 739-9581 to register. Sponsored by the Huron Shores Genealogical Society.

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA site (fairgrounds) in Lincoln. Call (989) 724-5077 for details.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

Pink-Out 5K Glow and Color run or walk organized by the Alcona Volleyball Program to support Friends Together of Alpena. Entry fee is \$25. Registration 5 to 5:45 p.m., run or walk at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville Harbor. For more information, contact Kristi Miller at millerk@alcona-schools.net. Registration forms available at Alcona Elementary and High School offices.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

The Alcona County Republicans will meet at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall, 114 South Poor Farm Road.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

The Alcona County Commission On Aging board will meet at 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

There will be a community forum on Drug Education and Awareness from 7-9 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln. This free event is open to the public. It is sponsored by Citizens for a Safer Alcona in order to help educate residents regarding the drug problem in Alcona County

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Local Notes

Classic Movie

Everyone is invited to a Classic Movie at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Friday, Oct. 21 at 5:45 p.m. This month's movie stars the late Gene Wilder in Mel Brooks' classic monster spoof. Celebrate Halloween with this comedy co-sponsored by Inspiration Alcona and the Alcona County Library. Free popcorn and beverages will be available. For more information call (989) 724-6796.

ARA Farm Market

The ARA Farm Market will be held in the Campbell Building on the Alcona County Fairgrounds in Lincoln on Saturday, Oct. 22 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Available this week: Apples, arugula, carrots, Brussels sprouts, Napa cabbage, pears, daikon radishes, raspberries, rutabagas, turnips, mushrooms, beets, celery, sorrel, cauliflower, gourds, onions, potatoes, hot peppers, assorted varieties of squash, lettuce, micro greens, all cuts of grass-fed and grain-fed beef, snack sticks, brats, rabbit meat, eggs, honey, maple syrup, jams and jellies, flavored vinegars, pies, cookies, quick breads, popcorn, homemade laundry detergent, and more. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

Night Run/Walk

A "Pink Out Glow and Color 5K Run/Walk" will be held on Sunday, Oct. 23 at the Harrisville Harbor. The run/walk was organized by the Alcona volleyball program with proceeds of the \$25 entry fee going to Friends Together of Alpena. The Alcona volleyball program has been putting on a 5K run/walk for the last four summers to raise funds for its program. This year the group put on a Tour de Lumberjack, a cycling event.

Varsity volleyball coach Kristi Miller said she wanted to bring back the 5K and help support Friends Together so she thought of a fun event with pink powder and glow accessories. Registration is from 5 to 5:45 p.m. or pre-register with forms located at Alcona High School. The run/walk begins at 6 p.m. Participants should wear pink or something they wish to be pink. For more information, contact Miller at millerk@alconaschools.net.

Drug Education Forum

There will be a community forum on Drug Education and Awareness on Tuesday, Oct. 25 from 7-9 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln. This free event is open to the public. It is sponsored by Citizens for a Safer Alcona in order to help educate residents regarding the drug problem in Alcona County and northeast Michigan. Presenters will talk about methamphetamine and heroin, designer drugs, treatment for

addiction and the Huron Undercover Narcotics Team (HUNT) millage request. Refreshments will be available.

Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at various times during the week at senior centers in Glennie, Greenbush and Lincoln. Anyone planning to attend a meal is asked to reserve a place by calling (989) 736-8879 by 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

- Monday, Oct. 24—Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, Prince Charles blend vegetables, and mandarin oranges.

- Tuesday, Oct. 25—Sweet and sour chicken over brown rice, green beans, and mixed fruit.

- Wednesday, Oct. 26—Spaghetti with meat sauce, carrot raisin salad, and peach crisp.

- Thursday, Oct. 27—Lemon pepper chicken, buttered rotini, cauliflower, tossed salad, and an apple.

- Friday, Oct. 28—Roasted pork, mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli, pineapple and a biscuit. (Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Human Trafficking Program

There will be a Slavery and Human Trafficking Awareness and Education Program on Thursday, Oct. 27 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the courtroom of the Alcona County Building in Harrisville. The guest speaker will be Melissa Steiner, a community engagement manager with Underground Railroad Mid-Michigan.

"I don't think people know much about human trafficking and I want to bring awareness to the community," said organizer Tammy Ranger, a local board member of Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). "We can't be naïve about this. It's important to learn about the risks women are facing today with domestic and global human trafficking. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be available. For more information, contact Ranger at (989) 724-9471.

Drinking Water Update

On Tuesday, Oct. 25 representatives from several agencies will be providing updates to the community regarding PFC contamination in drinking water wells near the former Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda. The event will be held at the Oscoda Methodist Church, located at 120 West Dwight Avenue in Oscoda with representatives from District Health Department No. 2, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, and the U.S. Air Force.

The community meeting will begin at 6 p.m. and will cover topics such as sampling results, an alternate water source, the expanded area, and the status of the investigation. From 2 to 4

p.m., there will be an open house which will allow for one-on-one conversations. District Health Department No. 2 strongly encourages individuals to attend these events.

"As so many of the affected homeowners know, this is a situation that keeps evolving. Our main focus as the local health department is ensuring safe, quality drinking water, addressing resident's concerns, facilitating the process to access an alternate water supply, and to advocate for a permanent solution. We are committed to keeping the community updated on the situation," said Denise Bryan, Health Officer at District Health Department No. 2. For more information, call District Health Department No. 2 at (989) 343-1852, and/or attend the town hall meeting.

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gram was brought up last year by Thomas, who for his middle school "Make a Difference" project wanted music to be taught again at the school.

The program had been suspended in 2010 due to a combination of declining enrollment, lack of money and the absence of a qualified teacher.

Thomas took the issue into the community and gained support and funding, although not enough funding to hire a teacher.

According to Dan O'Connor, middle and high school principal, Thomas' fundraising efforts raised awareness about the issue and Reynolds heard about the situation. He contacted the school, which brought the decision that the time was right to start the band program again.

Reynolds advised that teaching the sixth and seventh-grade students would be the perfect place to begin the program again. He had hoped to start the program with a band camp last summer. However, time ran out before enough interest was generated and that didn't work out.

Interest began to grow after Reynolds met with sixth and seventh-graders in their classrooms to talk about band. "The students have all graduated from the last time a band played here so the kids really didn't know what we were talking about when we said the word band. Unless they had older brothers or sisters in band they had no real direction," Reynolds said.

He is teaching 23 sixth-graders and 16 seventh-graders.

The charismatic instructor said he likes to sit in the cafeteria and have lunch with a few of his students once a week. "Kids like having a teacher sit with them at lunchtime. I sat the other day with one of the band students who was sitting by herself. Before long another student walked up and said he was thinking about band but failed to get his paperwork in. I told him it wasn't too late, so maybe he'll be my number 40. That's how you get kids involved. I show them I care about them. Their whole day is important, not just what they are doing in band," Reynolds said.

Once students learn how to play he will have them perform in front of the younger elementary students. Reynolds wants fifth-graders to know about band so he can, hopefully, have next year's beginning band outfitted with instruments before the school year ends.

Reynolds credited O'Connor and Shawn Thornton, superintendent of Alcona Community Schools, for going out of their way to get him everything he needed to teach.

The first order of business was getting the school's instruments, which are for student use, back in working order after being unused for such a long time. Reynolds said one of the priorities that O'Connor and Thornton had was to provide any child who wanted to be in band with an instrument if they couldn't afford one.

He said they were able to salvage and repair about half of the 50 instruments the school had to offer. "The woodwind instruments were in really bad shape. There was white filmy stuff all over them," Reynolds said. He explained that some were 50 to 70 years old and, while a personal instrument can last a lifetime, a school instrument which is handled by several students, usually only lasts 20 years at the most.

The school ended up using the \$10,250 which Thomas' fundraiser raised to replace the instruments that were too far gone to fix and purchased new instruments. The school



Ray Reynolds

now has three flutes, six clarinets, four alto and a tenor saxophone, nine trumpets, one horn, three trombones, a baritone and four percussion instruments.

Those instruments, combined with a handful of students who purchased instruments before school started, brought a good balance to band and all the students in band now had an instrument to play. "For a kid to be able to come to school and use a brand new instrument is pretty special," Reynolds said.

Reynolds was also outfitted with a computer software teaching tool he's been using for years called Smart Music. He said Smart Music can be displayed on a large screen to show students just where to put their fingers on their instrument. It can play the notes they need to learn with or without a beat. The beat helps the student understand musical timing. The program can also be slowed down for when students learn new notes and customized to show each musician what they need to know.

The program can also record a student playing and play back the piece showing exactly what notes were correct and which were not. "It puts things into perspective, we can go back through the year and show the student how they've progressed," Reynolds said.

Reynolds said the students are still just learning how to hold their instruments, something normally taught at band camp, but they have accomplished a great deal and are finally starting to make sounds with their instruments as a group.

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School, families dealing with hand, foot and mouth disease

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Warm fall weather is welcome by most northeast Michigan residents, however, it can foster the spreading of viruses and bacteria that cause illnesses in schools and other places where large groups of people spend their time.

One of those illnesses is hand, foot and mouth disease (HFMD), which is making its way around Alcona Community Schools. According to Shawn Thornton, school district superintendent, five cases of confirmed HFMD have been reported by parents.

As a result of these confirmed cases, the school district sent a letter home to parents on Wednesday, Oct. 12. The letter explained the district is working closely with "communicable disease specialists from District Health Department No. 2 and the Alcona Health Center to monitor and contain HFMD and make decisions about the best steps to take concerning our schools."

"We have taken extra sanitization steps for the last several weeks throughout the buildings to eliminate the potential spread of illness among students and staff," Thornton said. "We have been experiencing students with flu-like symptoms within the district and want to take necessary precautions for this as well as hand, foot and mouth disease."

According to Thornton, HFMD is common this time of year and has been reported throughout the state and many schools are experiencing absenteeism because of this illness.

Karla Mattson, a public health nurse and immunization and communicable disease coordinator with District Health Department No. 2, said the health department is working with Alcona schools. Much of the information about HFMD provided in the letter to parents was from the health department (see sidebar). She confirmed there are confirmed cases of HFMD throughout the state.

According to Mattson, HFMD is common and highly contagious. "This is not new at all. We see outbreaks every year... It can happen (be contracted) at any age, but is more common with toddlers. This is a viral disease. There is no treatment for it; you treat the symptoms. It is spread by direct contact unlike influenza, which is spread through the air - but it's important to remember the 'big three' things to prevent spreading any disease - wash your hands, cover your cough and stay home if you have a fever to avoid spreading and/or contracting disease."

As for the concern that has been voiced by a few parents that the school district was aware that members of the Whittemore-Prescott football team were infected with HFMD prior to

Alcona playing against them on September 23 - Thornton said, "We contacted the (Whittemore-Prescott) district prior to the game to make sure that everything was properly sanitized. We were assured that all appropriate steps had been taken to pro-

tect student health. Information regarding specific students who had potentially contracted HFMD was not shared with me. We did not discuss anything other than

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Hand, foot and mouth disease

Hand, foot and mouth disease (HFMD) is an illness caused by a virus called Coxsackie-virus A 16. Infants and children under 10 are at greatest risk for getting this illness, but adolescent and adult cases are not unusual. The illness occurs most frequently in the summer and early autumn and can be in epidemic proportion in summer camps and child day care facilities.

What are the symptoms?

- Sudden onset of fever
- Sore Throat
- Tonsil area fiery red
- Loss of appetite
- Sometimes nausea and vomiting
- Sores appear on palms, fingers and soles of feet
- Sometimes no specific symptoms
- Blisters appear in the mouth approximately four to six days after the onset of the illness

How long does it last?

The incubation period is three to five days and the illness usually lasts for 7-10 days.

• The person with hand, foot and mouth disease is very contagious during the acute state of the illness and perhaps longer since viruses stay in the person's bowel movements for several weeks.

There is no quarantine or immunization for hand, foot and mouth disease. There is no specific treatment other than treating

the symptoms. The ill person should rest, take food and fluids as they are able (avoid citrus juices). A non-aspirin product may be taken for pain or fever. Normal activities can be resumed when the person feels better as the virus is no longer active from the mouth and nose.

How is this disease spread?

Hand, foot and mouth disease is spread by direct contact with nose and throat discharges (coughing, sneezing) and with the bowel movements of the infected person.

How can I protect my children and myself from this disease?

Direct contact with infected persons should be avoided. Don't share eating or drinking utensils. If you must care for a person with hand, foot and mouth disease, be sure to wash your hands after giving care or touching soiled clothing or bedding. Soiled articles should be washed with soap or discarded.

According to Health District No. 2, everyone is encouraged to wash their hands after using the bathroom and before preparing or eating food; to cover their mouth and nose with a tissue when they cough or sneeze and throw away tissues immediately after use.

(Information provided by District Health Department No. 2.)



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Q: Why do you want to see this millage approved?

A: I was born and raised in Alcona County. I have worked 35 years in law enforcement in Alcona County and I do not like what I see as it pertains to the recent increase in dangerous drugs. Alcona County has always been a quiet community, a community that comes together when times are tough, we help our neighbors and we look out for our children.

It says a lot about a community when you see a large number of people retiring from down state and moving to Alcona County to reside. This all boils down to what type of community do we want? What type of community do we want to live in? I want this millage approved because I want to do anything possible to maintain Alcona County as a safe and decent place to live.

Q: Is there anything else you'd like to say about this issue?

A: There has been a lot of false information thrown around about the HUNT team only focusing on marijuana and medical marijuana. The fact is that in 2015 three percent of all HUNT arrests dealt with marijuana. That's right only three percent. The HUNT team is overseen by a board of directors made up of the county sheriff's, county prosecutors and the Michigan State Police. We recognize the increase of dangerous drugs in our communities because it's our job. The individuals that spread this falsehood are merely working on an individual's paranoia...

Detective Lt. Sharp

Q: Why does HUNT need funds from other entities (county/municipalities) - can't the state police fund the team?

A: HUNT is a multi-jurisdictional task force comprised

of members of the Michigan State Police and officers from local jurisdictions in the service area — in this case Alcona County, Alpena County, Alpena City, Montmorency County and Presque Isle County. Each participating agency pays for their respective employee's salary and benefits, and they are asked to contribute a monetary contribution toward the operational cost of the team.

For fiscal year 2016-2017 the wages for officers is projected to be 84 percent of the total operating budget, with actual payable operation costs to be approximately 14 percent. The monetary contribution requested from each participating agency is only 10 percent of the total budget.

Q: HUNT has an annual budget of approximately \$900,000. Can you explain (briefly) how that money is used?

A: For fiscal year 2016/2017, 84 percent of the total budget is wages and benefits; three percent is in-kind contributions of office space and fiduciary services with the remaining 13 percent being actual team expenses. Those expenses are administrative services, vehicles, phones, equipment, training and other expenses. That 13 percent expense category is made up of funds from a federal grant and participating agency contributions.

HUNT is governed by a board of directors made up of voting members from each participating agencies' department heads and local prosecutor; in Alcona that is sheriff Atchison and prosecuting attorney (Thomas) Weichel. These members combine to oversee the financial operation of the team and approve its budget.

Q: There are people who say that the war on drugs doesn't work and that undercover drug interdiction teams like HUNT are ineffective. Obviously, as commander of HUNT you disagree...why?

A: This is a very difficult question to answer in a format such as this! There, in fact, is no "war on drugs." There is an effort by law enforcement to reduce the amount of crime in the communities in which we serve. An extremely high percentage of crime is directly associated with the use/abuse of illegal drugs and yes, even to the now legal medical marijuana. It is my opinion that highly effective enforcement of drugs laws, combined with drug courts and local treatment is most efficient method to reduce addiction and ultimately loss of a loved one's life.

Q: Why does HUNT focus on medical marijuana users/growers and not more serious drugs like methamphetamine, heroin and other dangerous narcotics?

A: HUNT does not intercede in medical marijuana users or caregivers who are in compliance with the law. In fact, we will inspect operations at the request of the owner and provide them with information in order to remain in compliance. We do, however, enforce all laws that are broken including those

persons in violation of the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act.

In 2015/2016 Michigan State University conducted an independent study of the 22 multijurisdictional task force (MJTF) teams in Michigan; HUNT had the four highest arrests per capita regarding opiates. HUNT focuses on heroin/opiates, prescription pill diversion and drug trafficking organizations.

Q: In addition to undercover drug investigations, does HUNT assist local law enforcement agencies in any way?

A: Because of the advanced training and specialized equipment we are often asked to assist local agencies in any number of investigations. Members of HUNT have been directly involved in the apprehension of some of the area's most violent criminals, like the armed robbery of an Alpena pharmacy, the murder of an Alcona county resident and, most recently, a contribution to a 16-year-old unsolved homicide in Alcona.

Q: What other role, if any, does HUNT play in this area?

A: HUNT provides training to area law enforcement, first responders and healthcare professionals who may encounter hazardous situations related to narcotics. I speak to many local service organizations and public interest groups regarding any number of issues facing our community. We are involved in local prevention boards, drug courts and treatment centers.

Q: In your opinion, what is the benefit of HUNT to Alcona County citizens?

A: Drug interdiction requires a very unique approach and it can't be effectively applied by uniform officers or undercover officers alone. It has to be accomplished by utilizing a group effort — law enforcement, courts and the community all need to be actively involved. Local officers who are assigned to HUNT receive training they otherwise would not get, such as narcotics school, raid entry, and surveillance school along with various other courses.

When the officers return to their respective agency they are better trained, many go on to supervisor roles in their agency. The extent of their training and experience while at HUNT translates into a highly effective officer, benefitting your community. The services provided by HUNT allow your local sheriff's department to concentrate on other issues, benefitting your community. The interdiction of dangerous drugs into your community may save a life, maybe even someone you love.

(A community drug education and awareness forum will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 25 from 7-9 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. This event is free and open to the public. Presenters will discuss methamphetamine, heroin, designer drugs and addiction treatment. The HUNT millage request will also be discussed.)



District Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 81st District Court in September by the Honorable Allen C. Yenior and the Honorable Laura A. Frawley.

- David Wayne Cruson, 53, of Greenbush was sentenced to three days in jail and fines and costs of \$685 for operator's license suspended/revoked/denied.

- Robert Linzy Rose, 51, of Curtisville was sentenced to five days in jail and fines and costs of \$835 for use of a controlled substance.

- James Christopher Chatterton, 58, of Barton City was sentenced to one day in jail, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$985 for operator's license suspended/revoked/denied.

- Gregory Lawrance Burr, 31, of Hale was sentenced to 68 days in jail for operator's license suspended/revoked/denied.

- Frank Anthony Molinaro II, 29, of Mikado was sentenced to five days in jail and fines and costs of \$835 for domestic violence.

- Travis Wayne Agosa, 21, of Harrisville was sentenced to one day in jail, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$1,185 for assault or assault and battery.

- Nathan Lee Correll, 42, of Ann Arbor, Mich. was sentenced to one year of probation, 120 hours of community service and fines and costs of \$1,160 for operator's license suspended/revoked/denied.

- Robert Ray Rudy II, 59, of Oscoda was sentenced to \$975 in fines and costs and one year of probation for operator's license suspended/revoked/denied.

- Matthew Scott Race, 21, of Glennie was sentenced to one year of probation, 60 hours of community service and \$975 in fines and costs for operator's license suspended/revoked/denied.



Circuit Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 23rd Circuit Court by the Honorable Laura A. Frawley.

- Derek Austen Pedron, 39, of Glennie was sentenced on April 26 to 90 days in jail, 24 months of probation, fines and costs of \$1,936 for deliver/manufacture controlled substance and maintaining a drug house. His jail sentence was deferred until November 1; he may apply for a restricted license after 30 days.

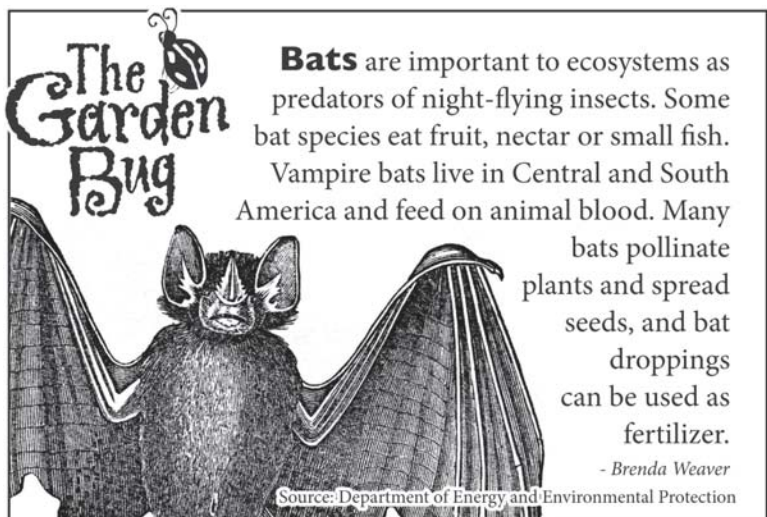
- Michael Robert Frey, 49, of Eastpointe, Mich. was sentenced on July 6 to six months in jail, 24 months of probation and fines and court costs of \$2,464.38 for operating while intoxicated (under the influence of liquor). He was also ordered to participate in a drug recovery program.

- Richard Joseph Letourneau, 43, of Alpena was sentenced on August 11 to one day in jail and \$1,948 in fines and costs for breaking and entering without permission.

- Rodney Clark Swalley, 34, of Oscoda was sentenced on July 27 to a total of 150 days in jail, 24 months of probation and \$2,268 in fines and costs for three counts: controlled substance – possession of non-narcotic (90 days), controlled substance – use of marijuana (30 days) and operating with presence of a controlled substance (30 days). He was ordered to participate in a drug recovery program. He may apply for a restricted license after 60 days. Work release is at the sheriff's discretion. Jail time will be served concurrently.

- David Lee Vliet, 25, of Barton City was sentenced on August 10 to 90 days in jail, 24 months of probation and fines and costs of \$2,408 for controlled substance – possession of 25 grams. He was ordered to participate in a drug recovery program. He may apply for a restricted license after 60 days. He may serve first 30 days on weekends starting September 9. Remaining 60 days to be held in abeyance.

- Phillip David VonFintel, 46, of Barton City was sentenced on August 10 to 24 months of probation and fines and costs of \$2,400 for operating while intoxicated – third offense. He was ordered to participate in a drug recovery program.



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that necessary precautions were taken to ensure student safety."

Roughly a week later Thornton heard of several suspected cases of HFMD in Alcona schools. "I was made aware of suspected cases around the time of homecoming (October 7)... I understood that some of the students who were diagnosed were still absent and a letter was sent to all parents yesterday (October 12) when it became known that five students were still out with the illness."

Thornton said each student's health is a private matter and unless parents share diagnoses with school officials, they are not aware of possible issues. "Parents are notified of potential communicable disease concerns when it becomes evident that the illness may impact multiple students in our district. We want to inform parents about potential health concerns of our students while at the same time safeguarding the privacy of our students. The district takes the same steps when encountering outbreaks of the flu, pink eye or head lice," Thornton said.

"If your child is exhibiting a fever of any sort, please keep them home 24 hours after the fever has gone away to help minimize the risk to other students. This preventive measure will help minimize the spread of HFMD, but also the flu and other illnesses that may affect our students," Thornton said.

Command Officers Association of Michigan (COAM) endorse candidate David C. Riffel for Judge of 23rd Circuit Court

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MICHIGAN LOTTERY

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

Friday night's home football game with Lake City was close for awhile. However, Alcona put its foot on the accelerator and sped away with a 60-28 non-conference win for its seventh straight victory and continued its momentum as it heads towards the playoffs.

"I believe this win was one in which we can use to measure our progress as a team and critically review in order to take care of any gaps in execution," Alcona head coach Jason Somers said of a win that avenged a 41-34 loss from last season.

"I think this game does show where we are at, however at this point in the season we have set an expectation of what our performance should look like game in and game out."

The Tigers used two early rushing touchdowns by Brock Franklin to take a 12-0 lead after the first quarter, though the Trojans closed the gap to 12-6 with their first score of the night early in the second frame.



Brock Franklin on the move during the Lake City game last Friday. Photo by Pat Brussel.

Mid-way through the second, Dresden Parkinson raced down the field for a 70-yard score to pit the Tigers with a 20-6 lead, but with just under five minutes to play before the break, Lake City closed its gap to 20-14.

In the last five minutes of the half, the Tigers punched in two touchdowns, getting a three yard touchdown run from Jack Hutchinson and a Franklin scamper from five years out. Throw in a successful two-point conversion after each score and it was 36-14 at the half.

The Trojans scored on their first possession of the second half to pull within 36-22, but once again the Tigers padded their lead, getting a one yard plunge by Franklin and a six yard run by Kyle Haegar, it was 52-22.

After another Lake City score made it 52-28 in the fourth quarter, the Tigers cashed in for the final points of the night, getting a three yard score from Parkinson.

"I think if I had to choose the one thing that stood out


most to me on this night was the ability of many players to play in positions that they have not played much and execute pretty well in those positions," Somers said.

Franklin's big night ended with 302 yards rushing and four touchdowns on 34 carries. Parkinson ran 13 times and finished with 124 yards and two scores.

The defense was also led by Franklin who had 10 tackles. Devon Mills, Lucas Wise and Parkinson added nine tackles each and Hutchinson had an interception.

Alcona (7-1 overall) wraps up the regular season on Friday at Mio (1-7). The Thunderbolts are coming off a 48-6 loss to Tawas last week and have lost five games in a row. The Tigers won last year's contest between the teams 80-0.

"Mio is having a rough year, but they are a proud school and a proud team and they will not lay down for us," Somers said. "We will prepare to meet our expectation of execution and prepare to get ready for week 10."



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The Alcona Historical Society celebrates the history of business in downtown Harrisville at a dedication ceremony on Saturday, Oct. 8. Lynn VanderLinde (left), co-chairperson of the Alcona Historical Society's Historic Designation Committee and Barbara Wiggle, site nominator and local historian, stand next to the sign for Harrisville's Historic Business District. The sign is located in the cull-de-sac at the end of Main Street in Harrisville and honors several historic businesses including Mill Pond, Harrisville Dock Company and Hungerford Fish House, Lake Street Post Office, Harrisville Electric Theatre, State Fish Hatchery, Addison Silverthorn Jewelry and Thomas B. Cook Insurance, Pizer's Department Store, Sam Conklin Service Station and Conklin Café, Ford Dealers and Teeple's Friendly Service Station and the Harrisville Harbor. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



Alcona Masonic Lodge 292 delivers 214 items of clothing including many coats for students at Alcona Community Schools. What started off as a coat drive for children turned into a drive for students of all ages who may be in need of warmer clothing. The lodge is always looking for more items or monetary donations for this cause.

Checks can be made payable to the Alcona Lodge 292 and dropped off at the Alcona Elementary School office. (From left) Tami Bonzheim, Alcona Elementary principal, and members of the Alcona Lodge 292, Charles Snyder, Mark Lewis, Mike Kerr, Eric Wagner, Mike Sutor, and John Guynn. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

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There will be a meeting of the Region 9 Rural Task Force at 10 a.m. Friday, November 4, 2016 at the Montmorency County Road Commission, located at 11445 M-32, Atlanta, Michigan.

The purpose of the meeting will be review the regional 2017-2021 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) transportation projects utilizing Federal Surface Transportation Funds. The Region 9 Rural Task Force covers Alpena, Alcona, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle counties. Interested persons are invited to attend to give public comment. Questions, please contact Nico Tucker at (989) 705-3732 or by email at ntucker@nemcog.org.

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The Executor

Dear Executor,
It definitely pays to know what charges to expect when pre-planning a funeral. Most people don't have a clue, and can often be upsold thousands of dollars worth of extra services you may not want or need. Here's a breakdown of what you can expect.

The first thing you need to be aware of is that funeral costs will vary considerably depending on your geographic location, the funeral home you choose and the funeral choices you make. With that said, here's a breakdown of what an average funeral costs, nationwide, according to recent data from the National Funeral Directors Association.

• Professional services fee -

- \$2,000: This is a basic non-declinable fee that covers the funeral provider's time, expertise and overhead.

• Transfer of the remains -- \$310: This is for picking up the body and taking it to the funeral home.

• Embalming and body preparation -- \$945: Embalming is usually mandatory for open-casket viewing, otherwise it's not required unless the body is going to be transported across state lines. Embalming costs \$695. Other body preparations, which includes hairdressing and cosmetics runs \$250.

• Funeral viewing and ceremony -- \$915: If the viewing and funeral ceremony is at the funeral home, you'll be charged for use of the chapel and any necessary staff. Costs: \$420 for viewing, and \$495 for funeral ceremony.

• Metal casket -- \$2,395: This is a big money maker for funeral homes, with markups of up to 300 percent over the wholesale price.

• Funeral transportation:

Use of hearse and driver \$318 to transport the body to the cemetery. Use of a service car/van \$143.

• Memorial printed package -- \$155: This includes printed programs and memorial guest book.

In addition to these costs, there are a number of other related expenses such as flowers for the funeral (around \$200 to \$400), the newspaper obituary fee (\$100 to \$600 or more), the clergy honorarium (\$200 to \$300) and extra copies of the death certificate (\$5 to \$35 per copy depending on the state).

And, a number of large cemetery costs like the plot or mausoleum fee, the vault or grave liner that's required by most cemeteries, and the opening and closing of the grave, all of which average between \$2,000 and \$4,000; and the gravestone, which typically costs between \$1,000 and \$3,000.

All told, the average cost of a total funeral today is around \$11,000 or more.

If your aunt's estate can't



Savvy Senior

afford this, there are ways to save. For starters, you should know that prices can vary significantly by funeral provider, so it's wise to shop around.

If you need some help finding an affordable provider, your area funeral consumers alliance program may be able to refer you. See Funerals.org/local-fca or call (802) 865-8300 for contact information.

There are also free websites you can turn to, like Parting.com that lets you compare prices, and FuneralDecisions.com that will provide estimates from local funeral homes based on what you want.

When evaluating funeral providers, be sure you get an

itemized price list of services and products so you can accurately compare and choose what you want.

But, the most significant way to save on a funeral is to request a "direct burial" or "direct cremation." With these options your aunt would be buried or cremated shortly after death, which skips the embalming and viewing. If she wants a memorial service you can have it at the graveside or at her place of worship without the body. These services usually run between \$600 and \$2,000, not counting cemetery charges.

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Neighbor Trouble	3	Breaking & Entering	2
Open Door	1	Medical	3
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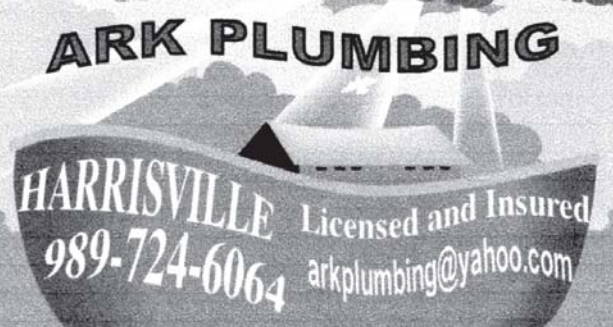
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Lady Tigers top Hillman in Volley for a Cure game

By Hope Smith
Sportswriter

The Alcona varsity volleyball team hosted North Star League rivals the Hillman Tigers on October 13 for the annual "Pink Out" volley for a cure game.

With athletes and fans alike dressed in pink attire both Tiger teams played an exciting game.

"Volley for a Cure is always an emotional evening. This year our event supported Friends Together from Alpena. We played Hillman in a very intense match up... Our intensity strengthened throughout the game and we were able to pull off the win," said coach Kristi Miller.

The Lady Tigers struggled to find a rhythm in the first set as Hillman raced to an 18-7 lead and never slowed down, eventually winning the match 25-21. The second set was a different story as Keilee Elmer stepped to the line with five aces to help Alcona capture the 9-0 lead. Hillman tried to make up some ground offensively but Alcona was right there to shut them down and maintain a 20-11 advantage late in the game. Alcona's defensive line held off Hillman's hitters to give

Alcona the 25-18 victory.

In the third set, Alcona managed to take a 10-6 lead early but Hillman rallied back again to tie the score at 11 all. The battle ensued as Hillman managed to pull away with a two-point advantage.

Alcona came back strong at the net with a tip by Taylor Livingston and spot on serving by Katie Edwards to tie the game at 19. Both teams did a great job volleying the ball, but Hillman managed to match Alcona point-for-point late in the game to keep the score tied. Alcona served into the net giving Hillman the 27-26 lead. However, Edwards kept Alcona's hopes alive with an ace deep in Hillman territory to tie the game at 27 all. With Edwards still at the line, the Lady Tigers secured the 29-27 win giving the Alcona the 2-1 game advantage heading into the fourth match.

In the fourth set, Alcona's offense quickly went to work to take an 8-3 lead, but Hillman narrowed the gap to one point before tying the game at nine and again at 10 all.

Alcona's offensive line made up of Kendra LaFave, Brittany Decker and Livingston finally settled in and

found their groove to help the Lady Tigers to seize the 25-16 victory over Hillman. Elmer led Alcona with eight aces and 49 assists; Jordan Joyce hit the floor with 15 digs; LaFave put down nine kills; and Decker timed five blocks.

Alcona's junior varsity volleyball team also defeated Hillman 25-16, 25-13 and 15-10.

The Lady Tigers went up against the Oscoda Owls on October 11 in front of the hometown crowd. Although the Lady Tigers managed to sweep Oscoda 27-25, 25-15, 25-16 in three straight sets, they had their work cut out for them.

Oscoda made the Lady Tigers work for every point to secure the win. In the first set, Alcona struggled to keep the ball in play and allowed Oscoda to take an early 9-2 lead. The Lady Tigers turned things around slowly with powerful kills coming from LaFave and Lily Sager, a tip by Elmer and a solid block by Livingston.

The Lady Tigers tied the match at 15 all after a tip by Maddie Lane and two aces delivered by LaFave. Alcona continued to fight for pos-

sion but gave up easy points at the net which let Oscoda take the 20-18 advantage late in the game. Once again Alcona came back strong offensively with a kill by Jenelle Carpenter and ace by Edwards, which tied the game at 21. The battle continued and Alcona managed to hit the mark first to pull out the 27-25 victory.

Alcona seized the 8-3 advantage early in the second set after two quick serves by Elmer, a kill by Carpenter and five of LaFave's perfectly placed aces deep in Owl territory. From there the Lady Tigers had to pull together to hold off an Oscoda offense run as the Owls found open holes in Alcona's back defensive line and closed the gap to 12-10. Momentum shifted in favor of Alcona after strong

plays at the net by Sager and Carpenter and spot on serves by Elmer, which gave Alcona the 25-15 win.

The third set was all Alcona early on as the Lady Tigers took a commanding 18-8 lead. Oscoda rallied back to narrow the gap to 21-14 before Alcona went on another offense push to secure the 25-16 victory over Oscoda.

LaFave led Alcona offensively with 10 aces and eight kills; Joyce picked up 17 digs; Jenelle Carpenter snapped down nine kills; Sager and Livingston secured eight kills each in the win.

The Lady Tigers host the Atlanta Huskies on Thursday, Oct. 20. This will be a varsity only game starting at 7 p.m.

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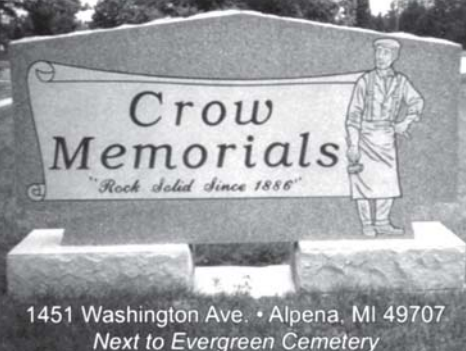
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and northeast Michigan. Presenters will talk about methamphetamine and heroin, designer drugs, treatment for addiction and the Huron Undercover Narcotics Team (HUNT) millage request. Refreshments will be available.

The Alcona County Democrats will meet at 7 p.m. at the EMS building located at 2600 M-72 west of Harrisville.

Maximize your Medicare. Susan Bowen from Region 9-Area Agency on Aging will focus on what you need to know before you make a decision during the Medicare open enrollment period. She will provide updated information for 2017 and discuss changes in Medicare and fraud. The program will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Alpena Community College Oscoda Campus, 5800 Skeel Avenue in room 213. Call (989) 362-3006 extension 168 for more information. Sponsored by Sunrise Side Lifelong Learning.

The Harrisville Lady Lions will meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at the Flour Garden. Call Annmarie at (989) 724-5143 or email upnorthannie@charter.net for reservations.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

Sunrise Community Food Pantry will be open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church, 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Clients are asked to come only one time per month and must be present to receive food. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county of residence. Identification is required. For more information, call (989) 727-3606.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

The Alcona County Library board will meet at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch.

What is metaphysics and why is it important to you? Rev. JoAnne Kondrat, a motivational speaker and author, will lecture on the basics of metaphysics, a traditional branch of philosophy concerned with understanding the nature of being and how the mind influences matter. The program will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Alpena Community College Oscoda Campus, 5800 Skeel Avenue in room 213. Call (989) 362-3006 extension 168 for more information. Sponsored by Sunrise Side Lifelong Learning.

The GM Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees will hold their monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Sanctuary Inn, 1000 US-23 North in Alpena. Guest speaker will be Judy Burns, founder of Friends Together. Reservations and payment in advance. Contact Chuck Grif-

Local Notes



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Oak Wilt Inspection

Alcona County landowners are urged to inspect their properties for oak wilt. This tree disease has been confirmed in numerous oaks along power lines after they were trimmed by Consumers Energy this summer. Affected oaks would have been healthy in the spring, but after trimming suddenly lost all leaves. It is important to identify diseased oaks in the next few weeks before the

other trees drop their leaves. Anyone who suspects they have an infected oak tree may contact Eric Brandon of the Alcona Conservation District at (989) 335-1056. He can perform confirmatory testing for free through grant funding. Also, mark the tree with tape and photograph the tree.

According to Hubbard Lake resident Wendy Frye, Consumers Power is compiling a list of properties with oak wilt and will be inspecting the sites in mid to late October. Property owners

who confirm that their oaks have been affected as a result of trimming, should contact Zakiya Oliver of the Consumers Power Department of Regulatory Affairs at (517) 393-2465. The company has agreed to remedy the problem but needs to be notified as soon as possible by the landowner.

Frye explained that it is vital to remove the diseased trees completely before spring. The fungus can spread to nearby trees via

the root system and by picnic beetles to more distant trees. The tree must be taken down, the stump removed and buried and the tops chipped. The tree may very cautiously be used for firewood although the wood has to be covered completely by a tarp with the edges buried to prevent access by the beetle. When the bark falls off, it can be used. The wood should not be moved from its harvest location until this process is complete.



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New Life Lutheran Church (ELCA)
 Sunday Worship & Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Hubbard Lake Rd.,
 3/4 mile south of White Pine National Golf Course
 Pastor Christina Bright Office 736-7816

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)
 Church Street at Traverse Bay Road
 Lincoln, Mich. 48742 ~ 736-1227
 Pastor Jacob Schwartz~ Service, Sunday 9 a.m.

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 6891 Nicholson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747
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 • Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.
 • Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

Haynes Community Church
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 Sunday morning service 11 a.m. (989)735-3771.
 Sunday evening service 6 p.m. Pastor Elmer Ash.
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Lincoln
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 Monday: 6:30 p.m. *Teen Program (Grades 7-12)
 Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Adult Prayer & Bible Study & Youth Programs (Grades K-6th)
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Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



J. Russell Hughes installed as Grand Master, Michigan I.O.O.F.

October 20, 1966 - J. Russell Hughes of Harrisville was installed Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, Independent Order of Odd Fellows for 1966-67 at the annual convention in the Civic Auditorium in Grand Rapids, Tuesday. The public installation was followed by a reception and dance held in his honor.

Hughes, a prominent attorney and former Prosecuting Attorney of Alcona County has been a member of the

Odd Fellows since the early '40s when he joined the Standish Lodge. He is a member and Past Noble Grand of Harrisville Lodge No. 218, I.O.O.F. and a member of Huron Rebekah Lodge, 256 of Harrisville. He had served on several Grand Lodge committees prior to his election as grand master.

Members of his home Lodges will honor him with a dinner and reception at the Lost Lake Woods Club, Saturday evening, October 29.

Hughes who is unopposed on the November ballot for the office of Judge of Probate of Alcona County, has been a resident of Harrisville since 1946. He came here from Standish and practiced at Lincoln during that year. He served as Prosecuting Attorney of Alcona County from 1947 to 1958; as County Public Administrator; Attorney for Lincoln Village from 1946 to present, and City of Harrisville from 1948; was Alcona County Veterans Coun-

sellor, 1946 to 1948; and Circuit Court Commissioner, elected in 1958.

He is a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, (past Department Judge Advocate), Disabled American Veterans, Mason, Odd Fellows, and Elk Lodge.

He was instrumental in the organization of St. Andrews By-the-Lake Episcopal Church and has been a lay reader in the church for 30 years, and served as assis-

tant chancellor to the Bishop of Michigan for ten years.

Born in Detroit, Michigan, he graduated from Vassar High School in 1925, from Michigan State Normal (Now Eastern Mich. University) at Ypsilanti 1928, and the Detroit College of Law in 1934. He practiced in Detroit until 1938, was in Standish in 1938; was elected Prosecuting Attorney of Arenac County, 1941. 1943 and enlisted in the U. S. Navy, 1943. He served 3 years as a Lieutenant in the Navy, 20 months in the Pacific, and was wounded in action on Iwo Jima on February 18, 1945.

He is a past president of the 23rd Judicial Circuit Bar Association and a member of the American Bar Association.

He and his wife Margaret, live on Huron Ave., in Harrisville. He has four children: Gerald, an Army Chaplain serving in Korea; Barbara Matus of Pensacola, Fla.; Gail Senical of Harrisville and Russell of Detroit. A son, Robert, a Lieutenant Com

Lions Ladies Auxiliary organized

October 20, 1966 - A Ladies Auxiliary to the Harrisville Lions Club was organized Tuesday afternoon by the wives of members of the local club. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Jack Conklin with 22 present.

Mrs. Conklin was elected President of the newly formed group; Mrs. James Somers, Vice-President; Mrs. Floyd Baker Secretary and Mrs. Kenneth Green Treasurer. An entertainment committee was appointed by the president, with Mrs. Richard McCullough as chair and her helpers, Mrs. Harold Cuyler, Mrs. Jerry Jasinski and Mrs. Caius Gordon.

The group will meet Nov. 2 with Mrs. Jay Law

Births

October 20, 1966 - Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Edwards (Karen Knuth) of Alpena, a 7½ lb. baby girl, on Oct. 19, at Alpena Hospital. Beth Ann arrived on the 55th wedding anniversary of her great grandparents, The Ainsey Jacks. The happy maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Knuth of Lincoln.

Mikado - Tony Leroy arrived to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lonny Travis and his two sisters Connie and Carla.

Mrs. Florence Leeseburg is rejoicing over the arrival of a new granddaughter on October 18, in Flint. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Duane Ginder of Flint.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burgoyne of Harrisville, a son Thomas Richard, on October 19 at Harrisville. He weighed 8 lbs. 10 oz. at birth.



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WEDNESDAY
Mostly Sunny
High: 64 Low: 49

THURSDAY
Few Showers
High: 57 Low: 44

FRIDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 52 Low: 40


SATURDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 52 Low: 41

SUNDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 54 Low: 38

MONDAY
Mostly Sunny
High: 54 Low: 35

TUESDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 51 Low: 35

Local UV Index

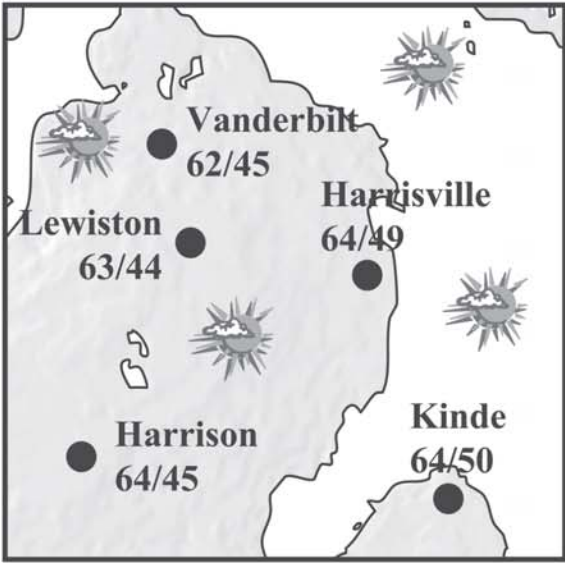


UV Index
0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	7:23 a.m.	6:34 p.m.
Venus	11:05 a.m.	n/a
Mars	2:30 p.m.	11:02 p.m.
Jupiter	6:19 a.m.	6:05 p.m.
Saturn	11:52 a.m.	9:00 p.m.
Uranus	6:26 p.m.	7:39 a.m.

Today's Regional Map



Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
Last 10/22	Wednesday	7:55 a.m.	6:40 p.m.	9:48 p.m.	11:52 a.m.	First 11/7
	Thursday	7:56 a.m.	6:38 p.m.	10:44 p.m.	12:55 p.m.	
	Friday	7:58 a.m.	6:37 p.m.	11:44 p.m.	1:52 p.m.	
	Saturday	7:59 a.m.	6:35 p.m.	No Rise	2:40 p.m.	
New 10/30	Sunday	8:00 a.m.	6:33 p.m.	12:46 a.m.	3:21 p.m.	Full 11/14
	Monday	8:02 a.m.	6:32 p.m.	1:49 a.m.	3:56 p.m.	
	Tuesday	8:03 a.m.	6:30 p.m.	2:51 a.m.	4:28 p.m.	

In-Depth Local Forecast


Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 64°, humidity of 88%. West wind 5 mph. The record high temperature for today is 78° set in 1953. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 49°. The record low for tonight is 24° set in 1958. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of showers.

*Last Week's Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	63	30	58/37	0.00"
Tuesday	70	39	58/37	0.00"
Wednesday	75	47	57/37	0.25"
Thursday	52	39	57/36	0.01"
Friday	59	36	57/36	0.00"
Saturday	66	40	56/36	0.00"
Sunday	73	45	56/35	0.15"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

National Weather Summary This Week



The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today, partly cloudy to cloudy skies with scattered showers Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 86° in Reading, Pa. The Southeast will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 90° in Hattiesburg, Miss. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated showers today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 91° in Stampede Pass, Wash. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 99° in Fullerton, Calif.

Weather History

Oct. 19, 1844 - The famous "Lower Great Lakes Storm" occurred. Southwesterly winds were at hurricane force for five hours, driving lake waters into downtown Buffalo, N.Y. The storm drowned 200 people.


Weather Trivia

What is the name of high, dense clouds that bring steady rainfall?

Answer: Altostratus.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Carhenge: Only in America



Virtually everyone has heard about Stonehenge near the town of Salisbury, England. When completed about 2600 BCE, it consisted of a circle, a henge of 30 upright sarsens capped with rectangular lintels. Interior to that was a horseshoe-shaped configuration of five free standing trilithons, each capped with a lintel facing towards the NE, in the direction of the Heel Stone, 254 feet distant. The Heel Stone marked the direction of sunrise on the summer solstice, the longest day of the year. If you stand near the center of Stonehenge as I have done, and imagine it complete and in operation 4600 years ago, most of the horizon was blocked from view except for key slots which also allowed the observer to view the winter solstice (shortest day) sunrise and sunset, as well as the summer solstice sunset. Stonehenge could be described as a religious temple or as a calendar, but one fact is certain; it was part of a much larger complex of circles, avenues, and burial mounds where the nobility of that time wished to be interred. There are many recreations of Stonehenge around the world, but in typical American fashion, there is one near Alliance, Nebraska which is so weird that I just had to see it on a trip this past summer. It is called Carhenge, and you may have already guessed it. The monument is composed of entirely American automobiles. The total solar eclipse of August 21, 2017 passes right across Carhenge, so it will probably be a gathering place for the Flower Power generation of which I am a member. I approached Carhenge as a lark, but as I walked around the gray spray painted cars, the sarsens and lintels of the structure, it became evident to me that there were similar alignments imbued into Carhenge, comparable to the sarsens at Stonehenge. Alignments for sunrise and sunset on the two solstice dates were easily visible, but whether they lined up precisely with the rising and setting positions of the sun, I do not know. Carhenge's brochure intimated that they do, but I'd have to witness that to believe it is true. www.astronomy.org

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **ENTERTAINMENT:** The book "Happy Trails" was the autobiography of what famous Western film couple?
2. **HISTORY:** What U.S. office did Aaron Burr hold when he shot and killed Alexander Hamilton?
3. **LITERATURE:** What was the pen name of this 18th-century French writer/philosopher whose real name was Francois-Marie Arouet?
4. **GEOGRAPHY:** What small principality is located between France and Spain?
5. **MUSIC:** What father/daughter duo had a Billboard No. 1 hit in 1967?
6. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What nation is the top producer of vanilla?
7. **ASTRONOMY:** What is the fifth planet from the sun in our solar system?
8. **GEOLOGY:** What type of rock is pumice?
9. **FOOD & DRINK:** What were the five original colors of M&M's candies?
10. **TELEVISION:** What were the names of the boys on the 1960s show "My Three Sons"?

Answers: 1. Roy Rogers and Dale Evans; 2. Vice president; 3. Voltaire; 4. Andorra; 5. Nancy and Frank Sinatra; 6. Indonesia; 7. Jupiter; 8. Igneous; 9. Red, yellow, brown, green and purple; 10. Mike, Robbie and Chip (c) 2016 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Nov. 6, 1558, Thomas Kyd is baptized in London. Kyd created the "revenge play," which gave rise to tragedies like William Shakespeare's "Hamlet." Kyd's "The Spanish Tragedie," or "Hieronimo Is Mad Again," became the most popular play in England during its day.
 - On Nov. 1, 1800, John Adams moves into White House in the final year of his only term as president. Although Adams was initially enthusiastic about the presidential mansion, he and Abigail soon found it to be cold and damp during the winter.
 - On Nov. 3, 1883, Black Bart makes his last stagecoach robbery. When guards spotted gun barrels sticking out of nearby bushes, they handed over their strong box. The "rifle barrels" turned out to be sticks tied to branches.
 - On Nov. 5, 1895, attorney George Selden wins U.S. Patent No. 549,160 for an "improved road engine" powered by a "liquid-hydrocarbon engine of the compression type." With that, as far as the government was concerned, George Selden had invented the car -- though he had never built a single one.
 - On Nov. 2, 1912, the XIT Ranch of Texas, once among the largest ranches in the world, sells its last head of cattle. At its peak, the XIT, owned by Chicago capitalists, had more than 160,000 head of cattle, employed 150 cowboys and encompassed nearly 3 million acres.
 - On Oct. 31, 1926, Harry Houdini, the most celebrated magician and escape artist of the 20th century, dies of peritonitis in a Detroit hospital. Twelve days earlier, Houdini had been punched twice in the stomach, rupturing his appendix.
 - On Nov. 4, 1990, "Dances With Wolves," a film about a Civil War-era soldier and a group of Sioux Indians, premieres in Los Angeles. The film, starring Kevin Costner, was a surprise box-office success and earned 12 Academy Award nominations.
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was Emily Post, arbiter of courtesy and expert on etiquette, who made the following sage observation: "Manners are a sensitive awareness of the feelings of others. If you have that awareness, you have good manners, no matter what fork you use."
 - If you're planning on moving to Florida, keep in mind that in that state, it's illegal for a housewife to break more than three dishes in one day.
 - It's a popular stereotype: a rejected lover sitting on a barstool, drinking to try to forget the heartbreak. The problem is, drinking isn't really an effective way to go about acquiring amnesia, even temporarily. Those who study such things say that imbibing alcohol can actually help people recall events that occurred just before they started drinking.
 - A defense lawyer in a Canadian murder-for-hire case once argued that his client must be innocent -- because the defendant was useless. The attorney commented, "No one would hire him to cut the grass. Why would someone hire him to kill someone?" Nice try, but no luck: The man was convicted.
 - There doesn't seem to be a clear explanation of why flies fly faster when they're in the sun than when they're in the shade.
 - Twilight is often defined as the period of time when day is ending and night is beginning -- a pretty vague definition. There are more precise versions, though: Civil twilight is the time when streetlights come on, nautical twilight occurs when the horizon disappears, and astronomical twilight is when the faintest stars become visible.
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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on October 10 at the city office. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by mayor John Dobis and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said. Present: Mayor Dobis, treasurer Keerl, clerk Pierce, council members Crick, Kaiser, Luenberger, Baird, Sanderson, and Thomas, attorney Cook and guests. Motion by Crick, support by Kaiser, to approve the minutes of September 12. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Luenberger, support by Baird, to pay the bills in the amount of \$18,177.18. Motion carried 6-0. On October 4 the City of Harrisville Planning Commission passed a resolution of adoption declaring intent to work toward implementation of recommendations from the state of Michigan to receive redevelopment ready communities certification from the Michigan Department of Economic Development (MEDC). Motion by Crick, support by Sanderson, to: Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the City of Harrisville City Council approves the pursuit of Redevelopment Ready Certification with the goal of an end result of an improved community through private investment in properties identified as redevelopment ready. It is the understanding of the City of Harrisville the RRC certification is a multi-year process, and pace of improvements are based on the city's capacity and no deadline is established. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Discussion of request by Alcona varsity volleyball coach Kristi Miller to hold a 5K Run/Walk on

Sunday, Oct. 23 at 6 p.m. in the city. Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to give permission to the Alcona varsity volleyball team to hold its 5K Run/Walk on Sunday, Oct. 23, in the city. Motion carried: 6-0. City council was asked to approve authorization of expenditures up to \$550, at the discretion of the city clerk, for Christmas decorations for the 2016 holiday season. Motion by Crick, support by Luenberger, to approve up to \$550 for the purchase of Christmas decorations for the 2016 holiday season. Motion carried: 6-0. Mayor Dobis decrees and declares that the official hours for Halloween trick or treating, in the city, is on Monday, Oct. 31 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Treasurer Keerl addressed the issue of delinquent water/sewer accounts which will be placed on tax bills. Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, for delinquent water/sewer accounts to be placed on tax bills. Motion carried: 6-0. Reports: Mayor Dobis updated council as to the well installation project at the city lagoons. The city would like to thank the Harrisville Business Association for the work and dedication which has gone into the fall decorations which are displayed along Main Street. Clerk Pierce reported that absent voter applications and ballots are available at the city office for the November 8 general election; (989) 724-6666. Harbor commissioner Baird reports the October meeting of the harbor commission was cancelled and the next date is to be determined. Airport manager

Boucher reported all is good at the airport. County commissioner Johnston would like to thank the city for cutting down the large cedar trees in front of the windows at the district health building. DHS has also rented additional office space in the building. The county has acquired internet access through BS&A. Programs are available at the county for anyone interested in using the access. There is a \$2 user fee. Comment cards: Becky Stoddard shared that the Harrisville Harbor Playground Committee has raised \$18,000 in its ongoing fundraising campaign to reach the goal of \$25,000 for new equipment at the harbor playground area. The committee will work with a NEMCOG consultant in the spring for grant writing purposes. Patty Thomas requested permission to tape record city council meetings for the purpose of re-broadcasting the meeting on the local radio station, WXTF. Council concurred and permission was granted. Council members' last comments: Alderman Baird stated that the historical society's dedication of the Harrisville business sign, showcasing former businesses, at Miller Park was very well attended. Alderman Sanderson requested that the yellow cautionary stripes on the sidewalks be repainted. Motion to adjourn by Crick. Adjourned at 8 p.m. Next regularly scheduled city council meeting is Monday, Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. Published prior to council approval.

HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held October 11 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and eight guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." From the floor: Nichol Palumbo gave her credentials and reasons for seeking the position of 23rd Circuit Court Judge at the November 8 election. Her presentation was well received. Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report given and reconciled with clerk's of-

Assessor, ordinance enforcer and planning commission chairperson gave their updated reports. County commissioner Johnston gave a good, detailed update on the county happenings and the reason to support the HUNT millage. At 7:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order for the public hearing on the township's recreation plan to take comments. No comments. The meeting continued with the regular business. The board will meet at a special meet-

ing to update and then approve the planning commission recommendations. Spitznagel/Young: Because of the election being held on November 8 the township's monthly meeting will held on Monday, Nov. 7. Motion carried. Spitznagel/Young: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m. Roger D. Jamieson Township Clerk Published prior to board approval.

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ALCONA TWP. SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township's October board meeting was called to order with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: MacNeill, LaLonde, Gauthier and Mead. Excused: Bouchard. Motions to approve minutes and financial report, to pay bills as presented, and to replace four windows at East Bay Fire Station. All motions passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m. Dawn LaLonde, clerk This synopsis published prior to board approval.

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BINGO

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Stewart R. Shafer and Cathie J. Shafer, husband and wife, to Urban Financial Group, mortgagee, dated April 9, 2010, and recorded on May 5, 2010, in Liber 470, Page 512, Alcona County records. Said mortgage was assigned to Reverse Mortgage Solutions, Inc. by an assignment of mortgage dated April 09, 2010 and recorded May 24, 2010 in Liber 470, page 1,166, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of sixty-five thousand six hundred ninety and 57/100 (\$65,690.57) including interest at the rate of 5.68500 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the

statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court in said Alcona County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10 p.m. on November 16, 2016.

Said premises are situated in the township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 47, Supervisor's Plat of Woodland Acres No. 2, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, page 7 of Alcona County records. Commonly known as: 3122 Spruce Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737.

If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be six months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days

after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is one year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: October 19, 2016

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Reverse Mortgage Solutions, Inc.
43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180
Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48302
(248) 335-9200
Case No. 16MI00706-1
10-19, 10-26, 11-2, 11-9

Notice of Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Ronald D. Gauthier, on the residence located at 530 North Huron Road, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 to H.P.C. Credit Union, whose address is 1234 West Chisholm Street, Alpena, Mich. 49707.

The mortgage is dated March 24, 2006 and recorded on March 30, 2006 at Liber 429, pages 241-246, modified on July 12, 2011 and recorded on July 20, 2011 at Liber 480, pages 474-477, Alcona County records. There is claimed to be due on the mortgage at the date of this notice, for principal, interest, and other items paid as allowed by the mortgage, the sum of one hundred thirty-eight thousand three hundred ninety-six and 70/100 dollars (\$138,396.70) and no proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt secured thereby. The power of sale contained in the mortgage has now become operative.

Notice is hereby given that, by

virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage and pursuant to the applicable foreclosure statute, the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property described below at public auction to the highest bidder at the Alcona County courthouse located at 214 W. Main, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 on Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2016 at 10 a.m. The property will be sold to pay the amount due on the mortgage with 5.5 percent interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes and insurance that the mortgagee pays on or before the date of sale.

The property described in the mortgage and subject to sale is as follows: Situated in Harrisville Township, Alcona County, state of Michigan: That part of Government Lot 3, Section 1, T26N, R9E, described as: Commencing 50 feet east of the centerline of US-23 on the south line of Government Lot 3; thence east 6 chains 25 links; thence northerly along west right of way of D&M Railroad 27 rods 6 1/2 links; thence

west 8 chains 37 links to east right of way of US-23; thence southerly 28 rods 13 links to the point of beginning. Less and excepting, the north 4 feet thereof. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right of way purposes.

The period of redemption will be six months from the date of sale, unless abandoned as defined by MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period

Dated: September 23, 2016
H.P.C. Credit Union, Mortgagee
Daniel W. White
Attorney for Mortgagee
313 North Second Avenue
Alpena, MI 49707
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9-28, 10-5, 10-12, 10-19

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gregory J. Holm, a single person, to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. successor by merger to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., mortgagee, dated February 21, 2003 and recorded March 3, 2003 in Liber 378, page 304, Alcona County records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy thousand eight hundred seventeen and 53/100 dollars (\$70,817.53), including interest at 3.375 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a

sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on October 26, 2016.

Said premises are located in the township of Caledonia, Alcona County Michigan, and are described as: The Westerly 10 acres of the north 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 6 East, except an easement 2 rods in width, across and adjacent to the north line thereof for ingress and egress. And the south 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 6 East, except the northeast 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 thereof.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA

\$600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: September 28, 2016
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Retirement spurs growth within school ranks

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Alcona Community Schools has hired from within to replace “an invaluable resource” to the school district who wore many hats for over 30 years.

Rodney Cordes began his career with the district 33 years ago as a bus driver and ended his career as director of transportation and maintenance when he retired this year.

The school formally hired two employees, Mike Corn and Kim Quick, to oversee the positions held by Cordes. Corn has been named the supervisor of maintenance and mechanics and Quick has been named the supervisor of transportation and facility caretaker.

Shawn Thornton, district superintendent, said the district found two exceptional candidates to replace Cordes. “Their long term service with the district and familiarity with district facilities and transportation needs made them an excellent fit for the position,” Thornton said.

Corn has worked for the school district for eight years in maintenance services and said he has always had an interest in fixing things. He grew up in Alpena and attended Alpena High School and Alpena Community College. He is a U.S. Army veteran and a farmer.

Corn said he never thought he’d have a good enough job to pay someone to fix his



Mike Corn and Kim Quick fill positions left by the retirement of Rod Cordes. Photo by Mary Weber.

stuff so he learned how to fix it himself. When he was 16 years old he got a job working at a local repair shop. “It’s like a jig saw puzzle. I fix things. I can tear apart an engine and put it back together. I get gratification doing that,” Corn said.

He explained the hardest part about doing his job is finding the necessary parts to fix things correctly.

Corn oversees maintenance employee, George Hirschfeld, as well as three students who help work in the garage gaining on-the-job training and experience. He also fills in as a substitute bus driver when needed, which has been often lately.

The school has 14 busses including two new ones and Quick said Corn does a very good job in keeping them on the road in good condition.

Corn resides in Mikado where he spends time on his farm with 50 goats, 23 cows, six horses, two pigs and 40 chickens and grows his own hay.

Quick has lived her entire life in Alcona County and graduated from Alcona High School as did her husband, Jim, who she’s been married to for 36 years. Their two children are also Alcona High School graduates.

She began driving school busses for the district in 1992 as a substitute bus driver. In 1998 she was hired as a full time bus driver. Quick enjoys hunting and motorcycle rides in her spare time and loves being a grandma to her one-year-old granddaughter.

As supervisor of transportation and facility caretaker Quick oversees nine full time bus drivers and two substitute bus drivers, plus one full time and five part time custodians.

It is Quick’s responsibility to set routes, make any necessary changes and field phone calls about transportation weather safety, bus issues, part vendors, and cleaning supplies.

She also answers to parent concerns about children’s behavior on the bus. “Some of the busses leave at 5:45 a.m. and some of the children are on the bus two hours a day getting to and from school. That’s a lot of bus time. I have a lot of insight on different personalities. You learn quite a bit transporting students for 24 years,” Quick said.

Both Corn and Quick’s positions are on call 24-hours a day, seven days a week over and above their normal 40-hour work week.

Quick patrols roads when the weather gets bad and works to get snow removed if necessary. She explained before Cordes retired on August 31 he was responsible for what is now two jobs, however, since his retirement more duties have been added to the positions.

She said one of the most frustrating parts of her job is finding qualified substitute bus drivers -- anyone who enjoys working with children and who can drive a bus should call her as they are hiring.

Corn and Quick also share a secretary, Linda Somers, who Quick said has really helped a lot. Somers is also a bus driver.

Thornton explained Cordes’ shoes were not easy to fill. “He was also a first responder and a fire chief. Rod was often the first person on the scene to assist with medical emergencies or facility concerns. Whether in the course of his daily duties or cheering on the Tigers at an athletic event, Rod’s caring and compassion for students and colleagues made his dedication to Alcona obvious. Filling such a diverse job is difficult but both (Corn and Quick) have done a terrific job in their new roles and we are looking forward to a great 2016/2017 school year,” she said.

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Dr. Beltinck went to medical school at Michigan State University in East Lansing, and completed his residency at McLaren, Greater Lansing. During his time in medical school, he spent time in Africa on a medical mission, and he hopes to integrate local and international outreach programs into his practice.

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Dr. Beltinck enjoys spending time with his wife, Marissa, daughter Marla, and Sanders, the family’s Chesapeake Bay retriever. He also loves to travel and spend time outdoors hiking, scuba diving and boating.

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