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(Top photo) Bonnie Baker (left) of the Quirky Quilters Guild presents three Quilt of Valor quilts to Alcona County veterans recently. Eric Wagner U.S. Army and resident of Greenbush receives his quilt at home. (Bottom photo) U.S. Marine Corps veteran Shaun M. Clark, a physician assistant practicing family medicine at Alcona Health Center in Lincoln, received his quilt while at work. A third quilt (not pictured) was presented to Hospice patient, Carroll Bradley of Mikado, a veteran of the U.S. Army veteran. *Courtesy photos.*



Alcona Community Schools reach out to assist online learners

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Due to growing frustrations for some Alcona Community Schools students who are taking courses online through a third-party vendor, the district has added additional support through school success staff, onsite learning labs and increased communication with parents and students.

When school started last September, the school district offered a variety of options to educate students during the pandemic. Kindergarten through eighth-grade students were offered a face-to-face option to learn in a classroom at the school with teachers, a remote online version is available with the same teacher when the school is shut down due to spikes in the virus, such as it did on November 20, and it offers a third-party vendor version of school online.

No face-to-face education has been offered to high school students this year, except for special education students.

According to Dan O'Connor, Alcona Community Schools superintendent, most of the high school students opted for online remote learning with Alcona teachers, but some have chosen to go with the third-party vendor.

Currently, the district has 37 elementary students and 137 middle and high school students who opted to go with the district's third-party vendor. For elementary students, the vendor is through a platform called Accelerate. Middle and high school students are using a program called Edgenuity. All online learning platforms operate through a learning management program called Brightspace.

While some students are succeeding with the Edgenuity and Accelerate programs,

others are struggling to keep up with it. Frustrations seem to be increasing rapidly with the Edgenuity program, especially now since students are getting close to the end of the first marking period.

Middle and High School interim Principal Christie Thomas explained that Internet learning requires a certain amount of self-direction and independence that some students and families struggle in managing.

"Online learning is not ideal for all students, but we wanted to offer an option for families who chose to have their students work online from home," Thomas said.

O'Connor said the school has offered an online option for many years and before the beginning of last year, three or four different online third-party vendors were offered.

"We did a lot of research to choose just one vendor last year before we were thrust into COVID-19. Through our research, Edgenuity was more engaging and responsive to students and parents, had better communication with the schools and has a streamlined enrollment process. I can't imagine the situation we are now in using four different companies. It would have been a logistical nightmare," O'Connor said.

He explained that each Edgenuity course is prerecorded, so there isn't immediate rapport with a teacher when the student may need it, however, there is a button they can click to get online support.

In addition to online support from Edgenuity, Thomas said each Edgenuity student has an Alcona Community Schools teacher as a virtual mentor who checks in with them every week to offer help should they need it.

School success liaison Shannon Oliver, has also been meeting with students to offer assistance in getting them whatever they may need to succeed with courses.

"Over the past four weeks, we have had a staff member dedicated to calling all Edgenuity parents and students to update them on the student's progress, offer help

Students struggle and excel with online learning

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

As students get deeper into the school year, both frustrations and praises are being heard from parents of Alcona Community School's online learning course, Edgenuity.

Many local parents, such as Monica Spears, who has two children and Ashley Ritchie, who has one son, in the school district chose to keep their children home to learn through the school's third-party online vendor Edgenuity.

Spears is the mother of Cecelia, 17 and Marius, 13. Ritchie is the mother of Keegan who is almost 13 and a special education student.

Both parents felt online learning was a safer alternative for their children during the COVID-19 pandemic. Spears said they additionally opted for the online learning course because they didn't feel it was right to make teachers work in classrooms where they could

be possibly be exposed to the virus.

"Since Marius is still in middle school, he had the choice of going face-to-face. I didn't want him to sit in one classroom all day in a mask and possibly risk getting the virus. We ultimately left it up to him and he chose online learning from home," Spears said.

Her daughter, Cecelia, who is a senior this year and taking dual-enrollment college classes didn't have a choice because face-to-face wasn't an option at the high school level.

Ritchie said she wanted Keegan enrolled with Edgenuity because she had a feeling he would not do well if he attended face-to-face instruction and then, if the school had to shut down due to a spike in the virus, he would have to revert to being at home doing remote learning, which is exactly what has happened to face-

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God Bless America





Obituaries



Shaleen Atchinson

Shaleen Atchinson, 68, of Lincoln, died on Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020 at home.

She was born September 13, 1952 to Mack and Lauretta (Schuler) Henry in Honolulu, Hawaii.

After a career in corporate event planning in California, Mrs. Atchinson pursued her passion of retail boutique fashion consulting in both Chicago, Ill. and Northville, Mich.

She married Roger Atchinson on December 27, 1993 in Barrington, Ill.

She was a caring soul who loved to entertain. An excellent cook, Mrs. Atchinson loved to entertain and decorate for the season. She was a member of Lost Lake Woods Club since 1999 and owned a home there since 2014.

Mrs. Atchinson is survived by her husband, Roger; four stepchildren, Amy Atchinson, Adam (Teri) Atchinson, An-



gela (Jeff) Atchinson, and Ali (Cody) Atchinson; seven grandchildren; and one sister, Marty (Danny) Collins.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Dick Henry.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Robert A. Ruffner

Robert A. Ruffner, 72, of Harrisville, died on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2020 at home.

He was born August 26, 1948 to Robert and Anna (Alcorn) Ruffner in Greensburg, Pa. He was raised in Inkster, Mich. and Livonia, Mich.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He worked as the director of maintenance at Kalitta Air in Oscoda and retired in March.

Mr. Ruffner was a member of the American Legion in Oscoda, and the Oscoda Yacht Club.

He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed fishing, boating, and riding motorcycles, snowmobiles and 4-wheelers. He was very adventurous and always up for a good time.

Mr. Ruffner is survived by one sister, Carol Grant; one niece, Laura (Brian) Fine; two nephews, Michael Grant and Matthew Grant; three great-nephews, Gideon Fine, Lochlin Fine and Conner Grant; and his partner, Samantha Moore.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A memorial celebration will be announced in the future.

Raymond V. Sobieski

Raymond V. Sobieski, 74, of Hubbard Lake, died on Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020 at Mid Michigan Medical Center, Alpena.

He was born October 26, 1946 to Joseph H. and Eugenia H. (Powierski) Sobieski in Detroit, Mich. He was raised in Redford, Mich.

He served in the U.S. Army and served during the Vietnam War. Mr. Sobieski worked for the United States Postal Service and retired from the Hubbard Lake office in 2018.

On May 29, 2012, he married Sue Szwed.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing and crossword puzzles. He was a member of the Ossineke Eagles Club.

Mr. Sobieski is survived by one son, Vincent (Antonina) Sobieski; one daughter, Cori (Doug) Schlimmer; two grandsons, Gus Sobieski and Carson Sokol; one step daughter, Chris (Doug) Nelson; and four step grandchildren, Nick Nelson, Jimmy Nelson, C.J. Szwed, and Ricky (Candace) Szwed,; one brother, Leonard (Mary Beth) Sobieski; one sister, Camille Burch; and his feline companion, Cat.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sue, in December 2015 and one stepson, Julius Szwed.

There will be a memorial Mass Friday, Dec. 11 at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in South Lyon, Mich. Streaming information will be available prior to the Mass.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Arthur R. Talbot

Arthur R. Talbot, 81, of Harrisville, died on Friday, Nov. 20, 2020 after a nine-year battle with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

He was born in Pontiac, Mich. on October 26, 1939 to Joseph and Pearl (Noel) Talbot.

Mr. Talbot loved carving wood and was a member of the Sunrise Side Woodcarvers. He spent the best of his later years at the Iosco Medical Care Facility where he will be remembered for his booming laughter that rolled throughout the hallways.

He is survived by his wife, Charlene S. Talbot of Harrisville; one daughter, Leigh-Ann Richmond; one brother,



Donald Talbot; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and one niece, Jeanette Adams.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one grandson, Brandon Talbot and 10 siblings.

Private arrangements were handled by the Buresh Funeral Homes, Inc. of Oscoda.

Larry A. Reames

Larry A. Reames, 78, of Harrisville, died on Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2020 at Mid Michigan Medical Center, Alpena due to COVID-19.

He was born July 23, 1942 to Harold V. and Leora B. (Rushman) Reames in Mikado. He was raised in Alcona County.

On May 19, 1962, he married Rosemary Truman in Harrisville. They were residents of Alpena and Flint, Mich. where Mr. Reames worked for General Motors for 12 years.

He moved to Oscoda where he and his family owned rental apartments. He worked restoring and rebuilding the apartments.

In 1974 Mr. Reames started working in the maintenance department at Oscoda Area Schools.

He loved hunting, watching deer in his backyard and bowling. He was strong and dependable and full of unconditional love.

Mr. Reames is survived by his wife Rosemary; three sons, Terry (Denise) Reames of Livonia, Mich., Rodney (Lindsey)



Reames of Kentwood, Mich. and Chris (LaRae) Reames of Melbourne, Fla; seven grandchildren, Jaylen Reames, Darien Reames, A.J. Reames, Alexis Reames, Chase Reames, Zac Reames, and Olivia Reames; one sister, Valerie (Walt) Joslin; and one brother, Duane (Althea) Reames.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Barb Becker and Carole Campbell, and one brother, Jerry Reames.

Private funeral services have been held. Burial was in Twin Lakes Cemetery, Lincoln. Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Letters to Santa

Any student in Alcona County who has not submitted a Letter to Santa to be published in the Alcona County Review is encouraged to submit one (per student) by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15.

Most Alcona Elementary students have done so, but online learners, home schoolers and any other students, ages kindergarten to sixth grade, are welcome to write a letter. Santa is a subscriber to the Review and works with our staff to make sure he reads all letters.

Letters can be emailed to: subscribe@alconareview.com. Please put "Letter to Santa" in subject line and **include the first and last name of the child and a telephone number of a parent in case there is a question.** They can also be dropped through the mail slot in the front door of the Review office at 111 N. Lake Street, Harrisville, or mailed to Alcona County Review, P.O. Box 548, Harrisville, Mich. 48740.

Thank you,
Santa's Review Elves

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,
How's your quality of life these days? How's your business? Did your vote count this year? Was your vote even counted this year?

Please sign the petition to recall Gretchen Whitmer. The website recallwhitmer.com has locations throughout your great state of Michigan. We only have until December 21 to obtain the required

number of signatures and then vote for a new governor as soon as March 2021.

Please invite your family, friends, and social network contacts to sign the petition. We can do this.

Hopefully, this won't be our final freedom.

So again, how's your quality of life these days?

Karen Karbowski
Hubbard Lake

To the Editor,
"Imagine if in London during the Blitz there had been a whole bunch of people going 'I'll turn on my lights if I feel like it.'"

This really resonates with me. My mother lived through World War II in England. Their home, just south of London was bombed and destroyed. She was forced to move north and lived in a convent boarding school for safety. Her brother lived in a monastery boarding school in the north as well.

Being safe meant you didn't see your parents until school breaks and only if they could get there and there was a place to stay, you wore gas

masks, you helped your neighbors.

My grandmother drove an ambulance throughout the bombing. Never once did people say, it's my right to put my lights on or I won't help a neighbor to the bomb shelter, or it's my right to not do whatever is necessary to help people be safe.

People wore gas masks to be safe. No one said, it's my right to turn the lights on. It's what you do if you are a patriot and understand that the needs of all citizens across the country are what matter. With freedom comes responsibility.

Meg Nisbet
Harrisville Township

To the Editor,
Here are some safety practices that should be followed this holiday season:

- If using a natural tree, remember to make a fresh cut (at least one-half inch) on the bottom of the tree to open up the pores. After the cut is made, put the tree in water as soon as possible and make sure the tree stand always has water in it.

- If using lights, determine if they are LED or the older, incandescent style. Most incandescent mini Christmas lights allow connecting four or five sets. Most LED mini light strings can have many strands together. Use manufacturers recommendations and consider circuits: Most household circuits are 15 or 20 amps.

- Do not utilize extension cords for indoor decorations. Use to use a surge protected Underwriter Laboratory (UL) certified power strip. Be careful not to overload power strips. Many power strips come with a 10-foot cord and should provide enough distance to reach decorations.

- Cooking fires remain the most common cause of home fires, not only during the holiday season but throughout the year. Have a kitchen fire extinguisher available for use.

- Check smoke and carbon monoxide alarms for functionality. During the cold months, fires occur more frequently. Detectors usually have a life span of 8-10 years and then they will need to be replaced.

- Chimney fires can cause a lot of damage to a home. Chimneys should be inspected and cleaned once a year to insure everything is working properly.

- Extreme care should always be used when operating a portable space heater. They should only be plugged into a wall outlet and never into a power strip or extension cord. Always remain in the room when the heater is in use.

On behalf of all the Alcona County fire departments, we wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday season!

Michael Serafin
Fire Chief
Lincoln Volunteer
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The Pocket Park will be located on Main Street in Harrisville next to the railroad tracks (there is a sign at the location).

Brick purchases are fully tax deductible.

All proceeds from brick sales will benefit the City of Harrisville Pocket Park fundraising campaign.

If you have questions, please email Becky Bean: beckybean48@gmail.com



Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

Everyone is welcome to join the Community Walking Club and meet in the parking lot of the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library in Harrisville at 9 a.m. Social distancing will be practiced and face masks will be required. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

The Newcomers Lunch Group will meet at noon at the Big Boy Restaurant on Ripley Avenue in Alpena. Call Terry at (989) 340-0676 if planning to attend.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

Reformers Unanimous, a faith-based addictions recovery program, will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 South State Street. For more information, call Pastor Wayne Whitten at (989) 335-0172.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

Recycle Alcona County will hold drop off day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. Enter and exit through the north gate. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

A Teenager Grab N Go peppermint ornament kit and a magazine bow kit can be picked up by teenagers ages 12-18 from the Alcona County Library, Harrisville branch. They are available while supplies last. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

The Alcona Book Club will meet (tentative, call ahead) at the Harrisville branch of the

Alcona County Library from noon to 1 p.m. The selection for December is "We Were the Lucky Ones," by Georgia Hunter. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

The Knitting Klub & Crochet will meet (tentative, call ahead) at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. All ages and levels welcome. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

The Alcona County Library Board will meet via Zoom and Facebook Live at the Harrisville branch at 2 p.m. The link will be posted on the library's website (<http://www.alcona-lib.mi.us>) and Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/AlconaLibrary>).

There will be a drive through food giveaway at three locations in Alcona County from 4 to 6 p.m. The locations are at the Alcona Recreation Center (ARA) on Barlow Road in Lincoln, Lott Baptist Church, 4257 S. State Road in Glennie and Greenbush Fire Hall, 5036 Campbell Street, Greenbush. For more information call the Alcona County Commission on Aging at (989) 334-3663.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

Everyone is welcome to join the Community Walking Club and meet in the parking lot of the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library in

Harrisville at 9 a.m. Social distancing will be practiced and face masks will be required. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

There will be a drive-thru Christmas for kids (infant to 12 years old) from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Barton City Eagles Arie No. 4141. Everyone will stay in their vehicle and drive around the parking lot. Santa will be there to wave to kids and Santa's helpers will give children a gift and a lunch. For more information, call Sue at (989) 736-6570.

(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.)



Local Notes



Opportunities for Grants

The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) is accepting grant applications for the winter 2021 grant cycles of its Community Impact and Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Grants. The deadline for both grant opportunities is January 15, 2021. All nonprofit agencies with a 501(c)(3) IRS designation, schools, churches (for non-religious purposes) and government agencies in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle Counties are invited to apply.

Community Impact Grants are for a broad range of projects and programs. The maximum grant request amount is \$5,000.

Youth Advisory Council Grants are for projects benefiting youth under the age of 18. The maximum request amount for YAC Grants is \$2,500.

Applications are available at cfnem.org where they may be completed online and submitted via email or printed for completion. If applications are mailed, they must be post-marked by the January 15 grant deadline date and sent to the CFNEM office at P.O. Box 495, Alpena, MI 49707.

Applications to the Bernard F. and Melissa Anne Bailey Family Fund Health Care Scholarship program at MidMichigan Health are available for the 2021-2022 school year. Students may access the application online at www.midmichigan.org/bailey. Applications and support documentation will only be accepted electronically. The deadline for the 2021-2022 school year is Monday, March 1, 2021.

The fund, was established to further the goals of students pursuing clinical health care careers from an accredited college or university. Scholarships are awarded to students in health care fields on the basis of merit and established criteria as determined by an overseer committee. Interested applicants must be a resident or have immediate family living in the following counties: Alcona, Alpena, Bay, Clare, Gladwin, Gratiot, Isabella, Midland, Montcalm, Ogemaw, Presque Isle, Roscommon and Saginaw.

For more information, contact Ashley Raetz-Myers at (989) 839-3638 or ashley-raetz-myers@midmichigan.org. For additional scholarship opportunities visit www.midmichigan.org/scholarships.

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Getting Older



Dear Getting,
The coronavirus crisis has changed the way a lot of people look at things, including wills. Currently, fewer than half of American adults have prepared a will. But having a last will and testament is important because it ensures that your money and property will be distributed to the people you want to receive it after your death.

If you die without a will, your estate will be settled in accordance with state law. Details vary by state, but assets are typically distributed using a hierarchy of survivors. Assets go to first to a spouse, then to children, then your siblings, and so on.

You also need to be aware that certain accounts take precedence over a will. If you jointly own a home or a bank account, for example, the house, and the funds in the account, will go to the joint holder, even if your will directs otherwise.

Similarly, retirement accounts and life insurance policies are distributed to the beneficiaries you designate, so it is important to keep them up to date too.

Online Will Makers

If you have a simple, straightforward estate and an uncomplicated family situation, writing your own will – with the help of a good online will making program – is a viable alternative to hiring an attorney and much cheaper. Like tax software, these online tools will guide you through a series of questions and will insert your answers into a will for you, and it usually takes less than 20 minutes from start to finish.

Three top-rated do-it-yourself options include the Quicken WillMaker & Trust

2021 downloadable software (available at nolo.com) that costs \$100 and works with Windows and Macs and is valid in every state except Louisiana; LegalZoom (legalzoom.com), which offers basic wills for \$89 or \$99 if you'd like assistance from an independent attorney; and Trust & Will (trustandwill.com) which charges \$89 for a basic will.

If that's more than you're willing to pay, consider FreeWill (freewill.com), which is a completely free will making resource made possible with the support of nonprofit organizations.

When to Hire a Lawyer

If you have considerable financial assets or a complex family situation, like a blended family or child with special needs, it would be smart for you to seek professional advice. An experienced lawyer can make sure you cover all your bases, which can help avoid family confusion and squabbles after you're gone.

The National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (naela.org) and the National Association of Estate Planners & Councils (naepc.org) websites are good resources that have directories to help you find someone in your area.

Costs will vary depending on your location and the complexity of your situation, but you can expect to pay somewhere between \$200 and \$1,000 to get your will made. To help you save, shop around and get price quotes from several different firms. And before you meet with an attorney, make a detailed list of your assets and accounts to help make your visit more efficient.

Make it Valid

Be aware that to make your will valid, you must sign and date it and have it witnessed according to the laws of your state. Most states require two witnesses who are not listed as beneficiaries in your will to watch you sign it. Some states also require that a notary witness the signing as well. Nationalnotary.org can tell you if a notary is needed to legalize a will in your state, if remote notary services are available, and how to access such online services to execute your will if you are sheltering at home during the pandemic.

top ten
Best Blues Guitarists* READER POLL

1. Joe Bonamassa
2. Eric Clapton
3. Derek Trucks
4. Buddy Guy
5. John Mayer
6. Kenny Wayne Shepherd
7. Samantha Fish
8. Gary Clark Jr.
9. Tab Benoit
10. Billy Gibbons

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Board of Road Commissioners of the County of Alcona will hold a public hearing at the Road Commission office, 301 N. Lake Street, Lincoln, Michigan, at 2:15 p.m., Tuesday, December 22, 2020. The purpose is to receive public comments on the proposed Road Commission budget prior to taking final action to approve a budget for 2021. Due to current Michigan Department of Health and Human Services pandemic orders, the office will not be available for the public to attend in person. Please log-in to the meeting via Zoom, Meeting ID 862-9663-5716. Additional dial-in information can be obtained by calling the office at 989-736-8168, extension 1. Anyone wishing to examine the proposed budget may do so online at www.alconacrc.com beginning November 30, 2020 or by contacting the office at 989-736-8168, extension 1.

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2	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
3	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
4	Unlimited	0	Unlimited
5	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
6	Unlimited	Unlimited	0
7	Unlimited	Unlimited	0
8	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
9	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
10	Unlimited	Unlimited	0
11	Unlimited	Unlimited	0
12	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited

The above-identified Iosco County Public Schools will now accept applications for enrollment from nonresident pupils for the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year. Applications are now available.

Completed applications for unlimited student enrollment in the above indicated grades in **Tawas Area Schools will be January 4, 2021 through January 17, 2021.**

Completed applications for unlimited student enrollment in **Oscoda Area Schools will be January 11, 2021 through January 24, 2021**

Completed applications for unlimited student enrollment in the above indicated grades in **Whittemore-Prescott Area Schools will be accepted, January 18, 2021, through January 31, 2021.**

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and encourage them to continue working. They have also been meeting virtually with struggling Edgenuity students to make a plan on how to catch up and support them in their continued work. Staff

members will also be working with middle school students who chose to attend the school's new onsite learning labs once school resumes," Thomas said.

She explained all parents

have access to their child's Edgenuity account through the parent portal. "In this portal, parents can track how much time has been spent working on courses, the student's grades and can communicate with instructors. This was one of the reasons we chose Edgenuity - they have the option to allow parents access to monitor progress on what their child is learning," Thomas said.

Thomas and O'Connor explained Edgenuity also gives students opportunities when they do not pass a test to take the test again and since the lessons are prerecorded, the student can view it as many times as they need to. Another advantage is students can work on lessons whenever they want to and can continue courses even when school is not in session such as during winter break.

O'Connor felt that despite the advantages of the program some students just don't have the self-starter motivation to get through an online course. "Online learning is hard. It's a family task and it takes a lot of engagement and support from all fronts. A lot of students need face-to-face human support interaction. To some opening a screen and moving forward on a checklist isn't engaging," he said.

"We monitor Edgenuity's progress regularly and have put additional support measures in place as we see a

need. There is no doubt some students who are unable to progress through Edgenuity will be behind when they return to school next year. We are looking at offering summer school support to help bridge learning gaps.

"There will likely be a need for additional interventions in the coming years to mitigate learning gaps. Studies show retention during middle school years is counterproductive to a student's future success. A better option is to offer intervention support," Thomas said.


O'Connor felt Edgenuity was doing a remarkable job considering the vendor had no way of knowing its users would triple in numbers this year due to the virus. "This is a vendor who teaches thousands of districts across the country. They are struggling with the same teacher shortage we are struggling with and accommodating way more students than they ever thought they would have. It's the perfect storm," he said.

Thomas said one of the

more frustrating aspects of online learning is the sense of being disconnected from others, both students and staff, "We want to work with students to help them be successful and the number of changes we have had to put in place, including the option of Edgenuity, creates a situation where we don't have the opportunity to interact with students as much. Technology is a great tool, but nothing can replace human interactions and connection."

Thomas said if a student is having issues in contacting the Edgenuity instructor, parents need to communicate with their child's Alcona School mentor. Students currently learning online through Edgenuity may change to face-to-face instruction at the beginning of the second semester slated to start January 18, 2021.

O'Connor said he expected face-to-face classes to resume on December 9 providing there is no great local increase of the virus in the community.



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to-fade students at the school.

"I just didn't want him bouncing from school to home. I wanted him to have a full education without the restrictions of COVID-19. I'm very happy with this decision, he has excelled tremendously," Ritchie said.

them except by email. If he has a question, everything is stopped, he can't continue on to the next problem in that subject," Spears said.

She explained the school did give students two weeks at the beginning of the year to decide whether or not they






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Marius Spears, an eighth grade Alcona Community School student, receives some face time with a local school mentor while trying to navigate his online Edgenuity courses. *Courtesy photo.*

Unfortunately, the Spears family has not been as enthusiastic about the education Marius is receiving through Edgenuity. Spears said it wasn't at all what they expected. "The teachers are from all over the country and lessons are prerecorded videos with no interaction between student and teacher. When we do try to reach them, we can't contact them readily. We have no way of talking to

would be continuing with the Edgenuity program but at that time she and Marius didn't have a good idea of what the program would offer.

Ritchie said because of her son's learning disabilities, Edgenuity has been the perfect program for him because lessons can be read to him using tools such as text to

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speech. "After the first week we found out there was a schedule of things he needed to do and we figured out how much he could do in a day between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., he stuck to it. He is now actually ahead of schedule to complete all his classes next week for the semester and won't need to attend a class again until January 22," she said.

Ritchie explained the semester ends on January 12 but there is a two-week extension period for students who are 20 percent away from completion to get the first-semester work done.

She said her son was doing better with online learning through Edgenuity than he would have done in the classroom and, despite his disability, he is working on the same classwork with the same expectations other seventh grade students enrolled in the program have.

"It was exactly what he needed. He is either reading, listening or comprehending subjects most of the time he is online which are all the things he normally struggles with at school," Ritchie said. She liked that if he gets a failing mark, he can take the test two more times to get a better grade.

Spears commented that technology glitches have also occurred frustrating her son. "He would do the work, save it, send it in and then when it got to Edgenuity it was blank. It came back completely erased. Which means he had to do the work over again. He isn't the only student this

has happened to," Spears said.

Spears acknowledged her frustrations with the program on a Facebook post that caught the attention of the school's interim principal, Christie Thomas, who contacted Spears immediately offering help.

"I should have called out for help sooner. Christie Thomas has gone over and above to help us get through this," Spears said.

She explained they have come to realize that Marius, who is an average student, needs social interaction to succeed, which school normally provides. Because of the support Thomas was able

to help him get, Marius is slowly doing better with the program. Spears said they will stick with Edgenuity for the remainder of the year because they still feel badly that teachers are being put at risk.

According to Ritchie, the Edgenuity program does take a lot of dedication from parents and students to be able to succeed with it and she is lucky to be able to stay at home while he is taking his courses. "Students have to have a strict schedule, they have to have expectations, and be able to get help. Even Keegan is realizing the education he is getting by staying home is better for him," she said.

District Court

The following individual were sentenced in 81st District Court in November.

- James Dominic Gross, 22, of Lincoln was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$690 for operator's license suspended, revoked, denied.
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- Justin Alan Spears, 38, of Harrisville was sentenced to fines and costs of \$200 for no valid license in possession.
- Kevin James Nowak, 46, of Pontiac, Mich. was sentenced to \$180 in fines and costs for ORV - failed to wear a crash helmet.
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Alcona County Sheriff's Report
For the Week of November 30 - December 6, 2020

47 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 2 Arrests; 2 Operate While Intoxicated.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	11	Traffic/Traffic Stop	4
Mental	2	Property Damage Accident	2
Personal Injury Accident	1	Assist	1
Animal/Dog	2	Fraud	1
Patrol Check	1	Well Being Check	3
Suspicious Event	3	Civil	7
Elder Abuse	1	Fire	2
Drug Disposal	1	Alarm	1
Operate While Intoxicated	2	Property Check	1

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

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Greenbush	6	Gustin	3	Harrisville	12
Hawes	5	Haynes	2	Mikado	4
Millen	0	Mitchell	0		
Harrisville City	4	Village of Lincoln	3		

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AUTHORITY MEETING

DECEMBER 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

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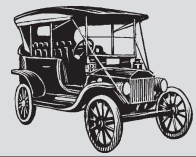
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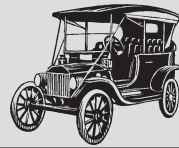
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Joseph Quartet, Harrisville barber, and Harry Clark of Glennie and Harrisville are the men under arrest.

Lying near death at the home of his parents in East Tawas, suffering from wounds received in his exchange of shots with Cashier Miller, Quarters made a full confession of the crime to Prosecuting Attorney Dehnke. The confession implicated Clark, who was arrested Wednesday morning in Harrisville and is held in the county jail.

The condition of the wounded cashier is serious. He was brought to Oscoda early Wednesday and Dr. A. R. Miller was called from Harrisville to dress his wounds. The doctor found two painful flesh wounds but thought the man's chances for recovery were good. Both the cashier and Quarters were taken to Bay City hospital on Wednesday morning.

Word of the hold-up reached Prosecutor Dehnke and Sheriff Forsyth shortly after it took place. Prosecutor Dehnke immediately notified sheriffs of adjoining counties and the state police at Grayling and then caught the 6:15 train to Oscoda to get into telephone communication

with Glennie.

Sheriff Forsyth and Under-Sheriff Carle started to drive to Glennie by way of Oscoda.

At Oscoda Mr. Dehnke learned the particulars from Glennie and also learned that wounded man had gone south on the 6:15 train to Tawas.

When the other officers arrived at Oscoda he joined them and all three drove to Tawas. At Tawas they learned for the first time who was shot and also various accounts of the shooting and how it took place.

Wednesday morning, early, the prosecutor went to the Quarters home and Joe came through with a full confession. At first he would not tell who his companion was, but when informed that Clark was in jail and the officers "had the goods on him" he told it all. He said this was the only job of this kind he was ever in and he said that Clark never told him of being in any other.

Quarters said that Clark suggested the plan to rob the Glennie Bank about a month ago and again Tuesday when he was having some work done at Quarters' shop. At this time they decided to put the job across that same day. They left at ten minutes to two Tuesday afternoon.

Quarters walked up street and got into the machine opposite W. L. Chapelle's premises so as not to attract attention, and proceeded to Glennie by way of Oscoda. At Glennie they left the car about a mile south of the store in which

the bank is located and went the balance of the way on foot. Clark stayed outside because he would be recognized in the light as he formerly lived near Glennie. Quarters went in to do the job. Neither was masked.

Quarters claims Miller shot him twice before Joe shot. When he went outside Clark said "did he get you?" Joe said "Yes." They went back to the auto and Clark drove Joe to the Oscoda depot, where they stood in a dark place until the train came and Quarters got aboard and home to Tawas, where he collapsed as he reached his parents' house.

Doctors were summoned at about the time the news of the robbery came to Tawas and it was not long before the two stories were connected up.

One of the shots that struck Quarters hit a rib and ran around to the back; the other struck the collarbone and is lodged in or near the lung.

Clark has kept silent or denied any connection with the affair. He arrived in Harrisville at about the time it would take to hurry here after leaving Quarters at the Oscoda depot. His Ford machine was in hard shape—mud-spattered, flat tires and curtained in such a way that nothing could be seen of the interior except thru the windshield. There was blood stains on the cushions believed by the officers to have been caused by Quarters' bleeding

wounds.

Cashier Miller's account of the encounter in the bank differs somewhat from Quarters' statement. The bank was robbed of \$2,000 last Aug. 22, when Miller and his wife were forced into an upper room and tied to a bed while the robbers looted the store and cash drawer. Since that experience he has carried a gun and on the night of the second attempt he says he felt that "something was going to happen" when Quarters came through the door. He did not know Quarters. Joe stopped at the show case, according to Miller, and was looking into it when Miller came up to see what was wanted. Quarters did not want anything and the cashier started back toward the cash register. As he neared the register

Quarters came up quickly and said "Good evening Mr. Miller—hold up your hands!" Pointing a gun. Miller pulled his gun then and both fired.

Quarters' gun clogged at the second shot and he struck Miller over the head with the butt of it knocking him down. Miller fired five shots. Joe threw his gun on the floor when he left

Clark is about 20 years of age and graduated last year from the Oscoda high school. He lived in Harrisville two or three years, came here with his parents from Glennie. The family recently moved to Mikado township.

Quarters is about 30 years

old and came here about a year ago and opened a barber shop. He was a member of the A. E. F. to north Russia.

Word came from Bay City Wednesday night that Quarters was dying and Clark was taken there on the evening train by Sheriff Forsyth and Under-Sheriff Carle. Prosecutor Dehnke and Rev. Fr. Ryan are also in the party. The Review understands that Clark, who denies all knowledge of the crime, will be taken to Quarters bedside.

Clark says the blood on his car came from a deer and the officers have sent some of it away to be analyzed.

No word had come from Bay City at 8 o'clock Thursday morning.

If someone had a wide variety of moral principles, would you call it ethic diversity?

CrypticQuid

Super Crossword

Answers

SCOTT	STY	AMSTEL	GULF
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AMBIGUOUS	AGORAS	LIMO	
BEEF	NON	ABIGAIL	ADAMS
	YONDER	SNITCHES	
AMIGO	LOOSEN	EERO	
MRBIGGLES	WORTH	AARON	
IMEMINE	BEHOLD	SOLO	
NOAM	CABAL	GAUNTLET	
EMMET	POGOING	BEE	ESE
	SIR	BIGRAMS	TAP
APT	LEA	NESTERS	TACKS
HOUSEFLY	ENIAC	WHAT	
AUNT	STUDIO	AGONIZE	
BREED	KATHRYN	BIGLOW	
	ARAL	DEMURE	REDOIS
EGOMANIA		ISOLDE	
BIGHT	OFBENIN	NOM	TATA
OLDE	MEETUP	GOOVERBIG	
ODEA	IRANIS	AIM	BIBLE
KANT	ESTATE	DRS	BOATS

Two held on charge of making whiskey

Trial of Disorderliness Leads to Suspicion of Source of Booze

December 9, 1920 ~ For being drunk and disorderly, Joseph Moran and Clyde Potts are serving ten days each in the County jail. Their trial was before Justice Southgate.

Both men have been working at the gravel works near Greenbush and Friday night while intoxicated they "started something" at the works.

They were roughly handled and next day a complaint was made against them with the above result.

There has been a suspicion that booze was being made in that vicinity and information came out during this trial that confirmed the officials in their suspicion.

In consequence two arrests have been made, Floyd Carriveau and George Hogue being charged with selling intoxicating liquor. Their examination is set for Dec. 14 and they are under \$500 bond each to appear at that time.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2020

Weekly Report

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
Nov. 29	48	33	0.00	3.9	19	SW
Nov. 30	39	28	0.00	6.9	29	NNE
Dec. 1	33	27	0.01	6.8	30	NNE
Dec. 2	44	28	0.00	3.1	23	N
Dec. 3	37	28	0.00	2.6	15	SW
Dec. 4	37	29	0.05	1.6	15	SW
Dec. 5	31	27	0.00	3.2	15	N

Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	2020	2019	Normal
Weekly Total	0.06	0.3	0.42
November	1.55	3.09	2.08
December To Date	0.06	0.3	0.30
Year/Season to Date	22.22	1.2	26.87

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. **FOOD & DRINK:** What is another name for the vegetable known in some parts of the world as a courgette?
2. **LANGUAGE:** What does the Latin phrase "Ars longa, vita brevis" mean?
3. **LITERATURE:** Which 20th-century novel begins with the line, "When he was nearly thirteen, my brother Jem got his arm badly broken at the elbow"?
4. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a pudu?
5. **MOVIES:** Which 1983 movie featured the character of Tony Montana?
6. **TELEVISION:** What was the name of the vacuum cleaner on the children's series "Teletubbies"?
7. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What color is carmine?
8. **SCIENCE:** What was the first mammal to be cloned successfully from an adult cell?
9. **FIRSTS:** Who was the first African American man elected to the U.S. Senate?
10. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** What was the name of President Bill Clinton's family cat?

Answers: 1. Zucchini; 2. Art is long, life is short; 3. "To Kill a Mockingbird"; 4. Small South American deer; 5. "Scarface," Al Pacino; 6. The Noo-noo; 7. Dark red; 8. Dolly the sheep; 9. Hiram Rhodes Revels, 1870; 10. Socks (c) 2020 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Dec. 10, 1690, a near-mutiny forces the Massachusetts Bay Colony to issue the first paper currency in the Western Hemisphere. Soldiers were typically paid in coins, but shortages forced armies to temporarily issue IOUs -- in one case, in the form of cut-up playing cards.
 - On Dec. 7, 1787, in Dover, Delaware, the U.S. Constitution is unanimously ratified by all 30 delegates to the Delaware Constitutional Convention, making Delaware the first state of the modern United States. Government under the U.S. Constitution took effect on March 4, 1789.
 - On Dec. 9, 1921, an engineer at General Motors discovers that when he added tetraethyl lead to gasoline, it eliminated the knocking sound of internal-combustion engines. In the 1970s, the Environmental Protection Agency phased out leaded gasoline due to health concerns.
 - On Dec. 8, 1941, Jeannette Rankin, the first woman elected to Congress and a lifelong pacifist, casts the sole Congressional vote against the U.S. declaration of war on Japan. She also had voted against U.S. involvement in World War I.
 - On Dec. 11, 1978, a half dozen masked robbers raid the Lufthansa Airlines cargo building at JFK Airport in New York, making off with more than \$5 million in cash (\$20 million in today's dollars) and almost \$1 million in jewelry.
 - On Dec. 12, 1989, Leona Helmsley, nicknamed the "Queen of Mean," is sentenced to four years in prison, 750 hours of community service and a \$7.1 million tax-fraud fine in New York. Helmsley once quipped that "only the little people pay taxes."
 - On Dec. 13, 2003, in Seattle, the iconic Hat 'n' Boots Tex Gas Station is hauled away from the spot where it had stood for almost 50 years. The 44-foot-wide Stetson hat had perched atop the filling station's office, while the 22-foot-tall cowboy boots housed the men's and the women's restrooms.
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Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 "Everwood" actor Wolf</p> <p>6 Pigs' home</p> <p>9 Dutch brew</p> <p>15 — of Mexico</p> <p>19 * Ship's load</p> <p>20 Lead-in to historic</p> <p>21 Durango dish</p> <p>22 Baseball's Hershiser</p> <p>23 * Subject to interpretation</p> <p>25 * Old Greek squares</p> <p>26 "Stretch" car</p> <p>27 Steak, e.g.</p> <p>28 Prefix with lethal</p> <p>29 * Second U.S. first lady</p> <p>31 At a distance</p> <p>33 Tattles</p> <p>34 * Chum</p> <p>38 Give slack to</p> <p>42 Son of Eliel Saarin</p> <p>43 * Dr. Evil's cat in Austin Powers films</p> <p>47 1801-05 veep Burr</p> <p>51 Beatles song on "Let It Be"</p> <p>52 Observe</p> <p>55 Song for one</p> <p>56 Linguist Chomsky</p> <p>57 Political plot</p> <p>61 Knight's glove</p> | <p>63 "Serpico" actor M. — Walsh</p> <p>65 * Jumping up and down on a bouncy stick</p> <p>69 Comb buzzer</p> <p>70 Native suffix</p> <p>71 See 8-Down</p> <p>73 * Pairs of consecutive letters</p> <p>75 Spying setup</p> <p>77 Likely (to)</p> <p>80 Meadow</p> <p>82 Birds building homes</p> <p>84 Poster pins</p> <p>88 Buzzing</p> <p>91 Large 1940s computer</p> <p>93 "Huh?"</p> <p>94 Female kin</p> <p>95 Artist's base</p> <p>99 * Suffer a lot</p> <p>101 Dog variety</p> <p>103 * She directed "The Hurt Locker"</p> <p>107 — Sea (salt lake in Asia)</p> <p>110 Coy</p> <p>111 Revisions</p> <p>112 * Too much self-esteem</p> <p>116 Beloved of Tristan</p> <p>119 * Bay off Nigeria and Togo's coast</p> | <p>123 — de plume</p> <p>124 Brit's "Bye!"</p> <p>128 Ye —</p> <p>Shoppe</p> <p>129 Rendezvous</p> <p>130 Really succeed (or what literally appears six times in this puzzle)</p> <p>132 Old Greek concert halls</p> <p>133 Shahs, e.g.</p> <p>134 Shoot (for)</p> <p>135 Sermon text</p> <p>136 Philosopher Immanuel</p> <p>137 Grand home</p> <p>138 Hosp. staff</p> <p>139 Sea vessels</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Union enemy</p> <p>2 Arrived</p> <p>3 "Eat — eaten" (survival adage)</p> <p>4 9-to-5er's cry of relief</p> <p>5 Dress (up)</p> <p>6 Flatware item</p> <p>7 Move as if on wheels</p> <p>8 With 71-Across, boot camp affirmative</p> <p>9 Run up — (defer payment)</p> <p>10 Wise men</p> <p>11 Air pollution</p> <p>12 Reid and Lipinski</p> <p>13 "Seinfeld" gal</p> <p>14 Nielsen of "Mr. Magoo"</p> <p>15 Ghana's former name</p> <p>16 Dickens' — Heep</p> <p>17 "— tell ya!"</p> <p>18 Dental string</p> <p>24 It uses 108 cards</p> <p>29 In — (single-file)</p> <p>30 Gillette razor brand</p> <p>31 Toon bear</p> <p>32 Canon camera</p> <p>34 Compound with nitrogen</p> <p>35 '83 Keaton-Garr film</p> <p>36 Letter-shaped girder</p> <p>37 Easy putts, informally</p> <p>39 Weep loudly</p> <p>40 Sooner than, in poetry</p> <p>41 Ultimate degree</p> <p>44 Health supplement store, familiarly</p> <p>45 Jump</p> <p>46 Pig</p> | <p>48 Part to play</p> <p>49 Bullring cries</p> <p>50 Observe</p> <p>53 R&D center</p> <p>54 Song for two</p> <p>58 Singer Dylan</p> <p>59 Opposed to, in dialect</p> <p>60 Theater box</p> <p>62 Orderly</p> <p>64 Floor piece</p> <p>66 Tax org.</p> <p>67 Election analyst Silver</p> <p>68 FBI guys</p> <p>72 Umps' kin</p> <p>74 — Lanka</p> <p>76 Oklahoma tribe</p> <p>77 "Moby-Dick" captain</p> <p>78 Flow out</p> <p>79 Fix a flat?</p> <p>81 Height: Abbr.</p> <p>83 Former Swedish car</p> <p>85 Toddler, e.g.</p> <p>86 Buzzing</p> <p>87 Is in a huff</p> <p>89 Source of warmth on some trains and ships</p> <p>90 Belly laugh</p> <p>92 Special FX technology</p> <p>96 Poppa</p> <p>97 Native suffix</p> <p>98 Unit of resistance</p> <p>100 Mean beast</p> <p>102 "Doggone!"</p> <p>104 Totally spoil</p> <p>105 Century</p> <p>106 Dark modern film genre</p> <p>108 Breakdown of social norms</p> <p>109 Long-term inmates</p> <p>112 Download on a Kindle</p> <p>113 Radner of comedy</p> <p>114 Nash of comedy</p> <p>115 "My heart skipped —"</p> <p>117 Weaving frames</p> <p>118 Driver's lic. issuer</p> <p>120 Sicilian volcano</p> <p>121 Night, in Nice</p> <p>122 — dixit (assertion with no proof)</p> <p>124 Song for three</p> <p>125 "Waterloo" quartet</p> <p>126 Lean</p> <p>127 Gets mature</p> <p>130 Rove (about)</p> <p>131 Flow out</p> |
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Tigers, jaguars and leopards love the smell of Calvin Klein's "Obsession For Men"! Photographers who used the fragrance to lure the big cats to their cameras in the wild said the cats "would start drooling, their eyes would half-close, almost like they were going into a trance."
- The human body gives off enough heat in 30 minutes to bring a gallon of water to a boil.
- Between 1970 and 1973, four Israeli fighter pilots held as POWs in an Egyptian prison passed their time by translating J.R.R. Tolkien's "The Hobbit" from English into Hebrew. The book was sent to them by their family members via the Red Cross. The pilots' version was published commercially in 1977 and is still considered by many to be one of the best Hebrew translations available.
- Until 1953, New York City had a pneumatic tube mail network that spanned 27 miles and connected 23 post offices. At its peak, the system moved 95,000 letters a day at speeds of 30-35 mph.
- Halloween is more Irish than St. Patrick's Day.
- Ever wonder how the dice game Yahtzee got its curious moniker? A wealthy Canadian couple invented the game as a way of entertaining friends on board their yacht. After it proved a hit, the couple consulted a toy maker who loved it, bought the rights, and changed the original name from the generic "Yacht game" to "Yahtzee."
- Homer Simpson's famous "D'oh!" is a real word in the Oxford English Dictionary, though in "The Simpsons" scripts, it's rendered merely as an "annoyed grunt."
- Barbie has been outfitted by over 70 well-known designers, including Yves Saint Laurent and Christian Dior.

Thought for the Day: "Kindness in words creates confidence. Kindness in thinking creates profoundness. Kindness in giving creates love." -- Lao Tzu

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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: A equals E

ZR CLNALWA TUK U IZKA MUBZAXO
LR NLBUY GBZWQZGYAC, ILJYK
OLJ QUYY ZX AXTZQ KZMABCZXO?

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LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Alcona County, starting promptly at 10 a.m. on January 13, 2021. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale.

Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information.

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Dennis K. Somers and Myrtle M. Somers, husband and wife.
 Original mortgagee: Ditech Financial LLC FKA Green Tree Servicing LLC F/K/A Conseq Finance Servicing Corp. Foreclosing assignee (if any): U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, for manufactured housing contract senior/subordinate pass-through certificate trust 2000-4.

Date of mortgage: July 12, 2000.
 Date of mortgage recording: July 19, 2000. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$96,377.62.
 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in township of Haynes, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: Parcel F: That part of the southwest 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 27 North, Range 9 East. Described as: Commencing at the 1/4 corner common to sections 29 and 30, Town 27 North, Range 9 East, Haynes Township, Alcona County, Michigan, thence north 00 degrees 56 minutes 44 seconds east along the section line between said sections 29 and 30 and the centerline of Coville Road, 666.70 feet to the point of beginning, thence continuing north 00 degrees 56 minutes 44 seconds east along said common section line and said centerline, 333.35 feet, thence south 89 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds east 1338.48 feet, thence south 00 degrees 38 minutes 07 seconds west along the west 1/8 line of section 29, 333.03 feet, thence north 89 degrees 07 minutes 16 seconds west 1340.29 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel being the south 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of said section 29.
 Common street address (if any): 1860 N. Coville Road, Lincoln, Mich. 48742-9760

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

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: November 25, 2020.

Trott Law, P.C.
 31440 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 145

Farmington Hills, MI 48334

(248) 642-2515

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11-25, 12-2, 12-9, 12-16

BOARD OF REVIEW

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF ALCONA

DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING 3:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, December 15th 2020

ALCONA TOWNSHIP HALL

5576 N. US-23 BLACK RIVER, MI 48721

The purpose of this meeting is to correct qualified errors, clerical errors and mutual mistakes of fact relating to the assessing of taxes as described in General Property Tax Act Section 211.53b, as amended, and to hear exemption appeals only. For Principal Residence Exemption an owner who owned and occupied a principal residence on June 30, 2020, for which the exemption was not on the tax roll may file an appeal with the December Board of Review in the year for which the exemption was claimed or the immediately succeeding 3 years. MCL 211.7cc(19) as amended. For Qualified Agricultural Exemption appeals the owner of property that is "Qualified Agricultural" but not classified agricultural on June 1, 2020 may appeal to the December Board of Review for the current year and the immediately preceding tax year pursuant to MCL 211.7ee(6). An eligible Veteran or their surviving spouse may appeal their 2020 Property Tax on their Principal residence at this meeting. A person in Poverty may appeal to the December Board of Review for a Hardship Exemption from Taxation for the current year for property that is their "Principal Residence" on June 30, 2020 pursuant to section 7u as amended. A hardship Exemption Application and the required documentation must be submitted to the Township Assessor by Friday December 11th 2020. Americans with Disabilities Act(ADA) Notice: the township will provide necessary and reasonable services to individuals with disabilities upon seven days notice. Contact Assessor Sarah Gohl at (989)464-5557

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County of Alcona Notice to Creditors

Wayne A. McGregor and Linda McGregor Revocable Trust
 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Wayne A. McGregor, died on November 15, 2020.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Wayne McGregor, 11392 Tall Shadows Court, Pinckney, Mich. 48169 within four months after the date of publication of this notice.
 December 9, 2020

Attorney
 David H. Cook P40560
 5466 M-72

Harrisville, Mich. 48740
 (989) 724-5155

Personal Representative
 Wayne McGregor
 11392 Tall Shadows Court
 Pinckney, Mich. 48169
 (248) 770-9678

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Ensuring and maintaining a clean, attractive and safe property at all times. Providing leadership to all aspects of the Lakewood Shores P.O.A membership. Executive Director will report directly to the LSPOA Board of Directors

Required:

Proficient with Quickbooks, Microsoft Office and Excel

3-5 years of Payroll, taxes and budget preparations

3-5 years of Accounting courses or experience

Webpage design and maintenance.

Bachelor degree or combination of Education and Experience

Exceptional accuracy and organizational skills

Ability to work occasional overtime and weekends for special events

Strong communication and problem solving skills

Preferred:

3-5 years of Risk Management to include general, auto, commercial property and Workman's Compensation insurances

Minimum 5 years of Customer Service experience

Experience working with a Board of Directors

Experience planning events

Email: info@lakewoodshorespoa.com or call (989-739-2607) to request a complete job description Go to website lakewoodshorespoa.com for a downloadable Employment application.

Deadline to submit application is Monday, December 14th at 4:00 p.m.

In 1932, during the height of the Great Depression, a group of men met at Bob Smith's Barber Shop and formed the "Men's Club." These men were concerned by the hardships and difficulties of that time and were determined to alleviate in some the suffering of the elderly, sick and unfortunate citizens of the community. Nine years later, in 1941, the Mikado Goodfellows was formally organized and chose as their motto, "No Child Without A Christmas."

The group's yearly contributions, made possible by Monday bingo, proceeds are for funeral dinners, hospital and medical expenses, benefits in Alcona County, fire victims, Salvation Army, Friends Together, Alcona County Fair, Harrisville State Park Halloween Event (all monies stay in Alcona County). At Christmas, donations are made to the three churches, Calvary Baptist, St. Raphael Catholic and Community Church of Christ along with St. Vincent de Paul and the Baby Pantry. The group also sponsors a Christmas party for the kids where a bag of candy and a gift are given to each child. Santa visits with the children, and punch and cookies are served. The Mikado Goodfellows put up annual decorations at the Mikado Civic Center and the street decorations.

Seniors (age 70) are also on the groups priority list with pocket planners and gift of money.

The Mikado Goodfellows awards four \$500 scholarships, two for Alcona High School students and two for Oscoda High School students, annually. The group's service area is west to the county line, east to Poor Farm Road, and north to M-72 and south to Kings Corner Road (north side).

We also participate in three parades yearly, throwing beads to the young and old!

"Without your continuing support, we can't make this all possible," said Lovelace president of the Mikado Goodfellows.

Our bingo is every Monday night at 6:30 p.m. at the Mikado Civic Center. Please support the Mikado Goodfellows. We are also in need of members/volunteers, call Lovelace at (989) 464-7103 or Denise Lee at (989) 736-6491.

Due to Covid 19 our fundraising has been curtailed. Now more than ever we need your support to provide No Child Without a Christmas.

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Kay Lovelace

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