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Alcona quarterback Garrett Somers lofts a deep pass during last Friday's win at Whittemore-Prescott. See the story on page 6. Photo by Ben Murphy.

# Events bring fun for children of all ages

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

Harrisville and Lincoln will be welcoming goblins and ghosts of all ages with two Halloween events this month.

The first, Boo Fest, hosted by Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) will be held in Harrisville on Saturday, Oct. 23 on Main Street between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The second will be the Chili and Soup Cookoff and Trick or Trunk event held in Lincoln on Second Street on Saturday, Oct. 30 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Lenny Avery, ACCOA director explained the Harrisville Business Association typically held the Harrisville Boo Fest event in conjunction with the Harrisville State Park's Haunted Halloween, but when seniors found out the association was not going to hold the event for the second year in a row, ACCOA children wouldn't be disappointed again.

"We couldn't hold it the same weekend as the state park event because we just didn't have enough time to reach out to the community to set it up, we needed an additional week or two to get the word out. We just didn't want the kids to miss out on another event, especially Halloween," Avery said.

He explained about 25 or 30 businesses will be holding games, giving prizes, and handing out candy on October 23, along Main Street during the three-hour event. Individuals can also distribute candy from trunks during that time, but Avery said due to COVID-19 protocols and contact tracing, all individuals handing out candy must preregister with the senior center.

We want it to be fun, but we also want it to be safe. We stepped in to make sure the had a similar event last year and met all the guidelines. It was a safe event. There were a ton of kids who had a lot of fun and it was great to see everyone," Avery said.

The Chili and Soup Cookoff and Trick or Trunk in Lincoln to be held on October 30 will begin with decorated cars lining Second Street between 10 and 10:30 a.m. After that, the street will be closed for Trick or Trunk beginning at 11 a.m.

Spokesperson for the event, Teresa Hart, said businesses can participate in the Chili and Soup Cookoff contest by providing samples to patrons. Sample mugs are \$5 which goes to help support other events in Lincoln. The winner gets bragging rights and their company name on a plaque.

"There will also be a best business decoration contest, best pet costume contest and a best trunk decoration contest with prizes," Hart said. She explained it was dis-

appointing not to have the event last year due to COVID-19 and said a lot has happened over the year, including the death of her former chili cook-off event co-partner, Naomi Potter.

"It's been a tough year and organizing this brings back a lot of memories. Naomi was with me from the beginning, we've been doing it together for about 12 or 13 years. I had to keep it going for her and the community," Hart said.

According to Hart, to keep the community safe, masks are recommended. All businesses dispensing soup and chili must use care and diligence in keeping their food safe and the community safe and must preregister before the event.

"Even though it is an outside event, we encourage masks, we need to be as safe as we can be. Hopefully, the cars will be distanced enough but there is no way to keep everyone apart at an event like this. I did call the health department and they said we are good to go on holding the event," Hart said.

Businesses wishing to preregister for the Chili and Soup Cookoff in Lincoln on October 30 may do so by calling Hart at (989) 335-0436. Individuals wishing to hand out candy in Harrisville on October 23 may do so by preregistering with the ACCOA by calling (989) 334-3466.

# Shower "fun-raiser" to stock local baby pantry

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

For a decade the Alcona County Baby Pantry (ACBP), a charity that helps new parents in need, has been making sure no baby our young child in the county goes without a safe bed to sleep in and is given all the necessary items children under five years of age need for a good start in life.

To make sure the pantry shelves are stocked, the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention for Alcona County (CANPAC) invites all to a "funraising" baby shower on Saturday, Oct. 23 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville.

Spokesperson for the Alcona County Baby Pantry, Ann Eddinger said they are requesting new, unwrapped items such as diapers, formula, clothing, cribs, car seats, walkers, pack and plays, sippy cups, sleep sacks, crib sheets, highchairs, diaper cream and baby bath essentials. Cash/check and gift card donations are also greatly appreciated.

"The pantry needs diapers of all sizes but especially larger sizes and toddler/preschool clothing in size 3T, 4T and 5T including socks and under-

"Infants, toddlers and preschool-age children grow fast and need a lot of clothing and other necessities to start their life in the right direction. New parents do what they can to provide for their young families, but due to the socialeconomic rural community we live in, they have a tough time making ends meet.

"What the pantry doesn't get in donated items they try and purchase, but diapers go fast, and the pantry's budget doesn't always meet the demand. Many times, they must limit the number of diapers a family can have," she said.

For those wanting to give but can't attend the shower, collection boxes will be available until Friday, Oct. 22 at the Huron Community Bank in Lincoln and Harrisville, Fick & Sons Marathon gas station in Lincoln, and the Hollyhock Emporium and Huron Harbor Grocery in Harrisville. Do not wrap gifts.

Those attending the shower will be delighted by goodie bags for adults and children, door prizes for new and soonto-be parents, a quilt drawing, refreshments and horsd'oeuvres. "Instead of playing games at the shower, we will have speakers and demonstrators on hand to talk about car seat and crib safety," Eddinger said.

President of CANPAC, Tamara Quick said the idea for the baby pantry started a few years ago and they had a successful event in 2019 but had to withhold from having a shower last year due to COVID-19 protocols.

Quick will be discussing sleep safety during the shower. "One of the priority goals of CANPAC is providing cribs and pack and plays to parents/caregivers so babies have a safe place to sleep. Despite a huge push to educate the public on safe sleep, babies are still dying from unsafe sleep practices.

"The most important thing for parents and caregivers is to follow the ABC's of safe sleep: A for Alone, Babies should sleep alone; B for Back, babies should sleep on their back and C for Crib, babies should sleep in a crib. Alone means no blankets, bumper pads or stuffed animals should be in the crib," she

Jacquelyn Schwanz is one of the parents who attended the shower in 2019. She explained she went to support the baby pantry with donations and ended up leaving with prizes and multiple resources she didn't know existed. "It was super fun, even for the kids, my daughter had a blast interacting with everyone and picking a gift.

"The connections I made at the baby shower are still impacting my life two years later in the most amazing ways. The presentations were meaningful. I feel this is a great opportunity to support local organizations, get some yummy food and win some prizes," Schwanz said.

For Alcona County parents in need, the Alcona County Baby Pantry free store operates from St. Raphael Catholic Church in Mikado on the first Wednesday of the month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. For more information or to volunteer, contact Kay Lovelace at (989) 464-

The pantry operates on a budget of about \$5,000 to \$6,000 a year which is funded through grants, fundraisers, cash/gift card donations and item donations to the store.

No RSVP is necessary, and all are invited. The shower starts at 10 a.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 N. Second Street, Harris-







## **Obituaries**





## Richard W. Jones

Richard W. Jones, 89, of Black River, died on Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021 at home.

He was born October 14, 1931 to William L. and Marian E. (Tibbetts) Jones in Ecorse, Mich., where he was raised. He served in the U.S. Air Force.

On September 26, 1952, he married Beverly A. Lindsey in Boise, Idaho. They were residents of Ecorse, Mich. and Southgate, Mich.

Mr. Jones retired from Ford Motor Company in 1982 as superintendent of skilled trades.

He was a veracious reader and enjoyed golfing and painting.

Mr. Jones is survived by two daughters, Susan (Dale) Nothnagel and Patricia Jones; one son, Tom (Barbara Smith) Jones; 10 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Beverly, on October 27, 2006, and six siblings.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

## Jean E. Hawes

Jean E. Hawes, beloved wife of the late Edwin F. Hawes Sr., passed away on Monday, Oct. 4, 2021 after a courageous battle with can-

Jean and Edwin met in Barton City and were married for 44 years before Edwin's death in 1992. They made their home in Southgate, Mich. but returned to Barton City every summer where they enjoyed time with family and friends.

Loving mother to Charles (Laura) Hawes, Elaine (Michael) Block, Edwin Hawes Jr., Beverly (Jack Sabbe) Hawes, Roy (Renee) Hawes, and Christine (Bruce) Vernham. Dear grandmother of 13, greatgrandmother of 19 and great-great-grandmother of three.



Jean devoted her life to caring for her family and will be greatly missed. A bench will be placed by the family in Barton City park in memorial.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that a donation be made in Jeans memory to: Barton City VFW Post 8135, 2120 W. Trask Lake Road, Barton City, Mich. 48705.

**Paid Obituary** 

## John R. "Randy" Smith

John Randall "Randy" Smith, 68, of Spruce died on Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2021, at home.

He was born on September 27, 1953, in Alpena to John O. and Ruth (Smith) Smith.

On September 4, 1976, he married Rhonda Goetz.

He retired from the Alcona County Road Commission after 28 years. He enjoyed hunting, farming and camp-

Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, Rhonda; one son, Mike (Jess) Smith; three daughters, Lori (Marc) Montana, Stacey Rayl and Kelly (Jason) Yeager; 11 grandchildren, Miranda (Cody) Martin, Keegan (Sierra) Smith, Alli Lask, Elliyana Grimshaw, Adriana Grimshaw, Jordan Rayl, Melissa Rayl, Shelbie Frye, Tayler Frye, Cooper Yeager, and Kennedy Yeager; three great-granddaughters, Addison Martin, Amelia Martin and Tatum Smith; three brothers, Bill (Helen) Smith, Larry Smith and Roger Smith; one sister, Sharon (Duane) Schultz; one sister-in-law, Eleanore Smith; and many nieces and nephews.



He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Ron Smith and Dennis Smith; and one grandson, Zachary

The funeral was held Monday, Oct. 11 at Hope Lutheran Church. The Rev. Herbert Kitzman officiated. Interment was in Caledonia Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Smith family.

Arrangements handled by Bannan Funeral Home.

# Alcona runners compete in third NSL jamboree

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

The North Star League cross country season continued on Tuesday, Oct. 5, with the third North Star League jamboree at Rogers City. Alcona, while it remains shorthanded, still had some bright spots in the event.

In the girl's race, Sara Decker took second place on a time of 25:11. Katelynn Bravata was seventh at 33:14 and Isabella Bravata was ninth on a time of 48:39.

The boy's side saw Carter Upper cross the line third in a time of 21:11. Dawson Rigby was 11th at 25:37 and Fallon Hux was 16th on a time of 27:32.

Alcona was at Hale for the NSL championship meet on Tuesday, Oct. 12 and travels to the Northern Lower Peninsula Invitational at Ogemaw Heights on Saturday, Oct. 16.

### Kenneth A. Robinson

Kenneth A. Robinson, 89, of Lincoln, Mich., went to be with his Lord and Savior peacefully, while sleeping in his home on Thursday, Oct. 7, 2021.

Beloved husband of the late Dolores Robinson, his bride of over 50 years; and loving father of eight children, Melanie Ericksen, Vivian Neumann, the late Keith Robinson, Tina Chamberlain, Connie Jones, Kirt Robinson, Pauline Burnham, and Kent Robinson. He was a proud grandfather of 20 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

Ken was born in Marine City, Mich. on August 25, 1932. Over the course of his lifetime, he owned KA Drywall, and was a master salesman. He worked as the general manager for over 20 years with Roger McIntosh Chevrolet in Tawas/Oscoda. He later started his own business, Robinson Motors,



in Alpena.

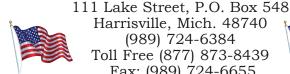
He loved fishing, trap shooting, hunting, and cooking.

His greatest love was serving the Lord and providing for his wife and chil-

He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

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# Tigers drop close game on Mackinac Island

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

The Alcona soccer team came close to picking up its first win of the season last Friday. The Tigers made the unique trip to Mackinac Island and scored first, but eventually came up short, 2-

Ashton Rigby opened up the scoring in the 20th minute, converting on a penalty kick. The Lakers answered with the final two goals of the game to spoil Alcona's bid for a victory. Fallon Hux was in goal and made 18 saves.

"It was a great game for us, getting ready for the district game," said head coach Brendan Nelson.

On Wednesday, Oct. 6 Alcona lost a game at Pinconning, 6-0. No further details on the contest were reported.

Alcona (0-9 overall) played at Oscoda on Monday, Oct. 11 in its final regular season game and opened Division 4 district action on Thursday, Oct. 14 at home against Roscommon. The winner of that game plays at Oscoda, against Oscoda on Tuesday, Oct. 19. McBain Northern Michigan Christian and Pine River are also in the district, with the finals taking place in Oscoda on Saturday, Oct. 23.



## Calendar of Events



## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13

Children of all ages are invited to Homeschoolers at the Library for a fun and educational activity at the Alcona County Library in Harrisville at 1 p.m. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Alcona Needle Crafters will meet from 1-3 p.m. upstairs in the Senior Center in Lincoln. All levels of needle crafters are welcome. For more info., call (989) 736-3999.

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.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14

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 info.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library during library hours – 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

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.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library during library hours: 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library during library hours – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Ossineke Eagles Ladies Auxiliary will host its annual Cancer Walk at 1 p.m. Walkers will gather at the Eagles Aerie, 6848 S. US-23, Spruce, at noon. Everyone is welcome to participate by sponsoring a walker, being a walker or donating to the cause. Call (989) 471-5047 for more information. The aerie is approximately one mile north of Chippewa Point Grocery.

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17**

The dedication of the Pi-Path sculpture, "Regatta Sales," by artist Ann Gilder, will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. at Bay View Park, next to the Yacht Club. This event is open to the public and free of charge. It is sponsored by the Thunder Bay Arts.

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 18**

Ladies of any denomination are invited to attend the Bible study hosted by Solid Rock Church of God featuring "Women of the Bible" at 10 a.m. Refreshments will be served. The church is located at 160 N. Barlow Road, Lincoln – across from Alcona Health Center. For more information, contact Darlene Ramey at (734) 718-7760.

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19**

The Alcona Book Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 1 p.m. The selection for October is "The A.B.C. Murders," by Agatha Christie. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

October's craft session for teenagers ages 12-18 will be paint pouring. It will begin at 2 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 to register for this free program.

Alcona Needle Crafters will meet from 1-3 p.m. upstairs in the Senior Center in Lincoln. All levels of needle crafters are welcome. For more info., call (989) 736-3999.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

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.

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### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

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### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

A Community Baby Shower will be held from 10 a.m. to noon at Westminster Presby-

terian Church in Harrisville. This event is to help support the Alcona County Baby Pantry for Alcona County families. Those attending are asked to bring an unwrapped gift to stock the baby pantry. Items needed: diapers sizes 3 to 6, bottles, socks, underwear, new clothing, gift cards or monetary donations. For more information, call Heather at (989) 657-1120. Everyone is invited to attend. Refreshments available.

(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.)

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### Correction

Notes

The Boo Fest scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 23 will be held in Harrisville on Main Street. The Review apologizes for the error in location in the October 6 edition. This event is sponsored by the Alcona County Commission on Aging.

### 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, Oct. 18: Beef pastie, gravy, broccoli, Mandarin oranges, milk.
- Tuesday, Oct. 19: Cheeseburger macaroni, beets, Jell-O with fruit, milk.
- Wednesday, Oct. 20: Barbecue chicken, baked sweet potato, broccoli, peaches, milk
- Thursday, Oct. 21: Hot dog, Spudsters, cole slaw, flavored apple sauce, milk.

### Mushroom Hunt

The Alcona and Iosco Conservation districts are hosting a fall mushroom hunt, Saturday, Oct. 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Ingalls Forest on Bischoff Road in Iosco County near Tawas City. Anderson Road is the nearby cross street. Once in the area, follow the signs or go to http://www.ioscoconservation.org/ingalls-forest.html for GPS coordinates and a map.

Sister Marie Kopin and Heather Johnson, mushroom specialists from the Michigan Mushroom Hunter's Club, will be on hand to educate and identify collected mushrooms. During past fall hunts, over 70 different varieties have been found, many of which are considered edible.

Attendees should dress for the weather as the hunt will take place rain or shine. The sorting and identification of mushrooms will take place under a roofed pavilion. For convenience, there are Porta-Jons on site. There is no charge for the event which is open to the public. This is a family-friendly event and children are encouraged to participate. CDC and State of Michigan COVID-19 prevention guidance imposed at the time shall be followed. More information can be found on the following websites: www.alconaconservation.org, www.iosco-conservation.org and www.michiganmushroomhunters.org.

### Haunted Lighthouses

The Alcona Historical Society's Cabin Fever Lecture Series will feature Michigan's Haunted Lighthouses, presented by Dianna Stampfler on Tuesday, Oct. 19 at 6 p.m. at Alcona Township Hall.

What is it about lighthouses that attract ghostly spirits? Maybe it's simply a passion that will not go away. Lighthouse keepers were known to be extremely dedicated to their profession and it seems that many were never able to give it up — even after death. More than 30 lights in Michigan are rumored to be haunted. From the smell of cigar smoke at Seul Choix Point Light to the mysterious housekeeping at White River Light Station and the antics at Waugoshance Shoal, these stories will entertain all ages.

Stampfler, who was born and raised in southwest Michigan, has worked in Michigan's tourism industry



Dianna Stampfler

for more than 20 years. In 2004, she launched Promote Michigan, a public relations

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consulting company specializing in the hospitality, tourism, agriculture, culinary, natural resources, recreation, history and culture industries around Michigan. She has written countless articles for publications. Michigan's Haunted Lighthouses is her first book. She lives in Walloon Lake, Mich.

### **Rising Star Recognition**

Northeast Michigan Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative Network Coordinator Meag Schwartz, was recognized by the Michigan Alliance for Environmental and Outdoor Educators (MAEOE) as a Rising Star in Environmental or Outdoor Education. This award is given to recognize an early career professional who demonstrates leadership, innovation, as well as best practices in environmental and/or outdoor education.



Meag Schwartz

Schwartz exemplifies that of a rising star in Great Lakes and environmental education in Michigan. Over the past four years, she has served as the network coordinator for the Northeast Michigan Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative (NEMIGLSI) network and partnership. In this role she has coordinated a place-based stewardship network and program, including supporting feet-wet student engagement, fostering school-community partnerships, and facilitating sustained professional devel-

Schwartz has reenergized the network's regional leadership team, expanded communications among network through social media strategies, and provided leadership in navigating a strategic plan ning effort for this network. She has successfully guided the network through a challenging pandemic, including facilitation of innovative digital online learning strategies keeping teachers and students engaged during times of challenge.

Schwartz, an active Michigan Alliance for Environmental and Outdoor Education (MAEOE) member, is pursuing the MAEOE environmental educator certification. She has also gained national recognition for her newly founded and launched Great Lakes, Great Lakes Responsibility organization - her passion project, and a new nonprofit dedicated to educating and engaging communities in addressing Great Lakes marine debris issues.

### **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The County of Alcona – 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St. – Harrisville, MI 48740 will receive proposals from Certified contractors for the following projects:

### Complete roof replacement of the roof system on the Alcona County Building

A Mandatory pre-bid meeting and walk through will be held on October 13 at 10:00 am. Bidders are to meet at the Alcona County Building – Parking lot at 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street-Harrisville, MI Bid packages will be handed out at this meeting.

All sealed ids must be received at the County of Alcona – 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St. – Harrisville, MI 48740 on or before October 28, 2021 at 3 pm (local time). All bids will be opened publicly and if qualified, read aloud. All bids must be in plain envelopes marked "Sealed bid for Alcona County Building Roof Replacement". Proposals must be received before 3 p.m. Proposals received after the designated time may not be opened. Evaluation of the proposals and awards by the County of Alcona will be at a later date.

The County of Alcona reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive all irregularities in Proposals. Proposals shall remain firm for forty-five (45) days from date of Bid Opening. A 5% Bid Bond will be required before any bid that is read aloud. 100% Performance, Labor and Material Bid will be required.

Any questions regarding bidding procedures should be directed to: Mr. David Hanson – 989-724-9517

10/13 thru 10/27

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# How to manage an inherited IRA

Dear Savvy Senior,

What are the rules regarding inherited IRAs? When my mom died this year, I inherited her traditional IRA and would like to know what I need to do to execute it properly.

Confused Daughter

Dear Confused,

I'm very sorry about the loss of you mother. Inheriting an IRA from a parent has a unique set of rules you need to know, which will help you make the most of the money you inherit and avoid a taxtime surprise. Here are some basics you should know.

### Set-Up Inherited Account

Many people think they can roll an inherited IRA into their own IRA. But if you inherit an IRA from a parent, aunt, uncle, sibling or friend you cannot roll the account into your own IRA or treat the IRA as your own. Instead, you'll have to transfer your portion of the assets into a new IRA set up and formally named as an inherited IRA - for example, (name of deceased owner) for the benefit of (your

If your mom's IRA account has multiple beneficiaries, it can be split into separate accounts for each beneficiary. Splitting an account allows each beneficiary to treat their own inherited portion as if they were the sole beneficiary.

You can set up an inherited IRA with most any bank or brokerage firm. However, the easiest option may be to open your inherited IRA with the firm that held your mom's account.

### 10-Year Withdrawal Rule

Due to the Secure Act, which was signed into law in December 2019, most (but not all) IRA beneficiaries must deplete an inherited IRA within 10 years of the account owner's death. This applies to inherited IRAs if the owner died after Dec. 31, 2019.

There's no limit on when or how often you withdraw money from the account, as long as the account is empty by the end of the 10 years. That is, you can choose to withdraw all of the money at once, you can leave it sitting there for a decade and then take it all out, or you can withdraw distributions over time. But be aware that with a traditional IRA, each withdrawal will be counted as income and subject to taxes in the year you make the withdrawal.

### **Exceptions to the Rule**

There are several exceptions to the IRA 10-year rule, including for a surviving spouse, minor child, disabled or chronically ill beneficiary, or a beneficiary who is within 10 years of age of the original IRA owner. These beneficiaries may be able to receive more time to draw down the account and pay the resulting tax bill.

For example, when you inherit an IRA from a spouse, you can transfer the IRA balance into your own account and delay distributions until after you turn age 72.



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Minor children must start required minimum distributions from an inherited IRA but don't become subject to the 10-year rule until they reach the "age of majority," which is 18 in most states. Disabled and chronically ill beneficiaries, and those within 10 years of age of the original account owner have the option to stretch required withdrawals over their life-

### Minimize Your Taxes

As tempting as it might be to cash out an inherited IRA in a lump-sum withdrawal, tread carefully. This option could leave you owing a hefty sum when it's time to file your taxes. Withdrawals from

a traditional IRA are generally taxable as income, at your income tax rate.

For some people, it can be a smart tax move to gradually draw down the account over the 10-year period to avoid a large tax bill in a single year and potentially being bumped into a high tax bracket. Or, if you're approaching retirement, say in five years, you may want to wait to start withdrawing from the account until you are retired, and your income drops potentially putting you into a lower tax bracket.

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

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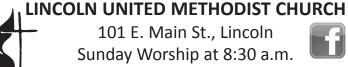
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By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

After traveling by land and across the Straits of Mackinac last Friday, the Lady Tigers returned to the mainland with a straight sets victory over the host Lady Lakers as well, 25-14, 25-18 and 25-10.

"We had a great time playing on Mackinac Island and are very thankful we had the opportunity to do so," said head coach Kristi Miller. "The girls played strong throughout the game. Carmen Dellar

had a solid offensive performance and it is important we continue to work hard to prepare for our upcoming con-

Dellar led the Lady Tigers with nine kills. Sage Gauthier had eight aces and five digs. Emma Travis had 20 assists.

On Thursday, Oct. 7 the Lady Tigers hosted Posen in a North Star League crossover battle and came up short, 25-17, 25-15 and 25-18.

"We struggled to get into rhythm on defense and offense," Miller said. "Posen had

a strong hitter that we needed to work harder to defend and we were out of system quite a bit. It was a solid learning experience for us."

Dellar led the attack with five kills and two blocks. Travis had 36 assists and Miah Schopfer had 11 digs and three aces.

Alcona heads to Hillman on Thursday, Oct. 14, travels to the Tawas Area Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 16 and hosts Rogers City on Tuesday, Oct. 19.

# Alcona offense sparks lopsided win at Whittemore-Prescott

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

Alcona and Whittemore-Prescott entered last Friday night's varsity football game with identical 2-4 records. There is no question as to who was the better team, as the visiting Tigers thrashed the hosting Cardinals, comfortably winning 62-0.

"It was the first game that we have played where our mistakes were really minimized," said head coach Jason Somers. "No fumbled snaps, minimal penalties. This is kind of how I think this team can play when we are all getting on the same page."

Alcona led 14-0 after the first quarter and put the game away by the half with a big second quarter, leading 42-0. The Tigers pushed their lead to 56-0 entering the fourth.

The 62 points are the second most scored by the team this season and the win also snaps a three game losing streak for the team.

"It is good to get back to the winning way," Somers said. "We really wanted to stop their jumbo package, which is their normal offense and push them into a passing game and I thought our linebackers, especially Collin Walker did a great job trying to make that happen."

With inclement weather in the area, the contest was delaved over an hour. Somers was happy to see his team maintain their focus during the stoppage.

"We have a bunch of young guys and it was Whittemore's homecoming, so they were

extra excited," Somers said. "My guys were out of their routine, so I was worried that the delay would cause us some trouble early, but they were able to overcome that and play pretty good foot-

Somers finished seven of 11 passing for 238 yards and three touchdowns. Gavin Walker had five receptions for 155 yards and two touchdowns. Jesse Sheldon had one catch for a 50-vard touchdown. C. Walker had one catch for 33 yards. Michael Basner had 18 rushes for 170 yards and two scores and Jesse Sheldon added 106 yards and a pair of scores on three carries.

The defense saw Hunter Rigby get nine tackles and C. Walker had seven tackles. Basner had an interception return for a touchdown. Sheldon recovered a fumble and returned it all the way for a score.

Alcona (3-4 overall) hosts Mesick (5-2) on Saturday, Oct 16 at 3 p.m. The Bulldogs are coming off a 46-22 victory over Bear Lake last week.

"They look pretty good on film and their record speaks for itself," Somers said. "It ought to be a really good match-up. I don't think our record speaks to who we really are or where we are headed, so I am looking for-

# Local grant awards from Community Foundation

The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) recently awarded a new round of Community Impact grants and Northeast Michigan Women's Giving Circle (WGC) grants covering a four-county area that includes Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties. The Board of Trustees recently approved 59 new grants totaling \$110,365. The following are grants awarded to Alcona County entities.

 Alcona Community Schools was awarded \$2,500 for the Alcona Middle and High School sixth through 12<sup>th</sup> grade student locker

project.

· Alcona Community Schools was awarded \$2,500 for the Alcona Backpack pro-

• Alcona Baby Pantry was awarded \$2,000 for the Children's Safety at Home and Outside project.

• Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention for Alcona County (CANPAC) was awarded \$2,500 for the Alcona County Community Baby Shower project.

• Millen Township was awarded \$1,000 for the Millen Township Park limb/branch trimming project.

• Village of Lincoln was

awarded \$2,303 for the Flights of Imagination Playground wood fiber surface project.

• The Community Foundation also approved \$31,073 through the 14th annual round of Northeast Michigan Women's Giving Circle grants. These grants are reviewed and recommended annually by a committee of ten WGC members who serve two-year terms. WGC grants are awarded for issues important to the women of northeast Michigan from the WGC Endowment Fund.

The following grants were awarded to Alcona County entities.

· Alcona County Baby Pantry was awarded \$1,500 for the Safety for Children project.

• Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Alcona County (CANPAC) was awarded \$1,500 for the Community Baby Shower project.

 Hubbard Lake Baptist/ Bible Church was awarded \$2,000 for the Sunrise Community Food Pantry/Feeding the Hungry project.

• St. Paul Lutheran Church Hubbard Lake was awarded \$1,500 for the Hubbard Lake Child Day Care Center playground equipment project.



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# The simple things

### By Gregg Schefferly

Outdoor Writer

A very close friend, Joe Ney, passed away in 1997. He got sick and had a close call earlier in life and this changed is attitude completely. Prior to his illness he was always on the go. He found it difficult to drop everything and relax with friends.

After he got better, I'd ask him to go fishing and he'd start to decline and then catch himself and say "why not?" On a number of occasions, he'd explain the reason for his change of heart. "We're only on top of the green once and we don't know for how long we'll be here so why not get out with that special someone or some friends and enjoy the simple things?"

There are so many things I should do, could do and would like to do -- projects around the house needing wrapping up, getting out fishing in the boat a few more times, and spending some quality time enjoying the outdoors with my special someone.

This year on the first day of autumn it was like Mother Nature hit the switch and summer became fall. This is always bittersweet for me, not ready to give up on fishing, yet the lure of big bucks has me thinking more and more about hunting.

Spending some time shooting and taking a few side by side (SxS) rides through the woods this time of year is so relaxing and just what the doctor ordered.

After taking a road trip a few Saturdays ago, I got up on Sunday at 4 a.m. and spent a few hours trolling on Hubbard Lake in a solo trip. While I didn't fill the live well, I did have some action. One hit, one lost, and one keeper. Additionally, after the sun came up, I caught a nice smallmouth and a rock bass, before quitting.

After working around the house and out to camp for the day, we decided to go for a late afternoon SxS ride and cook dinner on the trail. With that, we packed the small gas grill, cooler filled with dinner fixings, a couple cold beverages, and bag chairs.

It was so simple and relaxing. The grill did its part sending out incredible, inviting smells and dinner tasted much better than it would have at home. We cooked and split a steak, a walleye, and some baked beans. It's been years since I have done anything like this.

It was a great reminder that it's the little things -- the simple things -- that make the best memories. It matters not if its steak, fresh fish or hot dogs, nothing is better than taking a ride to a scenic overlook to kick back and take it all in while dinner cooks.

Opening weekend was just too warm to hunt, so Saturday two other couples met us at our place at 10 a.m. We took a 70-mile ride on trails and back roads. We stopped along the way and, you guessed it, grilled some brats and dogs.

We took them around the little circuit that we run and stopped several times for a half an hour or more to talk



# Exploring the Outdoors

# By Gregg Schefferly

and have a few laughs. We were in no hurry and took advantage of the beautiful warm day; we didn't get home until 7:30 that night. The rain in the last 40 minutes washed the dust off our machines as we finished out the day.

Simple things can be gathering around a bonfire or turning off the TV and sitting on want to have to worry about a deer spoiling or having to get it cut up immediately to avoid it. I prefer to let it hang a few days before cutting it up.

During our time on the trails we did see several partridge and squirrels for the upland hunters. Judging by the shooting I heard at the crack of dawn and in the eve-



Enjoying a meal cooked outdoors while taking in the beauty of northeast Michigan is a simple, but very enjoyable evening. Photo courtesy of Gregg Schefferly.

the porch talking and taking it all in; a walk along the beach, through the woods, along a stream -- the bottomline is while there's so much to do, you have to draw the line and look at what's truly important.

Our timing for the ride was about perfect regarding the fall colors. They weren't quite peaked but were getting very close. Now with small game, duck, and the archery season open, it's time to take a break, grab your gear, and get out and recharge those batteries in the evening after work or on the weekend.

I'm hoping to get out a few times to do a little archery hunting, but will want to wait until it cools off a bit. I don't nings, it sounds like the duck hunters are enjoying some success as well.

So, what's stopping you? Why not make some time for yourself, or enjoy some time with that special someone? Or if you need some time to recharge those batteries grab your bow or shotgun and escape to the woods. Good hunting and good luck.

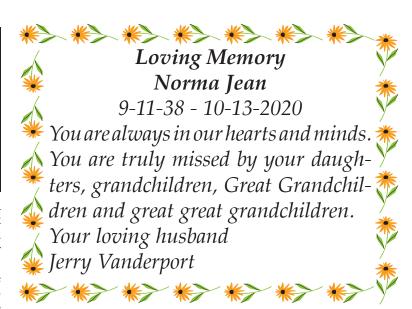
(After spending several years in Afghanistan, Alaska, North Dakota, and Wisconsin, Gregg Schefferly has recently returned to writing and Lincoln where he grew up hunting, fishing, and trapping. Feel free to contact him or send him pictures at northwriter@hotmail.com.)



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

- Thomas James Elmer, 31, of Lincoln was sentenced to fines and costs of \$285 for no valid license in possession.
- James Maurice Spangler III, 40, of Alpena was sentenced to one day in jail and \$625 in fines and costs for reckless
- Ryan Allen Colorite, 29, of Lincoln was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$400 for attempted failure to report an accident.
- Sydney Alyssa Noonan-Cubi, 22, of Williston, Mich. was sentenced to \$400 in fines and costs for allowing a suspended person to operate a motor vehicle.





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# Buggy Rides



## Fire damages Dewar home in Haynes Twp.

October 17, 1946 ~ The Harrisville Fire Department was called to the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Dewar in Haynes Township, last Thursday afternoon. The fire broke out in the attic of the home. Fast work by neighbors and the assistance of the fire department held the blaze to light damage.

It is thought that the fire started from defective wiring.

## Harrisville treacher missing since Oct. 5th

October 17, 1946 ~ Lyle Campbell, Agricultural Instructor in the Harrisville Consolidated School, has been missing since Saturday, October 5, when he is reported to have purchased a one way bus ticket to Alpena.

Mr. Campbell had made several trips to his parental home at Fife Lake, Grand Traverse County, since the beginning of the school term, going to Alpena and hitchhiking across state. He is reported to have expressed his intention of going to Alpena to purchase a car.

His failure to appear for classes Monday led to an investigation by Supt. S. K. Erickson, who learned from his parents that he had not gone to his home. Alpena State Police were notified and a search began. No trace of him has been found. His parents came to Harrisville immediately upon receiving word of his disappearance.

Mr. Campbell, who had a room at the home of Mrs. Jos. Miller, had complained of illness during the two weeks previous and had been unable to teach on several occasions. He is a veteran of World War II and had seen active service in the southwest Pacific war zone

## Harrisville Lions meet

October 14, 1971 ~ At the meeting of the Harrisville Lions Club on October 11, Ronald Jansen, teacher at the Alcona High School, presented plans for a proposed middle school to take care of the increase in enrollment in the Alcona Community School District.

The Board of Directors will meet at the Lions' Den Tuesday, October 19, at 7 p. m.

The Club has light bulbs for sale, in packages of 6. They can be obtained from any member of the Club or by calling 724-5277.

Money raised through this project will be used for Club activities which are: Leader Dog School for the Blind, Welcome Home for the Blind, Michigan Eye Bank.

# City officials honor Mrs. W. G. Teeple

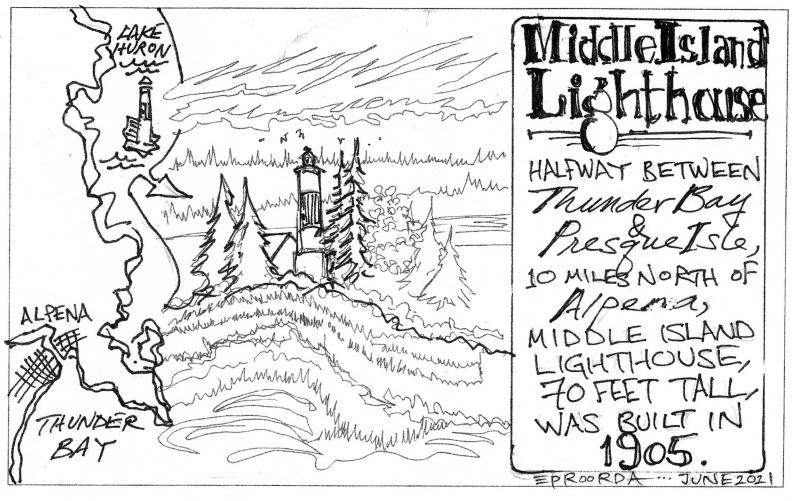
**October 14, 1971** ~ Mrs. W. G. Teeple was honor guest at a dinner at Muehlbeck's Dining Room Saturday night. October 2, following her retirement as the Treasurer of the City of Harrisville, after serving in that capacity for thirty years.

Seated at the table were

Mayor Henry Gauthier and T. A. Noyes, Burton Skibbe, Mrs. Gauthier, clerk Vera Klein and Mr. Klein, treasurer Yvonne Wilson and Mr. Wilson, city assessor, Forrest Potter and Mrs. Potter, city maintenance man Edward Green and Mrs. Green, councilmen Philip Bouchard, Walter Ross, Ernest Grimm,

and James Olson and their wives, and Mrs. Teeple. The Mayor read a letter from the city attorney James Cook, since he and his wife could not be present. Mrs. Teeple was presented with a radio from the group.





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Precipitation Summary (Inches)									
<u>2021</u>	2020	Normal Water Content							
0.64	0.57	0.56							
0.70	0.86	0.72							
20.67	18.95	22.88							

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. GEOGRAPHY: What is the second largest island in the Hawaiian Islands?
- **2. TELEVISION:** Which popular 1980s-90s sitcom featured characters named Sophia, Dorothy, Rose and Blanche?
- 3. **HISTORY:** Which country hosted the first Olympics?
- **4. MUSIC:** How many African-American singer/songwriters have won a Grammy for Album of the Year?
- **5. MOVIES:** Which 1990s film featured a twist contest at a restaurant called Jack Rabbit Slim's?
- 6. COMICS: What was the name of the Daily Planet editor in "Superman" comics?
- 7. CHEMISTRY: Which English chemist is credited with discovering hydrogen?
- 8. LITERATURE: Hamlet (Shakespeare) was the prince of which country?
- 9. GAMES: How thick is a puck used in the National Hockey League?
- 10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of animal is used to hunt truffles?

Answers: 1. Maui; 2. "The Golden Girls"; 3. Greece, in 1896; 4. Ten in the history of the awards. Stevie Wonder was the first in 1974.; 5. "Pulp Fiction"; 6. Perry White; 7. Henry Cavendish; 8. Denmark; 9. 1 inch; 10. Pigs (c) 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

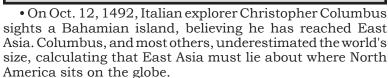
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• On Oct. 17, 1906, Wilhelm Voigt, a German shoemaker wearing a stolen captain's uniform, impersonates an army officer and leads an entire squad of soldiers to help him steal 4,000 marks from the mayor's office cash box, exploiting their blind obedience to authority. The Kaiser thought the story was funny; the German army did not.

• On Oct. 16, 1946, at Nuremberg, Germany, 10 high-ranking Nazi officials are executed by hanging for their crimes during World War II after they were found guilty by the International War Crimes Tribunal.

• On Oct. 13, 1957, the science-fiction thriller "The Amazing Colossal Man" premieres in theaters. The film revolved around an Army officer who began to grow uncontrollably after he strayed too close to an atomic blast in the Nevada desert.

• On Oct. 14, 1968, the U.S. Defense Department announces that the Army and Marines will be sending about 24,000 men back to Vietnam for involuntary second tours because of the length of the war. The decision badly hurt troop morale and the combat readiness of U.S. forces around the world.

• On Oct. 11, 1975, "Saturday Night Live," a comedy sketch show, makes its debut on NBC, with George Carlin as its host, and Billy Preston and Janis Ian as musical guests. Since its inception, SNL has featured a different guest host and musical act each week.

• On Oct. 15, 1991, after a bitter confirmation hearing, the U.S. Senate votes 52 to 48 to confirm Clarence Thomas to the U.S. Supreme Court. President George Bush had nominated the 43-year-old Thomas, an African American judge known for his conservative beliefs.

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# Strange But True By Lucie Winborne

• The Chocolate River in the "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" was real! The production used 150,000 gallons of water, cream and chocolate. But the ingredients spoiled and smelled really bad when the movie ended.

• Studies have shown that playing Tetris can curb sex, drug and food cravings.

C.S. Lewis coined the term "verbicide" to denote the killing of a word or distortion of its original meaning.

• A Vietnamese man was hospitalized after drinking too much methanol. Doctors transfused 15 cans of beer into his body to revive him. The liver breaks down ethanol before methanol, which gave doctors more time to do dialysis to remove the methanol from his system.

• The University of Oxford is older than the Aztec Empire.

• Santa Claus was issued a pilot's license from the U.S. government in 1927, along with airway maps and a promise to keep the runway lights on.

• The fighting on D-Day was so fierce that as much as 4% of the sand on Normandy beaches is magnetic due to shrapnel that has been broken down over the decades into sand-sized bits.

• Only official members of federally accepted Native American tribes may legally possess or collect eagle feathers.

• During a game, Babe Ruth would place a cabbage leaf under his cap to keep cool under the sun, replacing it every inning or two.

• Instead of kissing his bride, Edward II of England sealed his wedding vows with a smooth to his lover, Piers Gaveston, 1st Earl of Cornwall

• A house cat could beat superstar runner Usain Bolt in the 200-meter dash.

Thought for the Day: "Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time and always start with the person nearest you." -- Mother Teresa

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# **CryptoQuip**

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

Clue: C equals T

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### VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." The following were in attendance: President Phillips, treasurer Mahalak, clerk Somers and council members, Durham, Healy, Putsky, Schick, Somers and Wambold. The minutes of the September meeting were approved on a motion from Wambold with support from Putsky. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Schick with support from Wambold. The bills were approved for payment on a motion from Healy with support from Wambold.

A motion was made by Schick, with support from Healy, to appoint Marsha Mahalak as the zoning administrator for the village. Motion carried. A motion was made by Wambold, with support from Somers, to allow Marsha to take online classes to support her in this new endeavor. The pavilion fund currently has \$14,577 and continues to grow. A meeting will be scheduled for late winter/early spring to address concerns with youth in the community regarding what they would like to have for use at the beach next year.

Denise Cline from NEMCOG stated that she would like to see a slight change in one of the areas of our zoning plan that would make it better in the future. She will be sending information to president Phillips to bring to the planning committee for consideration.

The maintenance report was given. There are a few places where there are significant washouts. There are also a number of new signs needed in various places. The sidewalk on West Main that was caved in has been fixed. The slide and docks have been removed from the beach. The hoses have been turned off in the downtown flower boxes. The restrooms at the Flights of Imagination are being winterized. The sewer system is working very well. The lift stations pump rails and chain system will be replaced by Detroit Pump.

The road report was given by president Phillips. We will be

doing work on Traverse Bay in the spring. She is continuing to work on other reports that need to be finished for the state. Council member Durham is working on checking on the nuisance/building on Second Street. He will work with the building inspector for an inspection. No updates yet on the electric charging post for the village.

There will be an animal swap and flea market at the ARA site on Saturday, Oct. 16 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be charge of \$5 for each space. The Trick or Trunk and the Chili Cook-Off will take place on Saturday, Oct. 30 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A motion to adjourn was made by Healy with support from Wambold. Carried. Linda K. Somers

### HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

Village Clerk

The Harrisville Township Board meeting on August 10 was called to order at 7 p.m. at the township hall with Johnston, Spitznagel, Landrum and Healy in attendance. Joining the board for the meeting was Bill Thompson who presented financial information about the Countywide Clean Up. It was motioned to postpone rental of the township hall until April of 2022 by Healy, supported by Johnston. All were in favor, motion carried.

There was a motion to accept the clerk's minutes for the July meeting by Healy, supported by Johnston. All were in favor, motion carried. The treasurer's report reconciled with the clerk's office and was put on file for the audit. A final motion was made to pay the bills by Johnston, supported by Healy. All were in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

### BUYING TIMBER

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County of Alcona
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File No. Not Assigned

Estate of David S. Glass, deceased Date of birth: February 16, 1938 David S. Glass Trust dated September 24, 2007, as amended. To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, David S. Glass, who lived at 4273 W. Cedar Lake Road, Greenbush, Mich. 48738, died October 3, 2020. Not probate file was opened with respect to the estate of the decedent as there were no assets requiring administration.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate and/or the David S. Glass Trust will be forever barred unless presented to Glenn S. Glass as successor trustee of the David S. Glass Trust, or to both the probate court at Attn: Probate Division, Alcona County Trial Court, 106 5th Street, P.O. Box 385, Harrisville, Mich. 48740, and the trustee within four months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: October 13, 2021 Robert K. Myles, P.C. Robert K. Myles P36055 Attorney 109 S. State Street Oscoda, Mich. 48750 (989) 739-2871 Glenn S. Glass Personal representative 108 Morninghills Court Cary, N.C. 27518 (919) 3570066

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### Caledonia Township Public Hearing Notice

The Caledonia Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on October 25th, 2021, at 6:00 P. M. to recommend amendment of Lot Size Zoning ordinance to the Township Board. The public hearing will be held at 6421 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 jsklarich@gmail.com. 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 Lot Size Zoning Ordinance outline in draft ordinance which can be found online and at the Township

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# Take on Invasives with Huron Pines: Japanese knotweed

This is another piece in a 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.

An invasive species is one which has been introduced into a habitat and has a negative impact on its environment. For most invasive plants, this means they crowd out other native species and form dense patches across

This is another piece in a wide areas, altering the naturies on invasive plant spessin northern Michigan, wide areas, altering the natural landscape until control measures are implemented.

Japanese knotweed doubles down by impacting natural areas and man-made infrastructure. Its root systems can crack driveways, concrete sidewalks and building foundations all the while proving to be very difficult to eradicate or control.

When mowed or weed whacked, knotweed only comes back stronger. Frag-

A close-up view of the leaves and branches of Japanese knotweed before flowering.

ments that are scattered can re-root, furthering infestation. It is fast growing and has hollow stems that are similar in appearance to bamboo. Some plants can reach 15 feet in height and form an impenetrable wall.

"Knotweed is my favorite, least-favorite plant," said Shelby Bauer, stewardship team leader, who leads invasive species treatment work at Huron Pines. "It is very good at surviving, and some of the craziest stories I've heard are about knotweed growing right into a house. In its native habitat, knotweed is probably super cool but here it's just fighting you."

Knotweed was brought to the United States more than a century ago as an ornamental plant. Its yellow-white spike flowers bloom in late summer and fall, making this time of year the best opportunity to identify it and report infestations.

Treating knotweed can be done by carefully hand-trimming the shoots, burning the dried shoots on site and repeating when necessary. Composting is a bad idea, since fragments can root in

Japanese knotweed in flower. Yellowish-white flower spikes appear in August and September, making now the best time of year to identify and report occurrences of this invasive species. *Photos courtesy of Huron Pines*.

the compost pile or wherever the compost is spread.

Cutting followed by direct application of herbicide is one of the most effective treatment methods but, even so, repeated treatments are often needed to eradicate a patch of knotweed. As such, it is a priority species for Huron Pines.

"Knotweed is a very tough plant to get rid of so it's best to stay on top of it and report it," Bauer said. Reporting can be done through the Midwest Invasive Species Identification Network at misin.msu.edu, an online database Huron Pines uses to prioritize future treatment work.

The Huron Coastal 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 Coastal ISN is led by Huron Pines with support from the Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program (Michigan.gov/Invasives).

# Endangered Great Lakes rattler once had a bounty

By Hannah Brock

Capital News Service

A species unique to the Great Lakes region once had a bounty on its head, but now experts are trying to save it.

Known as the only venomous snake in Michigan — and one of two rattlesnakes in the Great Lakes Region — the eastern massasauga rattlesnake has been listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act since 2016.

Less than half of the massasauga's historical population exists, according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Why save it?

Snakes in general cause a visceral response, said Yu Man Lee, a conservation scientist at the Michigan Natural Features Inventory, a program of Michigan State University Extension. "There's this perceived risk (and) misunderstanding about the snake's behavior and ecology," Lee said.

"You know, like 'the snake's going to chase after me. It's going to come after me and bite me and stuff.' And so, I think that perceived risk then gets that added layer on top of the fact that people don't

like snakes and don't understand the value of snakes."

But the eastern massasauga is unlikely to chase or bite people, Lee said.

There's a reason some people don't know Michigan is home to a venomous snake: Eastern massasaugas are docile, often hide and aren't likely to bite unless grabbed or stepped on, she said.

A total of 848 individual reports of eastern massasaugas biting humans were made in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio between 1800 and 2015, according to a recent study published in Wilderness and Environmental Medicine. That's about four snake bites per year. While fatalities from the bites were reported by the study, none occurred after 1935.

Lee has surveyed civilians about the eastern massasauga for more than 20 years. There is a range of those who like snakes and want to know about rattlesnakes from a safety perspective and others who think no snake is a good snake, she said.

The small, thick-bodied snake lives in wetlands in all Great Lakes states, Iowa and Ontario, but most popula-



An eastern massasauga rattlesnake lying in brush. Photo by Shaughn Galloway via U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

tions are in Michigan and Ontario. Michigan is the stronghold for the species, said Dan Kennedy, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) endangered species coordinator.

Over the last two decades, the Michigan DNR has sought efforts to conserve the snake, Kennedy explained. By managing state-owned land and that of private partners, the department has preserved millions of acres of land under a conservation agreement, Kennedy said.

Most states had bounties on the snakes in the past, much like wolves, said Eric Hileman, a quantitative ecologist for the eastern massasauga Species Survival Plan. "I think as years have progressed, we've seen the consequences firsthand of when we try to remove species that we're fearful of, and even in those cases, it comes back to bite us," Hileman said.

Snakes like the eastern massasauga are an important part of the ecosystem. They regulate small mammal populations, which can transmit disease, Hileman said. For example, eastern massasauga eat small mammals carrying ticks, which can help ward off Lyme disease.

However, past bounties aren't the main reason for population decline. "I would say the biggest culprit is habitat loss, either simply by removing habitat and converting it to agriculture or urbanizing it, or sometimes in some areas, simply succession," Hileman said.

Eastern massasaugas live in wetlands. Natural succession may lead the wetland area to turn into forest if there isn't any fire to keep the trees down and maintain the wetland, Hileman said. The snakes regulate their temperature with outside sources of heat. A shaded forest doesn't suit them. As habitat loss occurs, the massasauga's range is divided into smaller pieces, sometimes causing the snakes to die while crossing roads, Hileman said.

Hileman has worked with massasaugas for 11 years. He's handled over 1,000 of them with proper equipment. The vast majority didn't strike. "They don't deserve the reputation that they have," said Hileman, adding that it's understandable to be fearful if you live in a state that doesn't have other venomous snakes.

Some people tend to have a bias towards species that are charismatic and they tend to care more about the conservation of species that are perceived as cute, said Carrie Tansy, the deputy field supervisor for the Fish and Wildlife Service. "It's important to understand that native species, like massasauga, often play an important ecological role within their communities," Tansy said.

The Fish and Wildlife Service announced September 23 that it has partnered with state, federal and private agencies to carry out a final recovery plan for the eastern massasauga. The goal is to stop species decline and ensure long-term survival by addressing habitat loss, according to the release. The plan also addresses impacts from flooding, drought, disease and intentional killing of the snakes.

"If eastern massasauga disappear, it's one of a kind," Hileman said. "It will never come back. So, I think, from my perspective, that alone is a reason to want to work towards conservation."



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