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F-41 bridge deck over Pine River to see construction

The rehabilitation of the bridge deck on the F-41 bridge over the Pine River in Mikado, between Goddard Road and Pine River Trail, is scheduled to begin on Monday, April 18.

According to the Alcona County Road Commission, the project will have that portion of F-41 down to one lane traffic and is expected to last a minimum of 20 weeks. There will be a traffic light managing the one-lane traffic flow.

Periodic lane closures in both directions for up to 10 minutes will occur. Motorists are advised to expect delays and take an alternate route.

According to the road commission, the project is in collaboration with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and both the construction and engineering plans meet its standards.

The F-41 bridge deck (Structure No. 15), originally constructed in 1956, fell into

critical, serious condition in 2020 per the Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) inspection. These inspections are required every two years by MDOT.

Jesse Campbell, managing director of the Alcona County Road Commission, explained this project has been in the planning stages for at least 10 years as he applied for funding. "Getting the funding for this project has been a long process. The first partial

approval came through in 2018 and we have just now been able to finalize everything," Campbell said.

The project's estimated cost of \$1,700,000 is partially funded thru MDOT's Local Bridge Fund (Section 10(5) of ACT 51, Public Acts of 1951 as amended) and partially funded by the Alcona County Road Commission.

The rehabilitation project includes deck replacement, cleaning and coating of the

structural steel, substructure concrete patching, riprap, replacement of approach, and guardrail anchorage and railing replacement.

Campbell also shared that new scour countermeasures will be taken to minimize erosion and increase the lifespan of the structure.

Questions or concerns regarding this project should be directed to the Alcona County Road Commission at (989) 736-8168.

Lt. Governor visits Alcona County, talks to local leaders

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

To better understand the needs of rural communities, Michigan's Lieutenant Governor visited communities in northeast Michigan last week, including two visits in Alcona County.

Lt. Gov. Garlin Gilchrist II (D) talked first with a small group gathered at the Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) before stopping at Alcona High School where he talked to select students and faculty.

Gilchrist's mission was to hear from community members so he could carry back their concerns. The information gathered will help determine the best way to spend hundreds of millions of dollars that Governor Gretchen Whitmer has allocated to make childcare affordable, housing attainable and high-speed Internet access for all.

Seated at the ACCOA table to greet Gilchrist were many of the ACCOA board members and Lenny Avery, director; Dennis Kruttlin, Village of Lincoln Downtown Development Authority president; and Doug Cheek, Alcona County Economic Development Committee (A-EDC) chairman.

Cheek explained to Gilchrist the lack of Internet service in the county and how it is needed for the community to grow into an economically balanced place to live, work and raise children.

"One major roadblock for many businesses and home buyers who may be thinking of moving to the area is the lack of Internet accessibility. Without high-speed Internet, it is very difficult to attract

new businesses and residents," Cheek said.

"We know there is a large initiative to map the entire state right now, we did that ourselves in Alcona County last year. We now have a very clear picture of what is here. There is a strong need here, 50 percent of the county is underserved or not served at all," he said.

Gilchrist listened to Avery's concern about the lack of affordable housing in the area and how the county needs a community center, a place not just for seniors but for all ages to enjoy keeping fit, become better educated in dietary health, learn a new craft or hobby such as vegetable gardening, a place youth can come to have fun and be instructed after school in the arts, as well as place for all walks of life to come together and socialize.

Avery also explained the building would house office space for business incubators to help grow community interests.

He told Gilchrist about the ICANhelpAlcona initiative which is an information and community assessment of needs group forming in the county. "We are trying to put together this initiative because we know what is happening at Wurtsmith. Wurtsmith was once a big boon for this community. Any senior here can tell you about the good old days when Wurtsmith was open.

"We have the prospect of a space launch program only 19 miles away and 4,000 jobs opening up. Where are they going to put those people? Where is the infrastructure?



Community members (from left) Doug Cheek, chairperson, Alcona Economic Development Committee; Will St. John, ACCOA board member; Dennis Kruttlin, president, Village of Lincoln Downtown Development Authority; and Lenny Avery, director, ACCOA, met with Michigan Lt. Gov. Garlin Gilchrist to discuss issues in rural Alcona County. Photo by Mary Weber.

We don't want to be a pass-through county.

"We are flat on housing without the 4,000 jobs that might come here. We are flat on offering industrial jobs that might be needed to support that. It's beyond just the Internet, but the Internet is what is going to drive this. We can get electrical, gas, water and sewer to these places but (the Internet) is a big piece missing.

Kruttlin shared that the DDA's rural development grant should be finalized soon and there are some parcels available for businesses to come in including the possibility of the Veterans Administration moving to a new building in town pending county approval. He said anything Gilchrist could do to help the community would be greatly appreciated.

Cheek explained one of the biggest hurdles most organizations face is that most grants are for matching funds and in rural communities, the funds are unavailable to make the match.

After listening to everyone, Gilchrist said he was there for a purpose and that every problem he had heard at the table was solvable. "If we choose to prioritize investing in every community in a way that is tailored to the specific needs of every community, we can make progress on all these challenges," he said.

Gilchrist highlighted the Building Michigan Together plan. "Last week the Governor signed a piece of legislation that represents the largest one-year infusion of infrastructure investment in a very long time. It involves things directly responsive to

issues you raised such as affordable housing.

"The potential of the Michigan Launch initiative could be a significant boon to the entire state and the way we contribute to the global economy, let alone this local. That infrastructure deal has a \$100 million investing directly to affordable housing and community development projects. We believe statewide it will draw down an additional \$480 million of investment (from private and public partners) for affordable housing.

"That means money for new development and rehabilitation. We believe we can have a vibrant housing stock in this community. This would be a down payment to make progress towards that," Gilchrist said.



God Bless America

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Obituary

Donna M. Ross

Donna M. Ross, 63, of Glenie, died on Monday, April 4, 2022, at home.

She was born January 12, 1959, to Robert and Lorraine (Thompson) McGregor in Southfield, Mich.

She was a lifelong resident of Glenie.

Mrs. Ross is survived by two sons, Ryan Ross of Gainesville, Ga. and Devin Ross of Ionia, Mich.; two sisters, Dianne (Fred) Ries of New Port Richey, Fla. and Les (Ron) Rader of Clinton Township, Mich.; and two brothers, Doug Sorsen of Tucson,



Ariz. and Tab (Lorraine) McGregor of Hazel Park, Mich.

A memorial visitation was Saturday, April 9 at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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Calendar of Events

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13
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, APRIL 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 information.

TOPS 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado with weigh-in at 9 a.m. and meeting at 9:15 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Site is handicap accessible. For details, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-8600.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15
All branches of the Alcona County Library are closed in observance of Good Friday.

CrossRoads Recovery, a faith-based addiction program, will meet at 7 p.m. at Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 S. State Street, Greenbush. For more information, contact Pastor Caincross at (989) 569-1298.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 16
All branches of the Alcona County Library are closed in observance of Easter.

MONDAY, APRIL 18
White Pine Quilt Guild meets at 6:30 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville. Anyone interested in quilting is welcome.

TUESDAY, APRIL 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 April is, "The Midnight Library," by Matt Haig. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 21
Veterans are invited to join fellow comrades for coffee and fellowship from 9 to 11 a.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville. For details, call (989) 724-9581.

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A book sale will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Hosted by the Friends of the Library.

FRIDAY, APRIL 22
A book sale will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Hosted by the Friends of the Library.

A story time and craft activity for children will be held at the Alcona County Library in Harrisville will begin at 10:30 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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Planting pinwheels
Alcona Elementary Student Council members with the pinwheels they planted recently for the kick off of Child Abuse Prevention Month in April. A community gathering was held with Leo Giori, director of Michigan Department of Health and Human Services as the guest speaker. He spoke on how individuals can help prevent child abuse and neglect. (Front row, from left) Kailyn Mahalak, Marley Neggie, Nevaeh Liebler, Sophia Patterson, Temperance Fry, Hunter Sommer, Colton Kimball, Cash Schmidt, (back row) Mason Beatty, Eiven Travis, Angela Walmsley, Jady Lincoln, and Holden Mahalak. *Courtesy photo.*

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Local Notes



Library Book Sale

Everyone is encouraged to peruse the spring book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from Thursday, April 21 through Saturday, April 23. There is a large collection of books on a variety of subjects, including art, cooking, crafts and home, gardening, health, biography, history, fiction, military, travel, Sci-Fi, mystery, non-fiction, action/adventure, romance, children/youth, and more, plus CDs, audio books, and DVDs. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at noon Monday

mile - then go north on Bischoff Road for about three quarters of a mile until signs on the left side. Call or text "Russell the Forester" for more information at (989) 310-6408.

Early Childhood Training

The early childhood education staff of Michigan State University Extension is offering an online training opportunity for early childhood professionals called Building Early Emotional Skills (BEES) for Early Childhood Professionals. BEES is an opportunity to learn more about how children develop important social emotional skills, and how professionals can help them learn to understand and

post-partum suites.

The 99,000 square-foot patient tower took two years to complete and cost \$63.5 million. The tower is home to 60 new private patient rooms, including eight intensive care unit beds, eight labor and delivery rooms, and 44 medical/surgical/telemetry beds. The new tower also includes 18 prep and recovery rooms, flex rooms, as well as five new operating rooms. Once the tower is complete, many areas in the existing Medical Center will be renovated.

Those interested in more information about the patient tower project may visit www.mymichigan.org/alpenatower.



An artist's rendering of the new patient tower at MyMichigan Medical Center Alpena. *Courtesy artwork.*

through Thursday at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln. Reservations are required by 10 a.m. each day by calling (989) 334-3470. Takeout meals can be reserved at the same number by calling no later than 10 a.m. No membership is required. A suggested donation of \$3 per meal is welcome.

- Monday, April 18: Ham, scalloped potatoes, broccoli, peaches.
- Tuesday, April 19: Beef tips, buttered noodles, mixed vegetables, Jell-O with fruit.
- Wednesday, April 20: Breaded pork chop, garlic red potatoes, sliced carrots, apple sauce.
- Thursday, April 21: Taco salad, corn chips, baby carrots and dip, Mandarin oranges.

Apple Tree Grafting

The Iosco and Alcona Conservation districts are holding an apple tree grafting workshop on Saturday, April 16 at Ingalls Forest. The cost is \$30 and includes the materials to make and take three grafted apple trees. Rootstocks are a semidwarf type and there will be several different varieties of scions available. Attendance is limited to 16 people, so preregistration is required. The workshop will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., though may finish earlier. A hot dog and chips lunch will be provided, along with coffee and cocoa.

Ingalls Forest is a few miles northwest of East Tawas. From Wilber Road - go west on Anderson Road for one

express their emotions appropriately. The class will focus on dealing with the stress as a caregiver and handling tantrums, biting and other challenging behaviors of young children.

The series is free and is done entirely online. It is an approved MiRegistry training for eight-training hours upon successful completion of the series. There is no cost for the training and all materials are provided digitally. Registration runs from April 4 to April 17, pre-registration is required. The series runs from April 10 to June 3. For more information or to register for BEES, visit https://www.canr.msu.edu/building_early_emotional_skills_in_young_children/online-program-for-professionals.

Tower Grand Opening

Community members are invited to celebrate the grand opening of the new patient tower at MyMichigan Medical Center in Alpena during a public open house on Friday, April 22, from noon to 3 p.m. A ribbon cutting with remarks will be held at 12:45 p.m.

At the open house, self-guided tours will enable guests to see many areas of the finished building, including one of 60 new private patient rooms. In addition, guests will be able to see the medical center's new lobby and entrance, operating rooms, nursing stations, family waiting room, sterile processing department, critical care unit, as well as the new labor, delivery, recovery and

REQUEST FOR QUOTES

District Health Department No. 2 is accepting quotes for engineering and design services for the renovation of the new Alcona County office site. For more information visit the District Health Department No. 2 website at www.dhd2.org and click on the Engineering and Design Request for Quotes on the home page or call 989-724-6757 Ext 1603 for more information. Quotes are due by close of business April 21, 2022.

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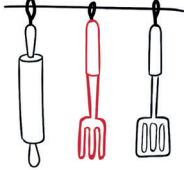
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Marijuana shops opening across Michigan

By **Lindsay M. McCoy**
Capital News Service

Michigan's retail marijuana landscape continues to evolve almost four years after voters legalized its recreational sale and use in 2018.

Earlier this month, for example, Alpena opened its first dispensary. The Detroit City Council passed an ordinance this month raising the cap on recreational dispensaries from 76 to 100 and setting a lottery system to award some future licenses.

Elsewhere in the state, Gaylord's first dispensary opened in March. And Pentwater voters in Oceana County will decide May 3 whether to repeal an ordinance that allows dispensaries in the village.

Sault Ste. Marie, a city that chose not to limit the number of licenses, has increased its shops from two to four over the past year, while Marquette now has seven dispensaries.

Based on 2020 census figures for the cities of Marquette and Sault Ste. Marie and the number of shops located in each, the two cities had one state and city licensed dispensary per approximately 3,000 residents.

Cities like Detroit and Grand Rapids have one shop per 10,000-plus residents.

"The number may seem high, but I don't really think it's that high," said Brian Chapman, the city manager of Sault Ste. Marie. "It just depends on the market and the surrounding population."

The location of the larger cities in the U.P. and the desire of residents of rural areas to drive to dispensaries could be a contributing factor as well, Chapman said.

According to Chapman, the city commission chose a free-market approach when establishing its license process, while other cities opted to limit the number of licenses they distribute. "They had to come up with some kind of process in order to vet those applications. Some people drew cards, but ultimately it ended in litigation," he said.

Marquette took the free-market approach when allowing dispensaries into the city as well. "They wanted to let the market work out how many our city should have rather than putting an arbitrary limit on it," said Sean Hobbins, Marquette's assistant city manager.

Chapman said not capping the number of licenses allowed Sault Ste. Marie officials to stay out of decision-making that could ultimately be challenged in court. "If you look at it like any other business, we don't have caps on pizza shops," Chapman said.

As far as demand for dispensary products, Chapman said the clientele can be diverse. "I'm sure the university adds to it," he said in reference to Lake Superior State University, "but in my last position downstate, a lot of the clientele were senior citizens."

So far, the dispensaries bring extra revenue for the city from the licensing fees and excise taxes on the sale of recreational marijuana. "We got the number from the state a couple of weeks ago, and it's bringing in an extra \$112,000 for last year, and that was just with two active licenses," said Chapman.

Last month, the state's Department of Treasury announced \$42.2 million will be distributed among 163 municipalities with dispensaries, up from \$10 million and 104 municipalities the previous year.

The revenue helps pay for

government operations such as the police, fire and parks departments.

Even so, some community members are expressing their opposition to pot business via social media. "So sad that Sault Ste Marie wants another weed shop. What is happening to our town?" wrote one Facebook user.

Chapman said that when the commission was first deciding whether to allow dispensaries, it hosted workshops to provide residents with information that both opposed and supported the businesses. He said the city didn't see a lot of people come out either supporting or opposing dispensaries.

"The topic itself is pretty emotionally charged," Chapman said. "You may not use it, but you, either support it or you don't."

One concern Chapman has heard is from residents worried about others driving under the influence of marijuana, but said it hasn't had an "earthshaking effect" on the community. "Maybe we pull over people who are impaired by marijuana, but most of those people have other substances in their system as well," he said.

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The Building Michigan Together plan also has \$250 million focused on high-speed Internet access which Gilchrist said was specifically to expand high-speed, high-quality, affordable Internet access.

He appreciated that Alcona County had already mapped the area and said that will help save the state some time. According to Gilchrist, the mapping must be done before August because there are federal funds they were applying for to be leveraged against the \$250 million to bring Internet to the people quickly.

"This institution and all the services you provide is exactly who we want to partner with. Our administration is seeking and encouraging the kinds of partnerships I see represented at this table.

"I want to make sure we are properly prioritizing what will help this community thrive. I think the vision you articulated and the needs you have addressed are things we can work together on. This is a moment where we have resources that we have not had for a long time, so we need to invest them wisely," Gilchrist said.

He felt with what the senior center has already done for the future investment of a housing/senior and community center could very well be a foundation project for Whitmer's investment in rural communities plan. "You putting these pieces in place will help us move quickly. These resources exist to be invested in the communities' - not just sit on a shelf for the legislature to argue about," Gilchrist said.

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How to choose a Medicare Advantage plan

Dear Savvy Senior,
I will be 65 and eligible for Medicare in a few months and am interested in getting a Medicare Advantage plan to cover my health care and medications. What tips can you provide to help me pick a plan?

Ready to Retire

Dear Ready,
Medicare Advantage plans have become very popular among retirees over the past 15 years, as nearly half of all new Medicare enrollees are signing up for Advantage plans, which accounts for about 42 percent of the entire Medicare market. Here are some tips and tools to help you pick a plan that fits your needs.

First, let's start with a quick review. Medicare Advantage plans (also known as Medicare Part C) are government approved health plans sold by private insurance companies that you can choose in place of original Medicare. The vast majority of Advantage plans are managed-care policies such as HMOs or PPOs that require you to get your care within a network of doctors.

If you join an Advantage plan, the plan will provide all of your Part A (hospital insurance) and Part B (medical insurance) coverage like original Medicare does. But many plans also offer extra benefits like dental, hearing and vision coverage along with gym/fitness memberships, and most plans include prescription drug coverage too.

Medicare Advantage plans are also cheaper than if you got original Medicare, plus a

separate Part D drug plan and a Medigap policy. Many Advantage plans have \$0 or low monthly premiums and don't always have a deductible, but they also typically have a high out-of-pocket maximum. In 2021, Advantage plan participants, on average, were responsible for a maximum of around \$5,100 for in-network care, and about \$9,200 when out-of-network care is included.

How to Choose

To help you pick a plan, a good first step is to call the office managers of the doctors you use and find out which Advantage plans they accept, and which ones they recommend. Then go to the Medicare Plan Finder tool at Medicare.gov/plan-compare to compare Advantage plans in your area. This tool provides a five-star rating system that evaluates each plan based on past customer satisfaction and quality of care the plan delivers.

When comparing, here are some key points to consider:

- Total costs: Look at the plan's entire pricing package,

not just the premiums and deductibles. Compare the maximum out-of-pocket costs plus the copays and coinsurance charged for doctor office visits, hospital stays, visits to specialists, prescription drugs and other medical services.

This is important because if you choose an Advantage plan, you're not allowed to purchase a Medigap policy, which means you'll be responsible for paying these expenses out of your own pocket.

- Drug coverage: Check the plan's formulary – the list of prescription drugs covered – to be sure all the medications you take are covered without excessive co-pays or requirements that you try less expensive drugs first.

- Dental, vision and hearing: Many Advantage plans come with dental, vision and hearing benefits, but are usually limited. Get the details on what exactly is covered.

- Coverage away from home: Most Advantage plans limit you to using in-network doctors only within a service area or geographic region, so



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find out what's covered if you need medical care when you're away from home.

- Out-of-network coverage: Check to see what's covered if you want to see a specialist in a hospital that is not in a plan's network. You can get a list of doctors and hospitals that take part in a plan on the plan's website.

plan, contact your State Health Insurance Assistance Program at ShipHelp.org or call (877) 839-2675. Also see the HealthMetrix Research 2022 Cost Comparisons Report at MedicareNewsWatch.com that lists the best Advantage plans based on health status.

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

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By Terry Roorda

Recovering Romantic

The first day of spring in Western Springs, Illinois, was distinguished from the last day of winter only by my heightened weariness of the banked snow and frozen puddles that covered the playground at Western Springs Elementary. It was supposed to be springtime, damn it. What a gyp.

It was recess time and in my nascent role as class clown of Miss Dickie's first grade class, I was puckishly stretched out on a patch of ice pretending to be sunbathing while sighing rapturously, "Ah...*Spring!*" to the hysterical delight of my small compadres who were – truth be told – a pretty easy audience.

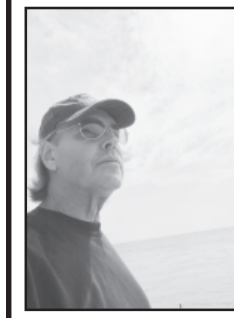
At the rear of this throng of chuckling munchkins stood a blue-eyed beauty smiling and watching my antics. Our eyes met. I became dizzy and all the other faces in the crowd fell off into a peripheral vortex and their voices receded into a nattering drone and time stood still. I seem to recall having heard the distant strains of Ravel's "Bolero".

That face – Ah, what a face! – belonged to Peggy O'Neil, a classmate of mine in Miss Dickie's fabled first grade Room 7. I had gazed upon it a hundred times before without experiencing any particular vertigo and I recall now having wondered to my horror if perhaps my physical reaction that fateful first day of spring might, in fact, have been the first symptoms of the Cooties.

The school bell tolled the end of recess and time began moving forward once more. My classmates' faces and voices resumed their immediacy, the "Bolero" became replaced in my ears by the mechanical lurching of the school's boilers, and I picked myself up from the ice. I scurried back into the schoolhouse with the other kids but my gaze was now locked upon the blonde pigtails and pink galoshes of Peggy O'Neil as she scurried ahead of me. I moved with the crowd but I was no longer of the crowd. I was in love.

Now you would think that a six-year-old boy in love would have a pretty easy time

Spring fever



VIEW FROM LAKE STEET

By Terry Roorda



Peggy O'Neil, the Goddess of Spring.

of it, what with the Cooty epidemic among the girls keeping most right-thinking boys at a respectful distance from the object of my desire. Yessiree, an easy time of it, you would think. And even if another boy did transcend the Cooty menace, what chance was there that of all the girls in Room 7 he'd be enamored of Peggy O'Neil? And even if he were enamored of Peggy O'Neil, what were the infinitesimal odds that the other boy would be my best friend, Philip Chenoweth? That would be a real long shot, wouldn't it?

Alas, all is fair in war, but nothing is fair in love. And not only did Philip have a crush on Peggy, but I think she fancied him a little more than me, being attracted to the more serious types, I guess. And to make matters even more dicey, Philip had a bicycle.

I recall now having wondered to my horror if perhaps my physical reaction that fateful first day of spring might, in fact, have been the first symptoms of the Cooties.

Which is not to say that my sweet Peggy was impressed by such trappings of affluence, but that as long as Philip and I remained friends, I could ride his bike anytime I wanted, and since I was bigger than Philip some of those times were when he would have wanted to ride it himself. I was therefore somewhat hamstrung in my pursuit of Peggy's affections. I couldn't just dissolve my friendship with Philip and take off the gloves, so to speak, because even though the loss of Peggy would mean I'd never love again, the loss of Philip would mean I'd never get to ride his bike again. And at the age of six, that consequence seemed somehow more dire.

So, I continued for the moment romancing Peggy with such subtle overtures as throwing snowballs at her, while carefully preserving my friendship with Philip and his bicycle – pretending not to notice when *he* threw snowballs at my girl. This state of affairs continued uneasily into late April as the snow melted, the trees budded out, the alphabet became second nature, and the first breezes of true spring blew into Illinois making all the world ripe for romance and bicycle riding.

tickle, and pester Peggy with my affections virtually without surcease and felt myself firmly in the driver's seat of love. When school finally let out I ran like a young rabbit all the way to Philip's house to commandeer his bicycle. I jumped onto the seat and peddled a hot lap around the block, breathing in the spring air in lusty gulps. When I returned from my circuit I suddenly realized something was amiss. Philip was not there to fight me for the right to ride his bike. In fact, he hadn't even come out of the house. Smelling a rat, I crept up to his house and, standing on tiptoe, peered into the window. My worst fears were confirmed. There in the living room were Philip and Peggy sitting cross-legged on the carpet. And they were playing – *Gasp!* – *plastic dinosaurs!*

My small head swam with the treachery of it all, and my young psyche grasped that they had something between them that I could have no part of and was powerless to dispel. Something secret and special and shared. And I realized I'd been wasting my life and may as well have been throwing snowballs at windmills.

Of course, I had to leave Western Springs. Fortunately for me my family was moving back to Michigan anyway. Yet I swore an oath – even after what I had witnessed – that I would love Peggy O'Neil and no other until the end of eternity.

I was six years old when I swore that oath. Eternity ended in the fourth grade.

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Students talk with Gilchrist about programs

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

While visiting with constituents in northeast Michigan, Lt. Gov. Garlin Gilchrist II visited a few students at Alcona High School.

He was greeted by selected staff and faculty including Christie Thomas, interim principal; Jason Somers, dean of students, Tim Lee, elementary principal; Aimee Renschenski, marketing business teacher; Trudi Marsh, social worker; Adam Brege, robotics coach and county commissioner; and Connor Hubbard, agri-science teacher, as well as selected students.

Commissioner Brege said it was good to have the opportunity to show Lansing leadership some of the great things going on in Alcona County.

Brege's son, Peter, is a sophomore and a member of the school's robotic team, the Tool Cats. He showed Gilchrist one of the team's robots. Having a background in engineering, he was very interested in how students put their robots together.

"He asked about the functionality of our robot. I showed him how it worked and explained how its design related to this season's competition. I also brought up the trials and errors we went through in the process of making our robot work as reliable as we could.

"To my surprise, he told me he had participated in First Robotics when he was in high school and thanked me for showing him our robot. It was a neat experience to be able to show the Lt. Governor what we had been working on for the past three months and interesting to hear about his experience with robotics in the past," Peter Brege said.

Heading next to the school's marketing and student entrepreneur's coffee café, the Tea and Bean, Gilchrist met junior Sierra West and sophomores Sage Gauthier and Chase Kamischke. They explained the variety of teas and coffee they sell, the different sizes offered and how they come up with a new designer beverage each month.

West said she and other students were a little nervous considering Gilchrist's position but got over that feeling



Marketing and business students (from left) Sage Gauthier, Sierra West and Chase Kamischke, explain to Lt. Gov. Garlin Gilchrist what teas and coffee they sell at the student run enterprise, The Tea and Bean. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

quickly by how personable he was. "He was very relatable and easy to talk to. We talked about the coffee shop and how all schools should be doing something like this. How (these classes) were a huge incentive for people to want to come to our school.

"He asked me if I wanted to do something in the future with business and I told him that was why I joined the marketing and entrepreneurship classes. I want to major in business and minor in fashion and become the chief executive officer. It was interesting for me to learn he had a few businesses of his own before becoming Lt. Governor," West said.

Marketing students also gifted Gilchrist with swag from their newly opened Tiger Den Store and gave him a brief tour of the classroom store explaining they were just getting started.

Renschenski said her students were excited to show off what they've learned and accomplished through the program. "They were happy to know someone from the state was interested in their school and felt he truly cared about what they were doing in the program," she said.

Before heading to the school's Sugar Shack,

Gilchrist was introduced to social worker/counselor Trudi Marsh. "I was very impressed with his sincerity and interest in (mental health) services we provide our students. He complemented our program and hoped to encourage other schools to follow our model. To me, that was a huge boost to have validation that Alcona is on the right track with our programs and students.

The Sugar Shack tour was led by Quinten Goldberg, a senior and soon-to-be class valedictorian. As he and the Gilchrist walked through various rooms Goldberg explained every step leading to their finished maple syrup product and easily answered every question Gilchrist had.

Goldberg also told the Lt. Governor about the chickens they raise and how they are butchered by students and sold. "Soon we may be raising pigs to be butchered for meat for our sugar festival next year," Goldberg said.

"This is a great model. I'm glad to come and see this for myself and see all the hands-on creative experiences students are receiving. This school is a gem," Gilchrist said.

Thomas was proud of how the students did and said they rose to the occasion and did a spectacular job showcasing their projects. "It was a great opportunity for us to show some of the many things that make Alcona such a special school," Thomas said.



Agri-science student Quinten Goldberg escorts the Lt. Governor through the school's Sugar Shack explaining each process of how to make maple syrup. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



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Citizens for Health group making plans

April 13, 1972 ~ The Alcona County Citizens for Health, working to establish a medical clinic in Alcona County are continuing to make progress.

At the past meeting more interested persons joined the group and the decision was made to conduct a county wide telephone survey to determine as accurately as possible the medical needs of the county. The questions to be asked in the survey are being developed now and will be finalized at the next meeting, Wednesday, April 19th., at the Caledonia School with the

Construction could start on new library building in July

April 9, 1997 ~ By Cheryl Peterson

Although many details have yet to be worked out, July 1 has been set for the target date to start constructing the new building for the Alcona County Library main branch in Harrisville.

Last Wednesday, Library Board Chairman Jim Ellis and Library Director Alyssa Sadler showed the Alcona County Board of Commissioners a summary of seven different proposals that were considered before deciding to go ahead with construction this summer.

The library is housed in the lower level of the county building, but plans are under way to build a new facility on recently purchased land on M-72 just west of the county building. Two years ago residents approved a half mill for eight years to fund the library. According to Alcona County Treasurer Thomas Katona roughly \$192,000 was raised the first year of the millage. Ellis said \$100,000 was used for library operations. Much of the rest of the money has been used to purchase land and has gone into the building fund.

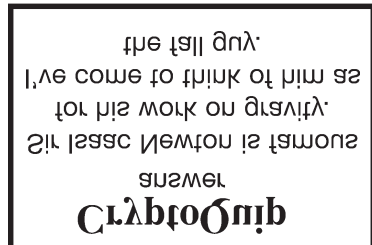
Ellis said plans are still being finished, then specs have to be drawn up and bids need to be taken. He said if all goes well, July 1 will be the ground breaking. The proposed building will be 8,200 square feet.

The library board is looking to borrow, either from the county or the state, necessary funds needed to construct the new building. Ellis said if the board waited until it had all of the money needed for construction, it would take until 1999, and since the county needs the space where the library is located, waiting isn't feasible.

actual survey taking place later this month.

Other developments at the last meeting were the establishment of a group to begin the search for a location of the clinic and also discussed and in the works is the incorporation of the group and a trip by Alcona citizens to Baldwin, Michigan to inspect the Baldwin area clinic which was developed much like we hope the Alcona County clinic will be developed.

It was also decided at the meeting that future meetings would take place in different locations around the county and the first location selected was the Caledonia School because, quite frankly, there hasn't been a lot of response from the Hubbard Lake area, and Black River is next. If you would like to get in on an exciting endeavor with hopefully fruitful results attend the Citizens for Health meeting at the Caledonia School Wednesday, April 19 at 7:30 p.m.



Schleh's Drug Store entered by thieves

April 13, 1972 ~ Schleh's Drug Store, on US-23 at the south county line, was entered last Saturday morning by thieves.

Entry was made by forcing the front door open. Reported missing are an estimated \$123 in candy, cigarettes and cigars.

The Alcona County Sheriff's Department is investigating the Breaking and Entering.

Garage-warehouse destroyed by fire

April 13, 1972 ~ Fire of undetermined origin destroyed a 24 ft. by 45 ft. garage warehouse, owned by George Kohler of Barton City, Sunday morning, April 2.

The building, which was located just north of the Kohler home, was completely destroyed, as were the contents. The loss was estimated at about \$18,000. There was no insurance.

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Kenneth Craven shot by young neighbor

.25 Bullet Lodged in Neck Making Serious Wound

April 13, 1922 ~ Kenneth Craven, aged 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Neil, was shot in the face Sunday by Henry Madore, aged 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Madore, and seriously wounded.



The bullet, a .25 caliber, struck the lad in the right jaw, well back, and was embedded deeply in the muscles of the neck. Monday Mr. Neil took Kenneth to Alpena where a part of the bullet was extracted. A small portion of the jaw bone was also removed. The other piece of lead could not be removed.

It is a serious wound and it will be some time before the outcome can be known, is the

word that comes from Alpena.

The story of the shooting as told by Mr. Neil is that Henry and Johnny Madore were passing along the road by Neil's house. Kenneth and his two brothers were sitting on the porch.

When the Madore boys started to come into the yard, Mr. Neil motioned for them to go on home, he not liking the idea of having the gun among the children. As the Madore boys moved away their dog came into Neil's yard and Kenneth threw a stone at it. It is thought that this angered Henry or he shot and Kenneth ran screaming to his mother.

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April 7	41	33	0.00	4.0	20	SSW
April 8	39	30	0.15	1.4	16	N
April 9	38	25	0.00	1.6	14	N

2021-2022 Season Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	1.03	0.9	0.49
April to Date	1.05	1.2	0.63
Year/Season to Date	5.76	35.1	5.87

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

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **LANGUAGE:** What is a demonym?
2. **MEDICAL:** What's the common name of a condition called otitis externa?
3. **GEOGRAPHY:** Which large body of water lies to the south of Ukraine?
4. **FOOD & DRINK:** Which nut is used to make marzipan?
5. **LITERATURE:** Who is the author of the poem "The Gift Outright," which was read at President John Kennedy's inauguration in 1961?
6. **MEASUREMENTS:** What is an octant?
7. **GEOLOGY:** Which mineral is the softest on the Mohs Scale?
8. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is the name of a porcupine's baby?
9. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the name of Barbie's younger sister, introduced in 1964?
10. **HISTORY:** In which country did the Easter Rising take place in 1916?

Answers: 1. A term used to describe the natives or residents of a country, state or city; 2. Swimmer's ear; 3. Black Sea; 4. Almonds; 5. Robert Frost; 6. One-eighth of a circle, or 45 degrees; 7. Talc; 8. Porcupette; 9. Skipper; 10. Ireland (c) 2022 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Hero-worship</p> <p>8 Not — (fair to middling)</p> <p>13 Gave a prize to</p> <p>20 Big name in cassette tapes, once</p> <p>21 Bad booze</p> <p>22 "Wouldn't It Be —" ("My Fair Lady" song)</p> <p>23 Start of a riddle</p> <p>26 Came after that</p> <p>27 Violin master Mischa</p> <p>28 Library no-no</p> <p>29 Aflame</p> <p>32 "Every day — new day"</p> <p>33 ETs' craft</p> <p>34 Brief tussle</p> <p>36 Riddle, part 2</p> <p>44 Not wholly</p> <p>45 "Cool" moola amount</p> <p>46 Bottom</p> <p>47 Pro-school gp.</p> <p>48 "Hi, Don Ho!"</p> <p>49 Tease in fun</p> <p>51 Store window info: Abbr.</p> <p>52 Smear all over</p> <p>55 Riddle, part 3</p> | <p>57 — -bah (big wheel: Var.)</p> <p>58 Reach as far as</p> <p>59 "On the Beach" novelist</p> <p>60 Jimmy Shute</p> <p>62 More furtive</p> <p>63 "Uncle Moses" novelist</p> <p>66 Riddle, part 4</p> <p>69 Gen — (millennials)</p> <p>70 Rental for relocation</p> <p>72 Flip out</p> <p>73 Feudal toilers</p> <p>75 Novelty</p> <p>77 Miniver's title</p> <p>78 Riddle, part 5</p> <p>82 Moon of Neptune</p> <p>83 Be the victor</p> <p>84 Sci-fi sage</p> <p>85 Lasso part</p> <p>86 Suffix with east</p> <p>87 "Oh, really?"</p> <p>89 Country singer</p> <p>90 Charge to run a promo</p> <p>91 End of the riddle</p> <p>97 Firebug's crime</p> | <p>98 Possible reply to "Are you sure?"</p> <p>99 "That's the guy!"</p> <p>100 Calendar spans: Abbr.</p> <p>101 Tehran native</p> <p>104 Candle parts</p> <p>106 Dominion</p> <p>109 Riddle's answer</p> <p>115 Barbuda's partner island</p> <p>116 — two (a few)</p> <p>117 Books filled with maps</p> <p>118 Most sharp</p> <p>119 Spacek of "3 Women"</p> <p>120 Pedicure target</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Pal, to Pierre</p> <p>2 Dict. lookup</p> <p>3 Thurman of "Kill Bill"</p> <p>4 Ear feature</p> <p>5 Make — for it (take off)</p> <p>6 Tautness</p> <p>7 Alibi, e.g.</p> <p>8 Like many horse hooves</p> <p>9 Reaction to a punch</p> <p>10 Optimistic</p> <p>11 Leopardlike animal</p> | <p>12 — McAn (big name in footwear)</p> <p>13 Format of AP Radio Network</p> <p>14 "Alas!"</p> <p>15 Lemmon/Wilder comedy</p> <p>16 Take hold again, as a plant</p> <p>17 Three, in Munich</p> <p>18 Yale alumni</p> <p>19 Bit of force</p> <p>24 Try, as a case</p> <p>25 Turkish VIPs of old</p> <p>29 Wash gently against, as the shore</p> <p>30 Novelist</p> <p>31 Dice toss</p> <p>33 Infantry division</p> <p>35 1990s fitness fad</p> <p>37 Tom Cruise's role in "Mission: Impossible"</p> <p>38 Get — start (not begin on time)</p> <p>39 "Sure, put me down for it"</p> <p>40 Not in the country</p> | <p>41 Neck and neck, scorewise</p> <p>42 Fix at the vet's</p> <p>43 Eva, Magda and Zsa Zsa</p> <p>49 Objects</p> <p>50 Middle name of Emerson</p> <p>51 Rhino's pair</p> <p>53 Canon camera series</p> <p>54 Under oath legally</p> <p>56 Roman 106</p> <p>57 Odists, e.g.</p> <p>58 Swiss canton or its capital</p> <p>60 Reject rudely</p> <p>61 Lay new turf on</p> <p>63 Her niece is Dorothy Gale</p> <p>64 Shepherd once of "The View"</p> <p>65 Sounding like a crow</p> <p>67 Bad blood</p> <p>68 Prefix with cuspid</p> <p>71 Zodiac feline</p> <p>74 Italian handbag brand</p> <p>76 Pouty states</p> <p>78 Shed feathers</p> <p>79 Composer Carmichael</p> | <p>80 On the move</p> <p>81 Many minors</p> <p>83 Hot dog, informally</p> <p>84 Rural assent to a woman</p> <p>88 Feline in competitions</p> <p>89 Ailment with red spots</p> <p>90 Confess about</p> <p>92 Submit, as homework</p> <p>93 Emergency room sorting</p> <p>94 Waikiki wear</p> <p>95 "Alas!"</p> <p>96 Bites lightly</p> <p>101 "Out of Africa" writer</p> <p>102 Bit of Viking writing</p> <p>103 Poker post</p> <p>105 Corp. money handlers</p> <p>106 "Climb — Mountain"</p> <p>107 Make mad</p> <p>108 Israeli statesman</p> <p>110 Frat letters</p> <p>111 Calendar spans: Abbr.</p> <p>112 Onetime foe of the USSR</p> <p>113 Waikiki wear</p> <p>114 Immigrants' class, in brief</p> |
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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On April 17, 1882, several copies of Sheriff Pat Garrett's wildly inauthentic, fictionalized biography, "An Authentic Life of Billy the Kid," arrive at the Library of Congress. The first full, realistic biography of William Bonney (the Kid's principal alias) was not published until 1989.
 - On April 16, 1897, Frederick William Winterbotham, one of Britain's top code breakers, is born. Winterbotham would play a decisive role in the World War II Ultra code-breaking project, enabling MI-6 to intercept top secret messages transmitted to and between German armed forces.
 - On April 14, 1912, just before midnight in the North Atlantic, the RMS Titanic fails to divert its course from an iceberg, ruptures its hull, and begins to sink. The Titanic's hull was divided into 16 presumed watertight compartments, and the ocean liner was considered unsinkable.
 - On April 11, 1921, KDKA in Pittsburgh broadcasts the first live sporting event on the radio, a boxing match. Radio had been used primarily for two-way communication, but KDKA became the first licensed radio station in 1920. Months later the first Major League Baseball game was broadcast.
 - On April 12, 1945, President Franklin Roosevelt dies of a cerebral hemorrhage at his home in Warm Springs, Georgia. The only man to be elected to four terms as president, Roosevelt is remembered for his New Deal social policies.
 - On April 15, 1967, a massive parade to protest Vietnam War policy is held in New York. Police estimated that 100,000 to 125,000 people listened to speeches by Martin Luther King, Jr. and Dr. Benjamin Spock. Prior to the march, youth burned nearly 200 draft cards in Central Park.
 - On April 13, 1978, opening day at Yankee Stadium, the New York Yankees give away thousands of Reggie! candy bars to fans, who toss them onto the field after star outfielder Reggie Jackson homers in his first at-bat.
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Maurice Sendak's beloved kids' classic "Where the Wild Things Are" was originally titled "Where the Wild Horses Are." Why the change in title? Sendak realized he was unable to draw horses.
- Rapper Lil' Wayne originally went by the moniker "Shrimp Daddy."
- Not ones to marry in haste and repent at leisure, a Paraguayan couple set up housekeeping in 1933. After 80 years, eight children and 50 grandchildren, the 103-year-old groom finally said a formal "I do" to his 99-year-old bride.
- The prize money for winning the Monopoly World Championship is \$20,580 -- the same amount of money there is in the game's bank.
- Modern students who complain about the amount of homework they're issued might well wish they'd lived in the late 1800s and early 1900s, when doctors crusaded against it because they believed it was causing children to become wan, weak and nervous. In 1901, California even banned homework for anyone under the age of 15.
- Over a 24-year career, Roman charioteer Gaius Appuleius Diocles amassed an astonishing fortune worth 35,863,120 sesterces (an ancient Roman coin), or roughly \$15 billion in today's dollars, making him the highest-paid athlete of all time.
- In January 2021, the first commercial 3D-printed house in the U.S. went on sale for \$299,000.
- The term "rum bubber," which originated in the 16th century, referred to a thief who specialized in stealing silver tankards from inns and pubs.
- An actual "chill pill," which could even be made at home, was used in the late 1800s to remedy chills associated with a high fever.

Thought for the Day: "We should live, act, and say nothing to the injury of anyone. It is not only best as a matter of principle, but it is the path to peace and honor." -- Robert E. Lee

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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: **O** equals **R**

IHO HIVVR XJEQMX HI WVSMAI

WMO GHI EMOP MX FOVZHQN.

H'ZJ RMSJ QM QGHXP MW GHS VI

QGJ WVKK FAN.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Foreclosure Notice

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judiciary act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Alcona County, starting promptly at 10 a.m. April 20, 2022. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by

Wesley J. Stewert and Patricia C. Stewart, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, mortgagee, dated June 14, 2004, and recorded on June 23, 2004, in Liber 402, page 1,174, Alcona County Records. Said mortgage was assigned to Specialized Loan Servicing LLC by an assignment of mortgage dated July 16, 2020 and recorded April 23, 2021 by Document Number: 202100001686, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty-six thousand eight hundred five and 81/100 (\$46,805.81) including interest at the rate of 3.50000 percent per annum. Said premises are situated in the Township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9 of South Harrisville Acres Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 98, Alcona County records. Commonly known as: 5425 E. Pine Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be six months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes.

If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is one year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: March 23, 2022 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Case No. 22MI00104-1 3-23, 3-30, 4-6, 4-13

State of Michigan Probate Court Alcona County Notice to Creditors

Decedent's Estate Case No. 22-6267-DE 106 N. 5th Street Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (989) 724-9490 Estate of James Albert Nolan Date of birth: May 1, 1950 To all creditors: Notice to creditors: The decedent, James Albert Nolan, died March 8, 2022. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to James P. Nolan, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5th Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: April 13, 2022 David H. Cook, P40560 Attorney 5466 M-72 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 James P. Nolan Personal representative 2451 Miller Road Lincoln, Mich. 48742

State of Michigan Probate Court Alcona County Notice to Creditors

Decedent's Estate Case No. 22-6270-DE 106 N. 5th Street Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (989) 724-9490 Estate of Dennis John Augustine Date of birth: November 9, 1955 To all creditors: Notice to creditors: The decedent, Dennis John Augustine, died February 21, 2022. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Roxann Borwn, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5th Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: April 13, 2022 David H. Cook, P40560 Attorney 5466 M-72 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (989) 724-5155 Roxann Brown Personal representative 7800 McLellen Road Alpena, Mich. 49707 (989) 464-0248

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FOR RENT

House for rent: Two-bedroom, one bath. \$650 a month plus security deposit. Employment verification 989-255-7307.

VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, April 4 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those present included president Phillips, treasurer Mahalak, clerk Somers and council members, Durham, Healy, Putsky, Schick, and Somers. Wambold was excused from the meeting. The minutes of the March budget hearing were approved on a motion from Schick with support from Somers. The minutes of the March regular meeting were approved on a motion from Somers with support from Schick. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Durham with support from Somers. The bills were approved for payment on a motion from Schick with support from Durham. The budget amendments were approved on a motion from Healy with support from Somers. Ann Eddinger appeared to ask for approval for Alcona Helping Hands to sell raffle tickets for the backpack program at Alcona schools. She presented the following resolution for approval by the village council. Healy made a motion to allow Ann Eddinger to sell tickets to support the backpack program. Schick offered support. Motion carried. Resolution No. 22-1

At a regular meeting of the Village of Lincoln called to order by president Sheila Phillips on April 4, 2022 at 7 p.m. the following resolution was offered: Moved by Sara Healy and supported by Dorene Schick that the request from Alcona Helping Hands of Lincoln, County of Alcona, asking that it be recognized as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining charitable gaming licenses, be considered for approval. Yeas: Sara Healy, Dorene Schick, Jason Durham, Pat Somers and Bill Putsky. Nays: None. Absent: Brett Wambold. Approved.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution offered and adopted by the Village of Lincoln Council at a regular meeting held on April 4, 2022. Signed: Linda K. Somers, Village Clerk. 117 W. Fiske Street, P.O. Box 337, Lincoln, Mich. 48742.

Gary Graves was introduced as the new maintenance man for the village. He gave an update on things he intends to accomplish this year. A representative from NEMCOG will be attending the next DDA meeting to work on the RRC plan. The zoning report was given by Mahalak. Several properties are still in the process of cleaning up. The fire department report was given by Fire Chief Billy Cordes. New pagers are going to be needed for the department. They cost \$922.50 each and there is a need for at least 15 of them. There are grant funds being applied for that may help pay for a new rescue vehicle and many other necessary items. Billy will be attending a meeting next week about grant funding and applications. Bill Putsky gave the sewer report. He stated that we should be in good shape since we were able to purchase four new pumps recently. The lift station itself has been rebuilt entirely with new rails and chains. Bill stated that he will be stepping down from his position as sewer commissioner on June 1. A resolution of the village council was made by Healy, with support from Somers, to appoint as sewer commissioner as of June 1, 2022, Jason Durham. He will be the assistant and that the pay will

network from MDOT for the Traverse Bay will be held in the village on Saturday, May 14. There will be a tire recycling project in May at the next month's meeting. May 15 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. will be a seasonal trade sale at the ARA site. President Phillips will be at the village website and fill out the application for grant funds and the plans for how they will be used. Linda K. Somers will be the Village Clerk. Linda K. Somers Village Clerk

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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judiciary act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Alcona County, starting promptly at 10 a.m., on May 11, 2022. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): William L. Dawson, surviving spouse, of Doris I. Dawson, deceased. Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Foreclosing assignee (if any): Freedom Mortgage Corporation.


Date of mortgage: July 17, 2020. Date of mortgage recording: July 24, 2020. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$74,825.70. Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Caledonia, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: Parcel D: Part of the northeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 28 north, Range 7 East, commencing at the northeast corner of Section 14, Town 28 north, Range 7 east thence south 02 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds east along the east line of said section and the centerline of Bennett Road, 767.98 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing south 02 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds east along said east line and said centerline, 200.00 feet; thence south 88 degrees 28 minutes 42 seconds west 440.00 feet thence north 02 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds west 200.00 feet; thence north 88 degrees 28 minutes 42 seconds east 440.00 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right of way purposes. Common street address (if any): 5951 Bennett Road, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747-9606 The redemption period shall be six

months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judiciary Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: April 6, 2022 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 145 Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334 (248) 642-2515 1459820 4-6, 4-13, 4-20, 4-27

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS


The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging (AAA) announces the availability of funds for fiscal years 2023-2025. In accordance with the Multi-Year Implementation Plan, funds are to provide these services: Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals, Personal Care, Homemaking, Respite and Legal Services. Annual funds are available for FY 2023 for these services: Elder Abuse Prevention, Evidence-Based Disease Prevention, The Merit Award (Adult Day Services), National Family Caregiver Support Program and State Caregiver Support. Funds are available for the counties of: Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon. The Region 9 AAA must receive letters of intent to apply for funds by 4:30 pm Friday, April 22, 2022. For more information contact Yvette Smigelski, Business and Financial Resources Manager-Aging Programs, Region 9 AAA, 2569 US-23 South, Alpena, MI 49707, smigelskiy@nemcsa.org, or call (989) 358-4613.



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Protect migrating birds from window collisions

The Great Lakes lie at the intersection of two migratory flyways, or superhighways, which bring over 350 bird species through the region each spring. Migration is a harrowing journey for birds. One of the biggest dangers they face is collisions with windows and other glass surfaces.

Migrating songbirds like indigo buntings and Swainson's thrushes are at highest risk of building collisions. These species also face steep population declines.

Collisions with human-made structures are a leading cause of bird deaths in



This photo of an indigo bunting is by Dan Pancamo.

the United States, causing up to one billion bird deaths each year in North America. Birds cannot detect glass, and collisions are just as likely regardless of bird health or age.

When birds hit windows, it is a life-threatening occurrence. Even birds that are able to fly away are likely to succumb to their injuries later. The good news is that there are opportunities to make a home or office more bird-friendly:

- **Identify problematic windows.** To see which windows have caused collisions, check them from outside two or three times a week. Look for imprints, smudges or feathers on the glass, injured or dead birds, or clumps of feathers within six to eight feet of the glass.

- **Install bird-friendly solutions.** Patterns on the outside surface of glass are the best way to reduce collisions. Studies have shown that exterior window patterns should be about two to four

inches apart; 2x2-inch spacing is even better for smaller species, like Michigan's ruby-throated hummingbirds, which are more prone to window collisions.

For a list of quick, affordable ways to protect birds from windows, check out American Bird Conservancy's bird-friendly windows flyer and bird-friendly products database, Animal Help Now's flyer on preventing bird window strikes and Audubon's resources on reducing collisions with glass. Learn about Audubon's Lights Out Program and how to make hometowns safer for migratory birds.

Flowers for Easter decorating These colorful beauties make wonderful table centerpieces, small place setting markers, door wreaths, windowbox drama, potted scenery for your patio, mailbox brighteners or gifts for loved ones.

Lilies	Hyacinths
Daisies	Orchids
Tulips	Bluebells
Hydrangeas	Roses
Daffodils	Sweet Peas
Azaleas	Chrysanthemums

- Brenda Warner
Source: www.bustle.com

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Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of April 4-10, 2022

66 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 6 Citations Issued.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	3	Traffic/Traffic Stop	32
Property Damage Accident	3	Assist	5
Animal/Dog	5	Miscellaneous	2
Patrol Check	1	Well Being Check	1
Suspicious Event	2	Fraud/Scam	2
Trespass	1	Threats/Harassment	2
Lost Property	1	Suicidal Subject	2
Domestic	1	Burglary	1
Civil	1	Drive While License Susp.	1

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	5	Caledonia	3	Curtis	5
Greenbush	9	Gustin	3	Harrisville	12
Hawes	5	Haynes	5	Mikado	7
Millen	1	Mitchell	1		
Harrisville City	1	Village of Lincoln	7		

EASTER

Celebration Services



Come Celebrate Passover
Good Friday – April 15th
From Noon to 2 p.m.

Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

John 1: 29



Our Savior Lutheran Church, LCMS

3639 S. M-65, Glennie, MI

Maundy Thursday Service 3:30 p.m.



Good Friday Service 3:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday 9 a.m.
Fellowship Following Easter Service

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Corner of US-23 & Medor Rd., Harrisville

April 14

Maundy Thursday at Noon

April 15 Good Friday at Noon

April 17 Easter Sunday at 10 a.m.



Experience the Last Supper just as the disciple did!
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