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Alcona students plan trip to Washington DC in June

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Alcona High School students are raising money to go to Washington DC as part of an education program in June.

The program, Close Up, an internationally known program celebrating its 45th year of educating students, will involve 10 juniors and seniors representing Alcona High School.

The program will cost each student \$1,747 for the entire trip which includes round trip air fare, tours, workshops, food, guides, one paid chaperone and lodging for five nights. No school funds are allocated to the program. Each student has committed to raising half of the funds on their own with the other half coming from group fundraisers, according to Katie Dellar, one of the organizers of the trip.

Designed to allow teenagers a close-up look at the nation's capitol and witness the inner workings of how laws are made, the trip is a week-long intensive exploration of civic education and is comparable to a college min-session course, according to Dellar. The program, which the school hasn't participated in for about 10 years, was first brought to the county by retired teacher Bob Petrovich in the 1980s.

Students participating this year are: Ethan Somers Fick, Brianna Fogle, Hailee Gordy, Taylor Livingston, Luke Loyer, Melayne Odell, Cody Schram, Alex Stephenson, Sarah Sweet, and Kiersten Tompkins. They will be escorted to and from Washington D.C. by paraprofessional Shelly Hoffmeyer and teacher Roxanne Hanner.

It was Katie Dellar, a Response to Intervention (RTI) teacher with the Alpena Montmorency Alcona Education Service District (AMA ESD) working at Alcona schools, who first approached the possibility of bringing the program back this year.

Dellar, a former paraprofessional, and a graduate of Alcona High School who participated in the Close Up program in 2001.

"The trip is completely tour-guided and I learned so much when I attended. I still remember many things about the trip. I can't wait to take my own kids there," Dellar said.

She explained the many moving tributes she saw on the trip such as the Lincoln, Washington and Vietnam

memorials and how reading about them didn't have an impact with her until she was physically at the sites. "Being there and physically experiencing it and listening to guides explain what those structures stand for is a life changing event," Dellar said.

In addition to meeting other students from across the nation, the Close Up program will be guiding students through the nation's capitol buildings. Participants will visit Congress, sit in on committee meetings, tour memorials, go on an embassy discovery, participate in mock Congress workshops, meet with members of Congress, and visit the U.S. Supreme Court or the Library of Congress.

They will lunch at the Smithsonian American History Museum, be guided

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Alcona High School Close Up Program representatives (from left) Roxanne Hanner; teacher and chaperone; students, Melayne Odell, Alex Stephenson, Sarah Sweet; and, Katie Dellar, Close Up program alumni and former AHS graduate. Photo by Mary Weber.

Manufacturers face workforce shortage, hindering growth

By Riley Murdock
Capital News Service

Worker shortages are threatening to curb growth in Michigan's manufacturing sector, and drug testing could be contributing to the prob-

lem by impeding both hiring and retention, according to industry experts.

The staffing shortage is exacerbated by the fact that many potential workers can't pass drug tests to be able to

operate machinery, according to Chuck Hadden, president of the Michigan Manufacturers Association.

"I have members now that stopped drug testing, and that's not a good situation, because they need to fill the jobs," Hadden said. "Another one of those 'I don't wanna know' situations."

David Miller, president of the Cadillac Area Chamber of Commerce, said manufacturing can be hazardous, and workers need to be aware of their circumstances and surroundings.

Having drugs in their system diminishes their alertness and can lead to injuries, he said. A lack of available talent is the most prominent constraint area manufacturers face, Miller explained.

"No question, I've been working with chambers and doing economic development work for 18 years, and I've seen surpluses of workers and I've seen shortages of workers," Miller said. "Definitely, my experience has shown there's a huge need for additional workers, and it's pretty much across the state and in many cases across the country."

The state lost a lot of workers in the 2007-08 recession and had continued losing workers until recently, he explained. It's going to take a long time to make up for all the workers Michigan has lost, he said.

"Right now, we are at such a rate of unemployment that all manufacturers are struggling with the talent issue.

They're at a point where I met with an owner the other day, and she was telling me about how she can't find anybody who wants to go work for her," Hadden said.

The shortage is holding back growth of the state's manufacturing industry. "We've had so many ups and downs in Michigan with the economy that people have left and gone to better jobs in different areas," Hadden said. "We're trying to solve that, but it's not something that you can solve overnight."

The Michigan Manufacturers Association is working with the Society of Manufacturing Engineers to put shop classes back into high schools, according to Hadden, which might encourage students to pursue trades and other careers rather than going to college.

"It's hard to change paradigms sometimes. There are people who don't want to go into trades, who don't want to go into the type of work where you work with your hands, things like that, so it's going to take us a while to change that perspective."

Drug testing comes up in conversations with local manufacturers, and it's something they struggle with, Miller said. However, he hasn't heard from any local

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Megan Grove flips the ball in the hoop during a home win over Grayling. For the story, see page 5. Photo by Ben Murphy.



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through the Smithsonian Institution and visit Arlington Cemetery. Students will participate in a community action workshop and have opportunities to discuss current issues.

In addition, Close Up students will be treated to a cultural event like attending a play at Ford's Theatre or taking in a Washington Nationals baseball game. A final evening banquet and dance is also on the agenda.

Senior Sarah Sweet became interested in government while taking a political science course for college last year. "I realized my opinions do actually matter and I should be more involved in our government system and learn more about it. We have the freedom to have an opinion and I'd like to exercise that right," she said.

Dellar explained, students will be bunking with one other student from their school group and two additional students from another state or country. This will give students a chance to meet and bond with new friends from a completely different area than theirs.

Hanner said many of the students involved are close to being halfway to their goal which must be met in total by mid-April. The trip is planned for June 3-8.

When Dellar, Hanner and Hoffmeyer first spoke of the trip to students last September, they had 17 students interested in going, however, numbers fell when some of the students learned about the requirements which not only the fee, but missing a week of school in June.

"Many who dropped out of the program were juniors and parents were concerned about the time away from school. Seniors will be graduating in May, so they won't be affected. Some juniors dropped out because they were concerned they wouldn't be able to raise the necessary funds. We told them they could start working on getting funds this summer to finance the trip in their senior year," Hanner said.

Hoffmeyer explained that fundraising has been very successful with many additional fund-raisers yet to be held. So far, the students have held a spaghetti dinner, with the Close Up students acting as waiters and waitresses, a dance, Chinese raffles, 50/50 drawings, a craft show, bake sales and three-point shoot outs during basketball games.

More bake sales, Chinese raffles, 50/50 drawings and student events are being planned as well as a youth and adult open bowling event on March 3. Hoffmeyer said many of the students had strong parental support.

Hoffmeyer and Hanner said they had a good mix of students in the group which include Knowledge Bowl, FFA, athletes and student leaders.

They explained academics is not necessarily measured to be a part of the Close Up program, but good citizenship is highly valued. Both felt strongly the Alcona student representatives had demonstrated great citizenship both during school and with fund-raiser and, as a bonus, were also doing well academically. Some of the juniors, however, will be bringing their school work with them and trying to find time to study while on the trip.

Some of the students, such as senior Melayne Odell, are employed and are putting their own earned money toward their halfway goal. Odell works for the Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union in the Tiger Branch at the school. She spearheaded a quarterly fund drive with the credit union to help with group fund goals.

Other students have asked parents and grandparents to give them cash donations for Christmas gifts in lieu of presents. Some students will be going out into the community to ask neighbors and friends for donations, another has broken down his requirement into monthly goals he must attain. Hoffmeyer was impressed with how committed the students are and how much the

trip means to them.

The one paid chaperone seat will go to Hoffmeyer and Hanner will be using her own funds to fly to Washington and back. Once the students get to their hotel, they are handed over to Close Up guides and chaperones who have many years of experience in guarding the safety and well-being of more than 850,000 students over the last 45 years, according to Hanner.

Hoffmeyer and Hanner will be free during the week to tour the capitol area on their own, with other student body chaperones on guided tours, or they can attend the student tours if they wish. Hanner has been to Washington before. She plans to use the time to visit her daughter and her new six-month-old grandson in Baltimore during the trip.

Hoffmeyer will be staying at the same hotel as the Alcona students, should one of them need her assistance.

Senior Alex Stephenson is excited about the trip and said even the fundraising has been a good experience so far, "It's been fun hanging out and working on different ideas for fundraising. It's nice to spend time with people I'll be making a life changing trip with."

Dellar explained how the trip was "out of the box" for many teenagers of rural areas, "This is a completely new experience for many of them. When I took the trip, I had never even flown before. This experience is the complete package for Alcona students and its right here, in our own country, viewing our own government system. It's an amazing opportunity for them and I'm passionate about bringing the program back to the school and keeping it going," Dellar said.

For more information, contact Hanner at the school by calling (989) 736-8534 extension 4302, or email Hoffmeyer at shellyhoffmeyer@aol.com. Those wishing to donate may send a check made payable to Alcona Close Up, 51 N. Barlow Road, Lincoln, Mich., 48742.

Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2018						
Date	Weekly Report		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		
	Temperature (F°)			Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	High	Low				
Jan. 28	33	23	0.00	3.9	20	NNE
Jan. 29	25	13	0.02	8.3	24	NNE
Jan. 30	22	12	0.00	4.8	26	N
Jan. 31	35	21	0.02	10.1	41	SW
Feb. 1	27	10	0.00	3.3	24	NNW
Feb. 2	17	0	0.00	2.8	18	NNE
Feb. 3	25	9	0.07	5.4	23	W

Precipitation Summary (Inches) for 2017-2018 Season			
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.11	3.1	0.35
Month of January	1.53	10.3	1.76
February to Date	0.07	2.5	0.20
Year/Season to Date	1.60	20.8	1.96

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.)



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, FEBRUARY 7

The Alcona County Baby Pantry will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Raphael Church, 2531 East F-30 in Mikado. Formula, diapers, toys, new and gently used shoes and clothing for residents of Alcona County with newborns through age four. Layettes are available in the eighth month.

Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will hold their membership meeting at 11 a.m. at the VFW Hall located at 2900 Cannon in Alpena. A representative from Blue Cross Blue Shield will be on hand to answer questions. Bring a can of food for the needy. Lunch will be served at noon. Call (989) 356-4959 or (989) 727-4080 for details.

A public information session for the 21st annual Great Backyard Bird Count will be held at the United Methodist Church, 120 Dwight Street in Oscoda at 2 p.m. in the church library. The public is invited to attend. The bird count will take place from February 16-19. For more information, visit www.birdcount.org.

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.

The Alcona FFA Alumni Association will be hosting their annual business social at 6:30 p.m. at Alcona High School cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend, attendees do not have to be a former FFA member. Attendees will be providing feedback to members competing at the regional leadership contest. Coffee and dessert will be provided by the alumni. For more information and to register contact Rose at (989) 335-1869 or AlconaFFAAlumni@gmail.com.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. First meeting is free, handicap accessible. For more information, call (989) 464-3526.

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

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

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. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Recycle Alcona County will hold drop off day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lincoln ARA site. Enter and exit through the north gate. Call (989) 724-5077 or (989) 724-6546 for details.

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.

My Brother's Hope Potluck Cafe will be serving a meal from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North Barlow Road (US-23). Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Read the paper, eat a muffin and enjoy coffee supplied by Alcona Coffee from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

Play pinochle at 2:30 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

A community charity project involving the making of plarn (yarn from plastic bags) will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring your own scissors. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Read the paper, eat a muffin and enjoy coffee supplied by Alcona Coffee from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church on the corner of Nicholson Hill and Hubbard Lake roads in Hubbard Lake. The public is invited. Pancake races for children and adults (bring your own frying pan to participate). Free will offering accepted.

Play euchre at 12:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

The Emergency Food Assistance Program will distribute commodities from 10 a.m. to noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

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The City is proposing to redevelop the playground with new features that are modern and fully accessible. This project is aligned with the goals and objectives of the City's MDNR-approved 2016-2020 Recreation Plan. The city encourages the public to share ideas or suggestions about this project, particularly from those with disabilities. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please send written comments to: City of Harrisville, P.O. Box 278, Harrisville, MI 48740.

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A Kid's Ice Fishing Tournament will be held on Saturday, Feb. 17 on Jewell Lake in Barton City. This is a free fishing tournament for kids and teenagers ages 15 and under. Poles, bait and holes are provided. Adult fishermen will be available for assistance.

Registration is on the ice from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., fishing is from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., trophies will be awarded at 3 p.m. Trophies are awarded for Fisherman of the Year, largest sunfish, bluegill, and perch; smallest fish and most unusual fish. Medals will go to the first 50 fishermen to sign-in. Holt dogs and hot cocoa provided. A port-a-john and warming area available. This event is sponsored by the Barton City Improvement Association.

Away at School

• Britny Faight, of Greenbush, was named to the dean's list for the 2017 fall semester at Northern Michigan University. To achieve dean's list recognition, students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

• Shannon Oliver, of Spruce, was named to the dean's list for the 2017 fall semester at Northern Michigan University. To achieve dean's list recognition, students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Senior Menu

The following meals will be served during the week at 4 p.m. in Glennie at Lott Baptist Church; at 4:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center; and at 4:30 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall. No reservations are required at the Lincoln Senior Center, however call (989) 736-8879 by 7 a.m. for meals served in Glennie or Greenbush. No membership is required. Suggested donation of \$3 per meal is welcome.

• Monday, Feb. 12—Chicken and stuffing casserole, winter blend vegetables, and mixed fruit.

• Tuesday, Feb. 13—Brat on a bun, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, baked beans and an ice cream sandwich.

• Wednesday, Feb. 14—Beef stroganoff, wax beans, three bean salad, and tropical fruit.

• Thursday, Feb. 15—Cabbage roll, red bliss potato, green beans, and a pear.

• Friday, Feb. 16—Herb chicken, wild rice, squash, and pineapple.
(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Love Your Library Events

• February 12-16 is **Coffee Lovers'** week at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library with exotic coffee provided by Alcona Coffee and treats baked by the library staff. Coffee and treats served from 9:30 a.m. – noon; treats available at other library branches, call for hours.

• Adam Beckta presents an entertaining **history of cheese** from around the world, as he creates a cheese plate with food pairings and nonalcoholic beverages on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 1:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Lots of audience participation and time for questions and answers, with cheesy samples, cost is \$5 per person. To register or for information, call (989) 724-6796.

• Don't fall for this over-rated Hallmark holiday – come to an **Anti-Valentine's**

Day craft party for youth at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Wednesday, February 14 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. This is a program for ages 10-18.

• Register to win the first annual **Brownie/Cookie Bar Challenge** during "Love Your Library" month at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 1:30 p.m. Participants should register their best recipe, and then bring in a tray of brownies/bars for the library staff to judge on February 21. Winner takes home a prize and bragging rights. Complete rules and registration forms found at all branches of the Alcona County Library.

• **Wall of Recipes** -- community members are invited to add a favorite recipe to the Alcona County Library's "Wall of Recipes" during February's "Love Your Library" month. Each recipe will earn one entry form for a gift bag drawing on Wednesday, Feb. 28 at each branch library. Pick up a free copy of "library favorite" recipes during the month of February.

• For information on these events and other Love Your Library month activities, call (989) 724-6796 or visit: www.library.alcona.lib.mi.us

Alpena Polar Plunge

The Special Olympics Michigan Law Enforcement Polar Plunge will be held on Saturday, Feb. 17 at the Sandbar & Grill on Long Lake. Participants are needed to raise money for Special Olympics – anyone who is courageous, outgoing and willing to take a plunge for the cause.

There is a \$75 registration fee, and participants may begin fundraising by going online to: www.firstgiving.com/polarplunge/Alpena2018, click on the red register tab, and start collecting pledges from friends, family, co-workers and neighbors.

The Plunge will begin with registration starting at noon. The Parade of Costumes starts at 1 p.m., and the plunge will follow the parade. There will be a 50/50 raffle and a live auction. The live auction will begin after the last plunger. Before the Polar Plunge, the Sandbar & Grill will be offering a standard breakfast buffet from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., for a minimum \$5 donation, with all proceeds going to The Polar Plunge.

"In the last couple of years, the number of jumpers has decreased, so we are looking for participants who are looking for a fun event to take part in during a time of year when there is not much going on," said Community Service Trooper Ashley Simpson. "The money raised also goes to a great cause and helps local Special Olympic athletes participate and travel to all the athletic events."

For additional information, contact Community Service Trooper Ashley Simpson at (989) 354-4101 or Simpson-A4@michigan.gov.



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Lady Tigers slip by Grayling and Posen

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

After pulling off a late one-point win the night before, Alcona did it again on Tuesday, Jan. 30.

The Alcona varsity girls basketball team, hosting Grayling in a non-conference game, got a late go-ahead field-goal by Bri Fogle, giving the Tigers a nail-biting 37-36 victory.

This, just one night after a one point win over Posen the night before.

"It was apparent that we were feeling the effect of playing tough games back to back, so we are very proud of our effort," said head coach Mark Feldhiser. "Fogle came up with the winning basket and then, out of a timeout, we once again played great defense and they did not get the shot off."

The Tigers led most of the night, but could never quite pull away from the Vikings during the low-scoring contest.

Taylor Livingston opened the game with a drive through the lane and Hailee Gordy drilled home a pair of early baskets to lift Alcona to a 6-2 lead.

Livingston finished off the quarter with another bucket, drilling home a mid-range jumper to make it 11-7 after one.

Scoring was hard to come by for either side in the second quarter. Livingston did hit a jumper early in the frame to give the Tigers a 13-9 lead but after five minute scoring drought, Alcona closed the half on a 6-2 run to hole a 19-13 lead at the half.

Livingston's big night continued in the third quarter. With the Vikings pulling within 23-22 late in the frame Livingston buried a trey from well behind the arc to push their lead back to 26-22. Livingston added a lay-up before the period was over, after she was freed by a nice screen by Jenelle Carpenter, making it 28-22 after three quarters.

The Vikings rallied in the fourth quarter, pulling ahead 35-32 with just under three minutes to play.

Gordy came up with a big game-tying three-pointer from the left side of the court with 2:40 to play and Fogle added the game winner on a short roll-in, giving them a 37-35 lead.

The Vikings did add a late free throw, but Alcona finished off the night with a key defensive stand.

"I definitely think that winning these type of games are important for the growth of our team, and will prove to be valuable as we move into post season play," Feldhiser said. "Being able to close these games when teams are coming after us shows that we have improved in that area."

Livingston finished with a game-high 19 points and Gordy added 11.

On Monday, Jan. 29 the Tigers won a close home game with Posen, 41-40, thanks to a game-winner by Carpenter.

"We were up by 10 at the half and two after the third



Alcona's Hailee Gordy knocks down a close-range shot during a home win over Grayling. Photo by Ben Murphy.

but Posen is very tough and came back to take the lead late in the fourth," Feldhiser said.

Livingston buried a key three-pointer late in the game, but with Posen still ahead 40-39 in the closing seconds, Carpenter netted the game-winning lay-up with two seconds to go on an assist by Megan Grove.

The Vikings had one last chance for the win but came up short, thanks to a strong defensive play by Fogle.

Leading the way in the win was Livingston with 18 points, Grove netted 11 and Gordy poured in nine.

On Thursday, Jan. 25 the Tigers picked up a home NSL win over Mio, 50-38.

Livingston led all scorers with 21 points. Grove had 10, Gordy netted nine and Faith Wallenmaier added six.

"It was a good win and we were able to get everyone in the game," Feldhiser said. "We really counted on Taylor and she came through with a big game. Outside of that, we played pretty well defensively and had some nice scoring balance."

Alcona (9-5 overall, 7-3 NSL), winners of six straight games, played in Rogers City on Monday, Feb. 5; hosts Hillman on Thursday, Feb. 8; hosts Whittemore-Prescott on Monday, Feb. 12; and plays at Whittemore-Prescott in a make-up game on February 19.

Varsity bowling results

The Alcona Tigers traveled to the Hi Skore lanes in West Branch, Mich. on Saturday, Feb. 3.

The Tigers had two completely different matches. In the first match they defeated the Charlton Heston Patriots 29 to 1. In the second match they were defeated by the Oscoda Owls 26 to 4.

On Saturday, Feb. 10, the Tigers will go back to West Branch, Mich. to compete against Whittemore-Prescott. The second match will be determined by the team's position.

The Alcona varsity girls bowling team competed Saturday, Feb. at Hi Skore Lanes in West Branch, Mich.

The first match was against the Charlton Heston Patriots. The Lady Tigers domi-

nated both Baker games with a total of 350 to the Patriots' 252. The Lady Tigers came out on top with a total of 1,536 to the Patriots 1,165. Final scoring was Alcona 28 Charlton Heston 2. Emily Hoffman had a high game of 217.

The Lady Tigers took on the Oscoda Owls in the second game. They lost both Baker games 304-266 and lost the team games 1,604 to 1,443. Final scoring was Oscoda 28 to Alcona 2. High game for Alcona goes to Raegen Eller with a 188 and the high for Oscoda goes to Erin Senn with a 201.

The Lady Tigers will go back to Hi Skore Lanes on Saturday, Feb. 10 to compete against the Bay City All Saints at 11 a.m. followed by the final position round.

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**Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Authority
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The February 8, 2018 meeting of Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Authority is canceled. The next meeting is scheduled to start at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 8, 2018. For additional information please call (989) 739-1111.

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Officials are refereeing athletic events after working a job during the day and traveling to games in the evening because they enjoy giving back to athletics, which many times they participated as a youth. Due to the referee shortage, officials are working three to five nights a week in order to allow our students to play a game they love. While officials aren't perfect, the only people in the arena that are directly allowed to voice concerns to them are the coaches on staff.

Alcona Community

Superintendent's Corner

By Dan O'Connor
Alcona Community Schools

Schools will not tolerate fans berating officials and they will be banned from future events. We will continue to honor the ideals our student sportsmanship team created several years ago that are memorialized by banners in and outside of our athletic fields:

- Respect athletes, coaches, officials, and fans
- Recognize outstanding performances by athletes on both teams
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against the other team

Be a part of the solution. Sign up to become an official instead of criticizing those who are serving youth and communities. Our student-athletes deserve better from the adults who are to provide the example, not breed a generation of critics.

Go Tigers!
(Dan O'Connor is the superintendent for Alcona Community Schools. He can be reached by calling the district office at (989) 736-6212.)

Workforce Continued from page 1

companies that have stopped drug testing as a way to make the hiring process easier.

"When you're working with that production-level person who might be making 12, 13, 14 dollars an hour, especially when you're looking for new workers, younger workers — a lot of them seem to be really enthralled with drug use," Miller said.

Drug testing is mandatory for some employers, such as government contractors and aviation companies. "There

are a number of businesses in our community that don't have the flexibility to decide whether they're going to discontinue drug testing or not," Miller said.

Legalizing recreational marijuana might make the hiring situation even more difficult due to limitations of testing, which Miller doesn't think is accurate for drugs other than alcohol.

"If it's legal to use marijuana recreationally, how can you determine on Monday morning whether that person had done it in the parking lot prior to coming in to work or whether they did it Saturday over the weekend? It's so hard to tell," Miller said. "It really is an issue that we have to figure out though, and I don't know what the answer is."

Miller knows of no drug testing exceptions for medicinal marijuana users.

David Harns, a spokesperson for the Bureau of Medical Marijuana Regulation in the Department of Licensing and

Regulatory Affairs, said the bureau does not make decisions regarding employment or drug testing.

"From my discussions with manufacturers, whether you have a (medical marijuana) card or not, if you're tested and you're found to have marijuana in your system, they have no option but to let you go. That just kind of clouds the issue some more," Miller said.

According to Hadden, a potential solution lies in finding a way to "proof" marijuana. If tests could accurately determine the dosage of marijuana and could determine when it was used, workers would be able to use marijuana responsibly and still be able to work.

"Right now if it's in your system, it stays in your system for 30 days," Hadden said. "How do we better secure that, you know, this was two weekends ago and you're fine now? We need a better proof for that, and whoever comes up with that is going to make a lot of money."

2018 Bovine Tuberculosis Zoning Order Public Notice

The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development is proposing revisions to Michigan's bovine tuberculosis zoning order, most recently amended on June 7, 2016. The following is a summary of the proposed changes to the zoning order:

- Would establish an Enhanced Wildlife Biosecurity (EWB) Area within the Modified Accredited Zone (Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Oscoda counties).
- To move cattle, other than directly to slaughter, cattle producers in the EWB Area would be required to complete an Enhanced Wildlife Biosecurity Assessment and implement assessment recommendations by January 1, 2020. In addition, producers would provide the U.S. Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services access and permission through a Landowner Agreement Form to remove deer in and around cattle facilities. This agreement must be signed by July 15, 2018.
- All cattle herds, other than freezer beef herds, in Presque Isle County would undergo whole herd TB surveillance testing every three years.
- To move cattle other than directly to slaughter, all Presque Isle County cattle herds would have to acquire and maintain Verified Wildlife Risk Mitigation status by September 1, 2018.
- Would eliminate requirements for tuberculosis whole herd surveillance testing of herds located in Otsego and Cheboygan counties.

A copy of the proposed zoning order and a map of the proposed Enhanced Wildlife Biosecurity Area are available at www.michigan.gov/bovinetb under the "Bovine TB Information (Livestock)" tab.

Please provide comment on the proposed changes by email, fax or mail by **March 9, 2018**.

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Dear Lonely,
Whether you're interested in dating again or just looking for a friend to spend time with, online dating sites have become a very popular and effective way for baby boomers to meet new single people.

Making new friends can be challenging as we get older, which is why online dating sites are an excellent option for baby boomers. They provide an easy and convenient way to meet dozens of new people, without ever having to leave home. And, to make things even easier, many sites today use matchmaking algorithms that factor in your interests and preferences so they can steer you to matches that are best suited for you.

Choose a site or two: There are literally hundreds of different matchmaking websites and apps available, so choosing can be a bit confusing. Costs typically range between \$15 and \$20 per month, however some dating sites are completely free to use.

If you don't want to spend any money, free sites like OKCupid.com and PlentyofFish.com are good places to start, but these sites have a lot of advertising. There are also free apps like Tinder (GoTinder.com) and Bumble.com, but these tend to be geared toward younger adults looking for casual romance.

If you're interested in lots of choices consider Match.com, which has a huge membership in all demographics. Or checkout eHarmony.com, which is also very large but more targeted for people who want to take things slow.

Or, if you are looking to find a specific type of person, there are hundreds of niche sites like: OurTime.com, SeniorPeopleMeet.com and

50more.com for those 50 and older; EliteSingles.com for professionals; DateMyPet.com for animal lovers; VeggieDate.org for vegetarians; JDate.com for Jewish singles; BlackPeopleMeet.com for African Americans; and ChristianMingle.com for Christians.

- Create a profile: When you join a matchmaking site you'll need to create a personality profile that reflects who you are, including recent photos, hobbies, interests, favorite activities and more. If you need some help, sites like ProfileHelper.com can write one for you for a fee.

- Use caution: When you register with a site you remain anonymous. No one gets access to your personal contact information until you decide to give it out, so be prudent whom you give it to. Before meeting, you should chat on the phone or video chat a few times, and when you do meet in person for the first time, meet in a public place or bring a friend along.



Savvy Senior

And if someone asks for money, don't send it. Online dating/sweetheart scams are out there so be aware. If you want to be extra cautious, you can even do a quick background check on your date at MyMatchChecker.com.

- Don't be naive: In an effort to get more responses, many people will exaggerate or flat out lie in their profiles, or post pictures that are 10 years old or 20 pounds lighter. So don't believe everything you see or read.

- Make an effort: A lot of times, people – especially women – sit back and let others come to them. Don't be afraid to make the first

move. When you find someone you like, send a short note that says, "I really enjoyed your profile. I think we have some things in common." Keep it simple.

- Don't get discouraged: If you don't get a response from someone, don't let it bother you. Just move on. There are many others that will be interested in you and it only takes one person to make online dating worthwhile.

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Tigers drop games against Thunderbolts and Hurons

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity boys basketball team had the upper-hand over Mio earlier in the season. However, Friday night the host Thunderbolts got their revenge, as they topped the Tigers 49-39 in a North Star League (NSL) tilt.

In the opening quarter, Jordan Steiner found the bottom of the net on an early three, but the Tigers couldn't get much else going in the frame, falling behind 17-7 after one quarter.

Playing in the second, Devon Mills buried a three and the Tigers got at least one point from four other players but they weren't able to pull closer as both teams netted nine points in the period, making it 26-16 at the half.

The Thunderbolts pulled further away in the third quarter with a 12-9 advantage. The Tigers closed out the game with their best quarter, getting a pair of threes by Steiner. Antavious Mikazes

scored four points but the Thunderbolts had enough to hang on for the win.

Steiner finished with 14 points to lead the Tigers. Mikazes had 11 points. Mills finished with five and Conner McCoy had four points.

On Wednesday, Jan. 31 the Tigers played a road NSL game in Rogers City, where they fell 42-36.

"We missed baskets early and committed too many turnovers all game to win," said head coach Ryan Bilbey. "We only scored eight points in the first so it is pretty hard to compete against a hard working team like Rogers City if we play like that."

The Hurons outscored the Tigers 12-4 in both the first and second quarters, giving them a healthy 24-8 lead at the half.

The Tigers got four points from Mikazes and a three by Alex Stephenson in the third quarter, and their defense held the Hurons to five points to help them pull within 29-

17. Steiner buried three treys and Mills hit for two as Alcona made a late comeback bid, however it couldn't quite crawl all the way back.

The Tigers had Steiner finish with 13 points, Mills put in nine, Stephenson had seven and Mikazes added four.

On Tuesday, Jan. 30 the Tigers picked up a road NSL win in Posen, 59-46.

"We had good production from our guards offensively and outstanding defense most of the game," Bilbey said. "Some early foul trouble caused us to let off the gas defensively for a little bit in the second quarter. The boys played aggressive and smart in the third."

The Tigers opened the game on an 8-0 run and led 19-9 after the first. The Vikings played well in the second closing the gap to as slim as 25-22 until another Alcona run lifted it to a 33-26 lead after two quarters.

Alcona continued to control the pace in the third and carried a 48-35 margin entering the fourth.

Leading the Tigers was Mills with 13 points, Steiner added 10, Stephenson had nine. Pierce Bilbey, Mikazes and Damion Stewart added

six each. Alcona (8-5 overall, 6-4 NSL) hosted Rogers City on Tuesday, heads to league-leading Hillman on Friday, Feb. 9; travels to Whittemore-Prescott February 13 and hosts Oscoda February 16.



The following individuals were sentenced in 81st District Court in January by the Honorable Laura A. Frawley.

- Bryan Marshall West, 24, of Mikado was sentenced to 20 days in jail, fines and costs of \$775 and restitution of \$6.79 for retrial fraud, third degree (under \$200).

- Cari Lynn Johnston, 39, of Spruce was sentenced to four days in jail, one year of probation, 40 hours of community service and fines and costs of \$990 for failure to report and accident and no insurance.

- Christine Michelle Sanders, 41, of Mikado was sentenced to seven days in jail, one year of probation, 80 hours of community service and fines and costs of \$2,030 for operating while intoxicated.

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OWA - LDFA
February Meeting Rescheduled
 The February 20, 2018 meeting of Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport – Local Development Finance Authority (OWA-LDFA) has been rescheduled. The meeting is now scheduled to start at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 13, 2018. OWA-LDFA meetings are conducted in the Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Conference room which is located at 3961 E. Airport, Drive, Oscoda. For additional information please call (989) 739-1111.

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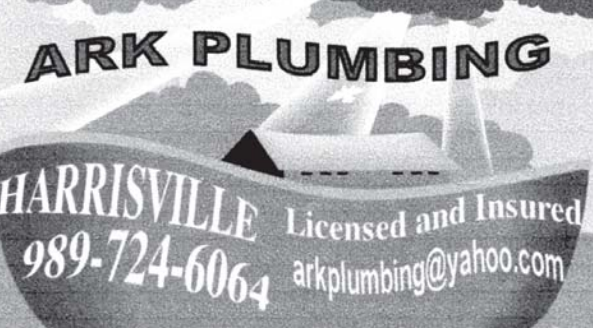
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2018 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW
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MIKADO CIVIC CENTER
2291 S. F-41
Mikado, MI 48745

Tuesday, March 6 at 5:30 p.m. - Organizational Meeting
No appeals will be taken at this meeting.

Wednesday, March 14, 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 Friday, March 16, 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Review will meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests, and to equalize the 2018 assessments. By Board Resolution, residents are able to protest by letter. Written protests should be mailed to:
 Mikado Township Assessor,
 2836 E. McNeil Rd., Lincoln, MI 48742
and MUST be received by March 13, 2018.

The tentative ratios and estimated multipliers provided by the Alcona Equalization Department for each class of real property and personal property for 2018 are as follows:

	RATIOS	MULTIPLIERS
AGRICULTURAL	49.49	1.01030
COMMERCIAL	50.10	0.99800
INDUSTRIAL	N/A	N/A
RESIDENTIAL	49.81	1.00381
TIMBER CUTOVER	N/A	N/A
DEVELOPMENT	N/A	N/A
PERSONAL PROPERTY	50.00	1.00000

American with Disabilities (ADA) Notice
 The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon 7 - day notice. Contact (989) 736-7721.
 1/31 thru 2/14

Fishing for walleye and whitefish on Saginaw Bay

Many anglers flock to Saginaw Bay in the winter to target walleye and experience an added perk – the possibility of catching lake whitefish. To target walleye, many anglers jig with spoons of various colors. Anglers may also want to tip their spoon with a minnow to further entice them. To target lake whitefish, many anglers use spawn or a wax worm on a spoon to encourage bites. Check out the Michigan Fish and How to Catch Them website for even more information on fishing for walleye and lake whitefish.

Northeast Michigan Fishing Report




Northeast Lower Peninsula February 1

• **Black Lake:** Fishing pressure has picked up. Walleye anglers have caught 18 to 21 inch fish in six to 15 feet when using blues. Early morning or dusk was best. Anglers were catching perch averaging six inches in 10 to 18 feet. A few 28 to 32-inch

pike were caught but many were undersize. Anglers need to use caution near the river mouths and the large pressure crack on the southeast side of the lake.

• **Higgins Lake:** The lake is slippery with only a dusting of snow on top so anglers might want to bring ice cleats for easier travel. Caution should still be used near the creek mouths. The bite slowed some but anglers were still taking a few whitefish. Perch were caught but anglers were doing a lot of sorting to get a few keepers. Smelt were caught along the drop-off in 30 to 60 feet in the evening however, the bite was

not consistent. Those spearing or using tip-ups with large minnows have taken some pike.

• **Houghton Lake:** The DNR launch ramp on the east side of the lake is temporarily inaccessible as the cement planks have buckled. Anglers can still walk out from the access site but will not be able to take vehicles out at this site. Anglers should be aware of a pressure crack in the East Bay and at the entrance to the North Bay. The lake had about an inch of snow on top but anglers may still want to bring cleats for easier travel.

Anglers are getting lots of pike. The bass became active and the bluegill bite was decent in the morning. For walleye, the better bite was between 4 p.m. and sundown. Anglers are using jiggging spoons and Rapalas tipped with blues. Orange and glow were the hot colors. Some were also using shiners or sucker minnows on tip-ups.

Tawas: Walleye fishing was kind of slow over the last week. One group fishing over the artificial reef off Jerry's Marina caught a few walleye and some lake trout while another group out near the tip of Tawas Point did not do quite as well. Several pike were speared in Tawas Bay but the perch fishing was slow.

• **AuGres:** A few anglers fishing north of the breakwall were seeing walleye but none were caught. Those fishing south of the breakwall caught some perch and walleye. The area near the Pine River mouth had muddy water and poor fishing after the thaw but the bite did pick up so walleye were perch were found in eight feet. Anglers need to beware of the pressure crack out there and avoid it as most were not crossing it.

Circuit Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 23rd Circuit Court in December 2017 by the Honorable Laura A. Frawley.

- Dan Wesley Hough, 42, of Glennie was sentenced to a minimum of 11 years, with a maximum of 25 years in prison for assault, harm less than murder. He was also sentenced to two to 10 years for assault with a weapon and 93 days for domestic violence. His sentences will be served concurrently. He was also sentenced to \$1,916 in fines and costs.
- Aaron William Warren, 47, of Glennie was sentenced to one year in jail, with credit for 237 days served, and fines and costs of \$2,128 for domestic violence, third degree.
- Kevin Ray Murray, 18, of Crosswell, Mich. was sentenced to one year of proba-

tion and fines and costs of \$1,436 for carrying a concealed weapon and possession of a controlled substance – marijuana.

• Christopher R. Gould-Durfee Jr., 21, of Lincoln was sentenced to two years of probation, 180 days in jail, with credit for 56 days served, and fines and costs of \$1,808 for interference with an electronic device.

• Carrie Ann Reams, 27, of Oscoda was sentenced to 30 days in jail, with credit of four days served, and fines and costs of \$1,298 for attempted assault with a weapon.

• Steven Michael Little, 33, of National City, Mich. was sentenced to one year in jail, with credit for 39 days served, and fines and costs of \$1,858 for probation violation and delivery of a controlled substance less than 50 grams.

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Celebrating 100 years of wild elk

Michigan's native herd of elk – massive animals standing four to five feet tall at the shoulder and weighing more than 600 pounds – had disappeared from the state by about 1875.

What followed has been remarkable conservation story. This year marks the centennial of elk restoration efforts in Michigan, which represents the contributions of many led by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Today's healthy and abundant elk population is found in the northeastern Lower Peninsula. During a January 2017 elk survey, approximately 1,100 elk were estimated to be in Michigan's elk range, which includes the Pigeon River Country State Forest.

With their large profile and habit of gathering in groups, it would seem elk would be hard to miss, although elk remain a wild animal that many people have never seen or heard.

"Being able to see a wild elk in its natural habitat is a pretty special moment," said Brian Mastenbrook, northern Lower Peninsula field operations manager for the DNR's Wildlife Division. "Their size and presence can take your breath away, not to mention if you get the chance to hear one bugle."

An adult male elk, also called a bull, can weigh over 600 pounds. A female, or a cow, tends to be a smaller and doesn't carry around the large set of antlers a bull can. A bull's antlers alone can weigh 40 pounds.

Bulls bugle to communicate with females and each other during the September and October breeding months.

The DNR is working this year to bring additional awareness to Michigan's elk population, while celebrating the 100th anniversary of the beginning of the recovery story. Recently, the image of a common loon on Michigan's specialty wildlife license plate was replaced for the first time. The plates show an elk for 2018.

"A change brings attention, and a new image on the wildlife habitat license plate will do two things: it will get people talking about elk and connect elk to Michigan, while also giving a needed boost for the nongame fish and wildlife fund," said DNR Wildlife Division Chief Russ Mason.

All funds derived from the special wildlife habitat license plates are dedicated to the nongame fish and wildlife fund.

"It seemed fitting the first time the plate had seen a change since it originated 16 years ago, would be dedicated to an animal that had actually disappeared from Michigan," Mason said.

Historically, elk were well-documented across Michigan, although like many wild animals their numbers drastically changed when settlement occurred.

Elk were killed without restriction. There were no limits on how many elk could be harvested, no designated



This bull elk and the rest of the state's elk herd, have been living in Michigan for 100 years. *Photos courtesy of Michigan DNR.*

hunting seasons or regulations on the hunting methods. Laws were not in place to protect wild animals.

"All things that are regulated today to ensure a healthy and sustainable population, were not always in place," said DNR Elk Program specialist Chad Stewart. "The DNR didn't exist. Settlers needed to feed their families, and people could make a living by harvesting and selling elk meat and other parts."

Elk were harvested for a profit, also known as market hunting, which is illegal today. As the state was settled, large tracts of land were cleared, and timber was har-

vested to build homes and communities and shipped to large cities like Chicago. Land also was cleared to grow crops and raise livestock.

"Everything happening at about the same time in the late 1800s added up and was detrimental to many wildlife populations," Stewart said. "Elk were wiped out, and Michigan's forests looked much different."

During that time, conservationists across the country were focused on reestablishing wildlife populations, and relocation was a popular method. In Michigan, large

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2017 Board of Review Notice
Gustin Township
Gustin Township Hall
313 S. Second Street
Lincoln, MI 48742

2018 Board of Review Meeting Schedule
 Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.
 Organizational Meeting
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Monday, March 12, 2018, 1:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 13, 2018, 1:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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	Real Property	Personal Property
Agriculture	50.64%	N/A
Commercial	51.02%	50%
Industrial	50.53%	50%
Residential	49.91%	N/A
Timber-Cutover	N/A	N/A
Developmental	N/A	N/A
Utilities	N/A	50%

2/7 thru 2/21

REQUEST FOR BIDS
HARRISVILLE HARBOR PHASE 2 –
DOCK RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The City of Harrisville and the Harrisville Harbor Commission are requesting bids for reconstructing portions of the fixed and floating dockage systems within Harrisville Harbor. Sealed Bids will be received until 1:00 p.m. EST, February 23, 2018 at the Harrisville Harbor Office, 1 East Harbor Lane, Harrisville, Michigan 48740. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on Wednesday, February 14th at 11:00 a.m. EST at the harbor office. Contract Documents are available through the office of Edgewater Resources, LLC. Hard copies are available for a non-refundable fee of \$175.00 per set and digital copies are available free of charge. Interested parties should contact Colin Hassenger, PE for obtaining Contract Documents at chassenger@edgewaterresources.com.

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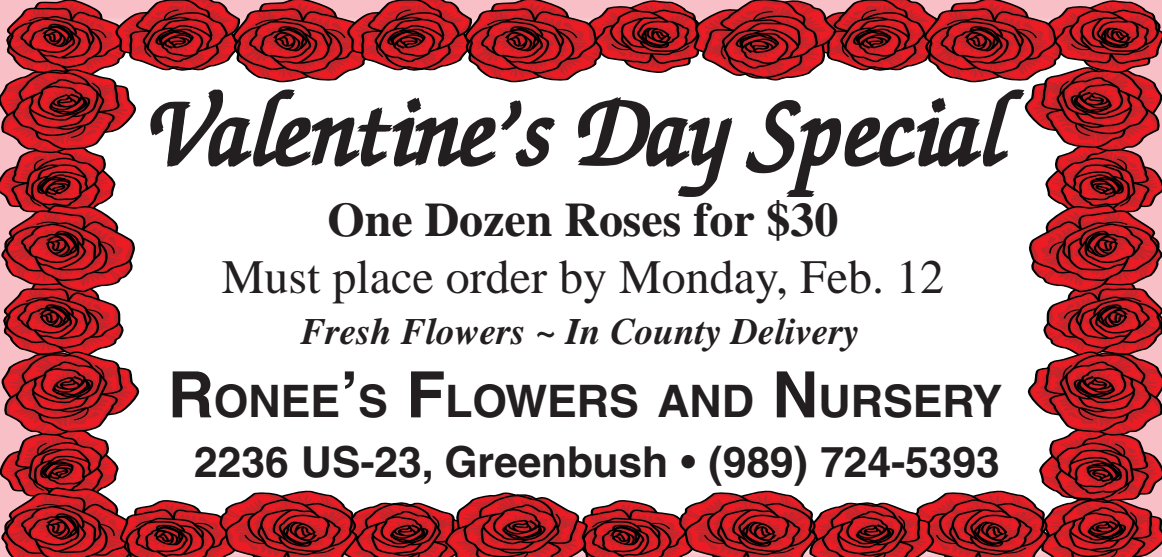
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114 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 4 Arrests; 2 Warrant Arrests; 1 No Insurance; 1 Operate While Intoxicated; 5 Traffic Tickets Issued.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	12	Traffic/Traffic Stop	45
Medical	18	Warrant Arrest	2
Property Damage Accident	7	Personal Injury Accident	2
Animal/Dog	6	Fraud	2
Alarm	3	No Insurance	1
Well Being Check	3	Suspicious Event	1
Burglary	1	Civil	2
Operate While Intoxicated	1	Threats	3
Juvenile	1	Open Door	1
Domestic	1	Lost Property	1
Probation Violation	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	10	Caledonia	9	Curtis	12
Greenbush	9	Gustin	8	Harrisville	14
Hawes	11	Haynes	11	Mikado	5
Millen	6	Mitchell	10		
Harrisville City	6	Village of Lincoln	3		

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tracts of public land were available in the northeast Lower Peninsula. Forests cleared there in previous decades had resulted in young, thick forests, producing good habitat for elk.

Sometimes called wapiti, elk are herbivores and therefore eat plants, grasses and young, woody vegetation.

In 1918, seven elk were brought from western states to Wolverine, Mich. By 1939, historical accounts reported an estimated 400 elk in Michigan, and the number continued to grow to 1,000 by 1958.

"Elk flourished, numbers increased, and active management of elk was needed," Mastenbrook said.

As elk numbers grew in Michigan, the animals dispersed outside their limited range, resulting in complaints. The public tolerance of elk peaked – the social carrying capacity was reached. Poaching – the illegal take of wildlife – became a significant issue with elk.

"In both 1964 and 1965, successful regulated hunts were held," Mastenbrook said. "Unfortunately, after the initial two hunts, elk were being poached left and right."

Elk were thought to be affecting agricultural crops and tree regeneration, while also competing with deer for food.

In 1975, the Michigan Elk Management Plan was developed to establish manage-



Michigan's elk range holds most of the elk population and includes the Pigeon River Country State Forest.

ment goals. During this same time, the elk population plummeted to around 200 animals. The desire to find a population goal that would satisfy all parties was needed.


"Forests and crop fields are a buffet for wild animals, and finding the balance of the right number of animals was important," Stewart said.

It was determined a management goal of 500-600 elk was the ideal number of elk that would be accepted socially. Later, in 2012, when the elk plan was revisited and updated, the population goal was reset at 500-900 animals. Regulated hunting was determined to be the best way to manage the number of elk and where they will be

found. Since 1984, annual hunting has been used to control the number and the locations of elk in northern Michigan.

Only Michigan residents can hunt an elk, and an application and weighted lottery system was created. In the past, 100-200 elk hunting licenses have been available each year.

During the centennial, the DNR has several commemorative activities planned, including Elk University, local dedications and as the fall gets closer, elk viewing information made available for wildlife watchers. For more information on elk, check out the DNR website at www.mi.gov/elk.



Start planning now for how sustainably your garden will function in the coming year. Will you use soaker hoses instead of sprinklers, or set up a rain barrel to collect rain water? How often will you water? Will you set up a rain gauge so that you don't water more often than is needed? Position watering devices to keep water from falling into storm gutters, walkways or into the street. Keep all outdoor faucets in good repair so as not to drip. Consider plants that use less water overall.

Re-think your water usage

Source: www.missouribotanicalgarden.org - Brenda Weaver

Calendar of Events

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Nothing says I love you like cheese. Adam Beckta will present an entertaining history of cheese from around the world, as he creates a cheese plate with food pairings and non-alcoholic beverages. A question and answer session with cheesy samples will take place after the presentation. This event will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 1:30 p.m. There is a \$5 charge per person. To register or for more information, call (989) 724-6796.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Read the paper, eat a muffin and enjoy coffee supplied by Alcona Coffee from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

Do you hate hearts and flowers? Do you think Cupid is stupid? If you don't fall for this overrated Hallmark holiday; come to an Anti-Valentine's Day craft party from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. This is a program for ages 10 through 18. Call (989) 724-6796 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.

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. Call (989) 727-3606 for details.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. First meeting is free, handicap accessible. For more info., call (989) 464-3526.

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.

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch

of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

"Free Range Crafts" will meet from 10 a.m. to noon 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.

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Anyone interested in amateur radio emergency and public service communications is invited to attend the Alcona County Amateur Radio Group meeting at the EMS building located at 2600 East M-72 at 6:30 p.m. Refresh-

ments will be served. Contact Stan Darmofal at (989) 724-5550 or visit www.alconaradio.org.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

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. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Read the paper, eat a muffin and enjoy coffee supplied by Alcona Coffee from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

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



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Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



Friends honor Mr. & Mrs. W.F. Carle

February 4, 1943 ~ If rumors and morning after comments are correct "One of the nicest parties ever held in Harrisville" was held Sunday night at Alcona Beach in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Carle, who were celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary. About sixty-five local people gathered to congratulate their friends of long standing, and the compliments of everyone who was called upon to say something, was surpassed only by the trib-

ute shown in the fact that the crowd consisted of the greatest cross-section crowd of people ever assembled here.

The dinner, which was to be served at seven-thirty, was preceded by a mock wedding with Chas. B. Olds as the minister. That started everyone on a very enjoyable evening for Charlie had a lot of comedy up his swallow-tailed coat sleeve and under his derby hat. The 'blushing bride' was attended by Mrs. Minnie Conklin, a guest at the wedding fifty years ago. Jos.

Baror acted as best man.

Miss Pearl Henderson was in charge of the party and very ably acted in that capacity. Following the dinner, KIKI Cuyler lead the group singing of some of the old favorite songs and also sang "I Love You Truly" for the honored guests. Mrs. C. S. Brown accompanied at the piano. A great number of the older friends of the Carles were called upon first, and Mrs. M. Conklin described the Carle wedding which she attended fifty years ago. Another description of the

wedding was read by Mrs. E. Chapelle as taken from the pages of the Review of that date. A Guest Book for the signatures of those present, was presented to the honored guests from Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Chapelle. Then followed a succession of compliments and congratulations from practically all the friends present who were called upon to say a few words. S. C. Yockey, (Who is temporarily residing in Alpena, braved a stormy night to pay honor to his life-long friend and neighbor) presented

the Carle's with a gold gift from the assembled group. It is not within the powers of description of the writer to describe the feeling that came over the group when Mr. Carle arose to his feet to thank his friends for the nice things said and done for them. He said, "I feel that every one here is my friend. I hope I have been worthy of them. I tried to be".

Volumns could be written on this subject but when a couple are toasted, congratulated and honored by the entire village which includes neighbors who know them intimately there can't be much question as to whether they deserve it or not. So in conclusion let the author add: The setting, the food and the crowd were wonderful. a just compliment for a wonderful couple. It was as if there was an inscription on the fireplace in front of which we were setting which read:

Old wood to burn.
Old times to repeat.
Old friends to greet.

The Carles have been prominent citizens of our city for many years. Mr. Carle has operated an Undertaking Establishment in Harrisville since 1907, having purchased the business from Charles Mayo in that year. He is still actively engaged in his profession.

An account of their wedding on January 31, 1893, as taken from the files of the Review, follows:

Married—Tuesday, January 31, 1893, at the Alcona House in the village of Harrisville, Mr. Will F. Carle of Joliet, Ill., to Miss Sarah McGillis of Alcona county.

The groom is a son of Mrs. ft. Carle, proprietor of the Alcona House and was a resident for many years of this county, having been engaged in the hotel and merchantile business in Alcona village in its palmy days, coming to Harrisville at the opening of the Alcona House. Since leaving Harrisville he has been railroading and is at present located in IN.

The bride is well and favorably known as a resident of Harrisville and Mikado townships and enjoys the friendship and esteem of a wide circle of acquaintances.

The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock p. m, by Justice Beede in the presence of fifteen invited guests and an hour later they sat down to discuss an elaborate menu, served in Mrs. Carle's most approved style. This was followed by music and an enjoyable evening was passed, oysters being served at 9 o'clock, making a pleasing variation. The bride and groom were the recipients of many valuable gifts. They will remain in Harrisville until Saturday when they will take their departure for Joliet, Ill., where they will make their home for the present.

The following were present by invitation: Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lee of Mikado, Mrs. J. Taft, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Chapelle, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Conklin, the Misses Matie and Lyda Taft, and Messrs Chas. Mayo, F. A. Beede, L.W. Taft, Fred Reynolds, H.A. Joughlin, and Walter Chapelle.

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Alcona Review Weather Report

Seven Day Forecast

WEDNESDAY
Few Snow Showers
High: 22 Low: 5

THURSDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 20 Low: 7

FRIDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 19 Low: 4

SATURDAY
Chance Snow Showers
High: 22 Low: 13

SUNDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 26 Low: 12

MONDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 27 Low: 13

TUESDAY
Cloudy
High: 31 Low: 17

Today's Regional Map

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 55% chance of snow showers, high of 22°, humidity of 64%. West wind 3 to 9 mph. Snow accumulation of less than one inch possible. The record high for today is 51° set in 2009. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 5°. West wind 9 mph.

*Last Week's Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Tuesday	20	11	27/10	Trace
Wednesday	35	20	27/10	0.05"
Thursday	30	10	27/10	0.05"
Friday	16	-1	27/10	Trace
Saturday	23	9	27/10	0.14"
Sunday	23	-2	27/10	0.11"
Monday	19	-13	28/10	Trace

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

		Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset		
Last 2/7		Wednesday	7:46 a.m.	5:50 p.m.	1:01 a.m.	11:44 a.m.		First 2/23
		Thursday	7:45 a.m.	5:52 p.m.	2:02 a.m.	12:16 p.m.		
		Friday	7:43 a.m.	5:53 p.m.	3:01 a.m.	12:51 p.m.		
		Saturday	7:42 a.m.	5:55 p.m.	3:57 a.m.	1:31 p.m.		
		Sunday	7:41 a.m.	5:56 p.m.	4:49 a.m.	2:16 p.m.		
New 2/15		Monday	7:39 a.m.	5:57 p.m.	5:37 a.m.	3:05 p.m.		Full 3/1
		Tuesday	7:38 a.m.	5:59 p.m.	6:21 a.m.	3:59 p.m.		

Local UV Index

0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11+

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

National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see cloudy skies Wednesday with widespread rain and snow, partly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday with scattered snow Friday, highest temperature of 52 in Salisbury, Md. The Southeast will experience mostly cloudy skies Wednesday with scattered showers and thunderstorms, partly to mostly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday with scattered showers, highest temperature of 81 in Golden Gate, Fla. In the Northwest there will be partly cloudy skies through Friday with isolated snow, highest temperature of 67 in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies through Friday, highest temperature of 81 in Anaheim, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	7:37 a.m.	5:04 p.m.
Venus	8:11 a.m.	6:22 p.m.
Mars	3:10 a.m.	12:19 p.m.
Jupiter	1:50 a.m.	11:33 a.m.
Saturn	5:19 a.m.	2:13 p.m.
Uranus	10:16 a.m.	11:34 p.m.

Weather History

Feb. 7, 1978 - The worst winter storm of record struck coastal New England. The storm produced 27.5 inches of snow at Boston and nearly 50 inches in northeastern Rhode Island. The 14-foot tide at Portland, Maine was probably the highest tide of the century.

Weather Trivia

What do you see when you see your breath?

?

Answer: Condensed water vapor.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Girl with a Pearl Earring

During my nine years teaching astronomy at Moravian College, I have had many groups of students filter through my classes. In the beginning it was music majors, then I went through a more eclectic period, and now the Saudis have discovered that astronomy can be fun. The majority of my pupils, particularly those majoring in the visual arts, believe that they are disconnected from the sciences and mathematics; so my first responsibility is to ease their angst about a discipline in which they believe that success is a myth. Two books have proven supportive of my philosophy in helping students understand that they can all "do" science: Bulent Atalay's Math and the Mona Lisa: The Art and Science of Leonardo da Vinci, Smithsonian Books, 2014, and Laura J. Snyder's, Eye of the Beholder: Johannes Vermeer, Antoni van Leeuwenhoek, and the Reinvention of Seeing, W.W. Norton & Company, 2015. Atalay's theme in my mind is simply this. Inherent within the ability of any good artist to conceive enduring works is a mathematical sense of proportions, the golden triangle, and the golden rectangle, etc., which gives the artist the ability to place objects in their proper place, perspective, and proportions to one another to be pleasing to the viewer, who also possesses these instinctual concepts, but to a lesser degree. Most artists give no thought about how mathematical their minds must be in order to create good art - they simply create, but da Vinci (1452-1519) was different, understanding the process and experimenting with it laboriously as he slowly created his masterpieces over the duration of years of work. Like da Vinci, Johannes Vermeer (1632-1675) was also an experimenter, using the camera obscura, a precursor to modern photographic perspective, to create many of the scenes and subjects which he painted. The device projected an inverted image onto a screen or canvas through a pinhole or lens, creating the perspective of a photograph and a greater ability for Vermeer to manipulate light, something with which I could easily identify. Camera obscuras were being "reinvented" by 17th century Dutch artists. Given the opportunity to own da Vinci's Mona Lisa or Vermeer's Girl with a Pearl Earring, it would be Vermeer hands down.

www.astronomy.org

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. LANGUAGE:** What is a lexicon?
- 2. PSYCHOLOGY:** What is a fear of fish called?
- 3. ASTRONOMY:** What is the sixth planet from the sun?
- 4. U.S. STATES:** Which is the only U.S. state to begin with the letter "P"?
- 5. SCIENCE:** What is the term used when heat is transferred through a solid object?
- 6. FAMOUS QUOTES:** Which 20th-century playwright once said, "If you can't get rid of the skeleton in your closet, you'd best teach it to dance"?
- 7. MOVIES:** In what movie did an American actress say: "Fasten your seatbelts. It's going to be a bumpy night"?
- 8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What kind of flower bulbs once were used as a form of currency?
- 9. ART:** What is the painting called "La Gioconda" more commonly known as?
- 10. HISTORY:** When did the Cold War between the United States and the Soviet Union end?

Answers: 1. Dictionary; 2. Ichthyophobia; 3. Saturn; 4. Pennsylvania; 5. Conduction; 6. George Bernard Shaw; 7. Bette Davis, in "All About Eve"; 8. Tulips; 9. "The Mona Lisa"; 10. 1991

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Kovels: Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

As fashions change in clothing, so do fashions in furniture and design. Norman Rockwell was considered a commercial artist of little value for many years, but now his original paintings for magazine covers can sell for millions of dollars.

A strange table made by John Scott Bradstreet (1845-1914) recently was offered at a Cowan auction in Cincinnati. Bradstreet was a leading interior designer, decorator and tastemaker in Minneapolis for many years before he died in a car crash in 1914. The table was in the Arts and Crafts style -- sort of. Bradstreet went to Japan many times, and his designs were influenced by Asian arts and bits of many other styles: English Arts and Crafts, Moorish, Gothic, the Aesthetic Movement and the works of Whistler.

The wooden center table sold in the auction was covered with shallow carvings that followed the grain. The technique, called by the Japanese name *jin-di-sugi*, used cypress, a soft wood that, after a long time in water or mud, develops raised lines in the grain. The wood was then scorched, brushed, carved and waxed, a process that was modernized and patented by Bradstreet. Few pieces like this are known, and many of these are in museums.

The auctioned table had side panels that flipped down to make small display shelves on each side. We looked for more information about this table and the maker, and found that it had sold in 2005 for an estimated price of \$50,000 to \$75,000. This time, the table brought \$24,000.

Q: We were recently given a collection of hatpins. They were passed on from my fiancée's grandmother. We believe they are from around 1921. We'd like to know more about them.

A: Women wore bonnets that tied under the chin until about 1860. Hatpins came into use when hats without ties became fashionable and the pins were needed to hold them on. Hatpins also were used to pin hairpieces on to create the puffy hairstyles popular in the late 1800s and early 1900s. When smaller hats and shorter hair became popular in the 1920s, hatpins were no longer needed. Hatpins have been made of a variety of materials, can be simple or ornate, and can be as long as 12 inches. They sell today for less than \$15 to a few hundred dollars. Their value is determined by workmanship and the materials. Gold, silver or valuable jewels increase the hatpin's value.

Tip: To clean the stem and bowl of a collectible briar pipe, dip a pipe cleaner in vodka, and push it through the stem. Use a dry pipe cleaner for any pipe but a briar pipe.

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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

• On Feb. 16, 1848, composer and pianist Frederic Chopin plays his final Paris concert. Chopin's musical goal had been to speak to the heart and soul of man. Upon his death, at his request, Chopin's sister was able to smuggle his heart in a jar back to Poland, where it was buried in a church.

• On Feb. 18, 1856, the American Party, also known as the "Know-Nothing Party," convenes in Philadelphia to nominate its first presidential candidate. The Know-Nothing movement began in the 1840s as a result of increasing immigration. When questioned by the press, members would reply that they knew nothing, hence the name.

• On Feb. 14, 1929, penicillin is discovered by Sir Alexander Fleming, a bacteriologist. Fleming left a plate of staphylococcus bacteria uncovered, and noticed that mold that had fallen on the culture had killed many of the bacteria.

• On Feb. 13, 1945, Allied firebombing raids begin against the German city of Dresden, reducing the city to rubble. The medieval city, renowned for its artistic and architectural treasures, had never been a site of war production or major industry.

• On Feb. 15, 1950, Walt Disney's animated feature "Cinderella," six years in the making, opens in theaters. "Cinderella" has been rereleased periodically to keep its popularity alive among new generations.

• On Feb. 17, 1966, Brian Wilson of the Beach Boys rolls tape on take one of "Good Vibrations." Six months, four studios and \$50,000 later, he completed his 3 minute, 39 second symphony, pieced together from more than 90 hours of tape recorded during hundreds of sessions.

• On Feb. 12, 1999, the five-week impeachment trial of Bill Clinton resulting from his affair with 21-year-old intern Monica Lewinsky comes to an end. The Senate voted to acquit on both articles of impeachment: perjury and obstruction of justice.

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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

• It was Italian novelist, philosopher and university professor Umberto Eco who made the following sage observation: "Fear prophets and those prepared to die for the truth, for as a rule they make many others die with them, often before them, at times instead of them."

• The average (presumably non-bearded) man will shave at least 20,000 times over the course of his lifetime.

• Although it is a dog, the dhole, which is native to Asia, doesn't bark; to communicate with other members of its pack, it whistles. Evidently, that high-pitched sound carries better than low-pitched barking in the dense forests where it lives.

• Third-century Saint Lawrence of Rome was martyred for his faith by being roasted alive on a gridiron. I suppose it makes a certain kind of sense, then, that he's the patron saint of cooks and tanners.

• If you're not in a romantic mood as Valentine's Day approaches, you might want to consider reviving the vinegar valentine popular in the 19th century. Rather than conveying love and affection, these insulting missives -- usually sent anonymously, for obvious reasons -- were dripping with sarcasm and black humor. Some were intended to discourage unwanted suitors, but others were just mean, accusing the recipient of being too aggressive (for women) or too submissive (for men) or of putting on airs, among other things. There were even occupation-specific cards targeted at doctors, salesladies, artists, etc. According to an article in Smithsonian magazine, in the mid-1800s, these vinegar valentines accounted for half of all valentine sales in the United States.

• Those who study such things say that 20 percent of American men have spent at least one night in jail.

Thought for the Day: "One of the truest tests of integrity is its blunt refusal to be compromised." - Chinua Achebe

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Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Mortgage sale - A mortgage was granted by Joseph A. Rutkowski, a single man and Connie L. Forsythe, a married woman, mortgagor(s), to Dort Federal Credit Union, 2845 Davison Road, Flint, Mich. 48506, mortgagee, dated July 25, 2008, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, and state of Michigan, on July 31, 2008, in Liber 454 on page 783 of Alcona County records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of thirty thousand six hundred fifty eight dollars at 4.0 percent per annum and attorney fees as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said

mortgage, or any part thereof; notice is hereby given by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage. And, pursuant to the statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on February 14, 2018, at 10 a.m. local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder in the Alcona County circuit courthouse in Harrisville, Michigan (that being the building where the circuit court for the county of Alcona is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, aforesaid, on said mortgage with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: Township of Curtis, county of Alcona and state of Michigan, to wit: Lot

8 of the supervisor's plat of Larry's Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of plats, page 170, Alcona County records. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241 a, the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale. 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. John W. Butler (P 33908) Attorney for Mortgagee 24525 Harper Avenue St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 (586) 777-0770 Dated: January 10, 2018 1-10, 1-17, 1-24, 1-31, 2-7

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on February 14, 2018: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Ronald K. Smith and Andrea K. Smith, husband and wife. Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. Foreclosing Assignee (if any): J.G. Wentworth Home Lending, LLC. Date of mortgage: August 3, 2015. Date of mortgage recording: August 7, 2015. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$81,100.94 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in township of Gustin, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: Lots 1 and 2 of Block 25 of the Village of

Killmaster, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 13, Alcona County records. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: January 17, 2018 Trott Law, P.C. 1338163 1-17, 1-24, 1-31, 2-7

Case No. 17-2861-CH Circuit Court Sale

In pursuance and by virtue of a judgment of the circuit court for the county of Alcona, state of Michigan, made and entered on November 21, 2017, PNC Bank, national association successor by merger to National City Bank in a certain cause therein pending, wherein PNC Bank, national association successor by merger to National City Bank was the plaintiff, and Daniel G. Waelchli and Ethel A. Waelchli, husband and wife, were the defendants. Notice is hereby given that I shall sell, at public auction to the highest bidder, at public venue, at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Mich., that being the place of holding the circuit court for Alcona County, on the 7th day of March, A.D., 2018, at 10 a.m. o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described prop-

erty, to-wit: All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the township of Haynes, county of Alcona and state of Michigan, described as follows: situated in the township of Haynes, county of Alcona, and state of Michigan, to-wit: Part of north-east 1/4 of northwest 1/4 Section 25, Township 27 North, Range 9 East, described as: Parcel "C;" commencing at northwest corner of said Section 25; thence south 88 deg. 36' east, along the North Section line 1320.80 feet to the northwest corner of SD 40 acres; thence south 1 deg. 47' 57" west, along the west line of SD 40 acres, 630.93 feet to point of beginning; thence south 88 deg. 36' east, 1022.58 feet; thence south 4 deg. 46' 03" east, 317.30 feet; thence north 88 deg. 36' west, 1058.87 feet to a point on said west line; thence north 1 deg. 47' 57" east along said west line, 315.46 feet to point of beginning: to-

gether with and subject to the right of ingress and egress over and across a 75 foot easement as described on plat which will allow access to US-23 Highway. And also subject to a continuation of this 75 feet, easement running in a northerly direction over and across the west edge of captioned Parcel "C" which allows others access to Parcels "A & B" per plat. Commonly Known as: 1930 North US-23, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. Parcel Number: 080-025-200-015-00. This property may be redeemed during the six months following the sale. Dated: January 17, 2018 Alcona County, Doug Atchison, Sheriff Benjamin N. Hoen (P81415) Attorney for Plaintiff 323 W. Lakeside Ave., Ste. 200 Cleveland, Ohio 44113 WWR No. 10142960 1-17, 1-24, 1-31, 2-7, 2-14, 2-21

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Mortgage sale—Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Gerald Orban, a single man, mortgagor, to First National Bank of America, mortgagee, dated February 7, 2007, and recorded February 14, 2007, in Liber 439, page 315, of Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice \$39,673.27, including interest at 10.95 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the state of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2018, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan. Said premises are situated in the township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The north 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, T28N, R9E, except a parcel of land located on the

SW corner of this legally described property being 200 feet on Barlow Road and being 250 feet in depth; and the south 1/2 of the south 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, T28N, R9E, commonly known as (c/k/a): 5150 F-41 North, Black River, Mich. 48721. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale, unless the premises are determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be one month, or until the time to provide the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later. Please be advised that if the mortgaged property is sold at a foreclosure sale by advertisement, 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: January 24, 2018 LeVasseur Dyer & Associates, PC Attorneys for Mortgagee P.O. Box 721400 Berkley, MI 48072 (248) 236-1765 1-24, 1-31, 2-7, 2-14

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on February 14, 2018: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Ashley N. Kellogg, a married woman. Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Cason Home Loans its successors and assigns. Foreclosing assignee (if any): PennyMac Loan Services, LLC. Date of mortgage:

February 18, 2014. Date of mortgage recording: February 20, 2014. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$72,896.35. Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: The south 1326.0 feet of the west 1/2 of the west 1/2 of the east 1/2 of the northwest 1/4 of Section 5, Township 25 North, Range 9 East. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricul-

tural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: January 17, 2018 Trott Law, P.C. 1338470 1-17, 1-24, 1-31, 2-7

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 18-5805 DE

Estate of Peter P. Cushion, Jr. Date of birth: July 21, 1929 To all creditors: Notice to creditors: The decedent, Peter P. Cushion, Jr., died July 12, 2017. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Lela B. Cushion, personal representative, or to both the probate court at P.O. Box 385, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: February 2, 2018. David H. Cook P40560 5466 M-72 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (989) 724-5155 Lela B. Cushion 1910 North US-23 Harrisville, Mich. 48740

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 18-5806 DE

Estate of Helma A. Lee Date of birth: June 28, 1922 To all creditors: Notice to creditors: The decedent, Helma A. Lee, died December 2, 2017. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Diana K. Boger, personal representative, or to both the probate court at P.O. Box 385, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: February 2, 2018. David H. Cook P40560 5466 M-72 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (989) 724-5155 Diana A. Boger 7351 Princeton Circle Hanover Park, Ill. 60133

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Mortgage sale - Roy A. Melton and Ruby Melton, husband and wife, granted a mortgage to The Huntington National Bank successor by merger to First Merit Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Citizens Bank, mortgagee, dated March 16, 2007, and recorded on April 2, 2007, in Liber 440, on page 1,041, Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fourteen thousand seven hundred eight dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$14,708.79). 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 venue, west entrance to the Alcona County building in Harrisville, Mich. at 10

a.m. o'clock, on February 28, 2018. Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: All that part of the north 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 36, Town 26 North, Range 7 East, described as commencing at the west 1/4 corner of said Section 36 as the point of beginning; thence north 89 degrees 12 minutes 17 seconds east 658.32 feet along the east-west 1/4 line and centerline of Condon Road; thence south 01 degree 16 minutes 33 seconds east 659.56 feet; thence north 89 degrees 04 minutes 25 seconds east 1317.41 feet; thence south 01 degree 20 minutes 41 seconds east 656.55 feet to the south east-west 1/8 line; thence south 88 degrees 56 minutes 34 seconds west 1977.27 feet along the said south east-west 1/8 line to the west section line of said Section 36; thence north 01 degree 14 minutes 30 seconds west 1322.12 feet along the said west section line to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under 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. The Huntington National Bank successor by merger to First Merit Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Citizens Bank mortgagee/assignee. Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, Mich. 48335 1-31, 2-7, 2-14, 2-21

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