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Local officials get information about American Rescue Plan funding, still too soon for details

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

In a recent webinar regarding the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allocated to provide additional COVID-19 rescue funding to government entities, representatives from the Michigan Department of Treasury admitted there were still many more questions than answers at this point.

Rod Taylor, administrator of Community Engagement and Finance of the Michigan Department of Treasury (CEFD), explained during the webinar they were still waiting for further guidelines from the federal government on several issues.

According to Taylor, what they did know was that ARPA has about \$350 billion allocated to local governments across the nation. The funds are expected to go out in two payments, half this year and half next year.

The funds will be allocated into three primary buckets: The first bucket is identified as entitlement communities or metro cities of which there are about 38 in the state. These would be determined by a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) formula.

"The entitlement communities have a population of about 50,000 or more or are urban communities having other factors such as high poverty rates. There is about \$1.8 billion identified for those communities. Because it is based on a CDBG formula the per capita amount ranges potentially from \$100 per capita to \$1,300 with an average being about \$475 per person," Taylor said.

The next bucket Taylor spoke of was for about \$2 billion going to all counties in Michigan. The funds would be distributed using a population formula, but would not be a one-to-one population formula and additional factors would be added in for urban counties. Taylor estimated the dollar per capita for counties to be somewhere around \$195 per person.

The last bucket was for approximately \$700 million and would be allocated to 1,700 local units of government including, cities, town-

ships and villages based only on population. Originally, villages were not included in the initial ARPA plans. Taylor speculated local units could expect about \$95 per resident.

What the CEFD does not know is exactly how much each government entity would receive, how the funds are calculated, a definition of what the funds can be used

for and what requirements will come with the funds and are anxiously awaiting further guidance from the federal branch.

"There is information floating out there with incorrect estimates on what communities will get," Taylor said. One example he offered was most estimates did not include villages. Now that villages were included, it would change all the numbers.

"Additionally, the whole dollar amount distributed to the state will be based on unemployment in the state. We are not certain if the dollars identified as estimates are using current unemployment numbers," Taylor said.

CEFD was also unsure on exactly how the population would be calculated and if it would be based on 2020 census numbers or older numbers.

Another factor not included in estimates was the cap on funds not to exceed 75 percent of a governmental unit's annual budget as of January 27, 2020. Taylor was unsure if the cap included just the general fund budget, government funds or if it would include the entire community budget which may include water and sewer, affecting a lot more communities to exceed the cap.

Taylor spoke of the four primary reasons the funds could be used:

- To offset responding to the public health emergency or its economic impacts;

- To provide premium payments to essential workers up to \$13 per hour and not to exceed \$25,000 per person;

- To cover lost revenue;
- To cover infrastructure improvements specifically, water, sewer and broadband.

"It is mentioned these funds would be able to cover revenue losses, but there is no definition on how to calculate those revenue losses," Taylor said.

He cautioned local governments there would be reporting requirements for the funds, but did not have a definition of what those will be. "More local governments may be asked to do a single audit. Start talking now with your auditors, not all auditors can do a single audit. There may be other procedure requirements, so it is important to make sure local governments are educated," Taylor said.

Taylor felt, because of all they still do not know, local governments should begin working on some strategic plans for utilization of the funds but to go slowly. Funds do not have to be utilized until the end of 2024.

He advised local governments to come up with multiple plans for the fund use, so as new guidelines come out, they could easily change to a plan to better utilize funds.

"Don't make any decisions today, we need to wait for

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An established pollinator habitat offers space to a butterfly. Solar farms may become a source of support for agriculture. Photo courtesy of Rob Davis/CNS. For the story, see page 6.

Efforts underway to strengthen future skilled workforce

By Kristina Postema
Capital News Service

In the next 15 years, 48 percent of skilled workers in Michigan will retire, and companies are already struggling to fill those openings, according to Norm Brady, the president of the Associated Builders and Contractors Western Michigan chapter.

"The No. 1 topic that we hear from our members is that they're having a hard time finding the help they need," Brady said.

He said the problem is a result of fewer young people

coming into the job market. "In 2008 there were 127,000 high school graduates in the state. That number has declined every year since then," he said. "This year we're going to have just under 100,000 graduates."

Despite declining numbers of high school graduates, Brady said a higher percentage are going into trades such as construction and manufacturing. "I sense that there is a realization today that folks are questioning whether they want to take on \$50,000 or \$100,000 of debt to obtain a

college degree," he said. "People are starting to question whether there's fair value in taking on that type of debt before they even get started in their career."

According to Brady, Associated Builders and Contractors provides those who skilled trades with the opportunity to work and train simultaneously. "We show students another path that doesn't put them in debt and gives them a career that utilizes their hands and their minds and their creativity," Brady said.

According to Brady the association's "earn while you learn" model means that applicants are hired by a contractor and work during the day, then attend an employer-funded training school in the evening.

"They work 40 hours a week so they're getting a paycheck and improving their skills by attending classes," he said. "As those skills improve and they have time in service, their pay will increase and, generally, in four years they will attain journeyman status."

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Health department COVID-19 update

According to District Health Department No. 2 (DHD2), as of April 9, 7,907 individuals have been given first doses and 5,678 individuals received second doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been given by DHD2. In addition, DHD2 has distributed 6,438 doses to community partners.

Contact Tracing

With the increase in COVID-19 cases, DHD2 and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) case investigators are again having difficulty reaching everyone who has tested positive as well as their close contacts.

Quarantine and Isolation Reminders

- DHD2 asks that those who test positive isolate themselves for 10 days since the beginning of symptoms or from the date the COVID-19 test was conducted if they do not have symptoms.
- If residents find themselves a close contact of a positive case, DHD2 asks that they quarantine themselves for 14 days from the date of last contact.
- People who are 14 days past their final vaccination dose or those who were tested COVID-19 positive within the last 90 days do not have to quarantine but should monitor for symptoms and quarantine/seek testing if they experience any new symptoms.

Johnson & Johnson Vaccine

Out of an abundance of caution, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and MDHHS have called for an immediate pause regard-

ing the use of Johnson & Johnson vaccine after the report of six individuals in the United States who experienced a rare blood issue disorder after receiving a dose. All six individuals were women between the ages of 18 and 48, and symptoms began six to 13 days after vaccination. These adverse reactions appear to be extremely rare.

Scientists at the CDC and MDHHS have begun to determine if use of this vaccine should be resumed. Those who have recently received a Johnson & Johnson vaccine are directed to monitor for symptoms and contact their healthcare provider if they experience severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath within three weeks of receiving the vaccination.

DHD2 will follow this guidance and cease administration of the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccination until more information is available. The health department does not have any Johnson & Johnson appointments scheduled so this would not affect anyone who is currently scheduled to receive a shot from DHD2 in the future.

For those that have already received a Johnson & Johnson shot, the health department recommends that they monitor for side effect symptoms (as mentioned above) and reach out to their healthcare provider if there are any concerns.

Online Appointment Scheduling

Individuals ages 18 and older can visit the DHD2 COVID-19 vaccination page at www.dhd2.org/vaccine-in-

formation and click the link to schedule their Moderna vaccination appointment.

For individuals ages 16 and 17 who want to receive the vaccination, visit the same website and fill out the pre-registration form. This will let health department officials know to reach out to each minor and their guardian to be scheduled for a Pfizer mass vaccination clinic.

Alcona Health Center suspends giving J&J vaccine

Alcona Health Center is rescheduling upcoming vaccination appointments and postponing some future vaccination clinic dates at this time, out of an abundance of caution based on guidance from Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and per the joint statement issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on April 13 regarding emerging information about a rare, but potentially serious, side effect of the Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine.

“As of now we are suspending the administration of J&J vaccine until the CDC and advisory committee reviews their concerns and release us to administer again,” said Dr. Thomas Marshall, Alcona Health Center chief medical officer.

“For patients who have already received the vaccine, we are addressing their concerns, and educating them on the symptoms to monitor for with this very rare blood clot condition, which include severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath. Anyone exhibiting any of these symptoms and who has received the Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine within the last three weeks should contact their primary care provider for medical advice and treatment,” said Ashley Goddard, clinical operations director.



Obituaries

William Bevens

William Bevens, 58, of Barton City, died on Friday, April 9, 2021 at home.

He was born December 10, 1962 to William and Marjorie (Johns) Bevens in Wayne County, Mich. He was a lifelong resident of Barton City.

He enjoyed working on lawn mowers, cutting firewood and spending time with his friends.

Mr. Bevens is survived by two sisters, Violet Barnes and Beverly Bevens; two brothers, James Bevens and Alfred Bevens; and several nieces and nephews.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A celebration of life event will be held in the summer.

Jason Pinto

Jason Pinto, 42 of Mikado died on Monday, April 12, 2021 at home.

He was born February 21, 1979 to Ronald and Alice (Adams) Pinto in Pontiac, Mich. He was raised in Mikado.

He served in the U.S. Army. He was a proficient welder, brick layer and a fantastic cook. He was a “jack of all trades” and loved the game of basketball.

Mr. Pinto is survived by his parents, Ronald and Alice Pinto; three sisters, Debra Furney, Christine Welker and Mary Fuller; two brothers, Charles Hill and Robert Hill; and many nieces and nephews

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Daniel Hill and David Hill.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, April 17 at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln.



Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

I would like to follow up on a letter written by Patricia Davis which was published two weeks ago that asked for folks to voice an opinion on the proposed community complex in Lincoln.

I was born and spent my youth in Alcona County, specifically Mikado Township, during the 1950s and 60s. Although I have lived in several cities and suburbs in the years since, I also spent considerable time visiting and/or living and working in Alcona County over the intervening years. Now, my husband and I have retired here.

The senior services were incredibly important to my parents and other relatives here in their later years.

I would love to see a community center that is built to be accessible to all in the area. I am not suggesting that

every aspect of the proposal is right on target, but I am anxious to see Alcona offer the kinds of activities that so many families enjoy in other areas. The potential consolidation of a location for information on access to local services could also be great.

I see real potential here for developing a way to maintain folks in this community throughout their lifetime and potentially to attract more permanent residents. The evolution of online employment, coupled with better community services could be a real win for this lovely area of northeastern Michigan.

Speaking for myself, I support the center, will help out there however I can, and will use it for personal enjoyment and enrichment.

Laura Myers-Meske
Mikado

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Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

A free Zumba class for adults will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. All adults are welcome. For more info., contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

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

A Senior Boot Camp will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. This free class is for seniors only. For more info., contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

A gentle exercise class for seniors will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. This free class is for seniors only. For more info., contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

A free Zumba class for adults will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. All adults are welcome. For more info., contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

A story time and craft activity will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 10:30 a.m. Social distancing will be practiced and seating is limited. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

MONDAY, APRIL 26

A Senior Boot Camp will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. This free class is for seniors only. For more info., contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 27

All seniors are welcome to play euchre at the Lincoln Senior Center (upper level, gym entrance), 207 Church Street, Lincoln from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Face masks are required.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

A free Zumba class for adults will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. All adults are welcome. For more info., contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

Sunrise Community Food Pantry is open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church. Clients are asked to come only one time per month and must be present to receive food. Recipients must remain in their vehicle for curbside pick up and follow volunteer traffic control. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county residence. Identification is required. Bring box or bag. The church is located at 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Call (989) 727-3606 for more information.

The Alcona County Library Board will meet in person at the Harrisville branch at 2 p.m. State health guidelines will be followed.

An Alcona County Pop-Up Pantry will be held at two locations - Alcona County Fairgrounds (854 N. Barlow Road, Lincoln) and Greenbush (5036 Campbell Street) from 4 to 6 p.m. For more info., call the Food Bank of Lincoln at (989) 334-3663 or email to: pantry@alcona-seniors.org.

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

A free Zumba class for adults will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. All adults are welcome. For more info., contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

A story time and craft activity will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 10:30 a.m. Social distancing will be practiced and seating is limited. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

MONDAY, MAY 3

Senior Commodities will be distributed in the parking lot behind the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 to 10 a.m. For more information, call (989) 358-4700. The next distribution is August 3.

A Senior Boot Camp will be held at the Lincoln Senior

Center (gym entrance), 207 Church Street, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. This free class is for seniors only. For more info., contact Jan Klein at (989) 295-0387 or by email: kleinjcf2134@gmail.com.

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TUESDAY, MAY 4

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

Alcona County Baby Pantry will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. at St. Raphael Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado. Free formula, diapers, toys, new and gently used shoes and clothing is available for residents of Alcona County with newborns thru age four. Layettes are available in the eighth month. This is not an income-based program. Covid-19 regulations will be in place.

Friends of the Alcona County Library will meet at the Harrisville branch at 1 p.m.

(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.)

BIDS WANTED

Curtis Township is accepting bids for Spring Clean-up and Lawn Maintenance for the Glennie & Curtisville Cemeteries, Fire Department, 2 Welcome to Glennie signs and Indian Lakes. Sealed bids can be mailed to Curtis Township Clerk Attn: Cemetery Bid P. O. Box 90 Glennie, MI 48737, proof of valid liability insurance must be included with the bids. Bids must be submitted by Monday, May 1st, 2021.

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OSCODA-WURTSMITH AIRPORT AUTHORITY RESCHEDULED MEETING

April 22, 2021 at 10 a.m.

This meeting is being conducted remotely utilizing Zoom Meeting Service or you may attend in-person at the Airport Terminal Building located at 3961 E. Airport Drive, Oscoda, MI 48750

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BIDS FOR NORTH SHORE HUBBARD LAKE PARK PROJECT, CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP, ALCONA COUNTY, MI

Sealed bids from Contractors for Boating Access Site Improvements at the Caledonia Township Park, Alcona County, MI will be received by R.S. Scott Associates, Inc, 405 River St., Alpena, MI 49707 until **2:00 PM local** time, Monday April 26th, 2021.

The Contractors may obtain plans and specs from the Engineer, R.S. Scott Associates, Inc., 405 River St, Alpena, MI 49707 Telephone: (989) 354-3178 at a cost of: \$50.00 per set.

Project is funded by the Michigan Recreation Passport Grant Program.

All Contractors and sub-contractors must comply with all requirements of 1976 PA 453 (Elliott-Larson Civil Rights Act), the 1976 PA 220 (Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act), and Executive Directive 2019-09, as amended.

AIA Document A107 will be used for the contract.

All bids shall be made in accordance with Information for Bidders, Plans and Specifications. The right is reserved by Caledonia Township to accept any bids and to waive informalities in bidding when it is deemed to be in the interest of Caledonia Township.

Each bidder must deposit with their bid: Bank Draft, Certified Check, or Bid Bond executed by the bidder and acceptable sureties, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid and payable to "Caledonia Township". The successful bidder will be required to furnish Performance Bonds, Labor and Material Bonds each in the amount of 100% of the contract amount.



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Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the Lincoln Senior Center. Reservations are required by noon each day by calling (989) 334-3470. No membership is required. A suggested donation of \$3 per meal is welcome. Masks are required to be worn in the building. Be sure to call ahead before going to the center.

- Monday, April 26 – Stuffed peppers, buttered noodles, wax beans, peaches, bread, milk.
- Tuesday, April 27 – Pork roast, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, milk.
- Wednesday, April 28 – Beef chop suey, rice, peas, pears, milk.
- Thursday, April 29 – Chicken Alfredo, broccoli, mixed fruit, milk.

Giving Back

Through the hard work and dedication of its employees and the generosity of its membership, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union raised \$600 in monetary donations for the Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) Food Pantry. The funds donated will be used to purchase food that is distributed to Alcona County community members.

Along with member donations, Lincoln office team members held various raffles and donated \$2 per employee to dress down on Fridays to help raise funds for the ACCOA Food Pantry.

Allor's Community Hours

State Rep. Sue Allor, of Wolverine, will meet with interested individuals across

Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Iosco and Presque Isle counties on the following dates and at the listed times and locations:

- Monday, April 26 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at Cabin Creek Coffee, located at 201 N. 2nd Ave. in Alpena.
- Monday, April 26 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, located at 312 W. Main St. in Harrisville.
- Monday, April 26 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at G's Pizzeria, located at 115 E. Bay St. in East Tawas.

"These are pivotal opportunities for me to hear concerns from residents and answer any questions they may have," Allor said.

People can also contact Allor's office by phone at (517) 373-0833 or email at Sue-Allor@house.mi.gov.

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According to John Nasarzewski, the director of career and technical education at the Downriver Career Technical Consortium in Flat Rock, Mich., careers in the trades are financially beneficial for many graduates, especially those who participate in one of the consortium's multiple dual enrollment programs.

"These students come out of high school with a year of

college already done towards their associate's (degree) or towards their journeyman's card," Nasarzewski said. "These kids are getting signing bonuses of \$5,000 and getting all their college paid for at 18 years old."

According to Nasarzewski, a strong skilled workforce is essential for keeping business and jobs in the state. He said that if the labor force cannot meet the demand for employees, employers will leave. "We have this unique business opportunity to restructure ourselves to get these skilled trade positions filled," Nasarzewski said. "These jobs pay too well, we don't want to lose them."

Nasarzewski explained that outreach programs are essential to growing the skilled workforce.

"To adjust the mindset towards the trades, we piloted a program where our seniors would do workshops in elementary schools, and it was a success," Nasarzewski said. "We would do everything from auto mechanics and business to culinary arts or dental occupations. The kids loved it."

According to Cheryl Sanford, the CEO of the Michigan Workforce Development Institute, apprenticeships provide many opportunities and benefits, but they aren't talked about enough. "We're trying to help frame it as another four-year degree because an apprenticeship school is going to invest \$60,000 to \$70,000 training a journey worker over a four-year period," she said. "Students come out debt-free."

Sanford said efforts to grow the skilled workforce should focus on increasing diversity in programs as well. The institute's Access For All Apprenticeship Readiness Training Program, based in Detroit, Kalamazoo and Battle Creek, aims to bring more minorities, women, youth and veterans into the building trades, she said.

"We see a need, not only for a pipeline of talent going into the trades, but also for more

diversity," she said. "It's a matter of people seeing someone who looks like them and lives in their city doing something that they never thought was possible. That's what motivates them."

Sanford said the program helps underprivileged populations who want to work in the trades but don't know where to start. The program career training and math and communication skills helps eliminate barriers, such as transportation, that prevent them from succeeding. "We do a work experience project for each class where they get to spend a few days working on a community-based project with people from the building trades. They get a feel for what it's like to work with different tools and what it's like to be part of a construction team," she said.

According to Sanford, people who complete the program often pursue apprenticeships. "Our entry-level wage for apprentices right now is \$17.46 per hour, but they receive full benefits and they have great pension plans working in the trades," Sanford said.

According to Brady, the Associated Builders and Contractors is creating opportunities for young people. For example, its Midland chapter formed the Greater Michigan Construction Academy with about 200 high school students who come to the center weekly and take classes in the trades.

The association also has a training center in Madison Heights and Brady said another training center being built in west Michigan is scheduled to open in January.

According to Brady, part of his job is making sure students see what careers in construction offer. "The real story of construction is a story of good pay, benefits, a living wage, working as part of a team and creating buildings that are part of the community in which we live," he said.

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Alcona representatives envision rescue fund possibilities

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Armed with new knowledge presented during a webinar on the American Rescue Plan Act, (ARPA) local governments are beginning to look at how to utilize the funds in their community.

The webinar, which broadcasted to roughly 80 individuals representing northeast Michigan counties, cities, townships, villages and their entities, was hosted by Northeast Michigan Council of Government (NEMCOG) and featured speaker Rod Taylor who is the Administrator of Community Engagement and Finance of the Michigan Department of Treasury (CEFD).

Sheila Phillips, president of the Village of Lincoln, attended the webinar after hearing from NEMCOG that villages, which were first excluded from ARPA funds, would now be included in the final plan.

"I'm very pleased our village will be getting something and to find out we won't have to apply for the funds is great news," Phillips said.

She anticipated the village will be getting about \$95 per resident and the last census numbers she saw the village had about 315 residents. She was unsure of what the final amount would be because as the webinar host said multiple times, the funding each

municipality will receive may change due to other factors and there was a lot of information still not defined or determined by the federal branch.

Phillips emphasized she had not discussed anything yet with voting members of the village council and there will be a lot of discussion on how best to utilize the funds before any plans are written.

"My first thought was to use the funds for the village lift station for the sewer. The present lift station has been in place for a very long time and we have had to do a lot of re-builds on it. I'm not sure what it would cost but I know rebuilding the pumps has not been cheap. Since one of the ARPA criteria for use is for sewer, this would be a great saving for the village," Phillips said.

Another thought Phillips had was to use the funding to replace the very old first responder vehicle which she thought was purchased in the 1980s. "It is in our capital improvement plan to replace that vehicle in the next few years. We have already reached out to neighboring townships we serve to ask them to set aside additional funds so when the time comes, we have the money to purchase it. Of course, I haven't talked to the council yet, they may have additional ideas," she said.

Marlena MacNeill, supervisor for Alcona Township, also listened to the webinar and said since many questions were still pending additional information, she was ambivalent on whether or not the webinar was helpful, but said the advice to utilize the funds for something transformational was a good reminder.

"I'm not sure what Alcona Township's decision to utilize the funds will be, but speaking for myself, I would encourage applying it to expanding Internet service and would even go so far as to encourage other townships to do the same. Maybe collectively/cooperatively and even partnering with the county," MacNeill said.

Doug Cheek, Alcona County Economic Development Committee (EDC) chairperson, was present during the webinar and had a question for the CEFD.

"I asked, given broadband is included in the infrastructure section of ARPA, if those funds could be used to potentially partner/cooperate with broadband service providers?" The answer was the same as most of the other answers during the webinar - they don't have enough specific detail yet from the treasury on what is considered qualified use of the funds," Cheek said.

Cheek felt NEMCOG and the CEFD did the best they could in answering questions with what little substantive information they have been given to date.

It is Cheek's opinion that broadband will benefit significantly under ARPA. He said as far as the Alcona EDC goes -- it is on track and

proceeding with efforts to bring a significant change to broadband services in Alcona County.

"Other takeaways I got from the webinar was their often-repeated advice about how we should be thinking and approaching this ARPA opportunity. To be transformational in strategic planning and seek long-term stability in decision making. Don't make decisions on projects today that will be costly to maintain in the future and don't focus on the potential dollar amounts (governments)

might receive. Make an A, B, C set of strategic plans while waiting for more direction on rules and regulations," Cheek said.

He felt the county commissioners and the EDC will have to work together to put a strong plan in place to put Alcona County in a better position to be successful in the future. "I believe all of us see the opportunity to potentially accomplish this goal. I'm confident the commissioners can see that as well. The hard work to get there begins now," Cheek said.

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more information. Don't assume the numbers you have seen are what you will be getting. Make multiple plans without considering dollar amounts.

"Take the time now to identify community priorities. There may be a lot of requests from department heads, businesses, and residents asking to fund projects. A documented plan will help make decisions on multiple requests.

"Be transparent and use public processes to make sure stakeholders understand how to utilize this money. Hold public hearings, discuss it in newsletters and use public input tools. Stakeholders are interested in how the funds are used so being transparent will be important," Taylor said.

Taylor cautioned local governments to think long-term, saying revenues could be down for multiple years due to COVID-19 and economic challenges.

He advised viewing funds as a one-time opportunity to be transformational, making large impactful changes for decades to come, but cautioned to focus on stability. "Start by reviewing your recurring fund balances and thinking about what your loss revenues will be for the next few years. Some of our local units of government don't have enough reserves to handle unplanned events. Now is the time to strengthen your long-term financial position," Taylor said.

The CEFD emphasized to use caution with spending

the funds on things like splash pads, dog parks or hiring new staff, which may impact the community, but also have long-term costs and losses associated with them.

The webinar was hosted by the Northeast Michigan Community of Governments (NEMCOG) and can be viewed at http://www.discover-northeastmichigan.org/government_covid.asp. To be put on the email list to receive announcements of other informational webinars regarding ARPA funds, visit Michigan.gov/CEFD.

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Alcona County Library is requesting sealed bids for the clean-up and mowing of the Harrisville (312 W Main St) and Lincoln (330 Traverse Bay Rd) Branches. The contract will be for services for 2 years, from May 1, 2021 to-September 30, 2022; the bid price shall be made per cutting and per property.

A copy of the contract may be found at the library's website: library.alcona.lib.mi.us. Successful bidders will be required to provide proof of \$1 million dollars of liability insurance.

Sealed bids must be received by Friday April 23, 2021 at 5:00 pm; either by Mail or email Bids must clearly be marked "2021 Lawn Bid" (on the front of the envelope or in the subject line).

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DATE: Saturday May 8, 2021.

TIME: 8:00 am – 2:00 pm

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Multiple loads, excessive, or unusual loads may be charged an additional fee

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For information contact Supervisor Lee Major (989-724-6071) or Trustee Steve Franks (989-984-7472).

Crops grown under solar panels could be wave of the future

By Sheldon Krause
Capital News Service

A new report about combining solar power and farming practices has advocates saying the practice could take hold in Michigan, boosting productivity while providing much needed refuge for bees and other pollinators.

The report from The Counter, a newsroom covering in-depth stories on food in America, discusses the rising prevalence of “agrivoltaics,” the practice of growing crops underneath solar panels. The process appears to be a win-win for crops such as tomatoes and jalapenos that respond well to lower light levels, the report said.

That’s because the crop’s natural photosynthesis can provide a slight cooling effect for the solar panels, allowing them to run one to three percent more efficiently.

Similarly, the reduced level of direct light on some crops is extremely beneficial, it said. For example, the productivity of tomatoes grown under solar panels doubled while conserving 65 percent more water.

Also encompassed in the term agrivoltaics is the use of solar arrays to aid in livestock farming, often using solar panels to provide shade for the animals.



Sheep graze under the shade of solar panels in Lenawee County, an example of agrivoltaics. Photo courtesy of Charles Gould/CNS.

Charles Gould, a bioenergy educator with Michigan State University Extension in West Olive said he thinks agrivoltaics could be the future of renewable energy. “I think that this is the future. Solar requires land, and oftentimes the best for a solar project happens to be land that’s growing crops,” Gould said.

“If we’re going to take land out of production, we need to maximize its value, and the way we can do that is grow crops or raise livestock underneath those solar arrays,” Gould said.

Gould explained that

of the solar panels can sometimes make the benefits of agrivoltaics economically unrealistic.

“We don’t have great numbers for this, but (raising the solar panels) is going to increase the overall cost by around nine or 10 percent, which is a lot in renewable energy where the margins are slim,” she said.

Moore added that the estimate can change a lot, based on scale.

Gould said that the costs may be worth it in the long run, and may be necessary for garnering public support.



Solar panels can provide insect habitats. Photo courtesy of Rob Davis/CNS.

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there’s a farm in Michigan that uses solar panels to give sheep shade as they graze.

Sharlissa Moore, a professor at Michigan State University specializing in social and policy issues relating to renewable energy, also sees future potential in making dual use of solar arrays. “It’s not a question of it happening in the next couple of years, it’s how many years out are we before solar becomes even cheaper and it starts to actually become cost-feasible to do this,” she said.

With agrivoltaics, solar panels often have to be raised off the ground higher than they normally would be. Moore said the added height

“I think what we’re going to see is that there are people who are opposed to solar projects because they are being put in land that’s currently in crop production,” he said.

“I think what we’re going to see is the compromise — the compromise here is that people, like zoning boards and the general public, are going to be more amenable to solar projects if that racking system is raised so that farm machinery and animals can graze comfortably underneath them,” he said.

Gould said there would be a tradeoff because the general public will want the land

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Social districts hope to draw summer crowds, stimulate local economies

By Sheldon Krause
Capital News Service

As warm weather approaches, some communities are creating “social districts” under a state initiative that advocates say will spur social and economic involvement in downtown economies.

A 2020 law allows local governments to apply for a permit to designate groups of restaurants with liquor licenses as social districts. The law also establishes areas between restaurants in the districts where alcohol in marked containers from these businesses may be consumed.

Now, the idea is exploding as communities hope for a boom summer and as residents look for fun outdoor experiences after months of isolation. So far, 39 cities and villages have authorized social districts in 23 counties, including Petoskey, Dundee, Allegan, Saugatuck, Ludington, Sturgis, Three Rivers, Cadillac, Wyandotte, Northville, Adrian and Mount Clemens.

John McNamara, the vice president for government affairs at the Michigan Restaurant and Lodging Association, said the push for social districts might not have succeeded without the pandemic. “If COVID-19 had not hit Michigan, I highly doubt social district legislation would have ever been signed by the governor,” he said.

“This idea has been around for a while — however, the Michigan Liquor Control Commission was always pretty opposed to the idea,” McNamara said. “So, it was more than when COVID-19 hit and outdoor dining was being pushed, that was sort of the avenue that the legislature took.”

Becky Goodman is the downtown director for Petos-

key, where a social district opened in late August and expanded greatly in the off-season. “We’re hoping that it will be just another nice benefit of being able to shop in Petoskey and walk around, carry your drink with you,” she said.

“If the bar is crowded and you feel like you’d rather have some fresh air and get outside, you can certainly do that. Or if you’re done with your meal and you want to get out to the shops and take your drink with you, that’s fine too. That’s the intent behind it. We are a resort community and it kind of is a resort amenity,” she said.

Goodman also stressed the financial motivations behind social districts. “Even when we plan a parade, that’s economic development. Everything we do as downtown directors is economic development,” she said. “That’s the reason we did it, in the end, is to make our merchants more successful.”

Gae Donovan-Wolfe, the executive director of the Greenville Area Chamber of Commerce, said she expects the city’s proposed social district, which still needs state approval, to draw patrons and businesses.

She expects the social district to draw younger crowds because “we do have a really cool downtown with some bars that you can walk around.”

Donovan-Wolfe said she hopes the social district will be “a catalyst for community development in our downtown area, for people that not only want to come down and walk around, but also businesses that want to come down and be in the downtown area.”

She also noted that since information about Greenville’s proposed social district became public, a local resi-

dent has expressed interest in opening a new business downtown.

McNamara noted that while social districts appear to benefit nearly every party involved, communities should keep realistic expectations about the level of positive impact. “In terms of overall economic impact in Michigan, it’s helped restaurants survive. But restaurants in Michigan have still seen a 57 percent decline in sales, which is twice the national average, so it’s a tool to help survive — but it’s not like people went from just getting by to all of a sudden doubling and tripling profits because of a social zone,” he said.

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to stay in agriculture, meaning increased costs to raise the solar arrays.

Both Gould and Moore said they see additional promise with pollinator habitats — the practice of turning solar arrays into sustainable habitats for pollinating insects.



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

- Michelle Renee Norris, 21, of Oscoda was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$400 for failure to report an accident.

- Trevor Lee Thompson, 19, of Oscoda was sentenced to one day in jail and \$715 in fines and costs for no insurance under the insurance code.

- Dillon James Harburn-Elowsky, 29, of Glennie was sentenced to 90 days in jail, six months of probation and fines and costs of \$805 for disorderly person – drunk.

- Michael Thomas Skuse, 17, of Mikado was sentenced to fines and costs of \$625 and restitution of \$429 for malicious destruction of property.

- Richard Alan Habas, 48, of Mio was sentenced to one day in jail and \$400 in fines and costs for driving while unlicensed.

- Austin Wayne Southard, 19, of Harrisville was sentenced to one day in jail, one year of probation and \$1,005 in fines and costs for minor purchase/consume/possess alcohol – second offence.

- Tamie Lou Stuit, 39, of Glennie was sentenced to five days in jail and \$925 in fines and costs for domestic violence.

- Donald Arthur Tye, 61, of Barkley, Mich. was sentenced to one day in jail and \$400 in fines and costs for no valid license in possession.

- Danielle Rae Keys, 30, of Harrisville was sentenced to five days in jail, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$1,285 for domestic violence.

- James Aaron Pittman, 61, of Mikado was sentenced to 31 days in jail and \$1,255 in fines and costs for operator’s license suspended, revoked, denied – second offence and no insurance under the insurance code.

The most and least popular ages to claim Social Security

Dear Savvy Senior,
How much does your claiming age affect your Social Security benefits, and what are the most popular ages people start taking their retirement benefits?

Nearing Retirement

Dear Nearing,

You can sign up for Social Security at any time after age 62. However, your monthly payments will be larger for each month you delay claiming them up until age 70. This adds up to around six to

eight percent higher payments every year you delay.

To get a breakdown on exactly how much your claiming age affects your benefits, visit Social Security's Retirement Age Calculator at [SSA.gov/benefits/retirement/planner/age-increase.html](https://www.ssa.gov/benefits/retirement/planner/age-increase.html). This tool provides your official full retirement age (FRA) – which is between 66 and 67 depending on your birth year – and shows how much your benefits will be reduced by taking early payments or increased

by delaying them.

In the meantime, here's the rundown of when most people start receiving retirement benefits (according to 2019 SSA statistics), and how signing up at each age impacts your payout.

Age 62: This is the earliest you can sign up for Social Security and the most popular age. Around 34 percent of women and 31 percent of men signed up for Social Security at 62. But if you sign up at this age, you'll get 25 percent smaller Social Security payments if your FRA is 66, and 30 percent lower payments if your FRA is 67.

Age 63: About seven percent of all workers start drawing their benefits at this age. Monthly payments are reduced if you sign up at age 63, but by less than if you claim at 62. A worker with a FRA of 66 will get a 20 percent pay cut by signing up at 63. And workers with a FRA of 67 will get 25 percent less.

Age 64: Around eight percent of women and about seven percent of men claim benefits at 64. Social Security payments are reduced by



Savvy Senior

13.3 percent for those with a FRA of 66, and 20 percent for people whose FRA is 67.

Age 65: This used to be FRA for people born before 1938, but it's still enrollment age for Medicare. Around 12 percent of workers begin their retirement benefits at 65. By starting at this age, you'll see you monthly payments reduced by 6.7 percent if your FRA is 66, and by 13.3 percent if it's 67.

Age 66: This is FRA for people born between 1943 and 1954. If you fit into this age group, you're eligible to claim unreduced Social Security benefits. Nearly 29 percent of men and 22 percent of women sign up for benefits at 66. But if your FRA is 67, you'll get a 6.7 percent pay

cut if you sign up here.

Age 67: People born in 1960 or later will be able to claim unreduced Social Security payments starting at age 67. Baby boomers born before 1955 will get an eight percent increase if they wait to claim their benefits at 67. Less than four percent of men and three percent of women start their benefits at this age.

Age 68: Only about two percent of workers start claiming their retirement benefits at 68. Those with a FRA of 66 will get 16 percent more if they claim Social Security payments at age 68, while those with a FRA of 67 will get eight percent increase.

Age 69: Less than two percent of workers start claiming their retirement benefits at this age. Those with a FRA of 66 will get a 24 percent boost in their benefit by waiting to 69. While those with a FRA of 67 will increase their benefits by 16 percent.

Age 70 and older: Waiting to age 70 offers the biggest possible payout. Nearly nine percent of women and six percent of men held out until this age. Those with a FRA of 66 can increase their benefits by 32 percent, while those with a FRA of 67 will get a 24 percent increase. After age 70, there's no additional increase for further delaying your payments.

(Send senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, Okla. 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org.)

The Garden Bug
Pink Lady's Slipper

This showy wildflower (also known as moccasin flower) belongs to the orchid family. A preparation of its root has been used to treat nervousness, tooth pain, and muscle spasms. To reproduce, a fungus in the soil must break open the lady slipper's seeds, and pass nutrients to them that they cannot store on their own. Later, when the plant is older, this same fungus will then extract nutrients from the plant's roots.

Source: www.fs.fed.us/wildflowers - Brenda Weaver

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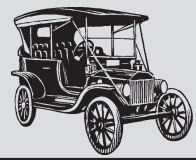
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Elmer Matthews, Curran killed in freak accident

April 18, 1946 ~ Elmer Matthews, 30, was killed by a freak accident early Thursday evening, on the road north of the village of Curran. Matthews, driving a truck which had no doors on the cab, evidently fell from the truck, striking his head on the corner of the back-rack. It is believed by Sheriff Adair and Coroner Duran Smith, who investigated, that Matthews had suffered an attack of some kind, or had accidentally fell from the truck.

Matthews, together with Lloyd Bugg of Curran, had spent the evening in town, and had left for home. Mr. Bugg followed the truck north on the McGinn road, when he found Matthews lying in the road, and the truck and left the road and crashed into a

tree. The motor of the truck was still running. Investigation disclosed that Matthews had suffered a fractured neck vertebrae and internal injuries.

Elmer Matthews was born August 7, 1915, at Rose City, and came to Alcona County 15 years ago. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon from the Curran Methodist Church, Rev. C. S. Brown officiating. Interment was made in the Kettles Cemetery at Mio.

Surviving are his widow, the former Dorothy Pearsall; two children, Irene and Lawrence; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Matthews, of Curran; three sisters, Irene Whitney of Mio; and Alice and Ruth Matthews of Curran, and three brothers, Alvin, Phillip and Alex all of Curran.

Co-op education

April 15, 1971 ~ A new program was started this year at Alcona High school titled Cooperative Education or better known as Co-op. It places students in job training at county business places under a semi-controlled plan and gives them experience as well as income possibilities.

The students attend classes at the high school in the morning and work at their jobs in the afternoon.

The Review this week starts a series of articles prepared by the working students which detail their attitudes regarding the program and their reaction to the adult world they must face in the very near future.

By Debbie Jacobs

On the job, I assume such responsibilities as waiting on customers, not only at the cash register, but throughout the store helping them to find the items they are looking for.

Also from day to day I do a variety of tasks such as taking inventory, answering the telephone, stocking counters, marking items and many other things.

I work at Pizer's Department Store in Harrisville. I am on a school program called Co-op. I go to school until 2 p.m., then I go to work at 2:30 until 5:30.

This job means more to me than a paycheck every week by the experience I am getting so I will be able to go out into the world after school and know a little about before make such a big jump.

Also with this job I am learning so many things every day about the world of retailing.

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Shore Road Pharmacy sold to Flint druggist

April 18, 1946 ~ The Shore Road Pharmacy owned and operated by T. C. O'Callaghan for the past six years, changed hands this week, on April 16th. Mr. O'Callaghan sold to Mr. Frank Shetterly of Flint, Michigan. Mr. Shetterly is a Registered Pharmacist and has been connected with the drug business the past twenty-three years.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Callaghan moved here from Alpena following the death of the late C. Bruce Fuqua, in May, 1935, and later opened the Shore Road Pharmacy in the McDonald Building before he built his new building. Mr. O'Callaghan stated that he is going to take a long needed rest before making any plans for the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Shetterly have moved to Harrisville, and are staying at Alcona Beach, until living quarters can be found.

Births

April 15, 1971 ~ Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Zemke of Harrisville, a 7 lb. 14 oz. baby girl, at St. Joseph Hospital, Tawas City. The young lady has been named Suzanne Margaret.

Chase-Swartz wedding

April 18, 1946 ~ The marriage of Viola Swartz of Lincoln and Raymond Chase of Harrisville, took place Saturday afternoon at the C. S. Brown home in Harrisville, Rev. Brown performing the ceremony.

Their attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Barlow of Mikado. The ladies are sisters.

FFA delegates at state convention

April 15, 1971 ~ Keith VonFintel and Ken VonFintel along with the alternate, Mark Campbell, delegates from Alcona FFA chapter, attended the state FFA convention March 24-26 accompanied by their chapter advisor, Gorden Swinson.

This annual event, held at Michigan State University, was attended by some 1,000 FFA members and advisors from all parts of the state.

Official state association business, leadership contest, state finals and the convention banquet were some major activities taking place at the event.

John Young, Harbor Beach, state president, presided over the business sessions.

Educational exhibits by chapter were on display in the main auditorium. The state FFA degree was given to 189 members.

Agricultural proficiency awards for outstanding skill development in 15 different areas were presented.

Wayne Humphreys, National FFA vice-president from Crawfordville, Iowa, was present during the convention and appeared several times on the program.

Also participating in the

convention was Dale Dellar who was entered in the talent contest. He played the guitar, piano, and also sang during the first convention session.

On April 2 Dale Dellar, Jim Dellar, Keith VonFintel, Ken VonFintel, Jim Parcel, and the adviser, Gorden Swinson, attended the poultry improvement contest at Michigan State University.

The entries were from both Keith VonFintel and Mark Campbell.

The birds were slaughtered by modern techniques and also feathered. The boys who attended the contest learned a lot about raising chickens in a fast, profitable manner.

The Alcona FFA steers weighed as follows: Gertrude; 690, and Heclift 670.

Super Crossword

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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	
April 11	49	42	0.03	3.9	15	NNE
April 12	48	40	0.00	3.0	14	NNE
April 13	58	38	0.00	3.6	26	NE
April 14	47	32	0.13	2.1	17	N
April 15	45	21	0.03	5.8	27	NNE
April 16	46	36	0.00	5.1	23	NNE
April 17	47	30	0.00	2.1	10	S

Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	2020-2021 Season		Normal Water Content
	Water Content	Snowfall	
Weekly Total	0.16	0.0	0.56
Month of April	0.68	0.4	1.27
Year/Season to Date	2.47	26.9	6.51

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. **LANGUAGE:** What is the word for "M" in the international alphabet code used in radio?
2. **TELEVISION:** What was the real first name of the character Fonzie in the comedy "Happy Days"?
3. **SCIENCE:** Which country has the greatest number of tornados annually?
4. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is the capital of Australia?
5. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What are the only two known mammals that lay eggs?
6. **LITERATURE:** What was the name of the first monster in "Beowulf"?
7. **MOVIES:** What was the name of the villain in the movie "Three Amigos!"?
8. **U.S. STATES:** What is the nickname of Wyoming?
9. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the color of envy, culturally speaking?
10. **BUSINESS:** Which country's basic currency is the sol?

Answers: 1. Mike; 2. Arthur; 3. United States, central and south regions; 4. Canberra; 5. Duck-billed platypus and the spiny anteater; 6. Grendel; 7. El Guapo; 8. The Equality State; 9. Green; 10. Peru (c) 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On April 25, 1719, Daniel Defoe's "The Life and Strange Adventures of Robinson Crusoe" is published. The book, about a shipwrecked sailor who spends 28 years on a deserted island, is based on the experiences of Alexander Selkirk, a Scottish sailor who spent four years on a small island off South America.
 - On April 24, 1800, President John Adams approves legislation to appropriate \$5,000 to establish the Library of Congress. The first books, ordered from London, arrived in 1801. Twelve years later, the library was destroyed when the British army invaded the city of Washington and burned the Capitol.
 - On April 22, 1945, Adolf Hitler, upon learning that no German defense was offered to the Russian assault at Eberswalde, admits to all in his underground bunker in Berlin that the war is lost and suicide is his only recourse.
 - On April 23, 1954, Hank Aaron hits the first home run of his Major League Baseball career. Twenty years later, Aaron broke Babe Ruth's long-standing record of 714 career homers. Aaron retired from baseball in 1976 with 755 career homers.
 - On April 20, 1971, the Pentagon confirms that fragging incidents (tossing fragmentation hand grenades into sleeping areas) are on the rise. Fraggings in combat were usually attempts to remove leaders perceived to be incompetent and a threat to survival.
 - On April 21, 1980, Rosie Ruiz, age 26, finishes first in the women's division of the Boston Marathon. Ruiz was stripped of her victory eight days later after race officials learned she joined the race about a mile before the finish line.
 - On April 19, 1995, a massive truck bomb explodes outside the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. The blast collapsed the north face of the nine-story building, killing 168 people, including 19 young children in its day-care center.
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Super Crossword

E-EQUIVALENT FIGURES

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1 Napoleon exile locale
5 Lobby gp.
8 — Bill (Old West hero)
13 Soda shop drink
19 Diving bird
20 Glass of public radio
21 Large crowd
22 Muzzle-loading tool
23 "You Light Up My Life" singer's good friend?
26 Orange-and-black bird
27 Many times o'er
28 Real ladies' men
29 Close examination of the "Room at the Top" novelist?
31 Some of a "Waltons" actor's furniture?
34 Blast creator
35 Camera variety, for short
36 Mets' old ballpark
37 Ballgame cry
40 Sugar suffix
42 Help | 44 Heap
48 What the penner of "Tristram Shandy" spoke with?
51 Toward the rudder
54 Lures
58 Paris-to-Berlin dir.
59 Aviating guys
60 "You Send Me" crooner's preferred cruise destinations?
63 Mr. or Dr.
65 Seraglios
66 "— Ben Adhem"
67 A&E part
68 Greedy gullet
71 TV awards
72 "Uncle Tom's Cabin" writer not at home?
74 Pie serving
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78 Gillette's — razor
79 Truthful
80 Longtime SeaWorld whale
82 "Two Treatises of Government" philosopher making a choice? | 84 Not eternal
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89 Tranquil
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91 Red fruit for an "L.A. Law" actress?
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75 Pen filler
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83 Foot with fur
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88 Photo —
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93 Top-row PC key
95 Actor Elliott
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100 Verse creator
101 Zig or zag
103 Cooing bird
104 Oodles
105 Sentence structure
107 Stop on —
109 Cartoon skunk Pepé
111 Duel swords
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- "The Whole Shabang" is a brand of potato chips once sold only in jails and prisons. It was so popular that in 2016, due to demand from ex-inmates, it was finally made available to the general public.
- The majority of people will tilt their head to the right when they kiss.
- Sherlock Holmes creator Sir Arthur Conan Doyle helped popularize skiing by being the first Englishman to document the sport.
- In Alabama, it's against the law to drive while impersonating a member of the clergy.
- For centuries, doctors thought that medicines made with human flesh, blood or bone could be effective in curing all kinds of ailments, from epilepsy to headaches. The practice was called "corpse medicine."
- The original name for the search engine Google was Backrub. It was renamed after the googolplex, which is the number 1 followed by 100 zeros.
- The fear of young people is known as "ephebiphobia."
- Gatling gun salesmen went to Civil War battlefields to demonstrate their products in actual combat.
- A newly sworn-in Barack Obama visited the U.K. in 2009 and presented some rather curious gifts to the prime minister and queen: 25 DVDs to David Cameron, and an iPod Classic to the then-octogenarian Elizabeth II. Cameron returned the gesture with some "wellies" and Hobgoblin ale.
- In the Solomon Islands, dolphin teeth were (and still are) used as a form of currency.
- Historically, most Easter celebrants would have eaten lamb for the occasion, as the holiday has its roots in the Jewish Passover. Most American Easter dinners now feature ham, however, because years ago, hams cured over the winter would have been ready to serve in early spring.

Thought for the Day: "When writing the story of your life, don't let anyone else hold the pen." -- Harley Davidson
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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: E equals R

PISHKAI MQI DHMMEIAA YZ QIE

RKIAM PIU JA AY NJED, JM

SEIHMIA CYMA YN QHEU NIICJZRA.

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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on April 12 at the city office. This was a virtual Zoom meeting. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by mayor Gehring and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said. Present: Mayor Gehring; treasurer Luenberger; clerk Pierce; council members, Peterson, Kaiser, Mason, Schwanz, and Bean; attorney Cook; and guests. Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to approve the minutes, with corrections, of March 8. Aye: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: zero. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Peterson, support by Bean, to pay the bills in the amount of \$22,470.74. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: zero. Motion carried: 5-0. First quarter water/sewer adjustments were presented by treasurer Luenberger. No adjustments needed. Discussion followed. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to accept first quarter water/sewer as presented. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: zero. Motion carried: 5-0. Dates for Spring Cleanup are May 14 and May 28. Place bundled and bagged yard waste (only) at curbside for pick up on those dates. Hydrant Flushing will be April 19-30. Mayor Gehring presented a request from the Harrisville Arts Council for use of city properties for the 2021 Harmony Festival Weekend, September 3-5. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to approve Harrisville Arts Council request of use of city properties for Harmony Weekend, Friday, Sept. 3 through Sunday, Sept. 5. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: zero. Motion carried: 5-0. Mayor Gehring presented the Melrose Pyrotechnics, Inc. re-

quest for approval of the fireworks display permit for Saturday, July 3. Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to authorize mayor to sign permit for Melrose Pyrotechnics for fireworks display on Saturday, July, 3. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: zero. Motion Carried 5-0. Mayor presented a request from the Harrisville Lions Club for use of the Harbor Pavilion for Saturday, July 3 until 6 p.m. for Duck Race awards. Motion by Schwanz, support by Bean, for approval of request from the Harrisville Lions for use of the Harbor Pavilion on Saturday, July 3 until 6 p.m. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: zero. Motion carried: 5-0. Mayor Gehring presented a request from the Alcona Music Project-WXTF/Open Mic Night to reserve and rent the Harbor Pavilion for every Tuesday evening from May 1 to October 31 from 6 to 9 p.m. (weather permitting). Mayor Gehring presented request from Inspiration Alcona for use of the Harbor Pavilion Friday nights for a singer/songwriter concert series beginning Friday, June 18, through Friday, Sept. 17. Discussion by mayor informing The Alcona Music Project and Inspiration Alcona as to the city's intent to firm up policy details for usage of harbor properties and sanitation concerns. Mayor will present to council at May meeting the policy decisions for continuous rental of Harbor pavilion and sanitation decisions for council consideration. Also discussed increase to pavilion rental rates from \$25 to \$35 per rental. Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to raise rental rate of Harbor Pavilion to \$35 per rental request. Ayes: Schwanz,

Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: zero. Motion carried: 5-0. Mayor Gehring presented proposal from OHM Engineering Advisors concerning the updating of the existing GIS mapping program. Discussion. Motion by Bean, support by Peterson, to table decision from OHM Engineering concerning expenditure to update the GIS mapping system until May council meeting. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: zero. Motion carried: 5-0. Mayor Gehring reported his personal email account appears to have been hacked. Please do not open any email from him that has a suspicious request to meet or get in contact with him. He has been in contact with organizers of the Sunrise Side Wine and Food Festival for 2021. Information will be forthcoming as to plans for festival. Clerk Pierce reported her personal email appears to also been hacked with request to meet as well. Do not respond. The Summer Concert Series dates are Wednesday, July 7, July 14, July 21, July 28, and August 4. Harbor Commission report given by mayor Gehring reported that dock construction will continue Monday, April 19 and has a finish date and wrap up of June. Planning commission report by Alderman Schwanz (ex-officio), the commission continues to work on Master Plan update with census data being included. Fire department reported two new volunteer members added this month. Comment cards: Laura Frawley spoke to council of the proposed Friday night concert series funded by Inspiration Alcona. Advised by mayor of new policies to be presented to groups concerning usage, sanitation concerns and food vendors. Judy MacNeill presented ideas for a Farmer's Market being set up on same Friday nights as concerts. Discussion. Council's last comments: Question as to opening of marijuana facility, Consume. Mayor indicated about two weeks. Adjourned by Mayor Gehring. Adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is May 10 at 7 p.m. at city hall. Published prior to council approval.

MISCELLANEOUS

PUBLIC HEARING ANOUNCEMENT The NEMCSA - Region 9 Area Agency on Aging (AAA) will conduct a virtual public hearing on its proposed Annual Implementation Plan for Fiscal Year 2022. The plan will outline the use of funds and provision of services under the Older Americans Act, for the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon. The online, virtual hearing is scheduled for Monday, May 24, 2021 at 1:00 pm. To register please contact Connie at 989-358-4661 or mcquarrie@nemcsa.org. A summary of the plan will be available upon request, 15 days prior to the public hearing. Copies may be obtained by calling (989) 358-4661 or online at www.nemcsa.org. Written testimony will be accepted through June 11, 2021.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging (AAA) announces the availability of funds. Annual funds are available for FY 2022 for the following services: Elder Abuse Prevention, Evidence-Based Disease Prevention Health Promotion, The Merit Award (Adult Day Services), National Family Caregiver Support Program, and State Caregiver Support. Funds are available for the counties of: Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon. The Region 9 AAA must receive letters of intent to apply for funds by 4:30 pm Monday, May 3, 2021. For more information contact Yvette Smigelski, Business/Financial Resources Manager-Aging Programs, Region 9 AAA, 2375 Gordon Rd, Alpena, MI 49707 or call (989) 358-4613.

ALCONA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township's April board meeting was called to order with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: MacNeill, LaLonde, Gauthier, Mead, and Bouchard. Motions to approve the previous month's minutes and treasurer's report; pay bills as presented; to approve Caleb Kamiscke to the fire department; to approve five sets of turnout gear for the fire department; to approve fireworks permit for The Hardwoods; to adjust deputy fire chief's salary. All motions passed. Thanks to Sarah and Russ Gohl for trimming and cleaning the flower bed at the township hall. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Dawn LaLonde, Clerk

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Now hiring RNs, LPNs, CNAs and a cook. Apply at Jamieson Nursing Home, 790 South US-23, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. (989) 724-6889.

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Residential Care Worker \$14.75 per hour. Kind, caring and energetic people needed to assist individuals with developmental/intellectual disabilities to live as independent as possible in a home setting. Part-time and Casual positions immediately available in Harrisville and Lincoln. Shift work and weekends or variable hours required. Experience desirable but not required. All required training is provided. Background checks are conducted; must possess a satisfactory driving record; high school graduate or GED preferred. Entry rate for part-time is \$14.75/per hour. Complete application at NE MI Community Mental Health, 400 Johnson, Alpena, MI 49707 or online at nemcmh.org/Careers or contact Human Resources at 989-356-2161 for application. EOE

Full-time HVAC service technician position available. Starting wage based on education and experience. Excellent benefits. Please submit your resume by e-mail or mail to: gauthierheating@yahoo.com or Gauthier Heating & Cooling PO Box 107, Black River, MI 48721

Gary Oil Marathon Gas Station is accepting applications for dependable service station attendants. Offering full or part-time positions must be willing to work flexible hours. Apply in person at Gary Oil Marathon.

The Alcona County Register of Deeds office is seeking applicants for the position of Office Assistant. This is a part-time position 28 hours per week with benefits. Applications and a job description are available at the Register of Deeds office or online at alconacountymi.com. Those interested should submit a resume and application to Melissa Cordes at the Register of Deeds office or mail to: Register of Deeds, C/O Melissa Cordes, P.O. Box 269, Harrisville, MI 48740. Deadline to apply is April 27, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

Part-time cabin cleaning \$30 per hour plus \$30 to take guests to cabin. Barton City area. Contact Ed at 248-496-8350.

Staff Accountant Local CPA firm has an opening for a Staff Accountant to manage client accounts and assist senior management in all aspects of public accounting. Degree is required, recent graduates can apply, and training will be provided. To receive complete job description, send resume to cpafirm413@gmail.com.

Office Administrator Local CPA firm has an opening for an office administrator to greet clients, assist senior staff, and keep the office organized. Strong computer experience including Excel, Word, and email software is required; QuickBooks is a plus. To receive complete job description, send resume to cpafirm413@gmail.com

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