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Mikado Township in quandary about community center

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Mikado Township officials are wondering how and if they can maintain and upgrade their aged community center hall and keep it sustainable for years to come.

Recently, a special meeting was held to discuss the topic of the building, built around 1976, which is now in need of repair. No decisions were made at the meeting, but many ideas were discussed including a millage that would be voted on, and if approved, paid by tax payers to restore and improve the building.

Township officials, supervisor Mike Corn, clerk Leisa

Sutton, treasurer Ruth Travis, and trustees, Carrie Mullins and Wayne Nedo attended the meeting. Also in attendance were a few dozen concerned citizens, including Kay Lovelace from the Mikado Goodfellows and Denise Bearre, director of the Alcona County Library.

The building houses a county library annex that supports free community Wi-Fi to the building and parking lot. The Goodfellows utilize the building by holding a public Monday evening bingo as well as numerous events throughout the year including a children's Christmas party and funeral dinners for members of the community.

Township officials also use a room in the hall for the monthly board meetings.

Goodfellows pay a modest weekly rental fee and cleaning costs. The library does not pay a rental fee but supplies library staff, technology, furnishings and materials. The township provides space and utilities which is the same deal it has with the Hubbard Lake annex library.

Corn explained there have been a lot of rumors about the future of the hall and there are no concrete plans. "We need to find a sustainable way to make sure the hall stays open, if you have a valid plan, I'd love to hear about it," he said.

Over the last five years, a total of \$65,478.49 has been paid to keep the hall open. "The hall doesn't make that kind of money. We go in the hole every year. The public may not be aware the fire department took a pay cut to balance the budget about five years ago. The township board has not taken a pay raise in 10 years to try and keep the budget under control. With the cost of heating and upkeep of the building we are having issues," Corn said.

Corn anticipates keeping the hall open this year and potentially next year. "This is a community center. I'd like to see a generator out back for making this a warming

shelter. We must be able to keep it open," he said.

The hall rents for what is considered a reasonable amount of \$375 per event. The board discussed because of the condition of the hall, the repairs and remodeling needed, in addition to public trends swaying to outdoor events since the pandemic, that hall rental is way down.

There is only one event scheduled to rent the community hall this year.

Corn explained for the past several years the hall was not open during the winter. However, in an attempt to increase revenue, it was open last winter to no avail.

The board pondered holding a farmers' market at the hall but after listening to community member Doug Travis, who is the president of the fair board, talk about the community sales they have at the fairgrounds, they agreed it would not be a money maker for the building, but would bring people in. Corn said it was something to consider for next year.

The board explained asking for a millage was not what it wanted to do. Alternative options would be to privatize the building, close it or hold several fund-raisers per year. The biggest drawback for every fund-raiser across the county, however, is that dozens of committed volunteers would be needed and most of the community already feels maxed to the limit with volunteer time.

Mullins said she would hate asking for a millage but privatizing the building and renting it back for township use might be possible.

The board discussed if a one percent millage was voted through, solely for the use of the community center hall, it would mean bringing in approximately \$33,000 per year. "It would mean we would not be in the hole, and we could do things like fix and update the building. If the HVAC (heating, ventilation air-conditioning) goes out, we have no funds to fix it. We could make (the hall) more attractive to rent. We are already thousands of dollars in the red every year and if we keep on going the way we are, we are not going to have a general fund balance.

"We are going over between

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Giving Great Lakes sturgeon a lift

By Jennifer Johnson
& Darren Kramer
Michigan DNR

Lake sturgeon are a long-lived fish species that were once common throughout the Great Lakes.

However, over the last two centuries, lake sturgeon populations have significantly declined due to several factors, including habitat loss from dam construction. Once numbering in the millions in the Great Lakes region, the lake sturgeon population has been reduced to a few thousand fish. The lake sturgeon is listed as a threatened species in Michigan.

The Menominee River, forming part of the border between Wisconsin and Michigan in the Upper Peninsula, is a large tributary to Green Bay on Lake Michigan and supports one of the largest remaining populations of lake sturgeon in the Great Lakes. The sturgeon here number roughly 1,200 adult fish – compared to roughly 20,000 to 25,000 historically.

Before construction of several hydroelectric dams throughout the Menominee River during the 19th century, lake sturgeon migrated upstream from Green Bay for approximately 70 miles to spawn, before encountering a natural barrier at Sturgeon Falls in Dickinson County.

Currently their access to the river is cut short by the Menominee Dam, which is located approximately 2.5

miles upstream from Green Bay, Wisc. A second dam, Park Mill, is located only about one mile upstream of the Menominee Dam.

Mature, adult lake sturgeon need specific spawning habitat typically found in rivers and are willing to make long migrations to reach those optimal spawning locations.

"Dams are considered one of the greatest impediments to successful sturgeon recovery efforts in the Great Lakes because adult fish are unable to access river spawning habitat and critical habitat needed to support juvenile fish," said John Bauman, fisheries biologist for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

The lack of suitable lake sturgeon spawning habitat and juvenile rearing habitat downstream of the Menominee Dam are likely key factors limiting the rehabilitation of the lake sturgeon population.

Fortunately for the lake sturgeon, there is ample habitat for both adults and juveniles above the Park Mill Dam up to the Grand Rapids Dam, situated approximately 19 miles upstream.

Given these facts, the question for fisheries managers was how to reconnect adult lake sturgeon from the lower Menominee River to the abundant spawning and rearing habitats upstream of the two dams?

In some situations, dam



Several lake sturgeon are shown in the hold of a trailer, awaiting transport upstream, where they will be released into the Menominee River. Photo courtesy of Michigan DNR.

removal may be an option to restore river access if the dam has outlived its usefulness. However, Menominee and Park Mill hydroelectric dams are viable producers of renewable energy and not candidates for removal.

So, if the dams can't be removed, how can lake sturgeon access be restored to upstream habitats in the Menominee River?

It took a creative and talented team to think of a novel, first-of-its-kind idea.

In the early 2000s, a collaborative partnership among Eagle Creek Renewable Energy (owner of Menominee and Park Mill dams), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Wis-

consin and Michigan departments of natural resources, and the River Alliance of Wisconsin formed the Michigan Hydro Relicensing Coalition to determine how to best address reconnecting adult lake sturgeon from the lower Menominee River with habitats upstream.

The overarching goal of the effort was to increase lake sturgeon recruitment – the process by which small, young fish survive to larger, older fish. It was presumed that these recruits would survive and contribute as adults to the overall sturgeon population in Green Bay and more

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Americanisms



“There are only 3 colors,
10 digits and 7 notes; it’s
what we do with them
that’s important.”
— Jim Rohn

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Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

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 info.

The Alcona County Library Board will meet at the Harrisville branch at 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

The Community Walking Club for Everyone will meet in the parking lot of the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 9 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more info.

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.

FRIDAY, APRIL 29

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.

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.

TUESDAY, MAY 3

Free accessible yoga will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Alcona County Senior Center in Lincoln. This is gentle exercise for joint freeing, muscle strengthening and stress reduction. Call Liz for details, (989) 335-1777.

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.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

The Alcona County Baby Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. at St. Raphael Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado. Alcona County residents with newborns through age four are eligible and welcome. This is not an income-based program. There is free formula, diapers, toys and new and gently used clothes and shoes. Layettes are available in the eighth month.

THURSDAY, MAY 5

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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SATURDAY, MAY 7

The 2022 Michigan Bushcraft Spring Gathering

will be held at Lumberman’s Monument. This is a volunteer-organized event to bring lovers of the outdoors together for a weened of camping and camaraderie in coordination with the U.S. Forest Service. There will be eight presentations including compass basics, axe theory, survival psychology, wilderness first aid kits, shelter tours, knot talk, leatherwork and Bannock cooking. For more information, contact the forest service at (989) 739-0728.

MONDAY, MAY 9

A flower and vegetable plant sale will be held at the Alcona High School parking lot from 5 to 8 p.m. Hanging baskets, flats of vegetables and annuals are in the sale from Harger’s Garden Center. Cash and check payments will be accepted. This is a fund-raising program for the Alcona track program.

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top ten

FEMALE PUPPY NAMES

1. Bella
2. Daisy
3. Lucy
4. Luna
5. Molly
6. Sadie
7. Maggie
8. Chloe
9. Bailey
10. Stella

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Local Notes



4-H Walking Challenge

Starting May 1, Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) will host a 4-H Alumni and Supporters Walking Challenge, where participants will track their miles walked and compete for a top spot in the contest. Each week, top contestants will win a 4-H swag prize. The county that logs the most miles throughout the whole challenge will earn a \$100 cash prize for their county 4-H program. Random weekly winners will also be chosen amongst registered participants who have actively engaged in the contest during the previous week.

Miles walked/ran will be collected weekly through a Google Form; this form will be sent upon completion of the registration. Each week, the top contestants will be based on the number of miles logged from Sunday to Saturday. Individuals will report their miles by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. ET. Submissions received later than Sunday by 11:59 p.m. ET will not be eligible for weekly prizes.

Visit canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-alumni-and-supporters-walking-challenge for more information and to register.

Change Negative Self Talk

Everyone has automatic thoughts, both positive and negative. Having more positive thoughts can influence how an individual handles stress, which can impact their physical, mental and emotional health. Changing Negative Self Talk is a program designed to teach participants about the brain's negativity bias and how it affects a person's response to stress. The program will also cover the benefits of positive self-talk and explore other tools for dealing with negative self-talk.

This free program meets on Zoom Tuesday, May 3 from 2 to 3 p.m. Advance registration is required: canr.msu.edu/events/changing-negative-self-talk-1.

Food Safety Q&A

The Food Safety Q & A series brings in MSU Extension's food safety educators to present tips for home food preservation and food safety. Meeting online on Mondays from 1 to 1:30 p.m., Food Safety Q & A features a different timely topic each week. Monday, May 2 features "It's Getting Green," which will explore local wild greens from dandelions to fiddleheads.

Join online via Zoom using any device with internet access. Advance registration is required: canr.msu.edu/events/spring-food-safety-q-a-may-2. Participants may register for one or multiple sessions.

Plant Sale Fundraiser

Alcona High School and Middle School track is having a flower and vegetable sale fundraiser on Monday, May 9 and Tuesday, May 10 from 5 to 8 p.m. both days. Harger's Garden Center is bringing a truck to the Alcona High School parking lot full of hanging baskets, annual flower and vegetable flats to be sold. Harger's is donating all the proceeds to the track programs. Cash and checks only.

Is the "S-Word" Offensive?

Join the monthly MLK, Jr. Committee series on Wednesday, May 4 at 7 p.m. via Zoom as Sandra Pilgrim-Lewis leads the discussion on the "S-word" used to describe Native American women. As the Alpena community considers the renaming of the bay, this is a current topic. Pilgrim-Lewis has just assumed a new position with Uniting Three Fires Against Violence, Michigan's Tribal Violence Against Women Coalition. Her interest, background, and heritage with Native Americans give her a sensitivity to this subject.

Some resources are on YouTube, "About Peacemaking," by Robert Yazzle and NPR's "Why Treaties Matter, The Supreme Law of the Land." To join this discussion, send a request for the link for MK. Jr. Discussion by email abelovedcommunity-alpena@gmail.com.

M-65 Resurfacing

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will invest nearly \$5 million to resurface more than 27 miles of M-65 from the M-72 south junction to McCollum Lake Road, and from Van Wagoner Road to M-32 in Alcona and Alpena counties. Work will begin Monday, May 9 and is estimated to end Thursday, Oct. 20. This work will require lane closures with traffic regulators. This work will provide a safer and smoother driving surface, along with new rumble strips and pavement markings.

Strengthen Leadership Skills

Leadercast, the leadership development company that propels the growth of leaders worldwide through transformative event and video content, has partnered with

The Alpena Area Chamber of Commerce has partnered with Leadercast, a leadership development company, to bring "Leadercast 2022—The One Thing" live broadcast leadership conference to Alpena on Wednesday, May 4. The diverse lineup of speakers will talk to the one thing that they believe makes a leader worth following. More information on Leadercast 2022 is available at Leadercast.com.

This event will deliver the toolkits and inspiration that leaders need to level up their skills and achieve their pro-

fessional goals, regardless of their industry. The event will be held at Alpena Community College Granum Theatre. Tickets are \$75 for chamber members, \$100 for potential members. Ticket includes live broadcast program, lunch, continental breakfast, snacks, refreshments, bag of goodies and prizes. For more information, to register and to attend via live stream, contact the chamber at info@alpenachamber.com

top ten
Strongest Belief in Climate Emergency

1. U.K.
2. Italy
3. Japan
4. France
5. Germany
6. South Africa
7. Spain
8. Russia
9. USA
10. India

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Compassion, respect part of crime victims' journey in finding justice

By Elle Button
Crime Victim Advocate

We often assume that “justice” for crime victims simply means justice in the courtroom—a guilty verdict for the offender and sentencing commiserate with the seriousness of their crime.

However, for those who experience direct harm because of the crime, abstract legal notions of justice tend to give way to personal beliefs and feelings about what is just. “Justice” means something different to each victim. Criminal convictions are important to many victims, but often what is even more important is that they are treated with compassion and respect, regardless of the outcome of the case.

Helping survivors find their justice means enforcing victims’ rights, listening to and making victims’ needs and wishes a priority, and provid-

ing victims with access to the resources and services that can help them heal.

We have come a long way toward establishing and safeguarding victims’ rights. The Crime Victims’ Rights Act of 2004 (CVRA) increased victim involvement in the federal criminal justice system by guaranteeing them certain basic rights, such as the right to be informed of any court proceedings or parole proceedings, the right to speak at public court proceedings, and the right to confer with the government attorney assigned to their case.

But the most fundamental right that it enumerated was the “right to be treated with fairness and with respect for the victim’s dignity and privacy.” By recognizing the essential humanity of victims and expanding their role in the criminal justice system, the CVRA helped restore power to survivors who often feel powerless in the aftermath of a serious crime.

Crime victims are our family, friends, neighbors, and community members. While we can never truly understand the depth of their trauma and the impact on their lives, we can ensure that equitable, inclusive, culturally appropriate, and gender-responsive services are available to help them. By enforcing victims’ rights, expanding access to services, and upholding principles of equity and inclusivity for all, we can enable crime victims to find the justice they seek, in whatever form that might take. The advancement of victims’ rights through community awareness may highlight issues surrounding victimization.

Since the CVRA became law, evidence has accumulated that what justice means to victims often differs from what justice means in the traditional context of the law.

Whatever form justice takes within the criminal justice system, fulfilling victims’ needs regarding justice requires their voices to be reflected and respected not only in the justice system process, but also in the care and sup-

port they receive after the crime has taken place. Survivors must have support and choice in their interactions with law enforcement, service providers, health, and judicial professionals with a seamless continuum of support to heal from the trauma they suffered.

Helping victims find their personal justice is thus a community-wide, holistic and ongoing effort. The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), part of the Justice Department’s Office of Justice Programs strives to increase service options available to crime victims to best support and meet their needs as provided by CVRA.

Every year, millions of Americans are affected by crime. April 24–30 is National Crime Victims’ Rights Week, a time to celebrate progress, raise awareness of victims’ rights and services, and stand with those whose lives have been forever altered.

The Alcona County Prosecutor’s Office commemorates National Crime Victims’ Rights Week to raise awareness about crime victims’ issues and rights, and to introduce the community to the important resources and services available.

Call 855-4-VICTIM or visit VictimConnect.org to learn about victims’ rights and options, confidentially and compassionately. For additional information about this year’s National Crime Victims’ Rights Week annual event and how to assist crime victims go to www.ovc.ojp.gov, contact Alcona County Sheriff’s Office at (989) 724-6271, or Alcona County Prosecutor’s Office (989) 724-9460.

Additional resources include Human Trafficking Capacity Building Center <https://htcbc.ovc.ojp.gov/>; National Mass Violence Victimization Resource Center www.nmvvrc.org/; Office of Justice Programs www.ojp.gov; Victim Law www.victimlaw.info. For additional ideas on how to support all victims of crime, visit OVC’s website at www.ovc.ojp.gov.

(Elle Button is the Crime Victim Advocate for the Alcona County Prosecutor’s Office.)

Guest Columnist

TEMPORARY POSITION AVAILABLE

The City of Harrisville is accepting applications for summer help. This position is a 30-hour per week temporary position that involves mowing, trimming, painting, etc. A valid driver’s license is required. Must be 18 years of age. Applications are available at the city office from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. For more information, please call the City Office at 989-724-6666. Applications must be submitted by Friday, May 6, 2022 at 12 noon.

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GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP NOTICE

ORDINANCE ADDRESSING FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS OF THE STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE

Community Name: Township of Greenbush, County: Alcona
Ordinance number 2012-01

An ordinance amendment to designate an enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of Greenbush located in Alcona County, and to designate regulated flood hazard areas under the provisions of the State Construction Code Act, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended.

The Township of Greenbush ordains:

Section 1. AGENCY DESIGNATED. Pursuant to the provisions of the state construction code, in accordance with Section 8b(6) of Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, the Building Department of the County of Alcona is hereby designated as the enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of Greenbush under Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, State of Michigan. The Building Department of Alcona County assumes responsibility for the administration and enforcement of said Act through out the corporate limits of the community adopting this ordinance.

Section 2. CODE APPENDIX ENFORCED. Pursuant to the provisions of the state construction code, in accordance with Section 8b(6) of Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, Appendix G of the Michigan Building Code shall be enforced by the enforcing agency within the jurisdiction of the community adopting this ordinance.

Section 3. DESIGNATION OF REGULATED FLOOD PRONE HAZARD AREAS. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Study (FIS) Entitled “The Flood Insurance Study for Alcona County, all jurisdictions” and effective June 1, 2022 and the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s) (FIRMS) panel number(s) of 26001CIND0B, 26001C0427E, 26001C0429E, 26001C0439E, 26001C0441E, 26001C0445E, 26001C0437E, effective June 1, 2022, and 26001C0407D, 26001C0409D, 26001C0417D, 26001C0419D, 26001C0426D, 26001C0428D, 26001C0436D, effective September 28, 2012 are adopted by reference for the purposes of administration of the Michigan Construction Code, and declared to be a part of Section 1612.3 of the Michigan Building Code, and to provide the content of the “Flood Hazards” section of Table R301.2(1) of the Michigan Residential Code.

Section 4. REPEALS. All ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 5. PUBLICATION. This ordinance shall be effective after legal publication and in accordance with the provisions of the Act governing same.

Adopted this 12th day of April, 2022.

This ordinance duly adopted on April 12, 2022 at a regular meeting of the Township of Greenbush and will become effective April 20, 2022.

The Garden Bug

Apiculture (from the Latin *apis*, “bee”) is the maintenance of bee colonies by man to collect honey and beeswax, to pollinate crops or to produce bees for sale. Hives have been kept by man since ancient times. Workers blowing smoke into hives to remove honeycombs and inscriptions detailing honey production are depicted on temple walls in Egypt. Sealed pots of honey were found in the tombs of Tutankhamun and other pharaohs.

— Brenda Weaver
Source: thefreedictionary.com

How to find educational trips for retirees who love to learn

Dear Savvy Senior,
My wife and I planning to travel much more frequently in retirement and are very interested in educational trips and adventures. Can you recommend any groups or firms that specialize in this type of travel geared towards retirees?

Love to Learn

Dear Love,
Educational travel, which combines travel with in-depth learning opportunities has become a very popular way of travel among retirees. Here are a few good places to turn to find these types of trips in the U.S. and abroad.

Tour Organizations

One of the best places to start is with Road Scholar (RoadScholar.org), which invented the idea of educational travel for older adults in the mid 1970s. The Boston-based organization offers 5,500 learning adventures in all 50 states and 150 countries.

You can search for learning adventures by location, interest, activity level and price. Road Scholar also offers "Choose Your Pace" senior travel tours that allow participants to adjust their level of challenge on a daily basis. And for skip-gen vacations, they offer tours designed specifically for grandparents traveling with their grandkids.

Another excellent option is Smithsonian Journeys (SmithsonianJourneys.org), a nonprofit travel group affiliated with the Smithsonian Museum. They lead 350 educational trips a year on every continent that are led by experts from a variety of fields — academia, the diplomatic corps, scientists and curators, among others.

If you're seeking more adventure, you may want to consider ElderTreks (www.elder

treks.com), which offers 50-plus travelers small-group adventures by both land and sea in more than 100 countries. Their trips center on adventure, culture and nature, letting you get up close and personal with the locals.

Academic Travel

Another good source for educational trips is colleges and universities. Some of my favorites include Cornell University's Adult University (SCE.Cornell.edu/travel), which offers a half-dozen educational trips and courses in the U.S. and abroad, each lasting a few days to a week or more. And Stanford Travel/Study (Alumni.Stanford.edu) that offers educational travel journeys to more than 80 countries each year.

Most college/university trips are led by faculty who share their expertise, along with regional experts and local guides, and you don't need to be an alumnus to participate.

Also check out the Traveling Professor (TravelingProfessor.com), a small-group

touring company led by Steve Solosky, formerly a professor at the State University of New York. They offer a dozen or so tours abroad each year and take between eight and 16 people.

Cruising Options

If you enjoy cruising, consider Grand Circle Travel (GCT.com), which offers educational travel aboard small ships, and Naturalist Journeys (NaturalistJourneys.com), which specializes in nature and birding tours.

American Cruise Lines (AmericanCruiseLines.com) also offers more than 35 river and coastal itineraries in the Northeast, Southeast, Pacific Northwest and along the Mississippi River. And it has themed cruises (Lewis and Clark, Mark Twain, Civil War, etc.) for people with specific historical, literary or other interests.

And Viking River Cruises (VikingRiverCruises.com), which is geared to older travelers, focuses on European art, history and culture. Each cruise makes one to two port



Savvy Senior

stops a day as the ship winds its way up or down Europe's most famous rivers like the Rhine, Seine, Danube and Douro. A free sightseeing tour is included at all stops, and special-interest excursions are available for additional fees. Viking offers tours in the United States too.

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


NOTICE

The City of Harrisville will conduct hydrant flushing from April 25 to May 6.


NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING


The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 7 p.m. at the Alcona Township Hall. The variance is requested by Jeff Cattin 4343 N. Poplar Road, Lincoln, Mich. He is requesting a 3 foot variance to allow him to build the requested deck extension and construct a roof over it. Written comments will be accepted by Alcona Township Clerk, Dawn LaLonde, 4892 LaVergne Road, Black River, Mich. 48721.


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broadly across Lake Michigan.

The work of the team led to the construction, in 2015, of a "fish elevator" located at the Menominee Dam. The elevator was designed to capture adult lake sturgeon for trans-

fer upstream of the Menominee and Park Mill dams.

The fish elevator was built in an empty bay at the Menominee Dam powerhouse. Within the bay is a rectangular metal hopper, measuring 10 feet by 15 feet.

The hopper can be lowered to the bottom of the river.

Water from above the dam flows through the hopper area by opening an upstream gate, creating an "artificial river" to lead lake sturgeon into entering the hopper. A fixed gate at the head of the hopper restricts fish from traveling farther into the dam.

The downstream end of the hopper is open for fish to move in and out until a gate is lowered, trapping fish inside. The hopper is lifted approximately 30 feet to the upper floor of the powerhouse with an electric winch. A door on the side of the hopper opens, emptying water and the fish into a sorting tank.

From there, fish species captured unintentionally are sorted out and sent back downstream via a pipe with water. Lake sturgeon are visually inspected for previous injuries or disease, measured and then tagged, if no previous tags are observed.

Sex and spawning condition are determined using an ultrasound unit like the ones found in veterinary clinics. Most male lake sturgeon



A close-up view of the face of a lake sturgeon. Photo courtesy of Michigan DNR.

cent holding tank in the powerhouse to await transfer upstream. Minimum fish lengths required for transfer are 45 and 50 inches for males and females, respectively.

When transferring lake sturgeon upstream, fish are loaded into a custom-built trailer and transported about two miles to a boat launch above the Park Mill Dam, located on the Michigan side of the Menominee River. There, the trailer is backed into the

ferred upstream stay there for at least one spawning period before migrating back downstream to Green Bay.

During this migration, lake sturgeon pass through the Menominee and Park Mill dams via open gates at the dams or by fish-bypass structures specifically built at each dam for lake sturgeon.

Lake sturgeon that migrate downstream to Green Bay may then return to the Menominee River when they



The Menominee Dam on the Menominee River, where efforts to aid lake sturgeon populations have been underway for several years. Photo courtesy of Eagle Creek Renewable Energy.

spawn every one to two years, and females spawn every three to five years. Fish that are not ready to spawn during the next spawning period (late April to mid-May) are sent back downstream.

Fish that are ready to spawn are moved to an adja-

river and the adult sturgeon are released to continue their migration upstream.

Since 2015, elevator and transfer operations at the Menominee Dam have occurred each year during the spring (mid-April to mid-May) and fall (late August to late September).

"Captures of lake sturgeon have been found to vary widely from year to year and between spring and fall seasons," said Elle Gulotty, a DNR fisheries biologist. "As time goes on, we have learned more and more about efficiently operating the fish elevator."

Over the past six years, the number of fish transferred upstream has ranged from a low of 25 in 2015 to a high of 147 in 2019.

Lake sturgeon transferred during the spring will spawn during that period, while the fish transferred in the fall spend the winter in the river before spawning the following spring. Roughly 90 percent of the sturgeon trans-

are again ready to spawn. Recently, some adults have been captured at the Menominee Dam fish elevator for the second time, after initially being captured and transferred upstream several years ago.

To meet management objectives, lake sturgeon passed upstream must survive, remain upstream to spawn and eventually contribute offspring to the overall population of lake sturgeon in Green Bay and Lake Michigan.

Fish elevator and transfer operations will likely continue though the life of the Menominee and Park Mill dams.

While lake sturgeon can access part of their former range in the Menominee River, natural resource agencies and partners are continuing to seek solutions to restore lake sturgeon access in the river up to Sturgeon Falls.

Learn more about this unique fish species on the DNR's lake sturgeon webpage.





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Whatever it Takes!




Alcona sweeps AuGres in softball action

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity softball team took on visiting AuGres on Thursday, April 21 in a North Star League crossover doubleheader. The Lady Tigers picked up victories in both contests, 16-6 in game

one and 21-6 in game two. In the opener, Miah Schopfer had the win, while in game two, Riley Tracy had the victory in the circle.

"In the second game, our bats came around," said head coach Chelsea Neuenfeldt.

On Wednesday, April 20

Alcona battled visiting Roscommon in non-league play and lost both contests, 15-0 and 12-5.

Further details were not reported.

Alcona (4-4 overall) hosts Hale on Thursday and heads to Mancelona on Saturday.

Alcona Tigers split with AuGres

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity baseball team played host to AuGres in a North Star League crossover doubleheader on Thursday, April 21. The Tigers lost the opener 11-9, but bounced back to get the win in game two, 10-4.

In game one, Owen Borsvold, Evan Borsvold and Jesse Sheldon saw time on the mound, but were unable to slow down the Wolverine offense.

The offense saw E. Borsvold get three hits. Cayden Hebert had a double and Gavin Walker singled.

In the game two win, G.

Walker tossed all six innings to get the win, giving up four runs and striking out seven better.

E. Borsvold had a key two-run double in the first inning to spark the offense, and Hebert also had a single.

"This was a good win for the boys," said head coach Dru Carson.

On Wednesday, April 20 Alcona was at home against Roscommon in a non-league doubleheader. The Tigers came up short in both games, 6-2 and 12-2.

O. Borsvold, E. Borsvold, G. Walker and Hebert all spent time pitching.

G. Walker, Carter Upper,

Hebert and Vincent Mahalak each got a hit and G. Walker stole two bases.

In game two, David Sharboneau took the loss pitching, as he pitched five and one-third innings and struck out five batters.

E. Borsvold had a big game at the plate with three hits. G. Walker hit a double.

"Even though we lost both games there were some key plays and moments in the game that the boys can learn from moving forward," Carson said.

Alcona (3-5 overall) was hosts Hale on Thursday and heads to Atlanta on Monday, May 2.

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\$20,000 to \$25,000 a year from what we bring in from revenue. That isn't just the hall, but the hall is a big part of it," Sutton said.

Corn commented on the condition of the building, "There is a hole along the side of the building that washes out (every year) and the road commission packs it full of gravel and topcoats it. There's another hole in the building that allows birds to come in.

"Right now, the stove doesn't work and the roof is 15 years old, so it may need a new roof in five years. Where will that money come from," Corn asked?

Members of the board concurred the hall was musty-smelling and outdated. Corn said the floors had not been waxed in years and they were very hard to clean because of it.

Travis said the parking lot was getting worse and that the township used to reseal the parking lot every other

year, but they haven't done that in a long time.

The township board discussed possibly using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds when and if they become available for public use. "Although those funds may be enough to fix the roof, it would not keep the hall sustainable for the future. Also, we have discussed using those funds for adding space onto the fire hall so we can have additional (lifesaving) equipment which will drive down our insurance company rates," Corn said.

Corn discussed saving about \$400 monthly in cleaning costs by having the Goodfellows and, possibly, the library staff assist in cleaning the building. Bearre said that would have to be discussed with her board. The Goodfellows in attendance didn't see an initial problem with the request, but no decision was made at the meeting.

Other costs, however, such

as gas, electricity, mowing, and snow removal would still have to be kept up. "If a millage for the hall passed, we wouldn't have to raise the rate to rent it and we could keep this as a community center for the people," Corn said.

Bearre said in the past the library has had events at the hall including children's reading events, a how-to make pasta event, cooking classes, and other things, but since the pandemic, they have not had those. "We are hoping to bring back two or three events during the summer," she said.

Township officials and those in attendance agreed that a sense of community needed to be restored in Mikado.

The board will continue to discuss the topic and, possibly, make some decisions at the next board meeting to be held on May 9 at 7 p.m. at the community center located at 2291 S. F-41 in Mikado.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of April 18-24, 2022

57 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 1 Arrest, 1 Warrant Arrest, 1 Citation Issued.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	11	Traffic/Traffic Stop	8
Property Damage Accident	6	Warrant Arrest	1
Assist	3	Animal/Dog	8
Fraud/Scam	1	Well Being Check	2
Suspicious Event	3	Alarm	4
Suicide	1	Vehicle ID Inspection	1
Fire	1	Burglary	3
Assault	1	Trespass	2
Animal Cruelty	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	2	Caledonia	5	Curtis	4
Greenbush	11	Gustin	4	Harrisville	6
Hawes	5	Haynes	2	Mikado	5
Millen	0	Mitchell	5		
Harrisville City	4	Village of Lincoln	4		

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 7:15p.m. (immediately following 7:00 variance hearing, but not starting before 7:15) at the Alcona Twp. Hall. The variance is requested by Anthony Jekielek 5905 Sayers Road, Black River, MI 48721. He is requesting 2 variances. #1 To allow an accessory building to be built ahead of the primary structure #2 To allow an accessory building to be larger than the primary. Written comments will be accepted by Alcona Township Clerk, Dawn LaLonde, 4892 LaVergne Rd., Black River, MI 48721.



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By Fifi Rodriguez

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2. **GEOGRAPHY:** What degree is assigned to the International Date Line?
3. **MOVIES:** Which Looney Tunes character's catchphrase is "You're despicable"?
4. **ADVERTISING:** What was the name of the grocery owner in the Charmin bath tissue ads of the 1960s-80s?
5. **U.S. STATES:** What is the only state to have one syllable in its name?
6. **CHEMISTRY:** What is the only letter that doesn't appear in the periodic table?
7. **MYTHOLOGY:** How many gods and goddesses were said to live on Mount Olympus?
8. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president was the last to serve without a college degree?
9. **LITERATURE:** Name a character in which 1982 novel?
10. **TELEVISION:** Which musical TV drama takes place at William McKinley High School?

Answers: 1. 60,000 miles; 2. 180 degrees longitude; 3. Daffy Duck; 4. Mr. Whipple; 5. Maine; 6. J; 7. 12; 8. Harry Truman; 9. The Color Purple; 10. Grease © 2022 King Features Synd., Inc.

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29 Rock concert booster
30 Make furious
31 Silky cat in Luanda?
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37 Merit badge displays
38 Kazan of filmmaking
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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On April 27, 1773, the British Parliament passes the Tea Act, a bill designed to save the faltering East India Company from bankruptcy. Many colonists viewed the act as yet another example of taxation tyranny, because it left in place an earlier duty on tea entering the colonies, while removing the duty on tea entering England.
 - On April 28, 1916, Ferruccio Lamborghini is born in Italy. After experiencing mechanical difficulties with his Ferrari, Lamborghini decided to start his own rival sports car company. The Lamborghini 350 GTV, a two-seater coupe with a V-12 engine, debuted in 1963.
 - On May 1, 1960, an American U-2 spy plane piloted by Francis Gary Powers disappears while on a flight over Russia. The CIA reassured the president that the plane was equipped with self-destruct mechanisms, but Russia produced not only the intact wreckage, but also the captured pilot -- very much alive.
 - On April 26, 1977, Studio 54, which would soon become the most famous nightclub in the world, opens at 254 West 54th Street in New York City. It was known for excluding all but the most chic, famous or beautiful patrons.
 - On April 25, 1983, Russian leader Yuri Andropov writes to Samantha Smith, an American fifth-grader from Manchester, Maine, inviting her to visit his country. Smith had sent Andropov a note in December 1982, asking if the Soviets were planning to start a nuclear war.
 - On April 30, 1993, computer scientist Tim Berners-Lee releases the source code for the world's first web browser. Originally called Mesh, the browser he dubbed World Wide Web became the means of exploring the emerging information network that developed into the Internet.
 - On April 29, 2004, the World War II Memorial opens in Washington, D.C., providing overdue recognition for the 16 million American men and women who served in the war.
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Now, here's a good reason not to neglect checking your spam email folder from time to time: A Michigan woman bought a lottery ticket online but forgot about it until, opening said folder days later in search of a missing message, discovered that she'd won \$3 million.
- In 1985, a sting operation dubbed Operation Flagship mailed letters offering free tickets for Washington Redskins games to fugitive criminals. More than 100 arrests resulted, including two of America's top 10 most wanted.
- Domino's Pizza Group has its own registered Tartan in its brand hues of red, white and blue.
- In 2007, Ben Carpenter got the most terrifying ride of his life when his wheelchair's handles were caught in the grill of a semi-trailer. Carpenter was pushed for several miles at a speed of over 60 mph before a pair of police officers followed the truck to its place of business and informed the stunned driver. The chair's wheels had to be replaced, but Ben survived without injury.
- FedEx's founder nearly bankrupted his company with a Las Vegas trip, in which he used the corporation's last \$5,000 to play blackjack. Fortunately, he managed to turn the sum into \$27,000 and keep things running until he obtained more funding.
- The movie "Babe" required one animatronic and 48 real pigs, due to their rapid growth rate.
- Remember playing "Simon Says" in your youth? In France, it's "Jack Says"; in Norway "The King Commands"; in Japan "Teacher Says" and in Ireland "O'Grady Says."
- In 1920, Anoka, Minnesota, became the first U.S. city to put on a Halloween celebration, in an effort to distract kids from playing Halloween pranks.

Thought for the Day: "Winning doesn't always mean being first. Winning means you're doing better than you've done before." -- Speedskater Bonnie Blair

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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: Q equals D

NO TIWPZIQB OJNCT XI SHISPHCB

GJHP OIH TIWPXKNMF, XKPHP

WNFKX ZP AMXPMQPQ

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 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 Corpo-

ration.
 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 Judicature 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.
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 31440 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 145
 Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334
 (248) 642-2515
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 4-6, 4-13, 4-20, 4-27

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No.: 22-6277-DE

106 N. 5th Street
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740
 (989) 724-9490
 Estate of Denelle Marie Havercroft
 Date of birth: July 9, 1994
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Denelle Marie Havercroft, died November 28, 2021.
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Timothy Havercroft, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5th Street, P.O. Box 328 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.
 Date: April 27, 2022
 David H. Cook, P40560
 Attorney
 5466 M-72
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740
 (989) 724-5155
 Timothy Havercroft
 Personal representative
 3584 East Cedar Lake Drive
 Greenbush, Mich. 48738
 (989) 724-7170

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No.: 196032-DE

Estate of Berdelia Nickel
 Date of birth: June 11, 1917
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Berdelia Nickel, died July 21, 2019. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Sharlene Howell, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5th Street, P.O. Box 328 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.
 Date: April 27, 2022
 Rustin A. Schisler, P63104
 Attorney
 701 E. Vermont Street
 Bay City, Mich. 48706
 (989) 892-3009
 Sharlene Howell
 Personal representative
 4545 Hemlock
 Glennie, Mich. 48737
 (989) 735-2803

Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No.: 22-6275-DE

106 N. 5th Street
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 Estate of Thomas F. Breitmeyer
 Date of birth: July 5, 1950
 To all creditors:
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, Thomas F. Breitmeyer, died October 10, 2021.
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Ilona Breitmeyer, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5th Street, P.O. Box 328 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.
 Date: April 27, 2022
 David H. Cook, P40560
 Attorney
 5466 M-72
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 Ilona Breitmeyer
 Personal representative
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Cruise ships return to the Great Lakes this summer

By Jack Falinski
Capital News Service

After a two-year hiatus, Great Lakes cruise ships are back, and the industry is trying to prepare itself for the upcoming season.

"There's a huge pent-up demand for cruising," said David Lorenz, the vice president of Travel Michigan. "There's a bigger pent-up demand for cruising travel than most categories of travel, and I think the reason for that is people want to be treated in a slightly different way after COVID-19."

That's good economic news for ports and nearby communities that attract tourists getting off the ships. Meanwhile, the industry is working to become more environmentally sustainable.

The Great Lakes cruise ship industry paused for two years after the pandemic began in spring 2020. Since then, would-be passengers have been docked at home, booking spots on future cruises and waiting for the chance to sail once again on the big, blue, beautiful bodies of water surrounding Michigan.

"People have been booking all through COVID-19," Lorenz said. "There's a big list of people waiting to get on these ships, and we're thrilled to see them back."

Lorenz said ships on the Great Lakes are smaller than cruise ships elsewhere, holding between 200-400 passengers.

Cruise companies will start expeditions in May and end them in October, he said. The companies that sail the Great Lakes are American Queen Voyages, Pearl Seas Cruises, Viking Expeditions, Windstar Cruises, Ponant Explorers, Seabourn Cruises, Silversea Cruises, St. Lawrence Cruise Lines and Hapag Lloyd Cruises.

Depending on the trip and type of room that's booked, trip prices can range from about \$5,000 to almost \$20,000 per person, according to prices posted by the Great Lakes Cruise Co.

When ships start to arrive, they are required to visit both U.S. and Canadian ports because of a partnership between the two countries.

Michigan cruise ports this summer are Detroit, Alpena, Mackinac Island, Sault Ste. Marie, Marquette and Muskegon, according to Lorenz. Outside the state, Lorenz said ships will stop at Cleveland, Ind., Milwaukee, Wisc., Duluth, Minn., and Windsor, Ontario Canada.

Bob Lukens, the community development director for Muskegon County, said he's excited for cruise ships to return because of the economic impact they have. Attractions for passengers include Muskegon's three downtown museums, according to Lukens.

He also said ships' kitchen staff like to shop locally when they can. "Every time they



The Pearl Mist is pictured docked at Port Milwaukee. The Great Lakes cruise season will begin in May and end in October. Photo courtesy of Pearl Sea Cruises.

come to port here they like to stock up," Lukens said. "They will go to some of our local stores to purchase food, vegetables, fruits and beverages. On occasion, some of the chefs have gone to our farmers' market when the market is open and the ship is in port."

In 2015, Lukens said, Muskegon accepted its first cruise ship. And before the pandemic hit in 2020, Muskegon was scheduled to welcome 35 ship calls to its port.

This year, the port is currently scheduled to receive 17 calls, according to Lukens. "I think it kind of demon-

strates that we are coming out of the pandemic to a certain extent," Lukens said.

Lorenz said ports like Muskegon also draw visitors to neighboring cities. Those who come to Muskegon, he said, can bus to places like Grand Rapids or Holland.

Earlier this year, Cruise the Great Lakes, a coalition of cruise lines, ports and travel bureaus, announced a new sustainability pledge. Organizations from Michigan that took the pledge include the Detroit, Muskegon and Holland convention and visitors bureaus, the Detroit Port Authority and the Muskegon Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce. Others include American Queen Voyages, Pearl Seas Cruises, travel centers in Cleveland, Ind., Milwaukee, Wisc. and Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada.

The pledge is centered around destination stewardship to limit the shoreside impact of travelers, reduce air and carbon emissions, discharge wastewater legally into treatment facilities and promote sustainability.

Lorenz said the commitment will keep Michigan's cruise industry competitive, noting that many passengers

are concerned about such issues. "We want to make sure that we're leaving no trace as much as possible," Lorenz said. "It's a leave no trace message: take only pictures, leave only footprints."

In Muskegon, Lukens said one aspect that makes the port valuable is that it can accept wastewater from ships and transfer it to the county's wastewater treatment facility. "The ships appreciate being able to come into port and offload that wastewater in Muskegon," Lukens said.

Lorenz said an advantage that some of the small new ships possess over larger ones is the ability to power down at ports and electrically charge their engines, reducing their carbon emissions.

Christopher Moyer, the senior director of communications for Visit Detroit, said ships can anchor at Detroit's port and use the city's electric system to charge.

"The Great Lakes and the rivers and waterways that connect to them are the crown jewel of Michigan's exceptional natural beauty," Moyer said. "They are a vibrant ecosystem that must be protected as people use them for leisure and recreational activities."

Township of Greenbush

2022 Annual Cleanup

Saturday, May 7, 2022. ~ 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Travis Sanitation, 3522 Kings Corner Rd.

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

ITEMS THAT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT TOWNSHIP CLEAN-UP:

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- Separate your load by type (e.g., tires, scrap metal, white goods, junk, etc.) to facilitate unloading.
- Drivers must be prepared to unload loose or wet loads.
- The Greenbush Fire Department will be available to help you unload. Donations accepted to Fire Department.
- Travis Sanitation will be open for regular business for non-resident/non-property owner drop-offs.
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