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Alcona County Fair ready to roll out events, entertainment

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

The excitement in the air is almost palpable surrounding this year's Alcona County Fair. Parents and children alike are filled with enthusiastic optimism.

It has been more than 700 days since the sound of carnival rides, children laughing, goats bleating and roosters crowing filled the air at the fairgrounds in Lincoln. No one is happier to begin the 49th year of fair than the hardworking members of the fair board.

Alcona County Fair Board President Doug Travis said it was a difficult decision last year to cancel the fair during COVID-19 pandemic, but it was the right decision for the safety of the community.

This year's fair is being dedicated to all those who lost their lives during 2020 and 2021, a time of great sadness for many families who could not grieve in traditional ways due to COVID-19 protocols.

Fair board member Billie Thompson explained the fair board wanted to recognize all friends and neighbors who were unable to have services due to the pandemic. "To



Musical entertainment will grace the fair with a Tribute to the Legends featuring Donny Rod and his Rod Stewart personification (left), Matt King who brings Elvis to the stage (right) and special guest star, Kelsey Rose, who is a tap dancer and singer who will provide vocal renderings from greats female vocalists like Patsy Cline, Brenda Lee and Linda Ronstadt. *Photo courtesy of MCDR Entertainment.*

honor those lost, we will be offering a large chalkboard for anyone to post the name of a loved one lost during the pandemic," she said.

According to Travis, the

past few years have certainly been different and strange. The fair board could not attend fair conferences in person, but they did attend via Zoom conferences and they

feel very good about the entertainment they have chosen. "We've got something for everyone," he said.

The fun begins on Tuesday, Au. 17 and runs through

Saturday, Aug. 21 with traditional standards everyone has grown to love and a few new pieces of entertainment for additional enjoyment.

Standards such as home arts awards, animal judging, pop with a cop, steak fry dinner, horse pull, princess tea party, kid's games by the Alcona FFA, horse shows, motocross racing, silent auction, flapjack eating contest, cutest baby contest, pinewood derby car race, the Alcona Junior Livestock Club Market Sale and the crowd-pleasing bump and run will be back again this year.

Amusement rides and carnival games will once again be available for kids of all ages, but this year a new ride vendor, Clark Attractions, will be bringing thrills to the midway at 1 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday and at noon on Friday and Saturday.

The fair welcomes all on opening day, Tuesday, with a pay-by-donation entry to the fairgrounds. This year's recipient of entry donations is the Brownlee Lake Association.

All perishable entries must be in the Home Arts building by 9 a.m. on Tuesday, the same time poultry judging starts. A flag-raising ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. and at 3 p.m. sheep and goat judging will begin. As usual, all livestock animals and non-perishable home arts must be in place on Monday, Aug. 16.

A new piece of entertainment will be Rosco - Michigan's Hometown Clown - who will be clowning around for laughs twice on Tuesday and Wednesday during the fair at 1 and 4:30 p.m.

Also, on Tuesday at 4:30 p.m., youth can enjoy free pop with a cop, an opportunity for youth to meet the officers who protect the county with plenty of photo opportunities and goodies, followed by the Jim Pyne Memorial free ice cream social. Each year the Dairy Barn of Lincoln furnishes free ice cream to the community and the Mikado Goodfellows are on hand to pass it out.

Always fun to watch is the ruckus and sometimes wild swine judging event at the Joslin Arena at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

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M-32 site of historic highway landing

Members of the Michigan National Guard's 127th Wing, Selfridge Air National Guard Base, made history on Friday when they successfully landed and generated modern military aircraft from a United States highway for the first time.

Two A-10 Thunderbolt II pilots of the 127th Wing, two A-10 pilots of the 355th Wing, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz., and six C-146 Wolfhounds aircrew members from the Air Force Special Operations Command, Duke Field, Fla., executed the mission, landing the aircraft on a closed portion of M-32, as part of a training event named Thunder Landing Zone (LZ).

"Thunder LZ gave the pilots the opportunity to land in an austere environment that they're not used to," said U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Brian Wyrzykowski, the mission commander for Thunder LZ and a KC-135 Stratotanker instructor-pilot at the 127th



An A-10 Thunderbolt II lands on a closed portion of M-32, as part of a training event named Thunder Landing Zone. *Courtesy photo.*

Wing. "But it's also a first in the nation, as this is the first time that modern combat aircraft have landed on U.S. soil, on a highway."

Planned in line with the Air Force's agile combat employment (ACE) concept, Thunder LZ was established on a

four-lane stretch of M-32 approximately three miles west of the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center (CRTC), giving participating units the chance to practice posturing forces in a combat scenario.

"Our adversaries have advanced weapons systems and

advanced technology that they can use against us, so we need to be able to operate efficiently in austere situations and gain proficiency in those operations," Wyrzykowski said.

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Thunder LZ allowed training participants to practice the forward-arming and refueling concept of ACE, taking a small aircraft crew, returning the aircraft to these austere locations, and then generating the aircraft back into the fight.

Held as part of the Michigan National Guard's annual joint forces, multicomponent, multinational military training event, Exercise Northern Strike 21-2, the landing took place within the National All Domain Warfighting Center, an area of airspace, ranges

and bases geographically located in northern Michigan, where all-domain training occurs in a joint environment.

From the local utility companies to municipal emergency management agencies, Michigan Department of Transportation, and residents, the local community played a key role in the training event, Wyrzykowski explained.

"We actually met with those homeowners directly and the level of support we received from the direct interactions has been, in my mind, unprecedented," said Col. Jim Rossi, commander, Alpena CRTC. "They're such a patriotic group of Americans that are up here, willing to support and are as excited as we are to make this happen."

Wyrzykowski made the first call to initiate the planning process a year ago. After all the planning and coordination, all six aircraft successfully landing and departing from M-32 was the most basic metric of mission success. For leaders of the 127th Wing and the Michigan National Guard, staying ready to fight while being progressive will continue to be one of their top priorities.

"This historic training event is very important for the Michigan National Guard," Wyrzykowski said. "We are making sure we are ready for the high-end fight against a near-peer adversary."

Obituaries

Bobby A. Elkins

Bobby A. Elkins, 82, of Mikado died on Saturday, July 31, 2021.

He was born March 14, 1939, to James and Geneva (Woodard) Elkins in Huntington, W.Va., where he was raised.

He worked for Ford Motor Company for many years. On March 26, 1966, he married Billy Jo Elkins in Walled Lake, Mich. where they were long-time residents.

Mr. Elkins retired to Mikado in 1989. He was a member of the Mikado American Legion Post No. 254, the Barton City Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 4141, and Alcona Lodge No. 292 Free and Accepted Masons.

He enjoyed golfing, hunting and fishing, as well as playing horseshoes and pool.

Mr. Elkins is survived by his wife, Billy Jo; two daughters, Tammie Freeborn and Wendy Burch; one brother, Fuzzy (Donna) Elkins; two sisters-in-law, Elaine (RD) Brown and Linda Ackley; one brother-in-law, Roy (Vi) Ackley; one former son-in-law, Lee Shull; as well as several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Bobby Elkins Jr. and Gregory Elkins.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Richard E. "Dick" Rickert

Richard E. "Dick" Rickert, 95, of Sabastian, Fla., formerly of Mikado, died on Wednesday, July 14, 2021.

He was born to John and Mae (Hayward) Rickert on June 27, 1926 on the family farm located west of Mikado. He started school at the Bailey School in Mikado. He attended Oscoda High School until he joined the U.S. Army to serve in World War II.

While he was in the Army in Japan, Mr. Rickert worked in the kitchen in addition to performing the duties of a medic and "getting guys out of concentration camps to send back to Korea."

Following his discharge, he received his high school diploma.

He married Shirley Reeves at the Glennie Methodist parsonage on September 15, 1951. They purchased an 80-acre farm to the north of his parents' farm in Mikado. The farm started with dairy cows and he also worked finishing cement at Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda. Eventually, Mr. Rickert started a logging business, Rickert Forest Products. The farm moved from dairy to beef cattle. He completed his career at Alcona Tool.

Mr. Rickert grew up hunting and fishing, however, fishing was his absolute favorite pastime.

His faith was an important aspect of his life. He was a former member of Sunnyside Methodist Church, United Methodist Church in Glennie and attended Roseland United Methodist Church in Florida.

Mr. Rickert is survived by three daughters, Mary (Carl) Brown of Sand Lake, Mich., Debbie (Kevin) Boyat of Mikado and Sheri (Bill) Peterson of Sabastian, Fla.; five grandchildren, Aaron (Stacy)



Brown of Cedar Springs, Mich., Marcie (Kevin) Peel of Harrodsburg, Ky., J.R. (Katrina) Boyat of Mikado, Tim (Sherri) Boyat of Aurora, Colo., and Melissa (Jake Dingey) Rheaume of Appleton, Wisc.; eight great-grandchildren, Lindzey Peel of Harrodsburg, Ky., Darren Boyat, Adelle Boyat and Ainsley Boyat all of Mikado, Riley Brown of Cedar Springs, Mich., and Ryder Boyat and Sawyer Boyat both of Aurora, Colo.; one great-great-granddaughter, Nova Peel; two sisters-in-law, Marge Rhoades of Mio and Joann Reeves of Bartow, Fla.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Shirley (Reeves) Rickert; one grandson, Matthew Rheaume; and nine siblings, Harriet Lilley, Charles Rickert, Clyde Rickert, Ellen Kruttlin, Aleta Lane, Harry Rickert, Nellie Wheatley, Leota Collins and Jack Rickert.

Cremation is taking place with interment in Curran Cemetery. A celebration of life event is planned for a later date.

Memorials may be made to a hospice organization of the donor's choice or the American Cancer Society.

Police Report

Looking for information

On Sunday, Aug. 8 at approximately deputies from the Alcona County Sheriff's Department were dispatched to F-30 near Cole Road in Curtis Township for an injured dog that had been hit by a passing vehicle. Deputies were assisted by citizens at the scene in treating the injured female pit bull.

It was transported to the Alcona Animal Clinic in Lincoln where a veterinarian attempted to save her. Due to severe internal and external injuries, the dog died.

This incident is under investigation by the sheriff's department. The owner of the dog has not been identified. The dog is described as a white one-year-old with black around both of her eyes.

Anyone with information about the owner or the driver of the vehicle is asked to contact the sheriff's department at (989) 724-6271.

Deputies are thankful to the Alcona Animal Clinic, Alcona Humane Society and the citizens on scene for their quick response in the attempts to save the dog.



Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

The Alcona County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Board will meet at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting room in the lower level of the Alcona County Building located at 106 Fifth Street in Harrisville. For more information, contact Tammy Ranger at (989) 619-5865.

Summer Reading ends today. All tickets need to be turned in by noon. The winners will be announced, and ice cream will be provided at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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.

Harrisville's Summer Concert Series at the Harrisville Harbor will feature Flipside. Music begins at 7 p.m. Bring a chair or blanket as seating is on the lawn. For more information, contact Barbara Pierce mornings at (989) 724-6666.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12

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. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

TOPS 1502 Mikado will begin with weigh-in at 9 a.m. and the meeting at 9:15 a.m. at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 East F-30, Mikado. All are welcome. First visit is free. Handicap accessible. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-8600.

Alcona County Community Resource Day will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Alcona Health Center in Lincoln in the back parking lot, weather permitting. There will be free refreshments, door prizes, a walk up COVID-19 vaccine clinic, and a variety of information and resources from community partners. The Alcona Health Center is located at 177 N. Barlow Road, Lincoln.

There will be a Family Movie Matinee at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. A newly released movie on DVD will be shown and theater-style popcorn is available. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Library Backyard Adven-

tures, new outdoor games, will be underway at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library starting at 3:30 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

View the Perseid meteor shower from Negwegon State Park, a dark sky preserve. Stargazing will begin at 9 p.m. and view the meteor shower on the beach until midnight. Participants should go to the main beach. Bring a camp chair, blanket, bug spray and a low level red flashlight (no cell phones or white light allowed). For more information, contact the Harrisville State Park at (989) 724-5126. A recreation passport is required for entry into any Michigan state park. Event may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

Storytime and a craft activity for children will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 10:30 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

The featured performer for the Harbor Nights Concert is Dan Hazlett, an accomplished, polished performer who entertains and uplifts his audiences with his smooth, soulful voice, finely honed acoustic guitar work and arsenal of well-crafted and thoughtfully presented songs. Weaving in and out of folk, jazz and a Will Rogers style of down-home humor, Hazlett captivates his listeners with subject matter ranging from the ordinary silliness of everyday life to the unexpected intensity of dramatic interludes. This free concert runs from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Harrisville Harbor pavilion in Harrisville. Bring a lawn chair or blanket as seating is on the lawn. This concert is provided by Inspiration Alcona, www.inspiration-alcona.org.

View the Perseid meteor shower from the day use area of Harrisville State Park. Stargazing will begin at 9 p.m. and view the meteor shower on the beach until midnight. Participants should go to the main beach. Bring a camp chair, blanket, bug spray and a low level red flashlight (no cell phones or white light allowed). For more information, contact the Harrisville State Park at (989) 724-5126. A recreation passport is required for entry into any Michigan state park. Event may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

The Alcona County Food Pantry will be open from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 State Street, Harrisville.

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.

A native wildflower program by Emily Kemnitz will be held at 11 a.m. in the Labyrinth at the Curtis Township Library in Glennie. Call (989) 735-2601 for more information.

A beekeeping program with Teresa McCurdy will be held in the parking lot of the Curtis Township Library in Glennie from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., weather permitting. Call (989) 735-2601 for more information.

Play Connect 4, bocce ball, and bean bag toss at the Curtis Township Library's Heritage games from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call (989) 735-2601 for details.

A Kirtland's Warbler presentation by Sue Malski will be held at noon in the meeting room of the Curtis Township Library in Glennie. Call (989) 735-2601 for more information.

The Sunrise Side Music Festival—an all-day blue grass and country music event—will be held at Lost Lake Woods Club (north of Lincoln on Barlow Road). This event is open to the public and will be held from noon to 7:30 p.m. Gates open at 9 a.m. Advance tickets are \$20; at the gate \$30. Children aged

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NOTICE

The Harrisville Township Board of Appeals will hold a special meeting on August 30, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall. This meeting is to hear an appeal by Steve Baksis regarding the Harrisville Planning Commission's approval of a site plan submitted by Springport Development LLC. The site plan in question was to construct a recreational vehicle park/campground on parcel 060-023-200-020-00 at address 5184 Springport Road. This 59.22 Acre parcel is zoned C-1 (Recreational/Resort Commercial). The public is welcome to attend. Written comments can be sent to the Harrisville Township Zoning Administrator, Tony Atkinson, 4120 E Dellar Road, Harrisville, MI 48740.

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Local Notes

Perseid Meteor Shower

View the Perseid meteor shower from Negwegon State Park, a dark sky preserve on Thursday, Aug. 12. Stargazing will begin at 9 p.m. and view the meteor shower on the beach until midnight. Participants should go to the main beach.

On Friday, Aug. 13 and Saturday, Aug. 14, viewing will be from the day use area of the Harrisville State Park. Stargazing will begin at 9 p.m. and view the meteor shower until midnight.

At either location, participants should bring a camp chair or blanket, bug spray and a low level red flashlight (no cell phones or white light allowed). For more information, contact the Harrisville State Park at (989) 724-5126. A recreation passport is required for entry into any Michigan state park. Event may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

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.

- Monday, Aug. 16: Cabbage rolls, buttered noodles, peas, pineapple, milk.
- Tuesday, Aug. 17: Tuna pasta salad, three bean salad, saltines, peaches, milk, A&B cake and ice cream.
- Wednesday, Aug. 18: Bar-

becue chicken, baked potato, carrots, bread, pears, milk.

- Thursday, Aug. 19: Sausage gravy, biscuit, California blend vegetables, Mandarin oranges, muffin, milk.

Library Backyard Games

The Alcona County Library will host Backyard Games on Thursday afternoons August 12 and 19 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. each day. The whole family is welcome to an afternoon of outdoor games including cornhole, croquet, Bocce ball, giant Jenga and more. Beginning in October the games will be available for checkout on an adult card. Patrons can take the games home and enjoy their own Family Game Night. Funding for the games is provided in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library of Michigan. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Celebrate Health Centers

Alcona Health Center (AHC) will be joining community health centers throughout the United States in celebrating National Health Center Week - August 8 through 14.

As part of this celebration, AHC will be offering a virtual health fair on its website at alconahealthcenters.org beginning Monday, Aug. 9 through Saturday, Aug. 14. Visitors can access the virtual health fair by clicking on the "Celebrate Health" tab at the top of the website. In addition to health-related videos, articles and other content, there will also be drawings to enter for the "health prize of the day."

In person Community Resource Days will also be offered in Iosco County (AHC Oscoda - August 10 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.) and Alcona County (AHC Lincoln - August 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.). These events will feature blood pressure checks, health information, and walk-up COVID-19 vaccine clinics. Community partners will be present with information and resources on education, housing, food access and more. Free refreshments and door prizes will be offered.

The theme of this year's event is "Community Health Centers - The Chemistry for Strong Communities" is especially fitting as Alcona Health Center has primary care offices in 11 communities throughout northern

lower Michigan and the eastern Upper Peninsula. Additionally, AHC offers behavioral health services to children and adolescents within 23 schools in six different school districts throughout its service area.

Local Film Viewing

The Shoreline Players will hold a Friday the 13th event featuring the independent film "Flesh," a visually striking horror film that premiered at Shoreline Players Theater in July. "Flesh" is the first feature length movie from the local production company Wendigoh Pictures, an Oscoda-based film production company specializing in FX heavy horror films that was founded by Nikk Bergman, who has been making independent films since 2009.

The psychological, body horror creature feature is directed by Bergman and takes heavy inspiration from 70s horror films. After a young woman is kidnapped and forced to take part in a strange ritual, her body suddenly begins to change. She grows fangs and claws and starts having strange cravings and hallucinations. Her life quickly crumbles around her as she struggles to figure out what's happening to her before it's too late.

The screenplay was written by Bergman and Alvin Brown and was filmed on location in Oscoda, Tawas, Sand Lake, Harrisville and Alpena. The movie stars Amanda Denney, Rozz Ohlin, Katie Wimmer, Shane Massicotte and Sydney Barnes. This film is not yet rated but due to content is recommended for those 13 years of age and up.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the box office before the 7 p.m. show time on Friday, Aug. 13, and can also be reserved by calling (989) 739-3586. The Shoreline Players Theater is located at 6000 N. Skeel Ave., in Oscoda next to the Robert Parks Library in the Wurtsmith District. For more information on this production or upcoming events go to www.shorelineplayers.org or check the Shoreline Players Facebook page.

Library Bug Day

The Harrisville Branch of the Alcona County Library will celebrate the end of Summer with a "Bug Day" story time and family picnic on Friday, Aug. 20. Storytime begins at 10:30 a.m. with a story, bug walk, and bug craft. All library visitors are welcome to a free picnic lunch between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Refreshments provided by the Friends of the Library. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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4. Czech Republic
5. Romania
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8. USA
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10. Germany

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The Garden Bug

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The Botanic Garden is the oldest continuously operating public garden in the United States. George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and James Madison helped establish it on the National Mall in 1820; George Washington's letter written in support of it is on display in the Library of Congress. Its displays include rainforest plants, succulents, grasses, shrubs, orchids, medicinals, endangered species, butterfly gardens, a children's garden, water gardens and seasonal exhibits. - Brenda Warner

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machines!
change around vending
My advice: Don't hold your
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12 and under are free. Contact Nick Failla at (586) 354-3600 for details.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

The Sunrise Strummers encourage all levels of ukulele players to join an evening of strumming and singing at the Bobcat Bar and Grill, 1981 S. US-23, Greenbush from 6 to 8 p.m. Friends are welcome to sing along.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

The Alcona Book Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 1 p.m. The selection for August is "The Noticer" by Andy Andrews. Adult Summer Reading ends today. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Euchre will be played at the Lincoln Senior Center (lower level), 207 Church Street, Lincoln from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. All seniors are welcome.

Knitting Klub & Crochet will meet 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.

It's Kid's Day at Lumberman's Monument. The program is "The Amazing Atlatl - An Ancient Hunting Tool," starting at 1 p.m. Youth will learn about this simple tool used for throwing spears. At some almost all human ancestors utilized the atlatl as a hunting weapon. Participants will have an opportunity to test their skills with an atlatl. The visitor's center at Lumberman's Monument is at 5401 N. Monument Road, Oscoda. For more information, call (989) 362-8961.

Bring a lawn chair, blanket or musical instrument to Docksides Jams at the Harrisville Harbor pavilion for a free open mic night. This weekly event encourages musicians and singers to play informally in front of an audience. Music runs from 6 to 9 p.m. Fancy dress is discouraged.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

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. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Veterans, and their relatives, are welcome to join fellow comrades for coffee and fellowship from 9 to 11 a.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville.

TOPS 1502 Mikado will begin with weigh-in at 9 a.m. and the meeting at 9:15 a.m. at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 East F-30, Mikado. All are welcome. First visit is free. Handicap accessible. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-8600.

There will be a Family Movie Matinee at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. A newly released movie on DVD will be shown and theater-style popcorn is available. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Library Backyard Adventures, new outdoor games, will be underway at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library starting at 3:30 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of August 2-8, 2021

118 complaints were handled resulting in the following: , 3 Arrests, 2 Warrant Arrests, 1 Domestic, 16 Citations issued.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	9	Traffic/Traffic Stop	50
Property Damage Accident	5	Personal Injury Accident	2
Assist	3	Animal/Dog	2
Warrant Arrest	2	Miscellaneous	4
Mental	1	Well Being Check	4
Suspicious Event	4	Trespass	1
Fraud/Scam	2	Fire	1
Vehicle ID Inspection	1	Threats/Harassment	4
Alarm	3	Found Property	1
Domestic	4	Civil	5
Larceny	1	Dog Bite	1
Identity Theft	1	Drug Disposal	1
Burglary	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	13	Caledonia	8	Curtis	9
Greenbush	13	Gustin	3	Harrisville	18
Hawes	5	Haynes	7	Mikado	13
Millen	2	Mitchell	8		
Harrisville City	9	Village of Lincoln	10		


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 989-724-6665
 Pastor Claire Duncan • haynescommunitychurch.org

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 Pastor Ernest Ruemenapp (989) 724-6728 • www.church72.org
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 Sunday school 10 a.m.
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 Bible Study/Prayer, Wed. 7 p.m.
 Pastor Dr. Arie VanBrenk • 202 Main Street • 736-8796


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 Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
 Pastor Herb Kitzman • 989-727-3206


COMMUNITY OF CHRIST
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 Pastor Char McGuire • 736-3486

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 • Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

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Does Medicare cover home health care?

Dear Savvy Senior,
How does Medicare cover in-home health care? My husband has a chronic health condition that makes it very difficult for him to leave the house, so I'm wondering if he could qualify for Medicare home health care.

Seeking Help

Dear Seeking,
Medicare covers a wide variety of part-time or intermittent in-home health care services to beneficiaries in

need, if they meet Medicare's criteria. Here's how it works. In order for your husband to secure coverage for home health care, Medicare first requires that he be homebound. This means that it must be extremely difficult for him to leave home, and he needs help doing so either from another person or medical device like a cane, wheelchair, walker or crutches.

He will then need to have a face-to-face meeting with his doctor to get a home health

certification confirming that he needs skilled-nursing care or skilled-therapy services from a physical or speech therapist on a part-time basis.

His doctor can also request the services of an occupational therapist and a personal care aide to assist with activities of daily living such as bathing, dressing and using the bathroom. His doctor must renew and certify his home health plan every 60 days.

He will also need to use a home health agency that is certified by Medicare.

If he meets all of the requirements, Medicare should pay for his in-home health care.

But be aware that Medicare will not pay for personal care aide services (for bathing, dressing, using the bathroom, etc.) alone if he does not need skilled-nursing or skilled-therapy services too. Homemaker services, such as shopping, meal preparation and cleaning are not covered either.

If your husband has original Medicare, you can locate a Medicare-certified home health agency by calling (800) 633-4227 or by visiting Medicare.gov/care-compare. If he has a Medicare Advantage plan, you should contact his plan directly and ask which home health agencies work with the plan and are within the plan's network of providers.



Savvy Senior

For more detailed information on how Medicare covers in-home health, see the "Medicare and Home Health Care" online booklet at Medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/10969-Medicare-and-Home-Health-Care.pdf.

Other Options

If your husband does not qualify for Medicare home health care coverage, there are other coverage options depending on your situation. Here are several that may apply to you:

- **Insurance:** If you happen to have long-term care insurance, check to see if it covers in-home care. Or if you have a life insurance policy, see if it can be utilized to pay for care.

- **Medicaid:** If your income is low, your husband may qualify for Medicaid, which offers different home and community-based services that can pay for in-home care. To investigate this, contact your local Medicaid office.

- Also see if PACE – which stands for "Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly" – is available in your

area (see NPAonline.org). PACE provides in-home care, including help with activities of daily living, such as meals, dental and medical care, among other benefits.

- **Veterans Benefits:** If your husband is a veteran, the VA also offers some benefits that can help. Two programs to inquire about are "Aid and Attendance or Housebound Allowances" and the "Veteran-Directed Care" program. Both programs provide monthly financial benefits to eligible veterans that can help pay for in-home care. To learn more, contact your regional VA benefit office (see Benefits.va.gov/benefits/offices.asp or call (800) 827-1000).

To look for these and other programs in your area that can help pay your husband's home care, go to Paying-For-Senior-Care.com and click on "Find Financial Assistance for Care" to access their Eldercare Financial Assistance Locator tool.

(Send senior questions to: [Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, Okla. 73070](mailto:SavvySenior@P.O.Box5443), or visit SavvySenior.org.)



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

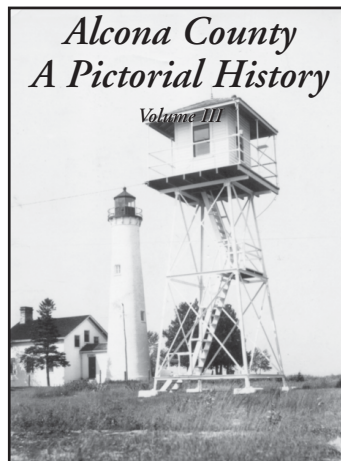
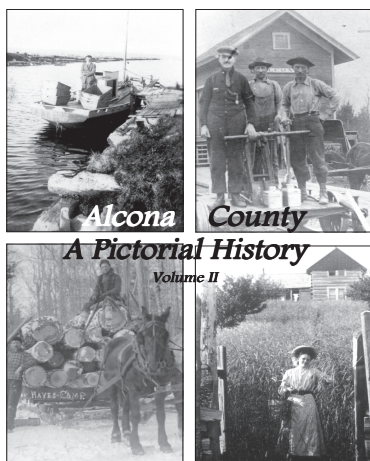
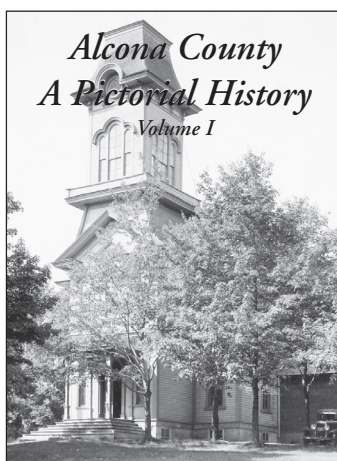
- Gerald Curtis Dingeldein, 36, of Pooler, Ga. was sentenced to fines and costs of \$255 for transport/possess loaded gun in vehicle.
- Ryan Dale Cook, 34, of Hale, Mich. was sentenced to 93 days in jail and \$925 in fines and costs for domestic violence.
- Nicole Lauren Cassidy, 35, of Grayling, Mich. was sentenced to 31 days in jail, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$2,510 for domestic violence and child abuse, fourth degree.
- Raymond Dean Sundberg, 31, of South Branch was sentenced to one day in jail and \$715 in fines and costs for no insurance.
- Russell Lee Earegood, 47, of Harrisville was sentenced to two days in jail, one year of probation and \$1,885 in fines and costs for operate while visibly impaired.
- Robert Allen Hill, 30, of Greenbush was sentenced to 46 days in jail and fines and costs of \$925 for attempted domestic violence.
- Robert Arnold Jacobs, 58, of Rochester Hills, Mich. was sentenced to fines and costs of \$200 for attempted fail to report accident.

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Thanks to some generous folks in the community, free kid's rides, 17 and younger, will be offered on Wednesday, Aug. 18 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Wednesday is also Senior gate admission for \$1 for those 60 and older. Gate admission Wednesday, Friday and Saturday is \$5 per person, or fairgoers can pick up a general public pass for the entire week for \$15 per person. Thursday is carload day when all vehicle occupants can gain entry to the fair for \$10 per car. Parking is always free.

In addition to a meet and greet with Smokey Bear from the United States Forest Service from noon to 2 p.m. and rabbit, pocket pet and cattle judging on Wednesday, some new attractions are sure to garner attention. A Lawn Mower Obstacle Race begins at 6 p.m. and a Vegas-style Tribute to the Legends music show, with impersonation hits from Elvis, Brenda Lee, Patsy Cline, Rod Stewart and more performing at 8 p.m.

Don't forget the fair board steak fry is always held on Wednesday at 5 p.m. and 125 tickets, at \$15 each, sell out fast. Tickets, while available, may be purchased at the fair board office. After dinner, the always popular draft horse pull displays power, strength and a little insanity to the horse arena beginning at 6 p.m.

Little kids will enjoy the princess tea party at 1 p.m. on Thursday and a visit from

My Adventure Theater, an interactive theatre where youth can dress up and play parts in skits, will have three shows each Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

On Thursday from 3 to 7 p.m., in memory of a young fair volunteer who died recently, 130 amusement free-ride arm bands for kids ages six to 12 will be given away by her family. Look for them at the gate wearing T-shirts with their daughter, Angie Germond's photo.

The 4-H award ceremony starts on Thursday at 4:30 p.m. and the lively, always competitive, Alcona Junior Livestock Club Market Sale begins at 6 p.m., both events to be held at the Joslin Arena. A dinner for all market buyers will be held following the sale.

On Friday, enjoy equestrian events including the youth horse show beginning at 10 a.m. and the youth horse speed show at 6 p.m.

Friday evening presents the thrill of professional truck and tractor pullers from the Thumb Tractor Pulling Association. The roar will start at 7 p.m. Local gas and diesel pickups are welcome to join the fun.

Saturday, the final day of the fair, is filled with events starting with an open horse show at 10:30 a.m., and motocross racing at 11 a.m. The deadline for coloring con-

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Take on Invasives: Purple loosestrife

By Chris Engle
Huron Pines

The pink and purple spikes sprouting from roadside ditches right now might look pretty, but behind their floral facade lurks the potential for millions of seeds that can ride the wind and spread this highly invasive plant across northern Michigan.

Like other nonnative plants, purple loosestrife was introduced to the United States through ballast water of ships and commercial sale as ornamental shrubs. The perennial is a restricted species in Michigan — one that’s already established but prohibited from being sold — and poses a high risk of spreading and impacting native ecosystems.

In its preferred habitat of ditches, shorelines, river banks and shallow wetlands, purple loosestrife easily beats out native vegetation. Plants like joe-pye weed and cardinal flower, which support a number of native pollinator insects and hummingbirds, are quickly displaced by purple loosestrife infestations.

“It’s sad when these showy plants get outcompeted but its impact really goes beyond just a couple species,” said Rachel Leggett, Heartland Restoration Crew Leader for Huron Pines. “I’ve seen it where an entire marsh or riverbank is covered in purple loosestrife. With some infestations, it’s the only thing left growing.”

Huron Pines conducts its own treatments on public and private land across northeast Michigan and partners with volunteer organizations to raise awareness of this invasive plant and remove it from the landscape. Among them is the AuSable North Branch Area Foundation, a nonprofit group of landowners and river users who host an annual loosestrife pull near Lovells to keep the plant’s population in check.

That effort, which has been going for more than a decade, is happening again on Monday, Aug. 16 and Tuesday, Aug. 17 in coordination with herbicide treatments by Huron Pines’ restoration crew.

“Our charter is to preserve

and improve the watershed of the North Branch for the benefit of fish and wildlife,” said Bob Weed, the group’s treasurer. “We’ve been involved in an educational effort to make property owners along the river aware of purple loosestrife and have been under-

taking an effort once a year to remove it by hand with the help of volunteers.”

Pulling purple loosestrife in August keeps the plants from going to seed. It’s essential that treatments are done before seeds mature since

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test submissions and a flapjack eating contest for all ages begins at noon.

At 1 p.m. the pinewood derby races begin, youth are asked to bring their own small track car if they can, but some will be available. Wee showmanship for tots begins at 5 p.m. and if the little ones don’t have a small animal, older showers and marketers are glad to help them out and share one of their animals and teach them how to show it. Pinata fun will follow.

The cutest baby contest winner is to be announced on Saturday at 5:30 p.m. followed by an open horse speed show at 6 p.m.

The finale and most attended event of the fair is the Bump and Run, operated by Bari MacNeill and crew. Registration for racers is from 4 to 6 p.m. with the checker flag dropped at 7 p.m. Make sure to arrive early for this event as a backup of gate traffic is typical.

As in the past, the fair food

offered will be available although Travis said it was hard to get what they could to fill the need. “Food vendors are having the same problem restaurants and a lot of other businesses are having, there just aren’t enough employees to do the work. As long as fairgoers are patient this year, there should be plenty of food and good times to go around,” Travis said.

Clark Attractions will be offering its best fair fare such as funnel cakes, elephant ears, handmade lemonade, cotton candy, and candy apples. Travis said Clark Attractions came twice in the past year to offer a fair food drive-through at the fairgrounds which was a treat for all who attended.

Additionally, look for great food offered by the Ice Cream Man, a vendor from the Alpena area, Dawg Man from South Branch, Mich., a barbecue vendor and the local favorite always offering great

food with proceeds going to a great cause, the 4-H food truck.

The fair board is holding a raffle again during the fair, this year cash prizes for one \$1,000, one \$500 and five \$200 prizes will be awarded to winners drawn at 9 p.m. on Saturday during the Bump and Run. Ticket holders need not be present to win. Tickets are \$5 each.

A giveaway of one kid’s fishing pole and one bike will be offered daily during the fair near the Campbell Building at 5 p.m. Free tickets to win will be available just before the drawing, children must be present to win.

Check the Alcona County Fair Guidebook for times and places of more daily attractions. The fairground is located at 854 N. Barlow Road in Lincoln, North of M-72 east off Barlow. Volunteers are needed. For more information, call the fair office at (989) 736-9550.

COUNTY BUILDING CLOSURE

The Alcona County Building will close at noon on Friday, September 3, 2021 to allow for vendor set up for the Harmony Arts and Crafts Festival Weekend and will reopen on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.
Alcona County Board of Commissioners

Caledonia Township Public Hearing Notice

The Caledonia Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on August 27th, 2021, at 6:00 P. M. to recommend adoption of zoning ordinance amendments to the Township Board. The public hearing will be held at 8001 6461 Gillard Road (PO Box 7), Spruce, Michigan, 48762. The full text of the amendments is available on <https://caledoniatwp.net> or at <http://www.discovernortheastmichigan.org/zoning.asp>, at the Caledonia Township Hall at the above address, or by contacting gilbertjb@alpenacc.edu. Written comments may be sent to the above post office box prior to the meeting. The public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. The proposed amendments modify the Caledonia Township Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Section 2.1 (Definitions) to include definitions for Solar Energy Panels (On-Site Accessory) and Solar Energy Facility (Utility Scale or Commercial). Amend Section 5.11 (Table of Uses Permitted by Right Uses and Special Land Uses) to include Solar Energy in specified districts. Add Section 9.30 (Solar Energy Panels – On-Site Accessory) to add standards addressing height, location, glare, coverage/size, and installation. Add Section 9.31 (Solar Energy Facilities – Utility Scale or Commercial) to add standards addressing minimum parcel size, reflection/glare, impervious surface/stormwater, height, noise, screening, dimensional regulations, electrical transmission lines, installation, contingent clause, abandonment, and performance guarantee.

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Clowning fun, musical tribute to entertain attendees during fair week

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

A wide variety of entertainment will be offered at this year's Alcona County Fair including family fun with a professional clown and live music by tribute entertainers who portray music icons of the past.

Rosco the Clown will perform his slapstick silliness with two shows each day on Tuesday, Aug. 17 and Wednesday, Aug. 18. On Wednesday evening MCDR Entertainment will bring a cast of three to perform A Tribute to the Legends variety show, bringing music memories with stylings of Elvis, Rod Stewart, Patsy Cline and more.

With 40 years of clowning experience, Rosco, known as Michigan's favorite hometown clown, will entertain all ages with his colorful comedy stage show featuring jokes, silly magic and balloon sculpting.

Fair board president Doug Travis said they saw a bit of Rosco's performance during a fair convention and knew he would bring delight to the whole community. "He was a lot of fun and had us laughing, the kids will love him, adults, too. We are excited to bring him to the county fair this year," Travis said.

Rosco, also known as Ross Champion when he isn't in costume, has been entertaining throughout the Midwest through much of his career performing for fairs, libraries, school functions and special events encouraging folks to shop local, read more and laugh often.

Ross knew fairly young that he enjoyed entertaining and would often perform skits and comedy acts for his parents and their friends around weekend campfires. "The clowning came into play after seeing Red Skelton on television. He was funny because he would laugh at his own jokes and at himself. I thought he was having such a good time. I knew that was special," he said.

After high school, Ross started a lawn/landscape business, wanting to learn more about his job, he went to Michigan State University (MSU) for a two-year landscape program.

While at MSU, he saw that



Rosco the Clown will be performing at the Alcona County Fair with two shows daily on Tuesday and Wednesday. *Courtesy photo.*

Lansing Community college was offering a course in how to be a clown. "Taking that class changed my life forever! Eventually, I sold the lawn maintenance company and became a full-time clown. It was the best decision I ever made. The best part of being a clown is making people feel good. I love to get people of all ages laughing," Ross said.

Ross is a member of the Clowns of America, Professional Entertainers Group, the Red Nose Round Table and Macomb County Literacy "Read to Me" program. He has performed many kid-friendly programs in the state including Saturday Morning with Rosco in Mount Clemens, Rosco's Picnic Tree in Macomb Township, Hot Dogs with Rosco at the Stony Creek Hotdog Roast and Summer Daze with Rosco at the Metro Beach Park.

It will be Ross' first time entertaining in Alcona County, although he recently performed at the Rogers City Nautical Festival. "I'm looking forward to meeting the folks at the fair this year and hope everyone comes out for my shows, has fun and laughs a lot," he said.

On Wednesday, an evening to remember will be featured with a Tribute to the Legends featuring Donny Rod bringing his Rod Stewart personification, Matt King bringing Elvis to the stage and special guest star, Kelsey Rose from the Metro City Tap Festival and So You Think You Can Dance America's Got Talent, bringing not only some great tap dancing but her vocal talent renderings from greats like Patsy Cline, Brenda Lee and Linda Ronstadt.

Annette Sokoll, promotion manager from MCDR Entertainment, explained Rod has been performing for MCDR

for five years and is an expert at what he does, King is one of the top four Elvis impersonators in the state and Rose is one of the top two tap dancers.

"Together they make for a great evening of entertainment. All three are very personable and go out into the crowd to make sure everyone is having a great time. They get people dancing, even people who don't dance. They bring back a lot of musical memories and a lot of folks love them instantly. They have a great following in many states, not just Michigan. I've already heard from fans from the Lewiston area who will be driving to Alcona County to catch their show at the fair," Sokoll said.

She explained the tribute show has performed at Las Vegas casinos and for festivals and events across the country including veteran events. "These performers just love what they do. They go to nursing homes and get people who haven't been dancing in years moving to the music and smiling again. King's oldest fan is 98," Sokoll said.

Like Rosco, the fair board found the MCDR Entertainment tribute singers at a fair convention and Travis said they were very good and sounded just like the entertainers they are impersonating, performing all genres of music. "We wanted to make this fair better than ever, especially since we couldn't have one last year. I hope everyone comes out and has a great time," Travis said.

Rosco the Clown will perform at 1 and 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday. Tribute to the Legends will perform on Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the Alcona County Fair.



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Fair's new event - lawn mower racing

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

For those who can't get enough of tinkering with engine motors, a new attraction is coming to this year's Alcona County Fair, Lawn Mower Obstacle Racing.

It's common knowledge Michigan residents love engines and most farmers and people who live in rural areas, such as Alcona County, spend a lot of time working on engines.

To motorheads, people who love to work with motors, an engine, any engine, is an open invitation to somehow make it stronger, faster and louder and once that engine has met its prime -- it's time to race.

Although many folks have never heard of lawn mower racing, fair board member Steve Fall said he saw his first lawnmower race in Glenie years ago and was immediately drawn to the sport.

"Christopher Clouse used to put them on behind the school after the Fourth of July parade was over. It was fun. My cousin, Timmy VanZandt and I put our heads together and started modifying a lawn tractor.

"That first one was too modified for the track, but we won a prize anyway which I thought was neat and I got hooked. I always thought it was a lot more fun building it than racing it, but I race now too," Fall said.

He explained the fair will have three classes of lawnmower engines allowed to race: Stock, which is a typical riding mower; modified, which is a mower with modifications from a normal riding mower "as long as it has tires, the sky is the limit," Fall said. And zero turn, which



Alcona County Fair Board Member Steve Fall stands by one of his racing lawnmowers which he is preparing for his son to ride in the Alcona County Fair Lawn Mower Obstacle Racing on Wednesday, August 18 at 6 p.m. Photo by Mary Weber.

is for tight turning machines. Depending on how many racers show up and what they bring they may possibly do a super modified class, which would be anything with more than 30 horsepower.

"The racers will have to go through an obstacle course, pulling through a window, back out, do three circles around a pole before hitting a straight away to give the modified lawn mowers an area to open up, gain speed and show off what they can do. Then they turn around and do the same thing in the other direction so the starting point is the finishing point," Fall said.

Stock class racers can be 12 years of age and up. Modified class racers are for 16 years of age and up. All modified class racers must wear helmets, boots, chest protectors and gloves. No nitrous

oxide motors are allowed. Blade removal is personal preference but Fall said it might be easier to maneuver around the track without one. "Other than that, it will be a run-what-ya-brung (event), they can be V-8 engines or snowmobile engines, whatever," Fall said.

Fall explained he has watched videos on YouTube of lawn mower racers going 50 and 60 miles per hour and to him, that is just way too fast and crazy. The mower he currently has does about 15 to 20 miles per hour and has all terrane vehicle tires on the back. His personal favorite for racing are vintage lawn tractors such as Sears or Wheel Horse.

There will be first place and second place trophies given and cash prizes awarded, which the fair board will be kicking in \$100 per class plus a total payback.

Since this is the first year the fair has ever had a lawnmower obstacle race, Fall wasn't sure how many would be interested, but he has had about a dozen callers ask questions. If there is enough interest, he may encourage the fair to try a lawn mower drag race next year.

Rider sign up is between 2 and 5 p.m. on race day, Wednesday, Aug. 18, and riders can to enter more than one class. Entry fee is \$20 per class. Racing starts at 6 p.m.

Loosestrife Continued from page 7

each plant can produce hundreds of thousands — even millions — of tiny seeds which can be easily carried across the landscape by wind and water.

Disturbing the plants after they have gone to seed only enables this spread. Hand-pulled plants and roots should be bagged and disposed of in a landfill. For plants that can't easily be pulled, whole flower heads can be cut and bagged. This won't kill the perennial but will at least keep it from going to seed for the season.

Those who wish to volunteer with the AuSable North Branch Area Foundation's loosestrife pull in August can email vice chairman Bill Anderson, waanderson49-

@gmail.com.

The Huron Heartland Invasive Species Network is made up of conservation groups, landowners, state and federal agencies that seek to restore native habitat through invasive species education, prevention and management. The Huron Heartland ISN is led by Huron Pines with support from the Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program (Michigan.gov/Invasives).

(This is the fourth in a monthly series on invasive plant species in Northern Michigan, their impact on natural landscapes and what can be done to help control and prevent their spread.)



Purple loosestrife growing on a riverbank. Courtesy photo.

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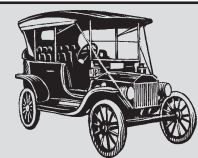
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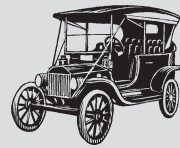
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4-H horse show

August 12, 1971 ~ The Harrisville Huron's 4-H Horse and Pony Club sponsored a horse show Saturday, August 7th., at the Fair Grounds in Harrisville. The Club has been busy working and has given pony rides for four weeks to earn money for their Horse Show. The Horse Show was a success.

Participating in the Horse Show were 45 members from Alpena, Fairview, Oscoda, and Harrisville. 25 showmen and women who were not 4-H members took part in the open classes, making a total of 70 people showing horses in the Show.

The judge was Mach Russell from Oxford, Michigan. Ring masters were Otis Goodwin and Roy Christensen. Score keeper were Fern Christensen, Toni Minkley and Connie Kinnee. Announcers were Boyd Kinnee and Fern Christensen. Mrs. Don Jacobs and Mrs. Otis Goodwin were in charge of the concession stand Mr. Gail Perkins and Mr. Roy Christensen worked the stop watches. Many helped to make the Show a success.

Winners of the High Point Trophies in the Pony Division were: Judy Johnson from Alpena and Richard Pinder from Harrisville. In the 9-13 division were Becky Jacobs from Harrisville and Jim Polluch from Alpena, and in the 14 and over division were Ruth Christensen from Alpena and Jim Dellar from Harrisville. High point winner in the open classes were Marsha Christensen from Alpena and Harry Handrich from Fairview. Their prizes were gift certificates from Youngs' Western in Twining, which were donated to the show.

Cliff's Engraving in Oscoda donated a portion of the trophies making it possible to have such beautiful trophies for our Show.

Members of Harrisville Huron 4-H Club who were in the Show were Tammy and Richard Pinder, Karen and Anita Kinnee, Beth and Dawn Perkins, Rosalie, Vandetta and Dale Mallory, Renee Minkley, Sandy Goodwin, Becky and Sara Jacobs, Jim Dellar and Pam, Penny and Christy Wilson.

The Club expresses many thanks to everyone for making the Show possible.

Announce opening of branch library

August 12, 1971 ~ The Caledonia Township Board and the County Library Board announce the opening of the Spruce Branch of the County Library in its new location in the Wakeman Building. Hours are from one to five

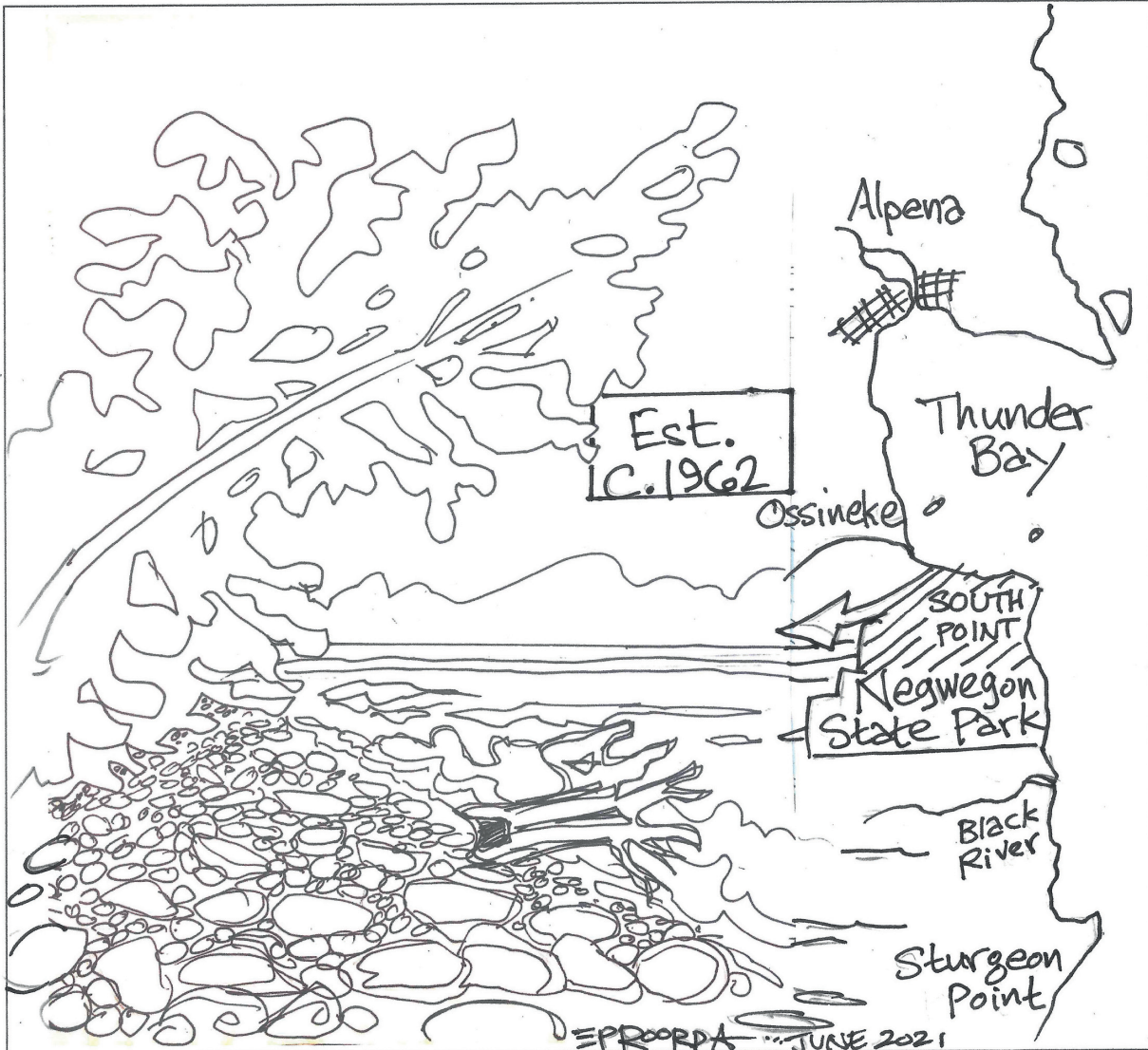
p.m. Wednesday afternoons, and Saturday from ten until five.

The new quarters will gain twice as much space and will be able to accommodate many more books. It is planned to

double the reference section to allow more materials for use by students. The nonfiction has been greatly expanded as has the children's section. Current magazines for which there was no room before will be another fea-

ture. Best sellers will be brought in from time to time as the needs of the library are met. Plan to visit and to enjoy the facilities of this new unit of the county.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2021

Weekly Report

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
August 1	71	53	0.00	4.2	14	SSW
August 2	68	58	0.00	5.0	11	SSE
August 3	76	53	0.00	3.0	19	SSW
August 4	73	59	0.00	2.7	12	SSW
August 5	74	60	0.00	1.8	14	SSW
August 6	73	54	0.00	8.4	26	NNE
August 7	74	64	0.01	3.1	11	NE

Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	2021	2020	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.01	0.85	0.77
August to Date	0.01	0.85	0.77
Year/Season to Date	15.08	14.70	16.63

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.)

Super Crossword

Answers

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Kovels: Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Plastic Fada radio

Vintage but modern-looking plastic radios are popular with collectors today. The art deco design was popular when Bakelite was introduced as the first molded plastic used for radio cases, in 1933. But Bakelite was either brown or black, sometimes with a marbled look, and customers wanted more color. In 1937, Catalin was a new plastic that was white or beige when used for a molded case. Red and a few other colors were also possible. The famous Fada radio used this plastic, but no one realized that the colors might fade.

Today, white cases have yellowed, and blue ones have turned dark green. The cases also shrink, crack and have other damage. But plastic scientists kept improving mixtures and manufacturing methods, and by the 1950s, other better and cheaper radios were made with new materials. Today one of the older plastic radios in good working condition sells for \$440 to \$1,000. This Fada Model 845XA sold at a Palm Beach Modern auction for \$1,000, although it was never tested to see if it works.

Q: I bought a "personal wash set," four pieces consisting of a chamber pot, pitcher and two smaller pieces. On the bottom they're marked "Admiral V.P. Co."



This plastic Fada radio was made about 1941. It is alabaster color and about 6 by 10 by 6 inches. Now faded to a light green, it sold for \$1,000.

I've searched online and can't find any information on the company or item. It's a pretty floral pattern, purple flowers on a white background, and is in very good shape. The seller thought the piece was made in the 1800s. Can you tell me anything about this set?

A: Wash sets were used in the late 18th and early 19th

centuries before indoor plumbing became common. A washstand, usually in the bedroom, held the items necessary to "wash up." The pitcher was used to fill a washbasin or bowl. The chamber pot usually had a lid. Other pieces could include a soap dish, hair receiver, toothbrush holder and slop jar. This mark was used by Vodrey Pottery Company of East Liverpool, Ohio. The company made white graniteware and semi-porcelain. It was in business under that name from 1896 until 1928. A pitcher and bowl set from an average maker sells for \$100 to \$150, the slop jar with lid for about \$75, and small pieces for \$25-\$40.

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Tortoise shell glass powder jar, round, squat, lid with silver repousse decoration, c. 1900, 2 1/2 x 3 inches, \$80.

Wood glove-making form, carved birch wood, mitten shape, tombstone style base, Gloversville, N.Y., c. 1910, 14 x 3 1/2 in., 6 pieces, \$405.

Toy, bus, Seeing New York 899, open air, 4 passengers, driver, cast iron, 6 1/2 x 10 1/2 inches, \$860.

Lamp, electric, Tripod, T. Robsjohn Gibbings, chrome, steel, 3 supports, center band, tapered linen shade, Widdicomb, c.1950, 47 x 19 inches, pair, \$1,875.

TIP: Never store rhinestone jewelry in a plastic bag. Moisture inside the bag will cause the stones to discolor.

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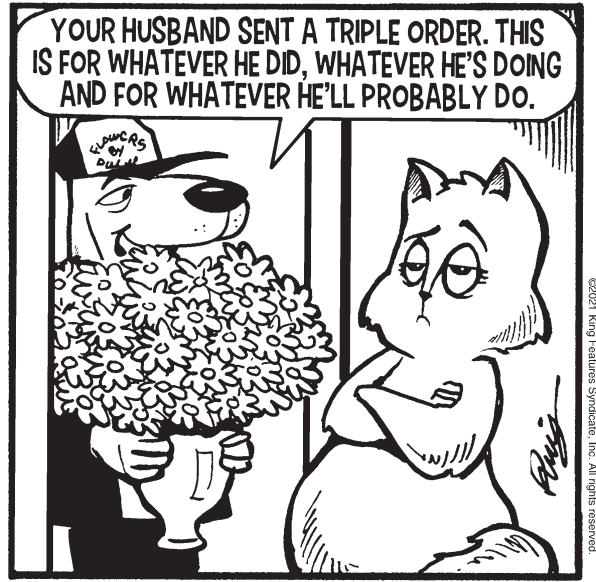
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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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Veterans Host

By Greddy Groves

The VA's fourth mission

The Department of Veteran's Affairs has been busy. It was recently announced that it has completed 150 Fourth Mission assignments across the country.

Fourth Mission's goal is to improve preparedness for response to war and national emergencies by developing plans and taking actions to support service to veterans as well as national efforts. In other words, when a need is there, so is help. (The first three VA Missions are health care, benefits and national cemeteries.)

If you ever doubted that the COVID pandemic has been a true emergency, you only need to look at the very long list of Fourth Mission humanitarian efforts to back up the nation's health care system.

Here are a few examples of what the VA's Fourth Mission has accomplished in all 50 states plus territories:

- Provided 935,000 pieces of Personal Protective Equipment.

- Admitted 488 non-veteran citizens to VA medical centers for treatment.

- Deployed over 5,000 medical personnel to 1,215

state VA homes, 980 community nursing homes and 94 non-VA hospitals. In Arizona alone, they provided staffing for six civilian hospitals. In Florida, they worked with over 8,000 long-term-care patients at 82 facilities. In Virginia, it was 852 long-term-care facilities.

There were untold thousands of COVID tests given and results processed. When the vaccines came out, VA personnel were there across the country to administer them.

The efforts weren't limited to hands-on medical staff. Truck drivers were sent to multiple states to deliver supplies and vaccines. Pharmacists were sent to numerous locations, including federal prisons. VA personnel fed 250 veteran families every month in Georgia, along with 150 homebound VA patients. They held town hall and state meetings with civilian authorities to coordinate how to contain the spread of COVID.

I'm impressed by this massive effort. To the thousands of VA personnel who volunteered to go, thank you.

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Now Here's A Tip

By JoAnn Derson

- Keep a pretty basket by your front door for anything you need to take along when you leave. This can be store returns, backpacks, exercise gear for the gym, your sunglasses, whatever. When you leave the house, check the basket!

- "Necklaces can be stored together without tangling if you thread each one through a straw. You can cut the straw to a shorter length for choker-length necklaces or bracelets. No knots!" -- I.A. in Arizona

- If you have a little bit of touchup paint left in your gallon can, transfer it to a mason jar. Write the exact color and brand on the lid, and it will be much easier to store.

- "Our basement was dark and a little claustrophobic. My husband painted it a lovely sunny yellow and that helped, but it needed something else. I took a photo of the spec-

tacular view at our son's house in Montana, and had the photo blown up. We mounted it on the wall with some dummy curtains! It's perfect, and it reminds me of him." -- R.W. in New York

- Need to chill a bottle of wine quickly? Wet a kitchen towel, then wrap it around the wine. Twist the ends to secure, and put the whole thing in the freezer for 30 minutes.

- Great ways to remove stuck labels: nail polish remover (NOT for use on plastics), WD-40 oil, soaking in hot water, rubbing alcohol.

Send your tips to Now Here's a Tip, c/o King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475 or e-mail JoAnn at heresatip@yahoo.com.

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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **LITERATURE:** In which novel did the character Sherlock Holmes first appear?
2. **GEOGRAPHY:** Where is Area 51 located in the United States?
3. **SCIENCE:** How long does it take for light from the sun to reach Earth?
4. **ENTERTAINERS:** Which actor and comedian's original name was Joseph Levitch?
5. **GAMES:** What is the sum of all numbers on a roulette wheel?
6. **AD SLOGANS:** What product was advertised with the slogan "Let your fingers do the walking ..."?
7. **FOOD & DRINK:** What grain is used to make sake?
8. **U.S. STATES:** Which state has used the slogan "Heart of Dixie" on its license plates?
9. **MYTHOLOGY:** Who was the Greek god of time?
10. **GAMES:** How many players are on each side in a polo game?

Answers: 1. "A Study in Scarlet"; 2. Nevada; 3. About 8 minutes, 20 seconds; 4. Jerry Lewis; 5. 666; 6. Yellow Pages; 7. Rice; 8. Alabama; 9. Chronos; 10. Four (c) 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Aug. 9, 1854, Henry David Thoreau's classic "Walden; or, A Life in the Woods" is published. The book is Walden's account of his experimental time of simple living in a cabin at Walden Pond in Concord, Massachusetts, starting in 1845. The book sold just 300 copies a year when it was published.
 - On Aug. 13, 1878, Kate Bionda, a restaurant owner, dies of yellow fever in Memphis, Tennessee, after a man who had escaped a quarantined steamboat visited her restaurant. The disease spread rapidly, and the resulting epidemic emptied the city. An average of 200 people died each day through September.
 - On Aug. 15, 1914, the Panama Canal, the American-built waterway across the Isthmus of Panama, connecting the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, is inaugurated. U.S. engineers moved nearly 240 million cubic yards of earth and spent more than \$10 billion in today's dollars in constructing the 40-mile-long canal.
 - On Aug. 11, 1921, author Alex Haley is born in Ithaca, New York. His novel "Roots" (1976) was a fictionalized account of his family's history, traced through seven generations. It won a special Pulitzer Prize.
 - On Aug. 14, 1935, President Franklin Roosevelt signs into law the Social Security Act, which guaranteed an income for the unemployed and retirees. The Social Security system has remained relatively unchanged since 1935.
 - On Aug. 12, 1964, Charlie Wilson, part of the gang who pulled off the 1963 Great Train Robbery, one of the biggest heists of its kind, escapes from the maximum-security Winson Green Prison in Birmingham, England. Wilson remained on the loose until 1968.
 - On Aug. 10, 1981, Pete Rose of the Philadelphia Phillies gets the 3,631st hit of his baseball career, breaking Stan Musial's record, in a game against the St. Louis Cardinals. Musial had spent his entire career with the Cardinals, and he was on hand to congratulate Rose.
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Prior to becoming America's 38th president, Gerald Ford had a side gig as a model. In 1942, shortly after joining the Navy, he landed an uncredited spot on the cover of Cosmopolitan in his uniform.
- Scotland has 421 words for snow.
- Coca-Cola can remove blood stains. Pour a whole can into your wash, along with the blood-stained clothing and your usual detergent, then run a normal cycle. The laundry will come out stain-free.
- "Albert Einstein" is an anagram for "ten elite brains." Hmm, seems fitting to us.
- Sales data gathered by the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council indicates a strong link between the number of hot dogs and sausages sold at Major League Baseball stadiums and their team's ability to win games.
- Your nose is always visible to you, but your brain ignores it through a process called Unconscious Selective Attention.
- "Prison Inside Me" is a hotel of sorts in South Korea where people pay to be locked away in solitary confinement for 24 hours. "Jail mates" wear matching uniforms, sleep on the floor in 54-square-foot cells and are forbidden to speak to each other. Meals are minimal -- a steamed sweet potato and banana shake for dinner and rice porridge for breakfast. Like any good getaway, the prison stay comes with a souvenir: a certificate of parole upon completing one's stint in solitary confinement!
- Who says there's no such thing as truth in advertising? Nebraska's recent advertising campaign slogan, complete with T-shirts and coffee mugs, was "Nebraska: Honestly, it's not for everyone."
- Tickling has been divided into two types. Knismesis refers to "light featherlike" tickling, and gargaesis refers to "harder laughter-inducing" tickling.

Thought for the Day: "There's something beautiful about keeping certain aspects of your life hidden. Maybe people and clouds are beautiful because you can't see everything." -- Kamenashi Kazuya
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Clue: L equals O

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Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a Mortgage made by Gregory Carnevale and Joann Carnevale as mortgagors, to Northland Area Federal Credit Union as mortgagee, which mortgage is dated August 23, 2007, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Alcona County, Michi-

gan, on August 29, 2007, in Liber 445 at pages 558-572; and upon which mortgage is claimed to be due on the date of this notice the sum of \$92,748.37, and no suit or proceedings at law or equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof; Now, therefore, by virtue of a power of foreclosure sale by advertisement contained in said mortgage, notice is hereby 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 sale of the mortgage 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 September 29, 2021. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the 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 regis-

ter of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. The land and premises in said mortgage, being situated in the Township of Curtis, County of Alcona, State of Michigan, and described as follows: Parcel 1: Part Outlot A, Dunn's Birchridge, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, pages 117-118 of Alcona County records, and part of Government Lot 3, or the south fractional 1/2 of the northwest 1/4 of Section 15, T25N, R6E, described as commencing at the 1.16th corner which is the southwest corner of said Dunn's Birchridge which is the point of beginning, thence north 0 deg 35'34" east 68.64 feet, thence south 50 deg 33'19" east, 199.84 feet, thence South 77 deg 57'55" west 159.49 feet, thence north 0 deg 35'34" east 91.60 feet to the point of beginning, according to survey recorded in Liber 164 of deeds, pages 582-583 of Alcona County records. And, that part described as commencing at the 1/16th corner of Section 15, T25N, R6E,

which is the southwest corner of said Dunn's Birchridge, which is the point of beginning, thence south 84 deg 38'49" west 75 feet, thence south 0 deg 35'34" east 109.80 feet, thence north 71 deg 23'34" east 78.98 feet, thence north 0 deg 35'34" east 91.60 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 3138 N. Lake Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737 Please be advised that the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale, or to the mortgage holder, for damaging the property during the redemption period. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless the premises are determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241(a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: August 2, 2021 Paul E. Wenzloff (P27662) Attorney for Mortgagee 903 N. Jackson Street Bay City, MI 48708 (989) 893-9511 8-11, 8-18, 8-25, 9-1

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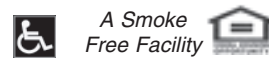
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PUBLIC HEARING

The Millen Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on August 30, 2021, at 7 p.m., at the Millen Township Room (Eagles Club) 671 Sanborn Road, Barton City, MI, and is available at <http://millentownship.com>. The public may appear at the hearing in person or by counsel. Ordinance amendment 21-03 would modify the Millen Township Ordinance as follows: Amend Sections 2.1, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7, 3.8 and 3.9 and Article 34 to allow short term rentals in the AG, R-1, R-2 and C-1 districts and to set standards for all Short Term Rentals.

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VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, Aug. 2 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those present included president Phillips, treasurer Mahalak, clerk Somers and council members Durham, Healy, Putsky, Schick, Somers and Wambold. Several guests were also present.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved on a motion from Wambold with support from Somers. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Durham with support from Wambold. The bills were approved for payment on a motion from Healy with support from Wambold. Carried.

Kathy Putsky addressed a concern regarding three residences along Traverse Bay State Road. She stated that the properties are a mess and she would like to know what can be done. Attorney Cook stated that a warrant can be issued against the homeowners but that would involve a court hearing, etc. Otherwise, we can use the circuit court injunction that forces them to clean up things or face jail time. Zoning Administrator Troy Somers will work with attorney Cook and report back at the next meeting.

Edna Byce addressed the speeding along North Barlow Road that prevents people from walking comfortably. Phil Jordan addressed the blight conditions in and around the community.

Parks and rec report was given. There is in excess of \$12,000 in the new pavilion fund to date. No reports were given by the human resources and planning committees. The RRC committee report was updated by president Phillips. NEMCOG will update and finish our paperwork for us to bring us into compliance. The cost would be around \$5,000 so president Phillips will talk with the DDA about helping with this venture.

The fire department report was given by fire chief Billy Cordes. Warren MacNeill gave the maintenance report. He spoke about the continued problems at the beach. The slide and docks are continuously being moved around and there is significant damage being incurred. The sewer report was given by Bill Putsky. Detroit Pump has all the parts to begin the work on the sewage lift station this month. President Phillips gave the street and president's reports in a written report to each council member.

The roof at the former Our Place Restaurant has collapsed. President Phillips will contact the building inspector and report back at the next meeting. The electric vehicle charging post will be addressed later this week by council member Jason Durham. A motion was made by Healy, with support from Wambold, to close a portion of Lake Street and Fiske Street for the Lincoln Car Show on August 27 and 28. Carried.

Lenny Avery from the ACCOA and Lana Zaghmout addressed several issues with the proposed project. A lengthy discussion followed. The apartment complex is not a Section 8 facility, it is a LIHTC facility. Should an individual have a Section 8 voucher, they will be vetted and consideration will be given, the same as anyone without a voucher. The apartments will have approximately 20 percent low income residents, and the balance will be working families/individuals. The goal of the program is to provide affordable housing. Discussion was held with regard to the number of years the tax abatement commitment from the village would remain in effect. The 40-year mortgage is held by MSHDA. Upon payment in full of the mortgage or the facility is sold, the tax abatement becomes void, and the property taxes will be assessed at the current applicable rate. A motion was made by Wambold to adopt the ordinance with the recommended changes. Somers offered support. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Durham, Healy, Putsky, Schick, Somers and Wambold. Nays: None. Ordinance adopted.

Village of Lincoln Ordinance No. 21-1 Tax Exemption Ordinance

An ordinance to provide for a service charge in lieu of taxes for a housing project for low-income persons and families to be financed with a federally-aided mortgage loan pursuant to the provisions of the State Housing Development Authority Act of 1966 (1966 PA 346, as amended; MCL 125.1401, et seq) (the Act).

The Village of Lincoln ordains:

Section 1. This ordinance shall be known and cited as the Village of Lincoln Tax Exemption Ordinance for the Lincoln Village Apart-

ments.

Section 2. Preamble. It is acknowledged that it is a proper public purpose of the State of Michigan and its political subdivisions to provide housing for its low-income persons and families and to encourage the development of such housing by providing for a service charge in lieu of property taxes in accordance with the act. The village is authorized by this act to establish or change the service charge to be paid in lieu of taxes by any or all classes of housing exempt from taxation under this act at any amount it chooses, not to exceed the taxes that would be paid but for this act. It is further acknowledged that such housing for low-income persons and families is a public necessity, and as the village will be benefited and improved by such housing, the encouragement of the same by providing real estate tax exemption for such housing is a valid public purpose. It is further acknowledged that the continuance of the provisions of this ordinance for tax exemption and the service charge in lieu of all ad valorem taxes during the period contemplated in this ordinance are essential to the determination of economic feasibility of the housing projects that is constructed or rehabilitated with financing extended in reliance on such tax exemption.

The village acknowledges that the sponsor (as defined below) has offered, subject to receipt of an allocation under the LIHTC Program by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority, to construct/acquire own and operate a housing project identified as Lincoln Village Apartments on certain property located in the Village of Lincoln, Alcona County, Michigan described for taxes purposes as: Part of the southeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of Section 1, T26N-R08E, Village of Lincoln, Alcona County, Michigan being more particularly described as: Commencing at the east 1/4 corner of said Section 1, thence S 88°28'02" W, along the east & west 1/4 line, 33.00 to a point on the west line of Barlow Road (66 feet wide), said point also being the point of beginning; thence continuing S 88°28'02" W, 781.79 feet, thence N 01°23'22" W, parallel to the east section line, 917.56 feet; thence N 88°23'49" E, 431.79 feet; thence S 01°23'22" E, parallel to the east section line 350.00 feet, thence N 88°26'07" E, 350.00 feet to a point on the west line of Barlow Road (66 feet wide), thence S 01°23'22" E, along said West line 568.28 feet, to the point of beginning. Containing 13.66 acres of land and subject to easements and restrictions of record, if any.

To serve low-income persons and families, and that the sponsor has offered to pay the village on account of this housing project an annual service charge for public services in lieu of all ad valorem property taxes.

Section 3. Definitions.

A. Authority means the Michigan State Housing Development Authority.

B. Annual Shelter Rent means the total collections during an agreed annual period from or paid on behalf of all occupants of a housing project representing rent or occupancy charges, exclusive of Utilities

D. LIHTC Program means the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program administered by the Authority under Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

E. Low Income Persons and Families means persons and families eligible to move into a housing project.

F. Mortgage loan means a loan that is federally-aided (as defined in Section 11 of the act) or a loan or grant made or to be made by the authority to the sponsor for the construction, rehabilitation, acquisition and/or permanent financing of a housing project, and secured by a mortgage on the housing project.

G. Sponsor means Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) and any entity that receives or assumes a mortgage loan.

H. Utilities means charges for gas, electric, water, sanitary sewer and other utilities furnished to the occupants that are paid by the housing project.

Section 4. Class of Housing Projects. It is determined that the class of housing projects to which the tax exemption shall apply and for which a service charge shall be paid in lieu of such taxes shall be housing projects for low income persons and families that are financed with a mortgage loan. It is further determined that Lincoln Village Apartments is approved for tax exemption under this ordinance.

Section 5. Establishment of Annual Service Charge. The housing project identified in Section 4 and the property on which it is located shall be exempt from all ad valorem property taxes from and after the commencement of construction or rehabilitation. The village acknowledges that the sponsor and the authority have established the economic feasibility of the housing project in reliance upon the enactment and continuing effect of this ordinance, and the qualification of the housing project for exemption from all ad valorem property taxes and a payment in lieu of taxes as established in this ordinance. Therefore, in consideration of the sponsor's offer to construct and operate the housing project, the village agrees to accept payment of an annual service charge for public services in lieu of all ad valorem property taxes. Subject to receipt of a mortgage loan, the annual service charge shall be equal to 2.5 percent of the annual shelter rents actually collected by the housing project during each operating year.

Section 6. Contractual Effect of Ordinance. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 15(a)(5) of the act to the contrary, a contract between the village and the sponsor with the authority as third party beneficiary under the contract, to provide tax exemption and accept payments in lieu of taxes, as previously described, is effectuated by enactment of this ordinance.

Section 7. Limitation on the Payment of Annual Service Charge. Notwithstanding Section 5, the service charge to be paid each year in lieu of taxes for the part of the housing project that is tax exempt but which is occupied by other than low-income persons or families shall be equal to the full amount of the taxes which would be paid on that portion of the housing project if the housing project were not tax exempt.

Section 8. Payment of Service Charge. The annual service charge in lieu of taxes as determined under this ordinance shall be payable in the same manner as general property taxes are payable to the village and distributed to the several units levying the general property tax in the same proportion as prevailed with the general property tax in the previous calendar year. The annual payment for each operating year shall be paid on or before June 30th of the following year. Collection procedures shall be in accordance with the provisions of the General Property Tax Act (1893 PA 206, as amended; MCL 211.1, et seq).

Section 9. Duration. The ordinance shall remain in effect and shall not terminate so long as a mortgage loan remains outstanding and unpaid or the housing project remains subject to income and rent restrictions under the LIHTC Program. The ordinance shall be terminated if and when the housing project is no longer subject to a Mortgage Loan or no longer subject to income and rent restrictions under the LIHTC Program.

Section 10. Severability. The various sections and provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed to be severable, and should any section or provision of this ordinance be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any section or provision of this ordinance, other than the section or provision so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 11. Inconsistent Ordinances. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.

Section 12. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on August 2, 2021, as provided in the village charter.

Sheila R. Phillips
 Village President

Linda K. Somers
 Village Clerk

A motion to adjourn was made by Healy with support from Wambold. Carried.

Linda K. Somers
 Village Clerk

SALES

Huge moving sale – twin beds, glassware, picture frames, Christmas, furniture. 1820 E. Michaud Road, Mikado. August 12, 13, and 14 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Yard sale August 20 and 21 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. 500 Huron Ave., Harrisville. Miscellaneous items and kitchen stuff.

CLASSIFIEDS
small ads BIG deals

HELP WANTED

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

Propane truck driver with CDL and hazmat endorsement required. Competitive pay call Scott at 989-348-7647.

Alcona Humane Society is hiring an animal caregiver! We take care of the homeless and lost pets in the county. This is a part-time cleaning position: Monday and Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$10 per hour. Requirements: 18 years old with a valid driver's license, having a good range of motion and able to lift heavy objects (dogs into tub), being dependable and flexible; Holidays are a must as well as being able to fill in on weekends and other weekdays when needed. 989-736-7387.

Harrisville State Park is looking for employees for the fall season! Duties will include customer service, revenue handling, general maintenance, mowing, landscaping and janitorial work. Please contact the park at (989)724-5126 or stop by the park headquarters between 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday for an application. **Must be 18 years of age by date of hire and looking to start new staff ASAP so apply now!**

Come join our team John's Home Maintenance is looking for experienced roofers and laborers. \$1,000 bonus offered. Inquire at John's Home Maintenance 574 S. Second St., Lincoln, MI 989-736-8315.

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Researchers seek volunteers to document coastal erosion in Michigan

By McKoy Scribner
Capital News Service

Although Great Lakes water levels are down, the risk of coastal erosion remains high, according to Michigan State University researchers. Now, the researchers are enlisting "citizen scientists" to assist in helping better understand coastal change.

Funded by a \$300,000 early concept grant from the National Science Foundation Coastlines and People Initiative, the Interdisciplinary Citizen-based Coastal REmote Sensing for Adaptive Management (IC-CREAM) project wants to work with multiple communities in the Great

Lakes region facing impacts from record-high water levels.

The IC-CREAM team is developing a first-of-its kind citizen science program to equip and train volunteers to pilot drones and use other geospatial technologies to better monitor and under-

stand coastal change and vulnerabilities.

The project, led by assistant and associate professors Erin Bunting, Ethan Theuerkauf and Elizabeth Mack, aims to empower Michigan coastal communities to generate their own data on coastal changes and hazards by taking pictures of what is seen at beaches and uploading them to a web app.

"Take a picture with your phone. That photo has a geotag located, so all you have to do is upload that photo to the web app, and put in some information about like when it was collected, all that kind of stuff, and that helps us document it," Theuerkauf said

The team is working with citizen scientists to gather

data in Marquette, Manistiquette, Iosco County, Chikaming Township, Manistee and South Haven.

Theuerkauf said getting scientists, citizens, and community decision-makers to work together is an important step in addressing coastal issues. "We're working hand-in-hand with those communities, we're working hand-in-hand with the public, to provide information that we know is useful because we worked with them from the onset to decide what direction we need to take with this data collection and this processing."

Planning is underway for additional proposals and partnerships with local, state and federal entities to expand project work and research.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND JUDGING

Registration • One Weekend Only. Friday, July 30th from 5- 8 pm; Saturday & Sunday, July 31st and Aug.1st from 10 am. 3 pm
Registration forms can be mailed • must be postmarked by Aug. 1st.

Monday - August 16

- 12-8 pm Vendor Setup
- 12-8 pm Non-perishable exhibits accepted at Home Arts Bldg
- 12-5 pm All livestock must be in their stalls/pens by 5 pm
- 6pm Animal inspection
- 6pm Small Market Animal Weigh-in (Poultry/Rabbit Barn)
- 7pm Large Market Animal Weigh-in (Joslin Arena)

Tuesday - August 17

Give Back to Your Community

- 9am Entries must be in Home Arts Bldg Poultry Judging
- 10am Flag Raising & Opening Ceremony (Pavilion)
- 10 am-8 pm Campbell and Home Arts Bldgs Open
- 10 am-10pm Barns Open
- 10:30 am Home Arts Bldg Closed for Judging
- Noon Pictures must be at fair office for Cutest Baby Contest
- 1 & 4:30 pm Rosco the Clown**
- 1 pm Silent Auction Begins (Home Arts Bldg)
- 1 pm Carnival opens (Midway)
- 3pm Sheep & Goat Judging (Joslin Arena)
- 4:30 pm Pop with a Cop (Pavilion)
- 5:00 pm Kids Free Bike & Fishing Pole Giveaway (Bandstand).
Must be present to win.
- 6pm Jim Pyne Memorial FREE Ice Cream Social (Pavilion)
- 7pm Swine Judging (Joslin Arena)

Wednesday - August 18

(Seniors, 60 years & older. \$1 at Gate)
(Free Kids Rides 1-3)

- 9am Pocket Pets followed by Rabbit Judging (Rabbit/Rodent Barn)
- 10 am-8 pm Campbell and Home Arts Bldgs Open
- 10am-10pm Barns Open
- Noon-2 pm Meet "Smokey Bear", USFS
- 12 pm Kids Stories & Crafts w/ Alcona Co. Library (Pavilion)
- 1 & 4:30 pm Rosco the Clown**
- 1 pm Carnival Opens (Midway)
- 1-3 pm FREE KIDS RIDES** (17 yrs & Younger)
- 3pm Cattle Judging (Joslin Arena)
- 5pm Fair Board Famous Steak Fry (Pavilion)
Tickets at Fair Office
- 5 pm Kids Free Bike & Fishing Pole Giveaway
(Grandstand- must be present to win)
- 6pm Draft Horse Pull** (Horse Arena)
- 6 pm Lawn Mower Obstacle Races
- 8 pm Legend Brothers Tribute Show

Thursday - August 19

(\$10.00 for a Car Load)

- 10 am-8 pm Campbell and Home Arts Bldgs Open
- 10 am-10 pm Barns Open
- 1 pm Princess Tea Party (Pavilion)
- 1, 3 & 4:30 Entertainment by My Adventure Theater**
- 1 pm Carnival Opens (Midway)
- 4:30 pm 4H Awards Ceremony (Joslin Arena)
- 5 pm Kids Free Bike & Fishing Pole Giveaway
(Bandstand- must be present to win)
- 6:00 pm Alcona Junior Livestock Club Market Sale in the Joslin Arena

Friday - August 20

- 10 am-8 pm Campbell and Home Arts Bldgs Open
- 10 am-10 pm Barns Open
- 10 am Youth Horse Show (Horse Arena)
- Noon Ye Olde Farmstead Exhibits Judging (Home Arts)
- 1,3 & 4:30 pm Entertainment by My Adventure Theater**
- Noon Carnival Opens (Midway)
- 2-4 pm Kid's Games by Alcona FFA (Bandstand)
- 5pm Kids Free Bike & Fishing Pole Giveaway
(Bandstand- must be present to win)
- 6pm Youth Speed Show (Horse Arena)
- 7pm Thumb Tractor Truck & Tractor Pull**

Saturday - August 21

- 10 am-8 pm Campbell and Home Arts Bldgs Open
- 10am-10pm Barns Open
- 10:30 am Open Horse Show (Horse Arena)
- 11 am Motocross Racing (Motocross Track)
- Noon Coloring Contest Submission Deadline (Home Arts Bldg)
- Noon Flapjack Eating Contest for all Ages (Pavilion)
- Noon Carnival Opens (Midway)
- 1 pm Pinewood Derby** (Some cars available or bring your own)
- 1,3 & 4:30 pm Entertainment by My Adventure Theater**
- 2pm Youth Coloring Contest Winners Announced
- 3:30 pm Wee Showmanship for Small Tots-
Register Day of Show (Joslin Arena)
- 4pm Silent Auction Ends-Winners Announced (Home Arts Bldg)
- 5 pm Kids Free Bike & Fishing Pole Giveaway
(Bandstand- must be present to win)
- 5:30 pm Cutest Baby Contest winner announced
- 6pm Open Horse Speed Show (Horse Arena)
- 7pm BUMP & RUN** {Track}
- 9pm Raffle Drawing {Track}
- 10 pm All Exhibits Released

Sunday, August 22

Animals and Exhibits off the Grounds by Noon

—This Schedule is Subject to Change—