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Sinking fun millage makes a difference in school district

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

As with any aging building, there are always things to upgrade for the lifespan, function and aesthetic beauty of it. Making those upgrades can be expensive, especially for school buildings.

Fortunately, Alcona Community Schools have been able to check off some big-ticket items from its list because of a five-year sinking fund millage that voters passed in November of 2015.

According to Alcona Community Schools Superintendent Dan O'Connor, nearly 75 percent of the annual one mill property tax went for roofing the schools which are now, after almost three years into the millage, complete. The last roofs completed over the summer were the elementary school and the Sugar Shack building where the agriscience and FFA students produce maple syrup each year.

Last summer's sinking fund project also completed the removal of asbestos tile floors remaining from when the high school was originally built in 1956, and sanding and refurbishing the newer gymnasium floor and

replacing flooring in the locker rooms.

"Removing asbestos tile seems like such a basic thing, but it was 60-year-old tile and it was popping up. It wasn't imposing an immediate risk, but it needed to go. We went with a polished concrete floor in those rooms which gives a modern feel to the building," O'Connor said.

He explained costs add up quickly and sometimes unexpected funds are needed to finish projects. "The initial bid on the elementary roof was \$305,000 but once the old roof was peeled back, rotting wood added another \$40,000 to the project. The old roof was in place for almost 30 years, way past its expectancy, we were lucky no more than that was needed," O'Connor said.

A security grant in the amount of \$250,000 the school district garnered last year to upgrade all door locks also cost an additional \$50,000 sinking fund dollars. O'Connor explained it just didn't make sense to put new door locks on 30-year-old asbestos doors.

"In the past, teachers could not lock their classroom doors from the inside. If something

did happen where we needed to lock down the schools, teachers would have to go outside of their classroom and fumble with keys to get the doors locked. This (new) two-way lock is much easier," O'Connor said.

Another component addressed with the security grant was to secure exit doors from elementary classrooms to maintain accessibility from the inside to go out, but inaccessible to get in from the outside.

Smaller projects such as fascia around the schools, broken concrete around entrance doors and fire proof doors also needed to be addressed.

In the school year of 2016-2017 revenues from the property tax levy totaled \$490,316 with construction and architect fees totaling \$448,807. In 2017-2018, \$492,548 was received by the tax levy with the buildings upgrade expenditures totaling \$533,902.

Last year approximately \$504,225 was received and \$408,195 was spent, according to O'Connor.

Demolishing the blue house located across from the high school, which is

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Dan O'Connor, Alcona Community Schools superintendent (left) and Connor Hubbard, agriscience teacher, take pride in the new look of polished concrete floors in the high school after 60-year-old asbestos tiles were removed. Photo by Mary Weber.

New teachers set high goals for students

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Most teachers are caring, ambitious and sound driving forces in creating the best learning environment for students, but three new teachers at Alcona Elementary School are aiming above and beyond in hopes every student not only learns in their classroom but has fun in the process.

Danielle Jirasek, Rachael Wilkerson and Amy Crevier, all who are teaching a grade level they have never taught before, said they were warmly welcomed and are enjoying getting to know their new students, students' families and the community.

Jirasek is the new first-grade teacher. Her goal this year is to help her students become fluent and comprehensive readers. More than that, she wants her students to become kind, caring and considerate humans. "I want them to be productive members of society. I want them to help each other. That's a lofty goal for first graders," Jirasek said.

She will be working with new science teacher, Jenny Schroeder, on field trips to teach her class about polli-

nation at the children's garden at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, a place Jirasek loves to visit. "It's a beautiful library. I love the trails, gazebo and atmosphere there which makes it very inviting," Jirasek said.

Wilkerson is the new third-grade teacher. She plans to work a lot this year with students comprehending what they are reading. "At this grade, it's more about connecting to the reading and understanding it rather than just knowing what the word is. It's analyzing what they are reading and applying a higher level of thinking," Wilkerson said.

She would like to work on projects with her students to help with community resources in the area, such as hatching and raising salmon for release -- which she has never done before.

Wilkerson wants to bring good educational experiences for her 25 students. "A lot of kids are growing up with tough circumstances surrounding them. I want to be a positive, steady influence for them. I hope my students understand the growth and mindset of things. I want them to be problem solvers and to know learn-



Amy Crevier

ing doesn't have to be boring. "I hope they understand it is okay to make mistakes and that everyone does. They can use those mistakes as lessons and work through them. Every situation can be a learning situation. Teaching is a lot about curriculum, but I also hope they pick up some life skills along the way," Wilkerson said.

Crevier is the new fourth-grade teacher. She wants to structure studies around her students to help them become better organized and independent people while making the class an enjoyable place for them to come to every day.



Danielle Jirasek

An emphasis will be for her students to know their multiplication and division facts and how to do long division. They will also be learning how to form a paragraph and make sure their writing is in sequence.

Crevier is splitting social studies and science classes with fourth-grade teacher, Josh Robinson. Robinson will be teaching fourth graders social studies and Crevier will be teaching earth science along with a little physics.

She hopes to take students on a field trip to the Besser Museum to learn about fossils and has many other hands-on activities planned.



Rachael Wilkerson

Crevier wants the best for her 21 students and feels to attain that she must hold them to higher expectations. She normally doesn't ask students to do homework after school but said if the student doesn't apply themselves during class time, they will have to do the work at home. "They have to do their jobs. They should know how to put their

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John D. Moshier

John David Moshier, 73, of Spruce, died on Monday, Oct. 7, 2019 at Medilodge of Hillman, Mich.

He was born January 16, 1946 to Hoyt and Bernice Moshier in Oxford, Mich., where he was a longtime resident.

Mr. Moshier served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam during the Vietnam War.

On September 19, 1970, he married Harriett McDaniel in Oxford, Mich. They resided there until he retired from General Motors; they moved to Spruce in 1995.

He enjoyed reading and taking care of his farm, especially tending to his garden.

Mr. Moshier is survived by his wife, Harriett; one daughter, Rachel (Thomas) Sotirovski of Macomb Township, Mich.; one son, Chris (Pam) Moshier of Richmond, Mich.; five grandchildren, Evan Sotirovski, Noah Sotirovski, Lucas Sotirovski, Jacob Sotirovski and Angela Mos-



hier; one sister, Joanne Benedict; and two brothers, Wayne Moshier and Lynn Moshier.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Janet Garrett.

Private family services have been held. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

John F. Stutzman

John F. Stutzman, 77, of Lincoln, died on Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2019 at home.

He was born November 7, 1941 to John and Elizabeth (Therr) Stutzman in Utica, Mich. He was raised in Emmett, Mich.

On September 7, 1968 he married Constance Cordes in Barton City; they resided in Lincoln.

Mr. Stutzman was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Oscoda. He served as a trustee on the Village of Lincoln Council for many years.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting and his flower garden.

Mr. Stutzman is survived by one daughter, Karen (Gerald) Abee of Greenbush; one son, Michael (Jamie) Stutzman of Lapeer, Mich.; four grandchildren, Marcus Stutzman, Matthew Abee, Joshua Abee, and Zachary Abee; one sister, Betty (Rein) Brueggeman of South Carolina; one brother, Robert Stutzman of Lincoln; and in laws, Brenda Cordes and William Cordes.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Constance, on July 2, 2015.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, Oct. 25, 2019 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Oscoda. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. until the service at 11 a.m. The Rev. Timothy Azaam will officiate. A luncheon will follow the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Michigan or Trinity Lutheran Church.

Merlin T. Skuse

Merlin Thomas Skuse, 92, of Saint Anthony, Idaho, died October 5, 2019 at home.

He was born March 12, 1927 to Thomas and Dorena (Bolton) Skuse in Lincoln.

He graduated from Oscoda High School at age 16 and set out for California to attend Bible college. During his 11 years in California he worked at many jobs; selling newspapers and vacuums door to door and as a union meat cutter.

He married Joanne Williams in 1951. They had three children while in California. In 1954 Mr. Skuse decided to return to his roots in Lincoln.

His dream was to raise beef cattle but that was wiped when brucellosis hit the herd, so he opened two meat markets. He also pastored two Baptist churches while running a business and raising two children.

Mr. Skuse received a bachelor's degree, with a major in history and theology, from Central Michigan University.

In 1991 he retired and moved to Idaho to be closer to their daughters and grandchildren. In retirement he cut and sold firewood for something to do. He also taught himself to speak fluent Spanish in order to communicate with some of his employees.

Mr. Skuse is survived by one son, Scott Benton (Louisa) Skuse, of Fulshear, Texas; two daughters, Carol Davis and Judy (Jim) Hobbs, both of Saint Anthony, Idaho; nine grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and one brother, Robert Skuse of Alpena.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Joanne; two sisters; and one brother.

A funeral service was held on October 12 at Community Presbyterian Church in Saint Anthony, Idaho. Interment was in Pineview Cemetery.

Sinking

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owned by the district and in need of extensive repairs to make it safe to occupy, was on the project list for last year, but was delayed due to the inability to find a demolition contractor able to do the job. "We put out for bids and got nothing back so we will have to go back to the drawing board on that one and try again," O'Connor said.

The Board of Education is in the process of considering options for this year's proposed \$503,831 sinking fund projects -- one of which is a new boiler for the elementary school. "The school was built in 1989. The current boiler has passed its life-span and we are trying to access whether we can wait a few more years or if it is a priority now. Obviously, we must maintain heat in the building," he said.

He wasn't sure what the cost of a new boiler would be but knows they are expensive and didn't feel one year of sinking funds would be enough to pay for it. "There are some energy efficient options we will have to consider. Our first step is to get an assessment and then consider our course of action," O'Connor said.

Another energy efficient option is replacing windows in the high school since a third of the school's windows are single pane glass, which is also a security issue.

O'Connor felt removing the 30-year-old carpeting in many of the elementary classrooms should also be considered.

He said the school board and staff are extremely thankful they have been able to tackle the roofing challenges and other key upgrades and wasn't sure where the district would be without the sinking fund millage.

"We are trying to make sure we are investing the funds wisely through energy efficiency as well as doing things that make sense to upgrade areas that aren't safe anymore such as removing asbestos flooring.

"Some of the aesthetic pieces are a minor component, but when you slowly start to see new things like new doors around the school, the new flooring and other upgrades, it promotes pride which carries through to the students. There's no other way to put it. If students walk around in an aging building that is not being maintained it decreases moral," he said.

Alcona Community School Board meetings are scheduled on the second Monday of each month. Meeting dates, times and locations are noted in the district calendar at Alcona Schools.net.

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Calendar of Events



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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Learn more about hunger and food insecurity in Alpena County at the Alpena County Library, 311 North First Street from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This program will feature a panel discussion about the area need by those who provide food for the hungry. Sponsored by People for Social Justice. For more information, contact Judi at jstillion@live.com.

Homeschoolers at the Library: Fizzing Gourds! Children of all ages will witness a fun and educational chemical reaction at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 1 p.m. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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 3:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

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

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 9 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Teen Craft Thursday – make a pet ghost in a jar, at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 4:30 to 6 p.m. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Alcona retirees will meet for a potluck lunch and bingo at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street from noon to 2 p.m. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

Sanctuary Lecture Series – Water Walkers: Native American Journey to Protect the Great Lakes. Join children's author Carol Trembath to learn about her experience writing children's books. Each book is told from

the perspective of an Ojibway girl whose family members are walking around the Great Lakes to raise awareness about the harm being done to the fresh waters. This event will be held at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 West Fletcher Street in Alpena at 7 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call (989) 884-6212.

The Northeast Michigan Genealogical Society will host a lecture on "New Yorkers to the Midwest," presented by Dr. David McDonald at Alpena Community College at 5 p.m. An ask the experts session will follow the lecture. Bring any problems to consult with professionals. For more information, call (989) 727-3394.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-32. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. First meeting is free. Handicap accessible. Call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-8600 for details.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

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

Swiss steak dinner from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Alcona Masonic Lodge, 316 East Traverse Bay in Lincoln. Cost is \$12 for adults, kids 12 and under half price.

Film history class, featuring courtroom dramas with professor John Blakemore at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 2 to 4 p.m. Movie plus discussion, and free popcorn. No registration required for this free event. For more information, call (989) 724-6796. Co-sponsored by Inspiration Alcona.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. All local products.

A euchre tournament will be held at the Greenbush Township Hall on Campbell Road. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., play starts at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Sponsored by the Greenbush Historical Society.

Community of Christ Church will host its annual harvest dinner at 6 p.m. The church is located at 3155 East F-30 in Mikado. For more information, call (989) 736-8727.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

A benefit breakfast for the Harrisville City and Township fire fighters will be held at the Alcona Brew Haus on US-23 north of Harrisville from 8 to 11 a.m. Twenty-five percent of the sales will be donated. Menu items include pancakes, cinnamon French

toast, eggs, hash browns, bacon, sausage, Danishes and fresh fruit cups.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

All ladies are invited to play bunco at 2:30 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall. Beginners are encouraged to participate.

White Pine Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville. Join the group for fellowship, inspiration and quilting ideas. Call Joanne at (989) 255-7880 for details.

Ukulele jam sessions for all ages and levels at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 2 to 3 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Individuals whose lives are affected by depression or another mental health conditions are welcome to attend Fresh Hope, a Christian-based support group for those with mental health challenges. Loved ones are also welcome. Meetings are from 1 to 2:15 p.m. at the Old Stone Church on the corner of Shaw and Poor Farm roads, Harrisville. For more information, contact Claire at (989) 724-6665.

Play euchre at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street at 1 p.m.

Stroke affects individuals of all ages. People with high blood pressure, high cholesterol and diabetes are at an increased risk. Ascension St. Joseph Hospital is offering a free stroke screening that includes a total cholesterol test, glucose and blood pressure screening from 9 a.m. to noon at 200 Hemlock Road, Tawas City in conference rooms A and B. Appointments required as space is limited. To schedule, call (989) 362-0188.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

Sunrise Community Food Pantry will be open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible

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Public Hearing Notice Caledonia Township – Zoning Ordinance Amendment

The Caledonia Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on November 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. to recommend adoption of Ordinance 1 of 2019 containing zoning ordinance amendments relating to signs to the Township Board. The public hearing will be held at 6461 Gillard Road, Spruce, Mich., 48762. The full text of the amendments is available at www.caledoniatwp.net or by viewing it at Alcona Library Hubbard Lake Branch, Hubbard Lake. Written comments may be sent to P.O. Box 7 Spruce, MI 48762 prior to the meeting. The public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. The proposed amendments modify Caledonia Township Zoning Ordinance regulations in Section 3.31 (Signs), Section 6.5 (Nonconforming Signs) and Section 2.1 (amendments to definitions relating to signs) into content-neutral regulations to bring the ordinance into compliance with U.S. Supreme Court rulings relating to regulation of signs.



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10-16 thru 10-30

Participation Needed

Any businesses and/or residents interested in participating in an annual trunk or treat event in Greenbush are encouraged to contact Ruth at (989) 884-3978 for Saturday, Oct. 26 at 4 p.m. in Spencer Park.

Parks and Recreation Plan

The Village of Lincoln is in the process of updating its parks and recreation plan with assistance from North-east Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG). The plan contains future strategies for all recreational facilities within the community. To qualify for grant funding from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), communities are required to have a five-year DNR-approved Parks and Recreation Plan.

Currently, community input is being gathered through a survey. The survey will be available online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/VillageofLincoln, on the village's website, and on NEMCOG's website. Inquire at the village hall for paper copies. The deadline for completing the survey is Friday, Oct. 18, 2019. In November, the draft parks and recreation plan will be available for review and comment.

US-23 Sign Replacement

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will invest \$1 million to upgrade signs along 124 miles of US-23 from the south Iosco County line to the north Presque Isle County line. Work this fall will begin in Iosco County on Monday, Oct. 14, with the other counties (Alcona, Alpena and Presque Isle) to begin in 2020. This work will require daytime shoulder closures.

This project includes new traffic signs designed with updated reflective surfaces for better visibility at night, as well as new posts.

Spinning, Weaving Display

Thunder Bay Spinners and Weavers Guild celebrates the ancient art of turning fiber into usable yarn with a display at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from October 15 to October 29. With the display, the members of the guild will show the process of making thread out of raw fibers like wool, linen, and even, recyclables and how the thread is then woven into cloth. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Senior Menu

The following meals will be served during the week at 4 p.m. in Glennie at the United Methodist Church and at 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. No reservations are required at the Lincoln Senior Center, however call (989) 736-8879 by 7 a.m. for meals served in Glennie. No membership is required. Suggested donation of \$3 per meal is welcome.

- Monday, Oct. 21—Baked spaghetti, Brussels sprouts, and hot peach delight.
- Tuesday, Oct. 22—Beef lasagna, peas, coleslaw, pears, and garlic bread.
- Wednesday, Oct. 23—Pot roast, roasted potato medley, spinach, and tropical fruit.
- Thursday, Oct. 24—Chicken and broccoli casserole, peas, and fruit parfait.

- Friday, Oct. 25—Lemon baked fish, white rice, scalloped tomatoes, and orange wedges.
(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Library Open House

There will be an open house at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library on Wednesday, Oct. 23 from noon to 2 p.m., to honor the generous support of Elizabeth Riecker Bartlett, the benefactor of the Riecker Memorial Library.

At the time of her death in 1952, Mrs. Bartlett willed a sum of money to be used to open a library in Lincoln of nonfiction books. In 1965 the Riecker Memorial Library opened with a reading room in the Veterans Memorial Hall. In 1974, the Alcona County Library introduced the Riecker collection and has since served the community of Lincoln for over 50 years.

Refreshments, provided by the Friends of the Library, will be available. For more information, call (989) 736-3388.

Amateur Radio Class

The Alcona County Amateur Radio Group is offering a no-cost two-day FCC Technician Level Amateur Radio Class. The five-hour (each day) class will be held on Sunday, Oct. 27 and on Sunday, Nov. 3 beginning at noon for both days. Study material must be completed prior to the class sessions. The class will be held at the Alcona EMS/EOC building located at 2600 East M-72, six miles west of US-23 on the south side.

An FCC Exam Session for all amateur radio levels will be held on Sunday, Nov. 3 starting at 4 p.m. immediately following the conclusion of the technician class — the standard FCC Exam fee applies. Contact Stan Darmofal, W8SZ on (989) 724-5550 to obtain additional details and to register for the class and/or exam session.

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District Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 81st District Court in September.

- Dillon Scott Hupcik, 27, of Greenbush was sentenced to one day in jail, six months of probation and fines and costs of \$1,660 for operating while visibly impaired.
- Amber Elaine Hughes, 26, of Kimball, Mich. was sentenced to 10 days in jail, six months of probation and fines and costs of \$705 for failure to stop at the scene of a personal injury accident.
- Gordon Thomas Lobaugh, 57, of Lincoln was

sentenced to 20 days in jail, one year of probation, 40 hours of community service and \$885 in fines and costs for aggravated assault.

- Robert Camille Papin, 76, of Alpena was sentenced to \$500 in fines and costs for solid waste violation.
- Michele Marie Amelotte, 42 of Lachine, Mich. was sentenced to seven days in jail, six months of probation 100 hours of community service and \$1,660 in fines and costs for operating while visibly impaired.

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Calendar of Events



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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. Bring a box or bag. For more info., call (989) 727-3606.

An open house to celebrate the history of Elizabeth Riecker Bartlett, founder of the Riecker Memorial Library, will be held at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library, 330 Traverse Bay Road at noon. Call (989) 736-3388 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 3:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 9 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sanctuary Lecture Series – True Lighthouse Hauntings at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 West Fletcher Street in Alpena. Narrated by maritime author Frederick Stonehouse, True Lighthouse Hauntings explores Great Lakes lighthouse hauntings at Whitefish Point, Big Bay Point, Old Presque Isle, and Seul Choix Point. This free event will be held at 7 p.m.

The Harrisville Lady Lions will be meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church on US-23 in Harrisville. Dinner will be catered by Kentucky Fried Chicken at a cost of \$8 per member. We will be working on making greeting cards with Cards by Hart. Advanced reservations necessary. (989) 335-0922.

Thunder Bay Arts will host Beatles Forever, a 75-minute story of growing up with the Beatles in small suburb outside Detroit, Mich. The story starts prior to the Beatles in 1963 and it includes the Ed Sullivan and more. The show will feature 23 sing-along Beatles songs inserted into the story with Beatles films beamed on large screen behind the live musicians. The Association of Lifelong Learners will host a pie and coffee reception after the perfor-

mance. This event will be held at Alpena Community College Granum Theatre at 7 p.m. Admission is \$15 or with a Thunder Bay Arts pass.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-32. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. First meeting is free. Handicap accessible. Call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-8600 for details.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25
Storytime and craft for chil-

dren at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street, from 10:15 to 11 a.m.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. All local products.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Adult Halloween party will be held at the Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road at 7 p.m. Bring a cell phone for a scavenger hunt. For more info., call (989) 736-3050.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

Sunrise Side Strummers ukulele jam session from 2 to 4 p.m. at Wiltse's Brew Pub, 5606 North F-41 in Oscoda.

All levels of ukulele players are welcome. Family and friends are encouraged to come and sing along. There is a \$1 donation to defray costs. For more information, call Paula at (989) 724-5080.

The Walker Trio, a singing family group, will perform a concert at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 Second Street in Harrisville at 3 p.m. Ice cream sundaes will be served after the concert. A free will donation will be taken.

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Alcona slips by Oscoda 2-1 in district opener

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

Both regular season soccer games between Alcona and Oscoda were closely contested battles. Wednesday's division four district opener on the Owls' home field was no different, as Alcona was able to slip by Oscoda 2-1.

"It's tough playing a team three times in a season," said head coach Tim Munro. "We beat them twice and had a tie, and both times we beat

them it was on their field. It was a good win and a district win is always good."

The Alcona varsity soccer team opened the scoring with a Joel Steiner goal, giving them the early 1-0 lead. The Owls netted a tying goal later in the half, but Alcona scored again before the half was over.

With about 30 seconds left before halftime, Steiner booted a corner kick towards Brett Nelson. Nelson soared up to get his head on the ball,

allowing him to head it into the goal for the 2-1 lead.

The second half neither team was able to score. The Tiger defense made life tough on the Oscoda offensive attack, and the few times the Owls broke through the defense, Alcona netminder Aidan Wrobel was there for a save.

Wrobel finished with nine saves to help Alcona secure the win.

"The kids just played with a lot of heart," Munro said. Alcona (10-5-1 overall) played Midland Calvary Baptist on Monday in the district semi-finals. Fairview and Roscommon played in the other semi-final with the championship game set for Thursday, Oct. 17 in Oscoda. The district winner moves on to regionals in Chesaning on Tuesday.



Alcona's Joel Steiner dribbles by an Oscoda defender during last week's district opening win. Photo by Ben Murphy.

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Tigers battle Red Devils on the road

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

It was a close battle, but the Alcona varsity football team wasn't able to pick up a win last Friday night. The Tigers were playing a non-league game at East Jordan, where they came up short 20-6.

"I thought we were very inconsistent in our execution on offense," said head coach Jason Somers. "We will need to get better this week. Defensively, we got better as the game went on. However, we gave up too many big plays early; again, a point of focus for practice this week."

The Red Devils turned those big plays into 20 first half points.

Mason Clark led the offense with 116 yards and one touchdown on 20 carries. Zach Stephenson ran eight times for 48 yards, and he had two pass completions that totaled for 41 yards.

The defense was led by Logan Witham with 12 tackles. Gavin Walker had seven tackles, Jakob Tanner recovered a fumble and Jacob Sytek hauled in an interception.

"We did some things very well and adapted when needed," Somers said. "We

also didn't allow a second half score. Those are points we can grow from."

Alcona (2-5 overall) heads to Coleman (2-5) on Friday, Oct. 18. The Comets are coming off a 20-6 loss to Montabella last week.

"This week will be all about

us," Somers said. "Our game prep will only focus on how we can block, tackle and run better than we did the week prior. We will also focus on tidying up the little things, that are currently keeping us from winning close ball games."



Varsity cross country team brings home medals (from left) Fallon Hux, Janae Kierzek, Karen Sharboneau, Courtney Winter, Sara Decker, and Brett Nelson.

Alcona runners earn medals

The varsity and middle school cross country teams competed in Fairview at the final league meet on Tues-

day, Oct. 8. Varsity girls finished second in the league while the varsity boys finished fifth. Both middle school teams finished third. All teams brought home medals which included the following individuals:

Varsity boys

- Brett Nelson - First Team North Star League.
- Fallon Hux - Honorable Mention

Varsity girls

- Sara Decker, Karen Sharboneau and Courtney Winter - First Team North Star League
- Janae Kierzek - Second Team North Star League
- Nurka Makhmatalieva - Honorable mention

They also competed Saturday at the Leroy Maxie Memorial Invitational in Fairview. The girls varsity team placed third and came home with a plaque. Many medals were also earned by the Alcona Cross Country Team. They traveled to the Hale Eagles Cross Country Invitational on Tuesday, Oct. 15.

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Getting around when you no longer drive

Dear Savvy Senior,
Where can I find out about alternative transportation services for my 80-year-old mother? It's time that she gives up driving, but before she does, we need to figure out how she'll get around.

Inquiring Son

Dear Inquiring,
Alternative transportation options for seniors who no longer drive vary widely by community, so what's available to your mom will depend on where she lives.

Here's what you should know.

While most urban areas offer seniors a variety of alternative transportation services, the options may be few to none for those living in the suburbs, small towns and rural areas. Depending on where your mom lives, here's a rundown of possible solutions that can help her get around, along with some resources to help you locate them.

• Family and friends: This

is the most often used and favorite option among seniors. So, make a list of all possible candidates your mom can call on, along with their availability and contact information.

• Volunteer transportation programs: These are usually run by local nonprofits or religious organizations and provide elderly seniors transportation to doctor's appointments, shopping, and more. These services may charge a small fee or accept donations and often operate with a network of volunteer drivers.

Some examples of local transportation programs include Envoy America (EnvoyAmerica.com) that provides senior transportation in 78 cities in Arizona, Texas, Washington, Illinois, New Mexico, Georgia and Pennsylvania. The Independent Transportation Network (ITNAmerica.org) that serves 14 communities across 12 states. And SilverRide (SilverRide.com), which serves the San Francisco bay area and Kansas City. To

search for volunteer driving programs in your area visit NationalVolunteerTransportationCenter.org. Click on "Map of Volunteer Driver Programs."

• Demand response services: Often referred to as "dial-a-ride" or "elderly and disabled transportation service," these are usually government-funded programs that provide door-to-door transportation services by appointment and usually charge a small fee or donation on a per ride basis. Many use vans and offer accessible services for riders with special needs.

• Taxis and rideshare services: While taxis are a viable transportation option in many communities, rideshare services like Uber (Uber.com) and Lyft (Lyft.com), which are widely available, have become more popular among seniors who don't drive.

To get a ride, your mom could simply use the Uber or Lyft smartphone app, a computer, or she can call a ride-hailing service like Go Go



Savvy Senior

Grandparent (GoGoGrandparent.com). Or, you can make arrangements for her on your smartphone.

Cost will vary depending on your mom's location, distance traveled and peak travel time, but rideshare services are usually cheaper than taxis. Uber and Lyft also offer carpooling services that would allow your mom to save money by splitting the tab with other consumers riding the same route. And for seniors with mobility problems, both Uber and Lyft have accessible vehicles that you can request in certain locations.

• Hire someone: Consider hiring someone to drive your

mom like a neighbor, retiree, high school or college student that has a flexible schedule and wouldn't mind making a few extra bucks. You can also hire a senior driving companion through nonmedical home-care agencies, or you can find someone on your own at websites like Care.com or CareLinx.com.

• Private business transportation services: Some hospitals, health clinics, senior centers, adult day centers, malls or other businesses may offer transportation for program participants or customers.

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Each vessel had about 125,000 feet of lumber aboard. The Colwell was insured for \$13,000 and the Dobbins for \$9,900. The present owner of the two vessels is Jesse H. Farwell of Detroit.

Yockey, Hayes, Reeves first road commissioners

County Board of Supervisors in Annual Session this Week

October 16, 1919 ~ At the annual meeting of the board of supervisors which began Monday, it was voted to arrange with the Detroit House of Correction to take charge of prisoners from this county.

Chris Yockey of Harrisville, J. H. Hayes of Curtis, and J. F. Reeves of Mitchell are the three men selected by the board of supervisors to serve as county road commissioners until December 31, 1920, when their places will be filled by three commissioners to be elected by the people at the next November election. Other candidates in the field were Otto Stuve of Millen and John Gillard of Caledonia. The commissioners will receive a yearly salary of \$125, to include expenses, and their bonds are fixed at \$2,000 each.

A county tax of \$23,000 was voted. This amount includes \$1,000 for county bridge tax and \$1,000 for the sinking fund. The state tax is \$16,656.19

Peter J. Effrick was reappointed superintendent of the Poor and the salaries of the three superintendents were fixed at the old figures, \$100 each.

Milo N. Johnson was elected to succeed himself member of the board of school examiners.

E. J. Svang, Geo. W. Beever and Roland C. Pattee were appointed county canvassers.

The board voted \$71.50 to pay the balance due on the band stand in the court yard.

The report of the county drain commissioner was accepted, and the vote on the County Road System was canvassed by the board.

Brothers in service

October 19, 1944 ~ *Editor's Note:* Sons of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Somers of Lincoln both Elwood and Freeman Somers are serving in the South Pacific war zone.

Elwood writes the following letter to his parents from somewhere in Australia:

Dear Mom Dad and Brother: Just a few lines to let you know I am well and hope you are the same. I received your letter today and was very glad to hear from you.

The picture of Freeman, Harold and Kenneth is very nice. I also received the two packages you and Alvin sent

me. The cakes and cookies and films, and the toilet articles, and candy came in handy. I exposed one film already. I received nice long letter from Frances McElmurry. She sure can write good for a young girl. Have you received the package I sent you, yet? The ash tray is made out of a 20 MM cannon, 50 cal. two .45 and two 25 cal. Jap rifle shells. If you could have it chromed plated it would look swell. There is a free show in Camp tonight, so I am going to go.

The baseball suit is for Garret. When I send home some negatives, would you have some made for me and put them in my photograph album?

One can never tell when he will lose everything he keeps down here and I can have them when I come home.

Now that I have finished supper I'll finish this letter.

Did you get that little collie pup, yet?

Give everyone my best regards.

Love,
Elwood

County annex is handicapped accessible

October 19, 1994 ~ Alcona County Building Inspector Brad Hissong, in response to a comment made by a Glenie developer in last week's *Alcona Review*, pointed out that the county annex building is indeed handicapped accessible, as required by state and federal regulations.

Hissong said that the building does have an alternate entrance for physically handicapped patrons, which is all that is required for existing buildings.

CryptoQuip answer

Because that fellow who bakes pies and Danishes is sickly-looking, I guess he's a pasty chef.

Curtisville breaks ground for civic center playground

October 19, 1994 ~ by Jim Dunn

The gold and crimson leaves of the tall maples provided a colorful background on a sunny autumn afternoon at Saturday's ground breaking ceremony at the Curtisville Civic Center, where officials and community members celebrated the beginning of a project to construct a playground and community park adjacent to the center at Curtisville and Clouse roads.

The one-room schoolhouse, which is more than 110 years old, again serves as a center for community activities, and plans for the construction of the playground have been underway for several months. Plans call for the construction of a basketball court, volleyball court, new playground equipment, the relocation of the existing horseshoe pits, fencing to keep youngsters from the adjacent roadway, a wrap-around deck, covered on one side of the building, and a barbecue area.

Included in the large crowd attending Saturday's ground

breaking were seven senior citizens who had attended the one-room school prior to its closing in 1931, including DeGreta Frank, Doris Thayer, Vernon Adams, Arbutus Milholland, Henry Adams, Lewis Redmond, and Nona Redmond.

Taking part in the ground breaking ceremony were Civic Association President Ron Sortor, association trustees Remo Casteller and David Bailey, and Amy Vergiels.

Addressing the group, Vergiels quoted an African adage which states that "it takes a whole village to raise one child."

"That's kind of the philosophy of the Curtisville Civic Association," commented Vergiels. "With this new playground, we can reach out to the children...and in addition to providing them with something to do and somewhere to play, we can teach them the sense of community that we have.

A prayer was provided by the Rev. Don Miller, and a children's choir, led by Shirley Miller, performed a song, as did nine-year-old soloist Kim Sortor.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2019						
Weekly Report						
Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
October 6	64	49	0.00	4.0	19	SW
October 7	65	41	0.00	2.3	18	NW
October 8	57	38	0.00	1.7	11	SSE
October 9	58	44	0.00	1.9	15	SW
October 10	59	43	0.00	4.3	19	S
October 11	58	49	0.01	10.3	34	S
October 12	49	37	0.06	5.1	28	SW
Precipitation Summary (Inches)						
	2019	2018	Normal Water Content			
Weekly Total	0.07	1.66	0.56			
October to Date	0.68	2.55	0.96			
Year to Date	12.17	22.08	23.12			

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.)

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **MOVIES:** Who was the voice of Genie in the animated version of "Aladdin" (1992)?
2. **GEOGRAPHY:** What river forms the northern border of Kentucky?
3. **LITERATURE:** Who wrote the short story "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty"?
4. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What kind of dog was Toto in the book and movie "The Wizard of Oz"?
5. **MYTHOLOGY:** What is the name of the Greek god of sleep?
6. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president earned the nickname "Silent Cal" for his quiet demeanor?
7. **FOOD & DRINK:** What is another name for Middle Eastern pocket bread?
8. **HISTORY:** What battle started the U.S. Civil War?
9. **MEASUREMENTS:** How many milliliters are in a teaspoon?
10. **MATH:** What is the Arabic equivalent for the Roman numerals MCMLXXXIV?

Answers: 1. Robin Williams; 2. Ohio River; 3. James Thurber; 4. Cairn terrier; 5. Hypnos; 6. Calvin Coolidge; 7. Pita bread; 8. Battle of Fort Sumter; 9. Almost 5 ml; 10. 1984 (c) 2019 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Nov. 1, 1512, the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel in Rome, one of Italian artist Michelangelo's finest works, is exhibited to the public for the first time. After demonstrating his mastery of sculpture, Michelangelo was called to Rome in 1508.
 - On Oct. 31, 1776, in his first speech before British Parliament since the Americans signed the Declaration of Independence, King George III acknowledges that all is not going well for Britain in the war. The British would formally surrender five years later.
 - On Oct. 30, 1938, Orson Welles causes a nationwide panic with his broadcast of "War of the Worlds" -- a realistic radio dramatization of a Martian invasion of Earth. Welles had little idea of the havoc it would cause among radio listeners.
 - On Nov. 3, 1948, the Chicago Tribune jumps the gun and mistakenly declares New York Gov. Thomas Dewey the winner of his presidential race with incumbent Harry Truman in a front-page headline: "Dewey Defeats Truman." Truman would win by 114 electoral votes.
 - On Oct. 29, 1956, Israeli armed forces push into Egypt toward the Suez Canal, initiating the Suez Crisis. They would soon be joined by French and British forces. The catalyst for the attack was the nationalization of the Suez Canal by Egyptian leader Gamal Abdel Nasser.
 - On Oct. 28, 1965, construction is completed on the Gateway Arch, a spectacular 630-foot-high parabola of stainless steel on the waterfront of St. Louis, Missouri. An internal tram system takes visitors to the top of the arch.
 - On Nov. 2, 1982, a fuel truck in a military convoy explodes in the 1.7-mile long Salang Tunnel in Afghanistan, killing an estimated 3,000 people, mostly Soviet soldiers traveling to Kabul. Believing it to be an attack, troops closed both ends of the tunnel, trapping people inside.
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Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Like history</p> <p>5 Apt. divisions</p> <p>8 — -Lorraine, France</p> <p>14 Flatten, informally</p> <p>19 Long (for)</p> <p>20 Have an onstage role</p> <p>21 Coal miners</p> <p>22 Succinct and meaningful</p> <p>23 Start of a riddle</p> <p>26 Victorious</p> <p>27 Here-there link</p> <p>28 Skilled forger</p> <p>29 Largest city in Norway</p> <p>30 "That's a new — me!"</p> <p>31 Party mixers</p> <p>33 Riddle, part 2</p> <p>37 I-5, e.g.</p> <p>39 Hat material</p> <p>40 Adz relatives</p> <p>41 Big name in razors</p> <p>44 JVC or Hitachi rival</p> <p>46 Collection of maps</p> <p>50 Trailers, e.g.</p> <p>54 Riddle, part 3</p> <p>58 Hit the bottle</p> <p>59 Giant</p> <p>60 Rink legend Bobby</p> <p>61 Six-sided state</p> | <p>62 Do the dishes?</p> <p>63 Relating to a heart part</p> <p>65 Got 100% on, as a test</p> <p>68 "Eso —" (Paul Anka hit)</p> <p>70 Eye, to a bard</p> <p>71 Riddle, part 4</p> <p>76 One may cry "Foul!"</p> <p>77 Tiki or Baal</p> <p>78 "I came," to Caesar</p> <p>79 Gives the most votes</p> <p>81 Celestial hunter</p> <p>83 Wish</p> <p>85 Crunches tone them</p> <p>88 Very angry</p> <p>89 Island of Alaska</p> <p>90 Riddle, part 5</p> <p>94 Cosa — (Mafia affiliate)</p> <p>96 Coats with element #30</p> <p>97 Nation north of Mex.</p> <p>98 "Porgy and —"</p> <p>99 Shop draw</p> <p>101 Hamster holder</p> <p>103 Follower of chi</p> | <p>105 End of the riddle</p> <p>112 Pastry bag filler</p> <p>116 Painter</p> <p>117 Matisse</p> <p>117 Nastase of the court</p> <p>118 Saudi and Iraqi</p> <p>120 By means of</p> <p>121 Bowed</p> <p>122 Riddle's answer</p> <p>126 Ordinary</p> <p>127 Sulky</p> <p>128 Short history</p> <p>129 Ex-Dodger</p> <p>130 Insolvent</p> <p>131 "Knocked Up" director</p> <p>132 Stitch (up)</p> <p>133 Funeral heap</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Lowly chess pieces</p> <p>2 Preceder of "Bless you!"</p> <p>3 Glass bit</p> <p>4 Asian holiday</p> <p>5 Chicago's — Emanuel</p> <p>6 Occasional Golden</p> <p>7 Archers sandwich</p> <p>7 Event with pig racing, perhaps</p> | <p>8 Boorish sort</p> <p>9 Driving req.</p> <p>10 Got to one's feet</p> <p>11 Something not to be missed</p> <p>12 Viola's kin</p> <p>13 Witch on "Bewitched"</p> <p>14 One doing a parody</p> <p>15 St. Paul site</p> <p>16 Give voice to "CSI"</p> <p>17 Bamboo unit</p> <p>18 Sleep: Prefix</p> <p>24 Hushed</p> <p>25 Elisabeth of "CSI"</p> <p>32 Semitic language</p> <p>34 Smelting refuse</p> <p>35 Relative of -ess</p> <p>36 Large public show</p> <p>38 Display fallibility</p> <p>41 "— way to go!"</p> <p>42 Up until that time</p> <p>43 Puts new parts on, in a way</p> <p>45 — -Magnon</p> <p>47 Increase in volume</p> <p>48 Toward a ship's rear</p> | <p>49 Pokes a hole in</p> <p>51 Procession of cars</p> <p>52 Works such as "H.M.S. Pinafore"</p> <p>53 Ivanjica inhabitant</p> <p>55 One of the Skywalkers</p> <p>56 — Sea (Asian lake)</p> <p>57 "Close call!"</p> <p>62 "It Takes a Thief" rapper</p> <p>64 Pioneered</p> <p>66 Large grotto</p> <p>67 Lens locale</p> <p>69 That lass</p> <p>72 Start of a pirate chant</p> <p>73 Faint from surprise, in slang</p> <p>74 Omani money</p> <p>75 Like exercise that gets the heart going</p> <p>76 Horse coat pattern</p> <p>80 Court units</p> <p>82 Fully extended, as arms</p> <p>84 Preceder of chi</p> <p>86 Chesapeake Bay crustaceans</p> | <p>87 Scheme: Abbr.</p> <p>90 Island near Java</p> <p>91 "— homo!"</p> <p>92 "And fast!"</p> <p>93 Breach</p> <p>95 With speed</p> <p>100 Paradox</p> <p>102 U.S. territory since 1898</p> <p>104 "Aye aye," in Iberia</p> <p>105 Cassidy of old pop</p> <p>106 Succinct</p> <p>107 How actors should enter</p> <p>108 Augustus — ("Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" character)</p> <p>109 Bejeweled headwear</p> <p>110 Spartan serf</p> <p>111 Holmes or Couric</p> <p>113 Elephant tusk stuff</p> <p>114 NFLer of San Fran</p> <p>115 Crystal of country</p> <p>119 Arch above the eye</p> <p>123 Abbr. in a personal ad</p> <p>124 "Yuck!"</p> <p>125 Swiffer product</p> |
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was multitalented Robert Anton Wilson -- he was, at various times in his life, a novelist, essayist, psychologist, editor, philosopher, playwright and mystic -- who made the following observation: "It only takes 20 years for a liberal to become a conservative without changing a single idea."
- It took between 75,000 and 80,000 workers to build the Panama Canal, linking the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans across the Isthmus of Panama.
- When the Barbie doll was first introduced in 1959, it was described in The New York Times as a "crushing bomb." So much for early reviews. Since then, more than a billion Barbies have been sold in more than 150 countries. Mattel, the doll's maker, claims that more than 100 dolls are sold every minute of every day.
- William Howard Taft, the 18th president of the United States, was quite a large man. Quite a large man, indeed. In fact, he was so large that his 300-pound bulk got stuck in a White House bathtub, and he had to summon help to extricate himself.
- Pope Benedict IX held the office three different times.
- There are lots of sports fans out there, and a lot of sports to enjoy: football, basketball, soccer, baseball, hockey ... olive oil wrestling? OK, maybe there aren't a lot of oiled wrestling events here in America, but in Turkey it's the national sport. Kirkpinar, as it's known there, has been popular since the Ottoman Empire. The Turkish town of Edirne has been hosting the annual tournament since 1361.

Thought for the Day: "Even a purely moral act that has no hope of any immediate and visible political effect can gradually and indirectly, over time, gain in political significance."

-- Vaclav Havel

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: R equals T

TJOLXAJ RKL R PJYYMV VKM

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Said premises are situated in the township of Haynes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: Part of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 19, Town 27 north, Range 9 east, described as commencing at the northwest corner thereof; thence east 33.0 feet along the section line to the point of beginning; thence east 264 feet along the section line; thence south 165.0 feet parallel to the section line; thence west 264 feet parallel to the section line; thence north 165.0 feet on the east 33 foot right of way line of route 171 to the point of beginning. Parcel 2: Part of the northwest quarter or the northwest quarter of Section 19, Town 27 north, Range 9 east described as commencing at the northwest corner thereof; thence east 33.0 feet along the section line; thence south 165 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 165 feet; thence east 264 feet; thence north 165 feet; thence west 264 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to a twenty foot easement for ingress, egress and utility purposes over the south 20 feet of parcel 2. Commonly known as: 2498 N. Barlow Road, Lincoln, Mich. 48742. If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be six months

from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is one year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: September 25, 2019
 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
 Attorneys for Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC.
 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180
 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302
 (248) 335-9200
 Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Case No. 19MI00402-1
 9-25, 10-2, 10-9, 10-16

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale (Alcona County)

Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Daniel F. Gonzalez and Denise R. Gonzalez, husband and wife, to NPB Mortgage LLC, dated June 17, 2004, and recorded on June 28, 2004, in book 402, page 1, 428, document number 200400002857, Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage was lastly assigned to and is now held by Northpointe Bank, a Michigan banking corporation by assignment of mortgage recorded on August 29, 2019, Liber 553, page 771, Instrument Number 201900002863, Alcona County records, Michigan. The sum claimed to be due and owing on said mortgage as of the date of this notice is \$107,252.22 with interest accruing at \$23.16 per diem. 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 shall be foreclosed by a sale of the mort-

gaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on November 13, 2019. The mortgagee will apply the sales proceeds to the debt secured by the mortgage as stated above, plus interest on the amount due at a rate of interest equal to 7.95 percent per annum; all legal costs and expenses, including attorney's fees allowed by law; and also any amount paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the property. The properties to be sold at foreclosure are all that real estate situated in the township of Mikado, county of Alcona, and State of Michigan, described as follows: Parcel 7: a part of the west 1/2 of Section 24, T25N, R8E, being more particularly described as beginning at a point distant north 02 degrees 46 minutes 06 seconds east 1326.04 feet and north 87 degrees 17 minutes 35 seconds west 1200.00 feet from the south 1/4 corner of said Section 24; thence north 32 degrees 01 minute 44 seconds west 287.87 feet; thence north 37 degrees 17 minutes 48 seconds east 411.15;

thence 78.37 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, radius 581.98 feet, central angle 7 degrees 42 minutes 58 seconds, chord bears south 37 degrees 34 minutes 00 seconds east 78.32 feet; thence south 41 degrees 26 minutes 00 seconds east 100.00 feet; thence south 25 degrees 51 minutes 33 seconds west 482.37 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 2649 Wildwood Trail Mikado, Mich. 48745. Tax I.D. No.: 091-024-300-055-00. The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to M.C.L. §600.3240(8). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, under M.C.L. §600.3278 the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. October 2, 2019
 Northpointe Bank
 Kilpatrick & Associates, P.C.
 Attorneys for Northpointe Bank
 903 N. Opdyke Rd., Suite C
 Auburn Hills, MI 48326
 (248) 377-0700
 10-09, 10-16, 10-23, 10-30

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board met October 9. All board members present. Motions to approve the agenda; September 11 minutes; not to pay bills; and place treasurer's report on file; reimbursement for war metals; hire Smith as the township sexton; sign Sanborn Fire Contract; and purchase two 911 signs and address for the parks. Motion to adjourn at 9:28 p.m. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next township meeting is November 13 at Caledonia Township Hall at 7 p.m.
 Kerry Scott
 Caledonia Township Clerk

VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, Oct. 7 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those in attendance included president Phillips, treasurer Hussain, clerk Somers and council members Healy, Mahalak, Putsky, Somers, Wambold and Zielinski. The minutes of the September meeting were approved on a motion from Mahalak with support from Wambold. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Zielinski with support from Healy. In public comment time, Rich Gillies stated that the Festival of Lights Celebration will be held on December 6. There will be an appearance by Santa. A bonfire and hot dogs, chips and hot chocolate will be served at the village hall. Rich Castle representing Consumers Energy gave a brief overview of his work in our area. Pablo Majano and Lindsey Miller from MEDC attended the meeting to give an update on the Redevelopment Ready project. The RRC helps communities gain funding to aide in developing new business, rehabilitating businesses that need to be revamped and forming plans for the future. Committee reports were given.

The Friends of the Playground raised \$300 from a recent bottle drive. Mahalak will continue to accept bottles and cans in the bin in front of her home. There is also a Rada cutlery sale going on to raise additional funding for a well for the playground. Slats are also being sold for the Flights of Imagination Playground to raise funds for mulch and upkeep. President Phillips suggested that someone be responsible for the fund raising for the playground and that would allow Mahalak to concentrate solely on the well project. Zielinski offered to take over that position. The planning commission is moving forward following a workshop session earlier this evening. The next meeting will meet on October 22 at 7:15 p.m. Fire Chief Mike Serafin gave the fire department report. There were 12 fire runs and 19 medical runs within the past month. He presented Heather Dunn Phinney for consideration to the department. A motion was made by Mahalak, with support from Zielinski, to allow Heather to join the department. Motion carried. Putsky gave the sewer report. Everything is running well with the system currently. A motion to adjourn was made by Zielinski with support from Healy. Motion carried.
 Linda K. Somers
 Village Clerk

HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held September 10 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and four guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Fire Chief Dan Klukowski updated the board on the department. Sandy Mendyka briefed the meeting on fundraising for the fire department auxiliary. Commissioner Johnston updated the county happenings. Healy/Johnston: Approve the clerk's August 13 minutes with correction, deleting "lengthy" from Thompson's report. Motion carried. Treasurer's report given and reconciled with clerk's office. Other departments gave their reports. The board authorized the clerk to

prebuy gas from Gary Oil for the township hall (1,500 gallons). Jamieson/Healy: To hire TruGreen to spray the HTRA site around the ball diamonds for weeds. Motion carried. The board would like to thank Pam Burt, Irv Weiner and Matt Burt for the beautiful refrigerator they donated to the township hall, it is truly appreciated. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
 Roger Jamieson
 Township Clerk

MISCELLANEOUS

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names on a paper, use manners and push in chairs," Crevier said.

Crevier grew up in Ossineke and graduated from Alpena High School in 2003. She attained a bachelor's degree in education with minors in math and science from Saginaw Valley State University in 2008. For the last several years she taught preschool, and a first/second grade split class at All Saints Catholic School in Alpena.

Tim Lee, principal at Alcona Elementary, said her experience is a welcome addition. "She has a great rapport with students and is planning many amazing learning opportunities for her students."

Wilkerson grew up in Oscoda and graduated from Oscoda High School in 2013. She explained during high school, Lee was her physics teacher and that it was great to be able to work with him.

Her 2018 bachelor's degree in education and group social studies with an emphasis in history was pursued through Grand Valley State University.

She student taught at Brookwood Public Schools near Grand Rapids, Mich. and taught first grade in Tawas last year.

When the opening came up at Alcona School district, Wilkerson saw the opportunities children are given here and thought it would better fit her teaching style.

"Everyone works together

here with lots of support. They understand it takes a village to raise a child. You can see it through actions in the school, the county library and Tiger clinic (Alcona Health Center) operating at the school. Some of the paraprofessionals here refer to themselves as Grammy. That's good for the kids. It gives them a home feel and makes them feel safe. Even the local paper comes in and takes an interest in what goes on here. You can't get that in big cities," Wilkerson said.

Lee said the district was very excited to have Wilkerson join the district. "Knowing her as a student in high school she always had strong motivation to improve herself and others. Rachael has a great attitude and energy, bringing innovative ideas to education. Building relationships with her students has been a key part in her classroom and she does a wonderful job connecting with kids at their level."

Jirasek grew up in Howell, Mich., in a rural area very

similar to the agricultural community here.

Her mother was a teacher but passed away when Jirasek was 12 years old -- which changed her life completely. "It turns you into the person you are. I'm sure I'd be a different person if that didn't happen, not in a good or bad way, just different," Jirasek said.

She graduated from Howell High school in 2012 and attended Eastern Michigan University and received a bachelor's degree in elementary education with an early childhood endorsement which she got in 2016.

She and her husband, Tony, have been married for a year. Tony recently accepted a job working for Kalitta Air, which is why they moved to the area.

Lee said Jirasek brings a great passion for education, "Her patience and understanding of students' needs has made the start of the year a success. I can't wait to see all the great ideas she has come to fruition."

Alcona volleyball falls to Oscoda, takes Fairview

By Ben Murphy
 Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity volleyball team couldn't play the role of spoiler on Tuesday, Oct. 8. The Lady Tigers were playing in a North Star League match up leading Oscoda, where they fell in straight

sets 25-13, 25-12 and 25-21.

"Oscoda was strong on the net and behind the serving line," said head coach Kristi Miller. "We knew we would have to play consistently. Although we never gave up, we made errors that Oscoda capitalized on and we struggled to get our offense going. It will be key for us to keep working to improve our defensive efforts."

Leading the team on the night was Lily Bibley with five kills and 10 digs.

On Thursday, Oct. 10 the Lady Tigers claimed a home North Star League crossover win over Fairview, 25-7, 26-9 and 25-16.

"We had a strong night and displayed solid teamwork," Miller said. "Rose Schopfer worked hard covering the court and setting up the attack, which was consistent all night."

Brooke Pagels had nine kills and two blocks and Bates finished with 10 aces.

Alcona hosted Hale on Tuesday, Oct. 15; heads to Posen on Thursday, Oct. 17 and is at the Tawas Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 19.



Alcona's Rose Schopfer serves up the ball during last week's loss at Oscoda. Photo by Ben Murphy.

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