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Health department begins mass immunization clinics

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Two mass clinics to vaccinate individuals aged 65 and over for COVID-19 have been scheduled in the area.

The clinics are put on by District Health Department No. 2 (DHD2), which includes Alcona, Iosco, Ogemaw and Oscoda counties.

DHD2 community health director/ epidemiologist and public information officer, Scott Izzo, explained vaccinations are being distributed in phases and the mass vaccination clinics are focusing mostly on the phase 1B population which includes anyone over the age of 65, regardless of ethnicity, to be vaccinated.

DHD2 has two clinics scheduled this week on Friday, Jan. 22 at the Mio Community Center and Saturday, Jan. 23 at Oscoda High School. A clinic at Ogemaw Heights High School was held last week.

Pre-registration for all three mass clinics opened the afternoon of Monday, Jan. 11, resulting in an onslaught of

calls to the DHD2 office to pre-register and ask questions.

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DHD2 is requesting pre-registering online at the DHD2 website, however, many individuals were confused about what phase they fell into.

Izzo explained that until recently, phase 1B only included individuals 75 years and over, but Michigan accelerated individuals 65 to 74 years of age into the 1B phase.

He explained the confusion came with people 65 to 74 still falling into the 1C phase, which is currently not included in pre-registering for

mass vaccination clinics. Regardless of still falling into phase 1C, people between 65 and 74 are being considered as accelerated by the state and are included in the 1B phase and should pre-register.

Phase 1B also includes anyone over the age of 75, frontline, essential workers with frequent ongoing exposure as part of their work including some, but not all, essential workers such as first responders, firefighters, police officers, jail and prison staff, pre-school through 12th-

grade teachers/support staff, childcare providers and people who work at shelters, congregate child care institutions and adult and child care protective services.

Izzo cautioned people to be patient in getting an appointment time for the vaccination. He explained health departments are only allocated a certain number of vaccines per week and the demand was much higher than the doses they are being allocated, which he attributed to logistics and manufacturing.

The vaccine is being administered in two doses and once the first dose is given, a second dose is reserved and given about 21 days later.

"This week we got 1,450 doses for DHD2. We plan to have that used up quickly," Izzo said. He said last weekend 700 people received their first dose of vaccine in District 2.

Izzo said no one will be able to walk into a mass vaccination clinic and receive their vaccine without pre-registering and there will be no im-

munizations given to anyone without an appointed time slot. Appointment times are distributed by DHD2 by phone.

Online pre-registration, which is currently accepting district population in the 1A or 1B phase, takes only a few minutes and can be reached by visiting the DHD2.org website. After tapping the large red pre-registration tab, a series of questions will come up that must be filled in including name, age, phone number, ethnicity, etc., and what phase the registrant is in whether 1A, 1B, or 1C. Anyone pre-registering under 1C will be prompted by DHD2 with information that they are not accepting pre-registration for phase 1C at this time.

People checking the 1B category will be asked what part of 1B they are in; 75 years and older, frontline essential workers or critical infrastructure workers, or if they are accelerated 65 to 74

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Caledonia Township opens sled hills for public use



Volunteers including Alex Cornelius work to remove natural and man-made debris at the site in Spruce where six sled hills were created for public use. Photo courtesy of Cyndi Apsey.

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

A volunteer work bee took place last week in Spruce and within hours sled hills with six different runs emerged for public use.

The hills are located at the corner of Olsen and Spruce roads, just east of Spruce with plenty of parking nearby.

Caledonia Township Supervisor Cyndi Apsey said the property, which has been owned by Caledonia Township for many years, was once a courtesy gravel pit for township residents until it became abused and closed to the public.

"Ken Timm was the supervisor at that time and he and others went and planted pine trees on the upper part of the hills. One of the goals of the current board was to utilize all the township-owned property for public use. The idea of using the property as snow hill runs was brought to the board and approved last March," Apsey said.

Volunteers, Dan Anderson,

Sam Pagels, Rich Gillespie, Tom Apsey, Ken Timm, Nick Myers, Alex Cornelius and Frank Naturno removed brush, some trees, stumps and a few large boulders from the runs as well as two microwaves and an air-conditioner which were illegally dumped on the site. Andrea and Dave Sigmon provided the work crew with homemade soup, bread and dessert for lunch.

According to Apsey, the snow hills are all different. "There are some steep hills, some slower hills for little kids, and some long hills with whoop-de-do's in them."

"The Caledonia Township board is very grateful to all volunteers who helped make this community project a reality. One of the greatest strengths of this township is its community of loving hearts," she said.

Apsey said the general public is invited to use the property at their own risk, all the township asks is that people respect each other and the property.



God Bless America





Obituaries



Kelly J. Kruttlin

Kelly J. Kruttlin, 92, of Harrisville, died on Friday, Jan. 15, 2021 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

She was born June 22, 1928, to Hazen "KiKi" Shirley and Bertha Mary (Kelly) Cuyler. She was a life-long resident of Harrisville.

On January 29, 1947, she married Ted Kruttlin.

Mrs. Kruttlin traveled extensively throughout the world with her husband. She was a life-long member of St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville and was a member of the Alter Society.

She was a founding member of the Harrisville Lady Lions, an active member of the Alpena General Hospital Auxiliary for over 18 years and was part of local leagues in bowling and golf and she loved playing cards.

Mrs. Kruttlin is survived by two sons, Dennis Ray (Debra) Kruttlin and Teddy Joseph Kruttlin; two daughters, Ki Ann Kruttlin and Tina (Tom) Dewar; seven grandchildren, Elizabeth (Ryan Jacewicz) Kruttlin, Sarah (Edward) Hechlik,



Jonathan Kruttlin, Kyle (Lianna) Kruttlin, Keegan Kruttlin, Michael Dewar, and Cuyler Dewar; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Hazen "KiKi" and Bertha Cuyler, one brother, Harold Cuyler, and her husband, Ted.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorial services will be private. Memorial donations may be made to the Alcona Humane Society, P.O. Box 310, Lincoln, Mich. 48742.

Frank H. Warner

Frank H. Warner, 89, of Harrisville died on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2021 at home.

He was born February 16, 1931 to Ralph J. and Elsie (Jorgensen) Warner in Detroit, Mich. He was raised in Black River.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1950-1954 and served aboard the U.S.S. Brough.

On April 21, 1962 he married Jeanette Risch. They were residents of Allen Park, Mich. for many years.

Mr. Warner worked as an accountant. He retired to Harrisville in 1994.

He was a member of the Destroyer Escort Association and enjoyed hunting, fishing, and taking care of his lawn.

Mr. Warner is survived by one daughter, Barbara Winger; two sons, Gary (Wendy) Warner and Steven (Danielle) Warner; ten grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.



He was preceded in death by his wife, Jeanette, on May 6, 2015; one son-in-law, Mark Winger; one sister, Dorothea Galbreath; and one brother, Ralph Warner Jr.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Hazen D. Schram

Hazen Duane Schram, 86, of Lincoln, died on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2021 at home surrounded by his family.

He was born June 16, 1934 in Lincoln to Earl and Theresa (Burge) Schram.

He graduated from Oscoda High School in 1953. He served in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Schram was a finish carpenter. Over the years he worked for Don Read, Werth Builders and Bill Bushey.

He loved the outdoors and was an avid hunter and fisherman. He was active in the Northeastern Michigan



Houndsman Association.

Mr. Schram loved watching sports and car racing (as long as a Ford was winning). He also enjoyed watching his grandchildren play sports.

He married Barbara Scott on September 19, 1959 in Alpena.

Mr. Schram is survived by three sons, Craig (Barbara) Schram of Lincoln, Michael Schram of Greenbush, Mich. and David (Shannon) Schram of Grand Rapids, Mich.; two daughters, Jennifer (James) Sweet of Mikado and Amy (James) Mills of Oscoda; 17 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one brother, LeRoy (Denise) Schram.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Lloyd Schram, Earl Schram Jr., Virgil Schram, and Everette Schram, and two sisters, Ruth Mallory and Bernice Graham.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A memorial will take place in the spring. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice Compassus of Atlanta, Mich.

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Joan M. (Lenhart) Shively

Joan Mary (Lenhart) Shively died peacefully in her home in Greenbush on Monday, Jan. 11, 2021.

Joan was born April 3, 1930 to John "Jack" and Mary Lenhart at St. Mary Nazareth Hospital, Chicago, Ill. She was raised in Park Ridge and Harvard, Illinois, and spent her adult life living in Pennsylvania, California, Kentucky, Ohio, and Michigan. She graduated from Illinois Normal College with a degree in education. Joan taught elementary school before her full time job raising six children.

Joan was talented in many ways and had a wide variety of interests. She immersed herself in the arts and literature, appreciating many forms. Joan was dedicated to the Dragonfly Art Gallery in Harrisville for many years. She was co-owner of the Golden Nickel Antique Store, member of the Friends of the Library and Alcona Library Book Club. She loved to learn, was an avid reader, and supported all endeavors of the Alcona County Library.

Joan was a firm believer in the preservation of wetlands and our natural world. As a child and throughout her adult life she was at home in the outdoors, appreciating wildlife, flora, and fauna. She was an avid gardener whose knowledge was boundless and took great joy in nature's beauty.

First and foremost, Joan relished her role as mother, aunt, grandmother, friend, and had a strong sense of community responsibility. She was extremely proud and felt privileged to be a member of her generation because of the hardship lessons, family values, and tenacity.



Joan is survived by her children: Joseph Shively of Alpena; Elle (Jerry) Button of Greenbush, John Shively of Columbus, Ohio, Andrew (Danielle) Shively of Jeffersonville, Vt.; seven grandchildren, Mary (Garrick) Button Vance of Texas, Katy Button (Jon) Santos of California, Emma Havens of Illinois, Karl Havens of California, Olivia Shively of Idaho, Samuel Shively of California, and Nicholas Shively of California; many nieces and nephews, including Tom (Charlene) Deam, Joan Deam, Patricia (Joe) Franklin, Sheila Deam, Brian (Maureen) Deam, John (Lisa) Lenhart, and Debbie Lenhart Kerr.

Joan was preceded in death by her husband, Wyant Joseph Shively; two sons, Samuel B. Shively and Charles Shively; and one daughter-in-law, Kim Havens Shively.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gilles Funeral Home, Lincoln. A celebration of Joan's life will be held at the family farm when COVID-19 allows safe gatherings. In lieu of flowers a memorial contribution may be made to Hospice Angels, www.hospiceangels.org, or the Alcona County Library.

Paid Obituary

The inner petals of this Grandiflora rose are pale orange, with the undersides slightly darker. The outer petals are edged in red, and curl under. The fully-bloomed flower can be 4 1/2" across, have up to 25 petals, and carries a light, pleasing fragrance. A bush of this kind can grow 4 feet tall and 2 feet wide, and display many blooms at a time throughout a growing season. When set next to blue flowers such as delphinium it is especially striking.

Source: www.allaboutrosegardening.com - Brenda Warner

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Obituaries



Marilyn J. DeVita

Marilyn J. DeVita, 87, of Glennie died on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2021 at home surrounded by her family.

She was born May 20, 1933 at Hubbard Lake to Henry and Bernadette Scriver.

She married Ken DeVita on July 26, 1952 in Detroit Mich.

Mrs. DeVita is survived by her husband, Ken DeVita of Glennie; two daughters, Dawn (Jim) Thornton of Lexington, Ohio and Michele DeVita of Arizona City, Ariz.; two sons, Ken (Theresa) DeVita of Surprise, Ariz. and Kevin (Carol) DeVita of Maidens, Va.; 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Henry and Bernadette Scriver, two sisters and four brothers.

A memorial will be scheduled at a future date.



In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Our Savior Lutheran Church, 3639 South M-65, Glennie, Mich. 48737.

Arrangements were handled by Buresh Funeral Home, Glennie.



Angus M. McLean

Angus Malcolm McLean, 83, of Green Bay, Wisc. died on Friday, Nov. 20, 2020 at home surrounded by his family.

He was born February 6, 1937 in Harrisville to Burt M. and Frieda E. (Doyle) McLean.

He served in the Army National Guard for 12 years.

He married Mary E. Fagg on February 15, 1958 at St. Ann Catholic Church in Harrisville.

Mr. McLean worked at Harrisville Tool and Die for several years. He and his family relocated to Wisconsin in 1960. He worked various jobs before concluding an 18-year career as a truck driver.

He was a member of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, American Legion Post No. 11 and an Eagles Aerie.

He loved bowling and traveling on his 1970 Harley Davidson Electra Glide Shovelhead motorcycle with his wife. He also enjoyed spending time outdoors fishing, hunting and golfing.



Mr. McLean is survived by his wife, Mary; two daughters, Linda (Peter) Spude of Sturgeon Bay, Wisc. and Diana "DeDe" (Mitch) Veynovich of Ormond Beach, Fla.; three grandchildren, Megan Little, Erika Spude and Jonathan Galbraith; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Orville McLean.

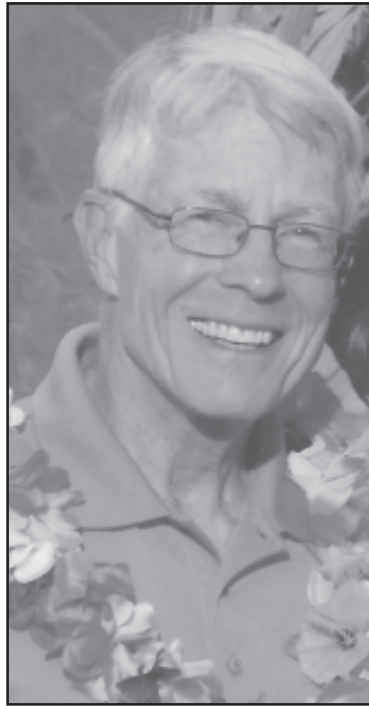
Thomas Ziske

Thomas Ziske, 80, died on Saturday, Jan. 9, 2021 in Apple Valley, Calif.

He was born October 6, 1940 to Ralph and Nelma (Lahti) Ziske in Detroit, Mich. He graduated from Cooley High School in Detroit, Mich. and Eastern Michigan University.

He received a degree in clinical psychology from Western Michigan University.

He married Sharon Webb on August 20, 1966 in Harrisville.



During his career, Mr. Ziske worked as a clinician at a child guidance clinic in Kalamazoo, Mich. and Child and Family Services and Community Mental Health in Muskegon, Mich. until he retired in 2003.

He was an avid reader and loved playing tennis and sea kayaking. He and his wife traveled extensively.

Mr. Ziske is survived by his wife, Sharon; one son, Todd (Ana) Ziske; one daughter, Kelly (Jim) Ditzel; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one brother-in-law, Abram Andres; and one sister-in-law, Leona Webb.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Susan Andres.

Nancy Tenney

October 12, 1946 – January 11, 2021

The amount of kindness, grace, and love in the world has been diminished.

A wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, sister, friend is what Nancy loved the most and at the heart of it all she sincerely loved people and wanted everyone to be safe and happy.

There were countless times when Nancy, who was born and lived in the same community, Royal Oak, for most of her life, was faced with unknown situations and complicated dilemmas, issues regarding race, equity and fear of the unknown, that would have resulted in someone easily choosing to turn away. In these instances, Nancy fought back fear and uncertainty to embrace change and take action to support her family, friends and the people in her world.

In 1963, while attending Royal Oak Dondero High School she met John C. Tenney where they became high school "sweethearts." They married in 1965 and remained together for the entirety of her life. Aside from her husband, Nancy created a family consisting of her daughter, Meri, son-in-law, Michael, her son, John, and her immensely loved grandson, Miles. Throughout her life countless others would come to recognize Nancy as the embodiment of love.

After graduating high school, Nancy was ready to take on new challenges, and do so without hesitation. Nancy supported the businesses she and her husband owned, a Sunoco gas station on Woodward Avenue and stores in Oxford and Lake Orion.

Whether in her time as a paraprofessional at Royal Oak Public Schools, working at the Lindell Ice Arena or listening to a friend talk at length, Nancy always put others before herself and



thought only of how to bring happiness and ease. Her unconditional love for others was her signature, her calling, and her strength. If you were fortunate enough to spend any time with Nancy, you could easily attest to this.

Nancy and John retired and moved to their home in northern Michigan, Lincoln, where they grew an even larger extended family. They returned to Royal Oak in 2019 in order to be closer to their children.

Her family once asked Nancy what was the dream she had for her life. Nancy answered that she, "wanted a family." She exceeded that dream. Throughout her life Nancy created the joy and caring everyone who has ever needed a family desires. Her love was shared in simple tangible ways, the endless meals that she prepared, the countless hours of reading to children, lengthy conversations in person or on the phone, and the hopeful, unshakeable, practical-positivity in support of other's dreams.

In lieu of flowers or donations Nancy would want you to spend some time reading to, talking with, or holding the hand of someone, anyone, who needs love.

"As far as I can see, this is heaven

And speaking just for me, it's ours to share"

- Johnny Mathis

Paid Obituary

Americanisms



"In real life, every person is the leading man or woman. We don't think of ourselves as supporting or character actors."

— Wallace Shawn

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Free Nutrition Classes

Michigan State University (MSU) Extension is offering free presentations Tuesdays and Thursdays, January 26 through February 11 at 11 a.m. The “Cozy Up to Nutrition” classes are designed for parents and caregivers to help their family be healthy, active, and build healthy habits. The six online classes will cover the basics of the five food groups of MyPlate. Participants will practice how to make a balanced, healthy meal and understand how portion control can help improve overall health. Other topics covered include healthy snacking, feeding a picky eater, being a healthy role model, budgeting and meal planning, and kid-friendly fruits and vegetables.

For more information and to pre-register by January 25 in the confidential system by visiting www.events.anr.msu.edu/CozyUptoNutrition

Super Crossword

Answers

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or contact Michelle Luttrell at luttre15@msu.edu or (989) 341-3241. This program is funded by the USDA's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and is intended for Michigan residents who are eligible for SNAP.

Deer Plan Grants

The application period for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Deer Private Land Assistance Network grant program is open. This cooperative grant program, known as Deer PLAN, is designed to fund deer habitat improvement projects on private land in the northern Lower Peninsula. The awarded funds will be used to produce tangible, on-the-ground efforts that improve deer habitat and provide quality deer hunting locations.

Landowners with property in Alcona, Alpena, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle counties are encouraged to apply for the Deer PLAN program. Project applications are due by February 28, and successful applicants will be notified by March 17.

To learn more about the Northern Lower Peninsula Deer PLAN grant program, visit Michigan.gov/DNR-Grants.

ACC Dean's List Honors

- Hannah Burger of Hubbard Lake was named to the Alpena Community College 2020 fall semester dean's list as a student of great distinction. To be eligible, students must earn a grade point average of 4.00 while taking a full-time course load of 12 or more credits.

- Peter Huizinga of Hubbard Lake was named to the Alpena Community College 2020 fall semester dean's list as a student of great distinction. To be eligible, students must earn a grade point average of 4.00 while taking a full-time course load of 12 or more credits.

- Brooklynn Pagels of Spruce was named to the Alpena Community College 2020 fall semester dean's list as a student of great distinction. To be eligible, students

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The application period for the Deer Private Land Assistance Network grant program, designed to fund deer habitat improvement projects on private land in the northern Lower Peninsula, is now open. *Courtesy photo.*



Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

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

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

Clinics

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years of age.

The vaccinations are free to the public, but the pre-registration form asks for insurance information to be filed in.

When the pre-registration form has been submitted a thank you notice will come up. Pre-registration does not guarantee an appointment for the specific mass vaccination clinic they sign up for but does put individuals in line for future clinics.

Once the DHD2 has the vaccine on hand and space, the registrant will be called with their appointed time for their vaccine. "People receiving robocalls or emails are still just pre-registered, but if they have received a phone call by an actual person with their appointed time, then they will need to come to that clinic," Izzo said.

DHD2 is asking the public to pre-register online and not to call or email for an appointment time.

"We are working on ways to reach out to people. We did a robocall to some of the pre-registered people but experienced some technical difficulties so we discontinued that. Last week we began sending emails to people who registered. We are trying to communicate as best we can. We are also advocating very hard for more doses of vaccine for our residents. We think that is very important," Izzo said.

Izzo said online pre-registration is by far the best and fastest way to contact DHD2 for the vaccine. Those who do not have Internet access may call the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at (989) 724-6796 for an appointment to use the library computers to pre-register.

If pre-registering online is not an option, phase 1A and 1B individuals may call the DHD2 office at (800) 504-2650 or (989) 345-5020.

COVID-19 vaccine prioritization

Vaccine criteria according to Michigan COVID-19 Vaccination Interim Prioritization Guidance as of January 11.

Currently, only people in Phase 1A and Phase 1B, group A and group B are able to pre-register for immunization.

Phase 1A

Paid and unpaid persons serving in health care settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials and are unable to work from home as well as residents in long-term care facilities. Phase 1A is broken into three priorities; to keep critical health care infrastructure open and functioning, to prevent outbreaks and protect residents in long-term care facilities and to keep necessary health care functioning.

Phase 1B

- Phase 1B Group A: Includes any person 65 or older. On the pre-registration form this group is broken into two categories; those 75 and over and those 65 to 74, which they consider as "accelerated."

- Phase 1B Group B: Includes those whose role has frequent or intense exposure and due to the nature of their work are unable to maintain social distance such as pre-kindergarten through high school teachers, support staff, and child care workers; first responders not covered in Phase 1 including firefighters, police, conservation officers, inspectors; correction workers including staff in prisons, jails, and juvenile justice facilities; workers in homeless shelters, congregate child care institutions and adult and child protective services.

Group C

Group C, which is not able to pre-register at this time, include other frontline essential workers in sectors essen-

tial to the functioning of society and are at higher risk of exposure to COVID-19 due to work-related duties involving close proximity with the public, such as: Food and agriculture workers; critical manufacturing workers; public transit workers; grocery store workers; U.S. Postal Service workers; and workers with unique skill sets not covered above such as non-hospital laboratories and mortuary services.

- Phase 1C is for individuals age 16 and older at high risk of severe illness due to COVID-19 infection and other essential workers whose position impacts life, safety and protection during the COVID-19 response.

- Phase 1C Group A includes individuals age 65 to 74 that were not reached in prior phases. *Note: this group has been accelerated to Phase 1B Group A by the State of Michigan.*

- Phase 1C Group B includes individuals 16 to 65 years with COPD, hypertension, chronic kidney disease, heart disease, diabetes, obesity or other conditions that put them at higher risk of a negative COVID-19 outcome.

Phase 2: Includes all individuals who did not otherwise fit into earlier groups.

For further information about the prioritization guidelines, visit Michigan.gov/COVIDVaccine.

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School district provides Internet access through Barton City business

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

It's not every day students are told to go to the local bar to do school work, but that's exactly what is transpiring in Alcona County to reach rural students who don't have Internet access available during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The equipment was recently retrofitted and installed in Barton City at the BC Bar and Grill, a location chosen to help reach the most students in need of Internet access. The equipment cost was \$3,403 and was funded by a grant awarded to Alcona Community Schools.

Dan O'Connor, Alcona Community Schools superintendent, said the system was initially purchased to be placed on a bus for students to access to and from school and from different sites where they could park the bus for students who needed Internet access during the school's closure to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Unfortunately, according to Mike Sutor, the school district's technology coordinator, even though the system was designed for a bus, it was not practical and did not offer sustainable Internet access.

"The unit is designed to be installed on a bus which works off Verizon or AT&T networks. We tried it on the bus and it worked okay as long as the bus was stationary. We thought about parking the school bus somewhere for students to access, but the bus has to be running to not kill the (WiFi) battery. Instead, we retrofitted it to be plugged into a wall outlet and run it as a mobile hot spot, but a lot bigger," Sutor said.

Sutor explained when the school mapped areas of need for Internet last year it found that Barton City had the highest concentration of students who did not have Internet access. After retrofitting the unit to be used at a more stationary location, they began looking for a business where parking would be adequate and students in the area could get to easily.

The school's new athletic director and assistant director of food services, Chad Cole, heard about the dilemma of finding a suitable location to house the system and reached out to his mom, Julie Cole, who owns and operates the BC Bar and Grill.

She was more than happy to help the school. "I would do anything to help the kids. Things are so up in limbo right now. Kids don't have access to great Internet here and we aren't able to open, so it was an easy decision to let the kids come and use our parking lot for Internet access," Julie Cole said.

The BC Bar and Grill is not able to open due to state mandates to reduce the spread of COVID-19, but Cole said even when it can open again, she will still keep the WiFi system there, which takes up a small table normally used for patrons.

"It does sound a little weird and crazy to have the system here, but there was nowhere else to put this. I want the kids to be able to have a way to connect and do their school work. Why wouldn't we do that for our community?" she

asked.

Although alcohol is served to adults when the bar and grill is open, Julie explained many in the community think of her establishment more as a family-friendly restaurant. "In the past, I've opened to have football team dinners here. I just feel kids are our future and we need to take care of them. I enjoy having families here," she said.

According to Nicholas Cordes, the school district's business manager, the grant was received through Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief and covered 100 percent of the cost to purchase the equipment.

O'Connor explained once the school identified Barton City as an Internet dessert, it was an easy choice to try the device there first.

"The school continues to be as creative as possible to give families options during these difficult times. We are grateful to the BC Bar and Grill to allow us to offer this to our families," O'Connor said.

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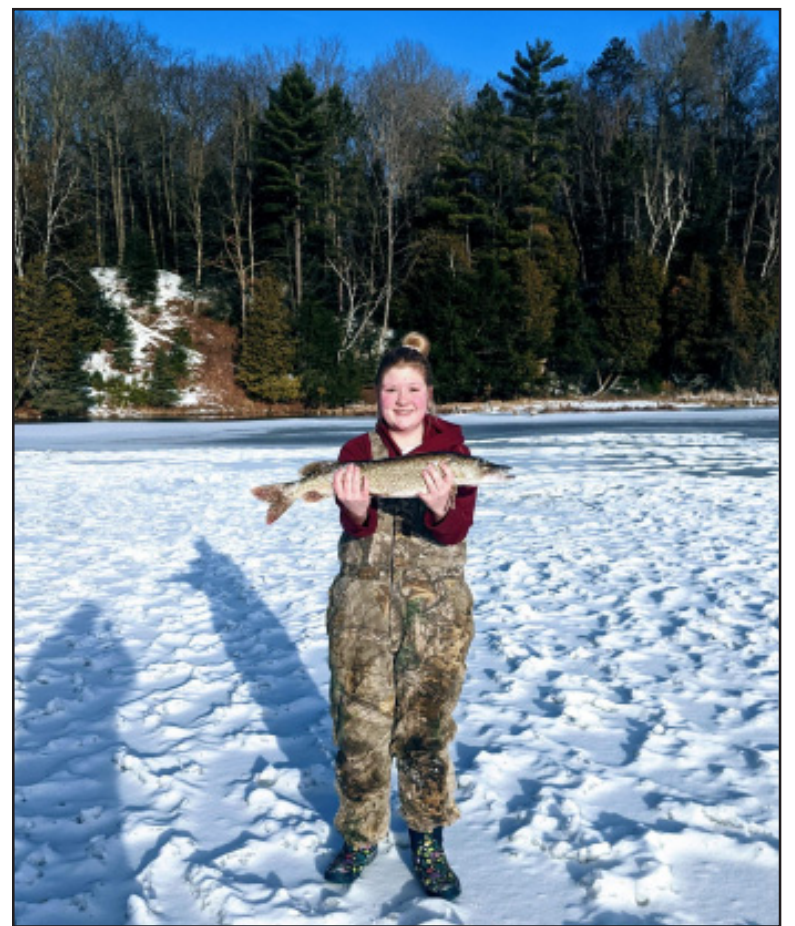
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First used in China more than 2,000 years ago, acupuncture has become increasingly popular in the United States over the past decade.

While acupuncture isn't a cure-all treatment, it is a safe, drug-free option for relieving many different types of pain including low back pain, neck pain, osteoarthritis, migraine headaches, fibromyalgia, postoperative pain, tennis elbow, carpal tunnel syndrome, dental pain and more. Studies have also shown that it can be helpful in treating asthma, depression, digestive disorders, menopause symptoms like hot flashes, and nausea caused by chemotherapy or anesthesia.

Exactly how or why acupuncture works isn't fully understood, but it's based on the traditional Eastern theory that vital energy flows through pathways in the body, and when any of these pathways get blocked, pain and illness result. Acupuncture unblocks the pathways to restore health.

However, today most Western practitioners believe that acupuncture works because it stimulates the nerves causing the release of endorphins, which are the body's natural painkiller hormones. It's also shown to increase blood circulation, decrease inflammation and stimulate the immune system.

During acupuncture, practitioners stimulate specific points on the body by inserting thin needles through the skin. The needles are solid,

sterile and disposable (used only once), and as thin as a cat's whisker.

The number of needles used for each treatment can vary anywhere from a few, up to a dozen or more. And where the needles are actually stuck depends on the condition being treated, but they are typically inserted about one-quarter to one-inch deep and are left in place for about 20 minutes. After placement, the needles are sometimes twirled or manipulated, or stimulated with electricity or heat.

You may feel a brief, sharp sensation when the needle is inserted, but generally it's not painful. Once the needle is in place, however, you may feel a tingling sensation, numbness, mild pressure or warmth.

How many treatments you'll need will depend on the severity of your condition – 12 treatments done weekly or biweekly is very common. It's also important to know that acupuncture can be used in conjunction with other conventional medical treatments, or by itself.

The cost per treatment typically runs anywhere from \$40 to \$150, depending on where you are in the country and what style of treatment you are receiving.

Today, an increasing number of private insurance plans, including some Medicare Advantage plans, and policies provided by employers offer some type of acupuncture coverage.

You'll also be happy to know that last January (2020), the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services announced that original Medicare will now cover up to 12 acupuncture sessions in 90 days for patients with chronic lower back pain. Eight additional

sessions can be added if patients show improvement.

But in order to receive Medicare coverage, you must use a licensed acupuncturist who is supervised by a medical doctor, physician assistant or nurse practitioner trained in acupuncture, who will need to process the acupuncture claim. Currently, licensed acupuncturists can't directly bill Medicare.

To find an acupuncturist in your area ask your doctor for a referral, or you can do a search online. Two good resources are the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (nccaom.org), and the American Academy of Medical Acupuncturists (medicalacupuncture.org), which offers a directory of MDs and DOs who are certified to practice acupuncture.



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Complaint Statistics

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Personal Protect. Order Vio.	1	Warrant Arrest	1
Property Damage Accident	5	Assist	1
Animal/Dog	3	Fraud	1
Miscellaneous	1	Well Being Check	2
Suspicious Event	3	Domestic	3
Pronography	1	Larceny	1
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must earn a grade point average of 4.00 while taking a full-time course load of 12 or more credits.

- Alexis Lask of Barton City was named to the Alpena Community College 2020 fall semester dean's list. To be eligible, students must earn a grade point average of 3.50 to 3.99 while taking a full-time course load of 12 or more credits.

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Health care providers help with vaccinations

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

To immunize the community against COVID-19 safely and effectively, the District Health Department No. 2 (DHD2) is partnering with health entities to administer the vaccine.

DHD2 Community Health Director/ Epidemiologist and public information officer, Scott Izzo, explained it has provided Alcona Health Center with 360 doses of the vaccine. Doses have also gone out to MidMichigan University Health System.

At this time, both Alcona Health Center and MidMichigan Health are asking the public not to call their offices to schedule a COVID-19 vaccination.

Community outreach manager for Alcona Health Center, Malinda Amlotte said they are using the vaccine given to them by DHD2 to immunize Alcona and Iosco residents who meet the current phase for vaccine distribution, which mostly include local school staff, firefighters, first responders and sheriff departments.

"Alcona Health Center is partnering to get the vaccine to community members currently eligible in a timely manner. Due to this, we recommend reaching out to your local health department to schedule your COVID-19 Vaccine once you are eligible," Amlotte said.

She explained that all Center for Disease Control and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services vaccine prioritization guidance will be followed in administering the vaccine.

"We are optimistic in the near future we will be receiving doses of the vaccine for our patients. As we receive the vaccine, we will reach out to alert patients who meet the state criteria of priority, but to whom we consider the highest medical risk first," Amlotte said.

In a recent website release MidMichigan Health said although the approval to roll out the vaccine to patients 65 and older plus certain groups of essential workers, it has a limited supply of the vaccine.

The release explained that MidMichigan Health has begun to reach out to eligible patients by phone to schedule vaccinations in an orderly fashion and all vaccinations are by appointment only with patients meeting the eligibility criteria.

MidMichigan Health and Alcona Health Center ask the public to not call for vaccinations appointments to keep their phone lines open for essential patient care.

MidMichigan Health said it will continue to add more clinics and contact more patients as additional vaccine becomes available.

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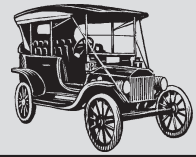
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Discharged from service

January 17, 1946 ~ Sgt. F. Arnold Freer arrived home Saturday from Okinawa and is with his wife and son here. He received his discharge from the army at Fort Sheridan.

S-Sgt. James Basselman of Barton City has returned home with his discharge from the army, after serving for 18 months in the European war area.

Cpl. Arvel A. Hoskins, son of Mr. William E. Hoskins of Glennie, is enroute home from Saipan aboard the USS Louisville.

Mikado— Happy are Junior Fernsmer and Willis Teeple, who arrived here last week after spending 3 and 3½ years respectively in Uncle Sam's service. Both boys served in the European and Pacific areas.

Mrs. Mary Hastings dies at advanced age

Was a Pioneer Settler of "Old Alcona" Township

January 20, 1921 ~ Mrs. Mary Hastings, relict of Robert Hastings, died Saturday, January 15, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Duncan McArthur in Haynes, at the advanced age of 85 years.

Mrs. Hastings was the oldest resident of Haynes township and was affectionately known throughout that section as "Grandma Hastings." Her maiden name was Armstrong and she was born on April 21, 1835 in Ireland. At the age of 16 she came to Canada where she married Robert Hastings in 1855. They came to Alcona—the Cove—in 1867, and Mr. Hastings followed lumbering and farming. He died September 18, 1885. Ten children were born of this union, seven of whom survive. There are also forty living grandchildren, 52 great grandchildren and five great great grandchildren. The surviving children are Joseph Hastings and Mrs. Minnie Amesberry of Knife River Minn.; Robert Hastings and Mrs. Jos. Miller of Harrisville, George of Canadian Northwest, Mrs. D. McArthur and Wm. Hastings of Haynes. One brother, Wilson Armstrong of East Tawas, also survives.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the Presbyterian church in Haynes, Rev. C. M. Boyce being in charge. The burial took place in the family lot in Mt. Joy cemetery.

Tigers remain undefeated

January 17, 1996 ~ By Rich Mills

Six weeks into the basketball season Alcona remains undefeated atop the Great Northern Conference.

With a hard fought 68-61 win over the Class B Grayling Vikings Friday night the Tigers are now 7-0 and 3-0 in the conference.

The perfect record along with an earlier season win over Rogers City has moved Alcona into sixth place in the Class C ranking in the Detroit News.

Like they have done throughout the year, Alcona pulled away early in the third quarter.

With juniors Mike Unkovich and Mike Walker leading the charge Alcona turned a 30-30 halftime score into a 51-43 lead entering the final quarter.

The pesky Vikings, who have won the Conference the last two seasons, pressured Alcona all over the floor, but the Tigers made nine of 16 free throws down the stretch to hold on to the win.

Alcona will try to keep their record perfect when they host Tawas on Jan. 16. They beat the Braves in their second game of the season 60-55.

Coach Wayne Van Dyke and his squad then travel to Oscoda for a Friday night grudge match with the Owls. Alcona prevailed in their first meeting, but it will be a tall task to beat the Owls on their own floor.

Tiger fans will then get a look at freshmen sensation Brian Kann and the highly rated Mio Thunderbolts on Jan. 23.

Against Grayling, Alcona led 17-16 after one quarter. Twelve of the Vikings 16 points came from three-point shooting.

The Tigers went on a 10-2 run to start the third quarter and led 57-45 with 6:30 left in the game.

Tigers turnovers cut the lead to 57-53 before a big bucket by senior, Josh Thompson seemed to stop the Grayling momentum.

Mike Unkovich, who has played consistently well all season paced the win with 16 points. Senior Nathan Franklin threw in 12, Ron Gonyea had 11 and point guard Mike Walker hit double figures with 10.

Nearly scalped

January 21, 1921 ~ Arthur Effrick was struck on the head Saturday by a falling tree and received a severe scalp wound.

He was cutting wood when the accident happened. The blow split his scalp halfway across so that it parted of its own weight. Dr. Miller took many stitches to get the severed parts together again and the patient is getting along as well as can be expected.

Celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

January 21, 1971 ~ Mr. and Mrs. Robert Armstrong of Haynes Township, were guests of honor Sunday, January 10, at a celebration marking their fiftieth wedding anniversary, in the Vets Hall in Lincoln. Their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold

Armstrong, were hosts for the affair.

One hundred and thirty guests were present, including two members of the wedding party of fifty years ago, John Tacia of Lincoln and Mrs. Lena Denton of Flint.

A buffet dinner was served, which included a three tier wedding cake baked and decorated by Mrs. John Sharboneau Jr. Robert Armstrong and Miss Alvina Tacia were married fifty years ago in Harrisville and have lived on the same farm in Haynes Township since their marriage.

Ice harvest begins

January 21, 1921 ~ Snappy weather the first of the week added just the right number of inches to the ice formation to bring on the annual harvest for next summer's supply.

Green Bros, are the first to start, and are taking a superior quality of ice from the fish hatchery ponds. In the absence of snow for sleighing, they are hauling with their delivery truck.

Notes for Harrisville United Methodist Church

January 21, 1971 ~ Pastor - Rev. Carl J. Litchfield

We will center our worship on Sunday, January 24, about the theme: "Thy Word Within," based upon the text of Psalm 119:11.

Because of the redecorating in progress in the Church the services for both Sunday School and Church will be held in the Educational Building to the rear of the Church. We are hoping that the work of redecorating will be completed soon, and that the new carpet that has been ordered will come and can be laid.

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 Having children makes you
 no more a parent than
 having a piano makes you
 a pianist. — Michael Levine

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2020

Weekly Report

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
Jan. 10	33	27	0.00	1.1	10	NNW
Jan. 11	32	27	0.00	3.1	17	SSW
Jan. 12	32	27	0.00	3.2	18	SSW
Jan. 13	37	30	0.00	2.7	17	SSW
Jan. 14	35	30	0.00	3.8	15	N
Jan. 15	36	31	0.40	10.7	22	ESE
Jan. 16	35	31	0.00	2.0	12	SSW

Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	2020-2021 Season		Normal Water Content
	Water Content	Snowfall	Content
Weekly Total	0.40	0.2	0.42
January to Date	0.51	4.2	0.96
Year/Season to Date	0.51	8.4	0.96

Climatological Observations taken by Stanley L. Darmofal at the Harrisville National Weather Service Coop Station located 1.8 miles NNE of Harrisville Post Office. Observations for each day are from midnight through 11:59 p.m. T=Trace (less than 0.005" Water Content.)

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** The poem "O Captain! My Captain!" was written after the death of which president?
2. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the weight of a U.S. quarter?
3. **MOVIES:** What was the name of the skyscraper in the drama "Die Hard"?
4. **TELEVISION:** What city was the setting for the sitcom "Mork and Mindy"?
5. **SCIENCE:** What is the study of knowledge, reality and existence called?
6. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What are male blue crabs called?
7. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is the highest point in Japan?
8. **FOOD & DRINK:** The acai berry is native to which continent?
9. **LITERATURE:** Who wrote the "Winnie-the-Pooh" book series for children?
10. **MEASUREMENTS:** What is an angstrom?

Answers: 1. Abraham Lincoln; 2. 0.2 ounces; 3. Nakatomi Plaza; 4. Boulder, Colorado; 5. Philosophy; 6. Jimmies; 7. Mount Fuji; 8. South America; 9. A.A. Milne; 10. One ten-billionth of a meter, used to measure very small distances (c) 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword 21 AND SINGLE

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22 Pal, in Nice
23 Concerning the effects of drugs on the mind
27 Maestro — -Pekka Salonen
28 12:00, half of the time
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65 Ornamental hairnets
67 Jogged
69 — Pointe, Michigan
71 Gazpacho, e.g., in Spanish
72 Talisman
73 Cookie for 100+ years
75 He's a doll
76 Ear, nose and throat doctor
81 B-ball official
82 Sneak off to say "I do"
83 The same: Prefix
84 — Carlo
85 Street — (popular acceptance) | 86 Video file format, in brief
89 Wrestling win
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109 Machine for a brain test
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15 Stuffing herb
16 "I, Claudius" star Derek
17 PC-to-PC letters
18 Actor Dafoe
24 Aunt's spouse, in Paris
25 Unified
26 "Sorry, already have plans"
32 Cantina snacks
33 Bordered on
34 Roman 901
35 Above, in verse
36 Country crooner
Randy | 39 Fire output
40 Mother of Don Juan
41 Magical glow
45 Clip out, as a coupon
46 Imply in its definition
47 In addition to
48 Gorged on
49 Fluffy floor-cleaning tool
50 Walking aid
51 They can't be taught new tricks, in a saying
52 Raincoat material
53 Most baggy
54 Pact among nations
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86 Rock or jazz
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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Jan. 19, 1809, poet, author and literary critic Edgar Allan Poe is born in Boston. In 1836 Poe married his 13-year-old cousin, Virginia Clemm, and completed his first full-length work of fiction, "Arthur Gordon Pym."
 - On Jan. 23, 1941, Charles Lindbergh, a national hero since his nonstop solo flight across the Atlantic, testifies before Congress and suggests that the U.S. negotiate a neutrality pact with Hitler. He publicly denounced "the British, the Jewish and the Roosevelt Administration."
 - On Jan. 21, 1950, former State Department official Alger Hiss is convicted of perjury in testimony about his alleged involvement in a Soviet spy ring before and during World War II.
 - On Jan. 20, 1961, 87-year-old Robert Frost recited his poem "The Gift Outright" at the inauguration of President John F. Kennedy. Although Frost had written a new poem for the occasion, faint ink in his typewriter made the words difficult to read, so he recited "The Gift Outright" from memory.
 - On Jan. 24, 1972, after 28 years of hiding in the jungles of Guam, farmers discover Shoichi Yokoi, a Japanese sergeant who was unaware that World War II had ended. Yokoi went into hiding in 1944 rather than surrender.
 - On Jan. 22, 1984, during Super Bowl XVIII, audiences first see a commercial now widely agreed to be one of the most powerful and effective of all time. Apple's "1984" spot featured a young woman throwing a sledgehammer through a screen on which a Big Brother-like figure preached about "the unification of thought."
 - On Jan. 18, 1990, Washington, D.C., Mayor Marion Barry is arrested and charged with drug possession and use of crack cocaine. Barry was caught on camera at a downtown hotel smoking crack with Rahsheeda Moore, who had agreed to set up Barry in exchange for a reduced sentence on a drug conviction.
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Many people in South Korea opt to compress the remains of the dead person into gem-like beads in different colors, which are then displayed at home.
- Greenland sharks don't reach puberty until they are 150 years old.
- The first hoop skirt was worn by Queen Juana of Portugal, in a bid to hide the fact she was pregnant.
- In 2015, Canadian astronaut Chris Hadfield released the first ever album recorded entirely in space, titled "Space Sessions: Songs from a Tin Can."
- The oldest known customer service complaint was written on a clay cuneiform tablet in Mesopotamia 4,000 years ago. In it, a customer named Nanni complains that he was sold inferior copper ingots.
- Russia only classified beer as an alcoholic drink in 2011.
- Japanese trains, reputedly the most punctual in the world, issue passengers with a "delay certificate" if a train is running more than five minutes behind schedule. The documents can be shown to bosses or teachers to explain a passenger's lateness.
- In 1984, New Zealand Prime Minister Robert Muldoon got drunk and decided to spontaneously call a general election, which he lost.
- Before battles, some Roman gladiators read product endorsements. The makers of the film "Gladiator" planned to show this but nixed the idea for fear that audiences wouldn't believe it.
- A person with geomelophobia has the urge to eat raw potatoes.
- In the late 1800s in Corinne, Utah, you could buy legal divorce papers from a vending machine for \$2.50.
- Late in his life, Guglielmo Marconi believed no sound ever dies completely. He dreamed of building a device strong enough to pick up the actual words of Jesus at the "Sermon on the Mount."

Thought for the Day: "There are years that ask questions, and years that answer." -- Zora Neale Hurston
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State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate

Estate of Charles R. Tudor
 Date of Birth: June 5, 1936
 To all creditors
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Charles R. Tudor, died on November 28, 2020.
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Dawn M. Kinnee, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 5th Street, P.O. Box 328, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.
 January 20, 2021
 Personal Representative
 Dawn M. Kinnee
 51 Wyndtree Drive
 Springfield, Mich. 49037
 (989) 820-0115

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate

Estate of Kenneth John Day
 Date of birth: May 15, 1934
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Kenneth John Day, died December 19, 2020.
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Pamela A. Sweeney, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 5th Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.
 January 20, 2021
 Personal representative
 Pamela A. Sweeney
 681 Callahan Place
 Mendota Heights, Minn. 55118
 (651) 387-4070

ALCONA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township's January board meeting (via Zoom) was called to order with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: MacNeill, LaLonde, Gauthier, Mead, and Bouchard. Motions to approve the previous month's minutes and treasurer's report; pay bills as presented; to adopt Annual Guideline Resolution for Poverty Exemption; to adopt resolution 2021-02 for Authorization to Allow Residents to Protest in Writing to Board of Review; and to implement a fee for anyone requesting a special-unscheduled planning commission meeting. All motions passed.
 This synopsis published prior to board approval.
 Dawn LaLonde, Clerk

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Caledonia Township Board was held as Zoom. Motion passed to approve December 9, 2020 and January 4 special meeting minutes. Motion passed to pay bills. Motion passed to transfer funds from contingency fund to line items. Motion passed to appoint T. Tice to zoning board of appeals. Motion passed to place ad to hire hall custodian. Motion passed to adjourn at 8:22 p.m.

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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on January 11 at the city office. This was a virtual Zoom meeting. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by mayor Gehring and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said.
 Present: Mayor Gehring, treasurer Luenberger, clerk Pierce and council members, Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason and Peterson, and attorney Cook. Absent: Bean.
 Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to appoint Thomas Mason as Alderman Ward III, term ending December 31, 2024. Motion carried: 4-0. Clerk Pierce administered the oath of office.
 Clerk administered the oath of office to James Kaiser, duly elected Alderman Ward II, term ending December 31, 2024.
 Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to approve the minutes of December 14, 2020. Motion carried 4-0. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to pay the bills in the amount of \$21,065.38. Motion carried 4-0.
 Mayor Gehring took this time to offer the city's condolences to the family of Jackie Trimmer who passed away on January 1. Jackie was a driving force in the city beautification projects and was instrumental in implementing the flower pots on Main Street and their care and planting. Jackie's enthusiasm and "it's all good" attitude will be sorely missed.
 Appointments: Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to confirm David Cook as city attorney. Motion carried 4-0. Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to set city council meeting times at city hall, as the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. Motion carried 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion by Mason, support by Peterson, to appoint Jacquelyn Schwanz as mayor pro tem. Motion carried: 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0.
 Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to appoint Marjory French as deputy clerk for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to appoint Thomas Keerl as deputy treasurer for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried: 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to appoint Jim Kaiser as street and sidewalk administrator for 2021. Motion carried: 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0.
 Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to reconfirm clerk as city census administrator for 2021. Motion carried 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to confirm Mary Peterson as chamber of commerce representative for 2021. Motion carried 4-0. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to confirm Jim Kaiser as FEMA representative for 2021. Motion carried 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0.
 Motion by Mason, support by Schwanz, to table discussion and appointment of Thomas Keerl as city web site coordinator for 2021. Motion carried 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to appoint J. Schwanz to the finance committee for the term ending December 31, 2021. Motion carried: 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0.
 Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to hold a finance committee

meeting Thursday, Feb. 4 at noon. Motion carried: 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0.
 Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to confirm appointment of Richard Dunn, James Potter, to the tax board of review for the term ending December 31, 2021. Motion carried 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser, to give clerk approval to advertise, with brief job descriptions, for the following vacancies to be filled: Planning Commission -- two vacancies (city resident); zoning board of appeals: one vacancy, one alternate (city resident); Alderman Ward I (city resident); tax board of review, (city registered voter) one vacancy, one alternate. Motion carried 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0.
 Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to reconfirm and accept the investment policy as presented by the treasurer for 2021 using the following banks: Huron Community Bank, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, Northland Area Federal Credit Union, and M Bank and to do business with said institutions. Motion carried: 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser for approval for clerk to submit the MDOT Application for use of M-72 and US-23 for annual activities use permit for 2021. Motion carried: 4-0. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nay: 0.
 Resolutions: No. 2021-01: Resolution of Financial Commitment for Alcona County, Mich.: Broadband Connectivity Plan and Rollout Strategy Grant. Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Northeast Michigan Council of Government's Board of Directors will commit the local match of \$19,000 to the Alcona County, Mich. Broadband Connectivity Plan and Rollout Strategy grant and delegates authority to act on behalf of the grant project to Diane Rekowski. Moved by Peterson, support by Kaiser to adopt Resolution #2021-01. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays; 0. Abstain: 0. Motion carried: 4-0.
 No. 2021-02: Resolution for Poverty Exemption. Now, therefore be it resolved, that the mayor/assessor and board of review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption, unless the board of review determines there are substantial and compelling reasons why there should be a deviation from the policy and federal guidelines and these reasons are communicated, in writing, to the claimant. Moved by Kaiser, support by Peterson to adopt Resolution No. 2021-02. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nay: 0. Motion carried: 4-0.
 No. 2021-03: Authorization to Allow Local Residents to Protest in Writing to Board of Review. Now, therefore be it resolved, by the City of Harrisville of Alcona County that all resident taxpayers, or their agents, are authorized to protest to the board of review by letter. Said letters must be delivered to the physical or electronic address provided in the public notice or publication. For the March meeting of the board of review, letters must be received prior to the deadline on the publication. For the July and December meetings of the board of review, letters must be received by 5 p.m. on the day prior to the meeting stated on the public notice; and be it further resolved, that the City of Harrisville shall include a statement notifying taxpayers of this option in each assessment notice under section 24c and on each notice or publication of the meeting of the board of review.
 Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser to adopt Resolution No. 2021-03. Yeas: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0. Abstain: 0.

Motioned Carried: 4-0.
 No. 2021-04: Asset Level Test to be used by the board of review. Therefore be it resolved that liquid assets of no more than \$5,000 and no other tangible assets with the exception of one automobile and one primary residence, subject to being adjusted or amended by the board of review or any other additional pertinent information on a case-by case basis. Income producing assets shall be treated at the discretion of the board of review.
 Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-04. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Peterson. Nays: Mason. Abstain: 0. Motion carried: 3-1.
 No. 2021-05: Performance Resolution for Governmental Agencies. This performance resolution is required by the Michigan Department of Transportation for purposes of issuing to a municipality an "Individual Permit for Use of State Highway Right of Way" or an "Annual Application and Permit for Miscellaneous Operations within State Highway Right of Way." Be it resolved that this resolution shall continue in force from this date until cancelled by the governmental agency or the department. Be it further resolved that the following position(s) are authorized to apply to the department (MDOT) for the necessary permit to work within state highway right of way on behalf of the governmental agency: Barbara Pierce, clerk, Barbara Luenberger, treasurer.
 Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson to adopt Resolution No. 2021-05. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Peterson. Nays: 0. Abstain: 0. Motion carried 4-0.
REPORTS
 Mayor Gehring would like to thank the Harrisville Goodfellows for a beautiful job of decorating the corners of US-23 and Main Street with the lit tree and the nativity display again this year. Mayor Gehring reported that the city's maintenance crew has begun preparation for an ice rink at the basketball court at the VFW arena. They will also be replacing some of the lighting with new LED lights.
 Harbor commission report from Mayor Gehring stated that the city hired an animal "remover" for the muskrat problem at the harbor. His quest has been successful in the removal of a large muskrat population which were damaging the moorings at the harbor. Planning Commissioner J. Schwanz reported the planning commission is in the process of updating the Master Plan which is up for review every five years. J. Schwanz reported that Consumers Energy officially began its "make ready" process for engineers to begin working through how to bring sufficient power to the upper parking lot site at the harbor, to bring electric car plug-ins (EV charging sites) to Harrisville. Kudos to Jacquelyn for all her hard work and determination. Well done!
 Comment cards: None.
 Council last comments: Alderman Schwanz shared she has numerous pamphlets from NEMCOG representative Denise Cline, to be distributed throughout the city describing "up north" activities, places to go and things to see. Look for them at various businesses and the chamber of commerce office for distribution.
 Mayor moved meeting to be adjourned.
 Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.
 Next city council meeting February 8 at 7 p.m.
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