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Local officials taking time with ARPA funds

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Local community officials will be making decisions about what to do with funds received through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

ARPA is the federal plan to help communities recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. There are strict rules on how the funds are distributed – based on population, how the funds are spent and how communities must account for the funding.

According to Michigan.gov, the U.S. Department of Treasury has issued interim rules for the expenditure of ARPA funds, however, the rules are subject to change.

Currently, funds may only be used to:

- Offset responding to the public health emergency or its economic impacts;
 - To provide premium payments to essential workers up to \$13 per hour and not to exceed \$25,000 per person;
 - To cover lost revenue;
 - To cover infrastructure improvements specifically, water, sewer and broadband.
- According to the federal government, the funds must be allocated and spent by December 2024.

The funds could be waived by a township, village or city to another form of government, or they could be accepted. Those who have filed for the funds have already received half of the anticipated amount and will receive the other half sometime this year.

Village of Lincoln President Sheila Phillips was happy to receive half of the \$32,866 the village is expecting. She explained some of the funds, less than \$10,000, have already been spent for a lift station bar for the sewer and two new sewage pumps.

"This could not have come at a better time. We were scratching our heads about how we were going to fix the sewer issue. The lift station bar was from the 80s and had to be replaced. We also discovered some of the pumps we had weren't working and could no longer be fixed. We still need to sit down and determine what to do with the balance of the funds," Phillips said.

Most township supervisors echoed a similar response that a final decision on what to do

with the funds had not been made and many are taking a wait-and-see approach hoping the government opens other options for the funds to be used.

Curtis Township is expected to receive a total of \$123,509. Supervisor James McCormick explained one of their primary goals is to build a new township hall, but currently that is not one of the things entities can use the funds for.

"We are hoping (the government) will expand the use of the funds. They change things so often, they made it imminent we apply for this (by a certain date) and then they extended that date. They need to get practical about this. We looked at broadband, but it seems the feds are doing what they can for broadband, why repeat the effort?" McCormick asked.

Mikado Township board has been mulling over some ideas but according to Supervisor Mike Corn, like Curtis Township, what they want to do with their anticipated \$94,411 isn't necessarily what they can do with the funds. "There are a lot of hoops to jump through," Corn said.

He explained they, like all the other townships, have been approached by the Alcona County Economic Development Committee (A-EDC) to utilize the funds for high-speed Internet for the township, but he felt what they could afford to do with the funds going for Internet wouldn't get them very far.

"It might be able to string cable for a mile and a half, but that would not help the bulk of the people. We will be looking for the best ways to use the funds to help the most people. Whatever we decide we will be running it by our auditors to make sure it is legally something we can use the funds for," Corn said.

He said they will be talking to other supervisors and looking at what they will be using their funds for to see if there is something they could collaborate on.

Gustin Township Supervisor Pam Ashford explained they have looked at several projects for the \$65,209 they will receive. "We want whatever we choose to do with the funds to have lasting value, so we are putting a lot of thought into it. We are at-

tending web meetings about how to spend the funds properly and working together with other townships," she said.

Mitchell Township Supervisor Carla Brimm is hoping some of the \$35,169 they are expecting is invested into their firefighters.

"They are a great team and

deserve some extra funds for everything they have been through. I know they have personal protection equipment from grants right now. We have a couple of years to think about it and will be looking at exactly how we can use the funds," Brimm said.

Hawes Township supervisor Rod Cordes, explained

they are taking a wait-and-see approach for their \$91,794 anticipated funds. "We are assuming over time things will change for the use of the funds because of the dollar amount some communities have gotten, which is a lot larger than our little town-

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CDC, health department release new quarantine, isolation strategies

District Health Department No. 2 (DHD2) is adopting the strategy released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on December 27, 2021 for quarantine and isolation effective immediately.

transmission occurs early in the course of the illness, generally in the one to two days prior to the onset of symptoms and the two to three days after. Therefore, people who test positive should isolate for five days and, if as-

vaccine) and not yet boosted, CDC now recommends quarantine for five days followed by strict mask use for an additional five days.

Alternatively, if a five -day quarantine is not feasible, it is imperative that an exposed person wear a well-fitting mask at all times when around others for 10 days after exposure.

Individuals who have received their booster shot do not need to quarantine following an exposure but should wear a mask for 10 days after the exposure. For all those exposed, best practice would also include a test for SARS-CoV-2 at day five after exposure. If symptoms occur, individuals should immediately quarantine until a negative test confirms symptoms are not attributable to COVID-19. (See the graphic for a summary of the new guidance.)

"Faithfully throughout the pandemic we have had fidelity to CDC guidance and recommendations. Continuing with such, and following the science, we remain nimble and transparent in this latest transition for COVID-19 and public health," said Denise Bryan, Health Officer for District Health Department No. 2 and No. 4. "While these changes are substantial, they continue to emphasize the importance of proven prevention measures: getting vaccinated including a booster shot, maintaining safe distance from others, and wearing a mask," she said. "Finally, as we work to update the numerous COVID-19 documents and webpages, we ask for your patience."

Isolation refers to behavior

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NEW **COVID-19 Isolation and Quarantine Guidance**
Updated by CDC on 12/27/2021

If you test positive for COVID-19 (Isolation)
Everyone, regardless of vaccination status.

- Stay home for 5 days.
- If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your house.
- Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves.

If you were exposed to someone with COVID-19 (Quarantine)

If you:

- Have been boosted
- Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months
- Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months

OR

- Wear a mask around others for 10 days.
- Test on day 5, if possible.
- If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home.

If you:

- Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted
- Completed the primary series of J&J over 2 months ago and are not boosted
- Are unvaccinated

- Stay home for 5 days. After that continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you can't quarantine you must wear a mask for 10 days.
- Test on day 5, if possible.
- If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home

District Health Department No. 2
www.dhd2.org

Document date: 12/28/2021
Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s1227-isolation-quarantine-guidance.html>

According to the CDC news release, given what is currently known about COVID-19 and the Omicron variant, the CDC shortened the recommended time for isolation from 10 days for people with COVID-19 to five days, if asymptomatic, followed by five days of wearing a mask when around others.

The change is motivated by science demonstrating that the majority of SARS-CoV-2

symptomatic at that time, they may leave isolation if they can continue to mask for five days to minimize the risk of infecting others.

Additionally, the CDC is updating the recommended quarantine period for those exposed to COVID-19. For those people who are unvaccinated or are more than six months out from their second mRNA dose (or more than two months after the J&J



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Obituaries

Thomas I. Inman

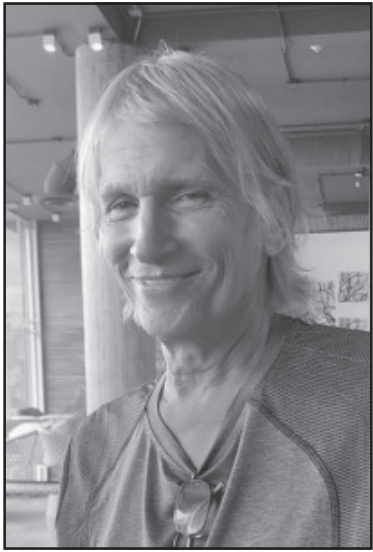
Thomas Ira Inman, 63, of Curtis Township, died on Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2021.

He was born October 6, 1958 in Flint, Mich. to Jack and Gwendolyn (Grush) Inman.

Mr. Inman loved spending time with his grandchildren.

He was an avid fisherman, hunter and bowler. He loved tinkering on projects around the home and work. He also enjoyed spending time behind the wheel of many types of trucks, both for work and pleasure.

Mr. Inman is survived by his wife, Kathy (Frasher) Inman; one son, Alex (Kendra) Inman; two grandchildren, Evan T. Inman and Caiden Budziak; two brothers, Albert (Marianne) Inman and Jack (Shannon) Inman; four sisters, Jacqueline (Kent) Wellhoff, Nannette (Bruce) Miller, Martha (Kevin) Harger, and Dawn Inman; and many nieces and nephews.



He was preceded in death by his parents.

Services will be held at Buresh Funeral Home in Hale on Friday, Jan. 7, from 5 to 8 p.m. Visitation will be on Saturday, Jan. 8 from 11 a.m. to noon. The funeral will follow and afterward, there will be a procession to Glennie cemetery.

Von D. Hoffman Jr.

Von Darold Hoffman Jr., 57, of Mikado, died on Monday, December 27, 2021 at home.

He was born March 1, 1964, to Von and Eva (Hart) Hoffman Sr. in Bay City, Mich., where he was raised.

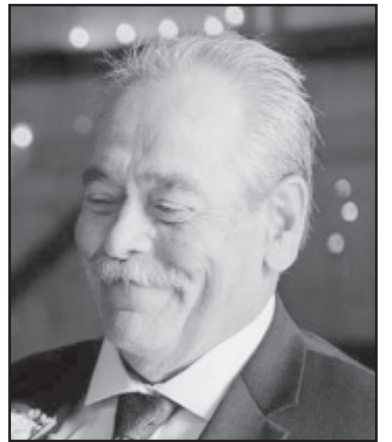
Mr. Hoffman was a skilled mechanic who enjoyed working on vehicles. He enjoyed NASCAR races and adding items to his large collection.

He was a resident of the Lincoln and Mikado area for the last 12 years. He worked at Lost Lake Woods Club as a maintenance supervisor. He worked at Alcona Motors in

the service department as the Body Shop Supervisor.

Mr. Hoffman is survived by his soulmate, Paula Sauls; two sons, Von "Nolet" (Mary) Hoffman III and Chris Hoffman; one daughter, Mandy Hoffman; five grandchildren, Alyssa Rogner, Lily Hoffman, Owen Hoffman, Kairi Hoffman, and Oaklynn Garcia; one stepson, Garrett (Ashley) Bartlett; one brother, Robert (Judy) Payne; his adopted son, Greg Garcia; and his grandpuppy, Neo Bartlett.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Margaret Hart.



A memorial service was held Friday, Dec. 31, 2021 at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln.

Glen R. Perkins

Glen R. Perkins, 77, of Harrisville died on Monday, Dec. 27, 2021 at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

He was born on September 17, 1944 in Highland Park, Mich. to Ralph R. and Evelyn M. (Pelfrey) Perkins.

He served and was honorably discharged from the United States Air Force.

He married Patricia E. Near on May 18, 1968 in Highland Park, Mich.

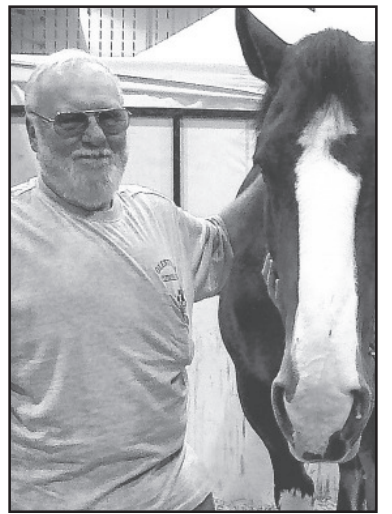
Mr. Perkins was a businessman who started farming as a hobby. When the hobby also became a business, he and Patricia began raising Clydesdale horses on

their farm in Harrisville.

Mr. Perkins is survived by his wife, Patricia; one son, Richard (Heidi) Perkins; two daughters, Christie (Gary) Nye and Rebecca (Shawn) Klinkman; six grandchildren, Jesse (Faith) Nye, Kenna Nye, Ryder Luana, Ellie Perkins, Kylie Perkins and Brystal Klinkman; and three great-grandchildren, Bentley Nye, Rhett Nye and Levi Nye.

The funeral was held Thursday, December 30, 2021 at Buresh Funeral Home in Oscoda.

A celebration of life event will be held on May 7, 2022 at the farm. Memorials may be



made to Horses' Haven in Howell, Mich.

Fred Thompson Jr.

Fred Thompson Jr., 83, of Harrisville, died on Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2021, at MidMichigan Medical Center in Alpena.

He was born December 19, 1938, to Fred and Ionia (Clark) Thompson Sr. in Mikado, and was a lifelong resident of the area.

He graduated from Oscoda High School in 1958 and served in the U.S. Navy.

On August 19, 1961, he married Janet Deller in Mikado.

Mr. Thompson was a hardworking man who always provided for his family. He was a heavy equipment operator for Saginaw Asphalt and was a member of the Steelworkers Local No. 324.

He did snow removal for

Wurtsmith Air Force Base and was a key operator for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for 40 years.

Mr. Thompson attended Calvary Baptist Church.

He enjoyed woodworking, gardening, especially his multiple flower beds. He also liked hunting, trips to the casino, jigsaw puzzles and, most of all, spending time with his family.

Mr. Thompson is survived by his wife, Janet; two daughters, Sheri Fettes and Lori (Mark Freske) Seymour; many nieces and nephews; and his special cousin, Fern Young.

He was preceded in death by two sons-in-law, James Fettes and David Seymour; his parents; one sister, Zelpha



Lakeman; and four brothers, Lowell Thompson, Eddie Thompson, Abe Thompson, and Hank Thompson.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A celebration of life event will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Mikado Goodfellows.

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after a confirmed infection. Isolation for five days followed by wearing a well-fitting mask will minimize the risk of spreading the virus to others.

Quarantine refers to the time following exposure to the virus or close contact with someone known to have COVID-19. Both updates come as the Omicron variant continues to spread throughout the U.S. and reflects the current science on when and for how long a person is maximally infectious.

To schedule a COVID-19 vaccination appointment with DHD2 call (800) 504-2650. For more information regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, visit the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) vaccine website or the CDC vaccine website.

To locate a testing facility, visit the Michigan COVID-19 Test Finder website. To track the risk levels of COVID-19 pandemic indicators, visit the MI Safe Start Map website.

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Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

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

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 assessable. For details, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-8600.

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.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 10

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

formation, contact Darlene Ramey at (734) 718-7760.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

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.

The craft activity for youth ages 12 to 18 will be Cocoa Bombs at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2:30 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 to register for this free program.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

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

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District Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 81st District Court in December 2021.

- Christopher Lee Shuck, 39, of Lincoln was sentenced to 90 days in jail, one year of probation and \$1,585 in fines and costs for domestic violence.
- James Adrien Vanderhaeghen, 56, of Novi, Mich. was sentenced to 270 days in jail and \$925 in fines and costs for stalking.
- Matthew Allen Walker, 46, of Harrisville was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$1,455 for no insurance, unlawful use of license plate and Mail and Mail Depository protection Act.
- Justin David Lara, 39, of Glennie was sentenced to 15 days in jail, one year of probation and \$1,185 in fines and costs for assault/aggravated.
- Kyle Christopher Chevillet, 36, of Clarkston, Mich. was sentenced to 90 days in jail, one year of probation and \$2,110 in fines and costs for child abuse, fourth degree and domestic violence.
- Stephen Travis Charlton, 33, of Oscoda was sentenced to \$285 in fines and costs for no valid license in possession.

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Alcona Township Meeting Notice

The regular meetings of the Alcona Township Board of Trustees for the year 2022 are scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. with the following exceptions:

Monday, February 7th will be a special budget workshop meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m., no meeting will be held in August, and due to the election, the November meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 9th at 6:00 p.m. The Alcona Township Planning Commission will meet January 13th, March 10th, May 12th, July 14th, September 8th, and November 10th at 7 p.m. and the Tri Township meeting April 21st will be hosted by Alcona Township. Meetings are held at the Alcona Township Hall, 5576 US 23 S., Black River, MI 48721. All meetings are open to the public.

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The AuSable Valley Audubon is offering three special public seminars entitled "Winter Wings." Participants will learn about Michigan winter bird identification, feeding birds during colder months, field guide options, choosing binoculars, easy filming techniques, and much more. Classes will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 12, Wednesday, Jan. 19 and Wednesday, Jan. 26 at the Oscoda United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall off River Road in Oscoda. There is no charge for the sessions, but those interested in attending are urged to contact seminar leader, Peggy Ridgway, at (989) 739-5674 for more information.

Rep Allor Meets Residents

State Rep. Sue Allor will host local office hours at the following times and locations:

Monday, Jan. 10

- Alpena County: 11 a.m. to noon at JJ's Steak and Pizza House, 411 N. 2nd Ave., Alpena.

- Alcona County: 1 to 2 p.m. at 23rd Circuit Court, 106 5th Street, Harrisville.

- Iosco County: 3 to 4 p.m. at Tawas City Hall, 550 W. Lake Street, Tawas City.

"This is a great opportunity for local residents to approach me with questions, concerns and ideas, and for me to deliver a legislative update," Allor said. "I look forward to catching up with them in the new year."

No appointments are necessary to attend office hours. Those who are unable to attend but would still like to share their thoughts with the representative may call her Lansing office at (517) 373-0833 or email SueAllor@House.MI.gov. Allor represents the 106th House District, which includes the counties of Alpena, Presque Isle, Alcona, and Iosco, as well as parts of Cheboygan County.

AAA CU Makes Donation

Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union recently pledged \$25,000 to MyMichigan Medical Center Alpena for the funding of a Labor, Delivery,

Recovery and Postpartum (LDRP) suite in the medical center's new patient tower scheduled to open in April 2022. Donald J. Mills, president and CEO, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, recently presented a check that represents the first installment on the five-year pledge, to Ann Diamond, fund development director, MyMichigan Health Foundation.

"Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union has supported the hospital for many years. They have contributed significantly to every major project we have rolled out," said Diamond. "This donation will have a large impact on the families in our area and we are very pleased to partner with them for the benefit of our community."

The Women's Health Unit, which includes a private C-section suite and eight new private LDRP suites, is part of the Medical Center's new 99,000 square foot patient tower. Each room in the Women's Health Unit is beautifully decorated and furnished with state-of-the-art equipment. The Women's Health Unit will be located on

the second floor of the patient tower and offer families private rooms overlooking the Thunder Bay River. In addition to the Women's Health Unit, the patient tower will have a new surgical unit, as well as a new intensive and critical care unit.

"Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union is proud to continue its longtime support to the Northeast Michigan community by donating to MyMichigan Medical Center for its new patient tower project," said Mills. "Every single business and person in our area benefits from the services provided by the medical center. We fully support the major investment MyMichigan Health has made to the region and we are happy to show our support with this donation."

LeAnn Schultz, director of marketing, AAA Credit Union said, "We'll be keeping the Women's Health Unit busy in the future as many our credit union members and staff are expecting. We are thrilled to be able to support this project and give back to our members, staff and the community in this way."

Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of December 27, 2021 - January 2, 2022

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

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	5	Traffic/Traffic Stop	15
Domestic	3	Property Damage Accident	4
Personal Injury Accident	1	Assist	3
Animal/Dog	4	Miscellaneous	2
Patrol Check	1	Well Being Check	1
911 Hang Up	1	Suspicious Event	1
Larceny	2	Threats	1
Civil	3	Gun Shots	1
Warrant Arrest	1	Alarm	1
Child Neglect	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	4	Caledonia	6	Curtis	6
Greenbush	9	Gustin	5	Harrisville	1
Hawes	4	Haynes	3	Mikado	7
Millen	1	Mitchell	0		
Harrisville City	3	Village of Lincoln	2		



Donald J. Mills, president and CEO of AAA Credit Union, presents a check to Ann Diamond, fund development director of MyMichigan Health Foundation. On hand for the check presentation is (from left): LeAnn Schultz, AAA Credit Union; Michelle Woodruff, AAA Credit Union and Jessica McEwen, Women's Health Unit.

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ships will see. I'm sure the use of the monies will get expanded over the next few months. We have met and talked about Internet with some companies but that's about it," Cordes said.

Greenbush Township Supervisor Lee Major and City of Harrisville Mayor Jeff Gehring said they received half of the anticipated amounts but have not formerly discussed what to do with the funds, although Gehring was leaning toward sewer improvements for the city. Greenbush Township is expected to receive a total of \$139,733. The City of Harrisville is expecting \$48,880.

Alcona Township Supervisor Marlena MacNeill said they have received half of their anticipated \$95,248 but are still a bit baffled by the best way to spend it.

"Initially, we didn't have any expenditures for our firefighters or infrastructure, and we have no way to divide it among people in our township who might have been affected by COVID-19. The only option we had left was broadband expansion. I think we are still leaning that way, but until there is some bonified effort to spend that kind of money on a project like that, we still are unsure of what we should do," MacNeill said.

She said starting the new year with money in the bank was always good but felt there was an obligation hanging over their heads now to make some serious decisions. "It's nice to get a shot in the arm but the stipulations are so loosey-goosey. We don't want to hang ourselves with our own rope. We've been talking amongst the other townships and thought about collaborating efforts.

"We were hoping the county (commissioners) would help us figure this out so we could get the biggest bang for our buck, but we haven't heard a whole lot from them. We will be meeting with A-EDC on January 26. I'm not sure what the expectation of that meeting will be, but we might get a little more information," MacNeill said.

Millen Township is set to receive \$40,611. Supervisor Dennis Smith explained they have discussed working with the county for high-speed Internet but were a long way from deciding.

"We are patiently waiting. We talked to Allband and were waiting for the study (mapping) the A-EDC had done. We are hoping, whether it's through ARPA funds or the government we can improve high-speed Internet for our township. That's our goal, but the ARPA funds are not enough to fund an entire network. It will take a collaborative effort and the Alcona County Commissioners to get on board and assist with that," he said.

Supervisors from Harrisville Township, which is earmarked to receive \$134,290, Caledonia Township, which is earmarked to receive 116,182 and Haynes Township, which is earmarked to receive \$71,175 could not be reached for comment.

How older drivers can save on auto insurance

Dear Savvy Senior,
Can you provide any tips to help seniors reduce their auto insurance premiums? I just got hit with a 15 percent increase on my car insurance and am looking for ways to save.

Fixed Income

Dear Fixed,
Unfortunately, auto insurance rates went up significantly over the past year as the pandemic eased and more Americans got back on the roads. But there are plenty of ways to cut your premium. To find out what discounts may be available to you, contact your auto insurer and inquire about these options, and any others that may benefit you.

- Low mileage discount: Most insurers offer discounts to customers who drive limited miles each year, which is usually beneficial to retirees who drive less because they don't commute to work every day. These discounts usually kick in when your annual milage drops below 7,000 or 7,500, which is significantly less than the typical 12,000

miles most Americans drive a year.

- Drivers Ed discount: Many states require insurance companies to offer defensive driving discounts – between five and 15 percent – to drivers who take a refresher course to brush up on their safety skills. These courses, offered by AAA (aaadriver.online/register/roadwise) and AARP (aarpdriversafety.org), cost \$20 to \$30 and can be taken online.

- Monitored driving discount: Many insurance providers offer discounts based on how and when you use your car. To get this, the insurer would provide a small monitoring device that you would place in your car to track things like your acceleration, braking habits, driving speeds, phone use and when you drive. Drivers are rewarded between 10 and 50 percent for safe driving and for not driving late at night.

In addition, many insurance providers also offer discounts to drivers who do not have any violations or accidents for three or more years.

- Membership discounts:



Savvy Senior

Organizations that you belong to can also lower your insurance premium. Insurers offer discounts through professional associations, workers' unions, large employers or membership organizations such as AAA, the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, AARP, etc. You could even qualify for savings based on the college you attended or the fraternity or sorority you belonged to decades ago.

- Bundle policies: If your auto policy is issued by a different company from the one insuring your life or home, call each insurer and ask if bundling the policies would be cheaper.

- Improve your credit: You may be able to lower your car

insurance premium by paying your bills on time and reducing the amount of debt you carry. Insurers look at how their customers manage credit to get an idea of risk and to price policies. Better rates are given to those with good credit scores, typically 700 or above.

- Increase your deductible: While it's not right for everyone, paying a higher deductible could save you big on premiums. For example, raising your deductible from \$200 to \$500 could reduce the cost of your collision and comprehensive coverage by 15 to 30 percent. Going to a \$1,000 deductible could save you 40 percent or more.

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Sault Ste. Marie commercial district joins National Register of Historic Places

By **Lea Mitchell**
Capital News Service

The Sault Ste. Marie Commercial District, settled in 1668 by European immigrants but occupied by Native Americans thousands of years earlier, is worthy of recognition for its commercial history, ethnic culture and architecture, according to the National Park Service.

That significance earned Sault Ste. Marie a new spot on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Soo Commercial District is in the heart of the city, in Chippewa County in the eastern Upper Peninsula. Sault Ste. Marie is the oldest city in Michigan, and one of the oldest in the United States. Throughout its history, flags of several nations have flown over the city, according to the Sault Ste. Marie Pure Michigan website.

There is still debate on the exact meaning of “Sault,” but scholars believe it’s from early French dialect that translates into jump, referring to the place where one needs to “jump” into the St. Mary’s River due to the location of the city.

The commercial district “is significant for its commercial history and its architecture. It has a significant role in ethnic heritage, entertainment, and recreation and is the center of the local county

— Super Crossword —

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The Federal Building in Sault Ste. Marie is part of the Soo Commercial District recognized on the National Register of Historic Places. The building was constructed in 1910 as a post office and site of federal government operations. It is now the Soo’s City Hall. *Courtesy photo.*

government,” said Todd Walsh, the National Register coordinator in Michigan’s State Historic Preservation Office.

The district contains 151 buildings and structures that represent the social and economic trends, culture and architectural significance prevalent in the U.P. in the late 1800s and early 1900s, according to the letter nominating the site for recognition.

“In the downtown commercial district and adjacent buildings that make up the Soo, there were 104 buildings that contributed to the historic significance of the district and 42 that didn’t contribute. Five of those buildings were already placed on the list,” Walsh said.

The National Register is an official list of the nation’s historic places that are worthy of preservation. It’s part of a national program to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify and evaluate history.

“The nation’s official list are places important to history. The architecture, connection to a person, the way they tell information about the past and history are what makes places able to be nominated to the National Register,” Walsh said.

To be considered for the list, sites must be remarkable in “American history, architecture, culture and archaeology, while being connected to events that have made contribution to trends in history or linked with persons in the past,” according to the National Park Service.

“After the National Register nominates a place, a federal form is filled out and sent to the National Park Service,” which decides whether the place or building goes on the pending list,” Walsh said.

Sometimes a community nominates its district or individual buildings for the National Register.

“The National Register of Historic Places is a bottom-up program. In some cases, the town participates in a certified local program, a program where communities wish to emphasize preservation in their residential and

commercial area,” said Jim Gabbert, an historian at the National Register.

The Soo has a rich history. Over 2,000 years ago, Native Americans began to gather in the area for fish, fur and other resources found along the river. Native Americans were there long before the Euro-Americans arrived, and the city has been occupied by Euro-Americans for 352 years.

The strategic location and natural resources along the Saint Mary’s River made it a highly valued spot and resulted in conflict among groups. The French and British fought over the area and trading rights with Native Americans in the 1700s.


After the War of 1812, settlement in the area increased when the border disagreement between Canada and the U.S. was resolved at the St. Marys River.

The city grew due to the location by the river, and copper boomed in the 1840s. The boom in the 1880s and 1890s led to more buildings being constructed. The newly recognized district encompasses early homes, as well as the historic business area. There are commercial blocks, church buildings and residences that have been converted to commercial use.

A substantial number of buildings are associated with different ethnic groups, such as Italians and Greeks, according to the Sault Ste. Marie history website.

Many communities use their National Register listing for historic districts as part of their overall marketing strategy. “There have been many studies in numerous states where they look at the economic impact of historic preservation, and it has a positive impact and heritage tourism is a major part of that,” Gabbert said.

“Places on the National Register hold a sense of pride and integrity, and listings are often used to promote tourism as honoring their heritage that resides there. The National Register doesn’t offer any protection, but it’s an honorific program,” Walsh said.



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Nuclear power concerns outlast decommissioning

By Cameryn Cass
Capital News Service

As Michigan and other states gradually move away from coal and other brown energy sources, there's growing interest in carbon-free alternatives, including nuclear energy, which some advocates call a "clean alternative" that now fuels 30 percent of Michigan's total electricity.

Big Rock Point, a nuclear plant in Charlevoix, Mich., closed in 1997 and has been fully decommissioned. In the spring of 2022, the Palisades Nuclear Plant in southwest Michigan's Van Buren County will close because of a "business decision."

Michigan also has the Fermi Nuclear Power Plant in Newport, near Monroe, and the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Power Plant in Berrien County's Bridgman, according to the Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy.

With Palisades and other plants in the Great Lakes region scheduled to shut down in the coming decades, more people are considering the long-term impacts of this energy source. After decommissioning, radioactive waste remains on-site, said Susan Chiblow, an Indigenous environmental scholar in Ontario, Canada.

In short, risks don't disappear when a plant is decommissioned, a process that can take up to 60 years, said Edwin Lyman, the nuclear safety project director at the Union of Concerned Scientists, a nonprofit science advocacy organization based in Massachusetts.

Although closed plants no longer have to worry about accidents post shut-down, their operators remain responsible for managing the radiated materials and spent nuclear waste, Lyman said.

He explained waste stored on-site is vulnerable to security threats and climate disasters. For five years, the waste is kept in large swimming pool-like structures where it's mixed with water to keep it cool. Then, it's transferred to dry casks, he said.

The U.S. Department of Energy is technically responsible for removing the waste, but it has nowhere to bring it, Lyman said. "It's going to be a long-term storage problem for any nuclear plant that's shut down," Lyman said.

One solution to the waste storage problem is burying the waste, but opponents fear groundwater contamination. Finland made history last May and became the first country to store its spent nuclear waste underground.

Proponents say this solution would better protect the waste. They call it a safer way to avoid damage in the event of a natural disaster, like the 2011 earthquake and tsunami that wreaked havoc at Japan's Fukushima nuclear power plant.

Critics of burial call it a Band-Aid solution. "They'll put really pretty grass and trees over top so people don't

know it's buried down there," Chiblow said. "They say these mountains will never move," she said. "Everything that happens above the Earth – besides humans – is the same beneath. It's a mirror."

Deep Solution, a California company involved in the issue, recommends that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the agency in charge of America's nuclear power, allow waste to be buried.

Strategically digging bore holes in areas with low fault and fracture zones at a depth of 1 kilometer (0.62 miles), it's a safer, long-term solution, said Rodney Baltzer, the company's chief operating officer.

On average, 21 such holes could hold all the waste a nuclear plant produces, Baltzer said. He likens the process to swimming in the ocean: "You might swim on the surface that's very choppy, but if you dive under and are scuba diving, you'll have much less impact of those waves, and that's kind of how it is in the deep underground."

Still, Chiblow said she fears reservoirs will eventually crack with devastating consequences. "The underground river systems and lakes will become contaminated, which means that everything above the earth will become contaminated, and as humans, we will not exist," Chiblow said.

America's nuclear waste repository is legally located at Yucca Mountain in Nevada. Opposition from the Western Shoshone Nation and other concerned individuals and groups has successfully prevented waste from being stored there, however.

To bury waste underground, Deep Isolation would require a license from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Right now, Yucca Mountain is the only place nuclear waste can be buried, and it's not happening because of the opposition.

Regardless of such concerns, nuclear power remains the largest source of non-carbon emitting electricity in Michigan, said Scott Dean, a strategic communications officer at the Environment, Great Lakes and Energy.

Thirteen states have banned construction of new nuclear plants. In the Great Lakes region, Minnesota adopted its ban in 1994. Conversely, Illinois just spent \$694 million to keep its nuclear power plants running to meet emission goals.

Because the Great Lakes account for one-fifth of the world's freshwater, Chiblow and other environmentalists are especially interested in protecting it.

"They're killing the water," she said. "If you think about it, our bodies are made up of water, our brain floats in water, all these things. If we kill the water, then we are eventually going to kill the water in our bodies, which means we as a humankind will not exist."

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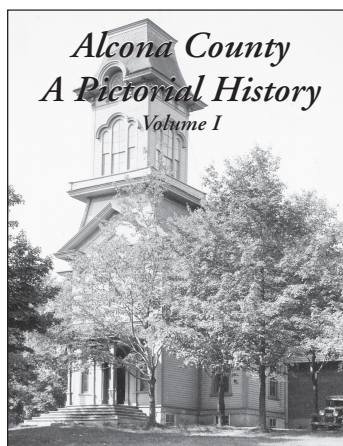
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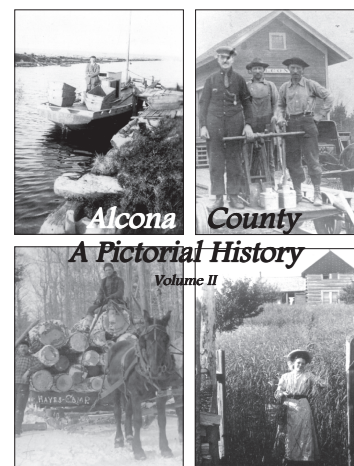
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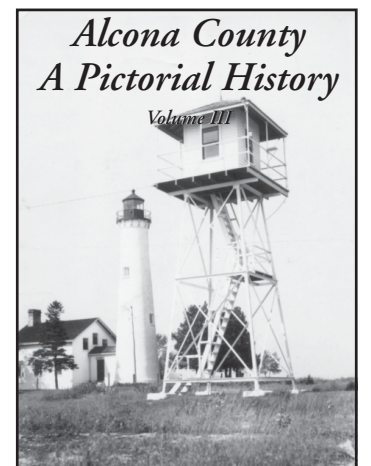
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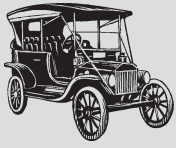
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Plan steamer service for Lake Huron towns

Detroit Bodies Propose Purchase of Lake Michigan Boat

January 5, 1922 ~ Detroit, Jan. 3—Passenger and freight service on the lakes between Detroit and Northern Michigan points, abandoned some time ago by the Detroit and Cleveland Navigation Company, will be resumed with reopening of navigation next spring if activities of the Merchant Marine committee of the Detroit Board of Commerce and the Wholesale Merchants' bureau of the board are successful.

The two organizations working in conjunction, are investigating the possibility

of bringing to the lakes on the eastern side of the state a small vessel operated by the Chicago Steamship Lines of Chicago. The company is known to be ready to consider such a proposition if towns and cities in the territory it is proposed to serve can guarantee the necessary business in freight and passengers.

The tentative proposal calls for two round trips each week by the vessel. The ship has a capacity of 350 passengers in addition to freight.

Members of the Detroit organization who are sponsoring the proposition hope to confer soon with Chambers of Commerce officials in the cities outside Detroit that would receive service and seek their cooperation in the movement.

Valuable cows poisoned at Serradella Farm

January 5, 1922 ~ A dastardly act was committed at Carl E. Schmidt's Serradella Farm when some one poisoned seven of the best cows and two horses. All of the cows died but the horses were saved after a hard fight by the veterinary.

Chemical analysis of the stomachs showed that the cows died from arsenical poisoning.

Last year Serradella Farm produced the second best dairy cow in Michigan and this year Mr. Schmidt had selected seven of his best cows for testing purposes. It was these seven cows that were poisoned.

The crime was committed while Mr. Schmidt was in Europe. After investigating the circumstances on his return home last week, Mr. Schmidt decided to offer a reward of \$500 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the guilty parties.

B & E reported at local IGA market

January 5, 1972 ~ The Friendly IGA Market in Harrisville was entered by thieves sometime early Monday morning.

According to the Alcona County Sheriff's Department, a passing motorist spotted broken glass in the front entrance, where the entrants broke the glass in the door in order to enter the store. The motorist alerted the Sheriff's Office at 2:00 a.m.

According to the owner, Henry Gauthier, it has not, as yet, been determined what was taken.

Alcona Motor Sales to change hands Jan. 1

January 1, 1948 ~ Effective January 1st, the Alcona Motor Sales of Harrisville will come under the ownership of Laverne Medor of Lincoln, and Ted Kruttlin of Curran. Mr. Kruttlin will be the operator and manager of the new company. Mr. Kruttlin has been connected with the Laverne Medor Sales of Lincoln since his return from service, and has a wide experience in this business. The new owners will continue to handle the Dodge and Plymouth Sales and Service, the International Harvester farm machinery, and General Electric and Gibson electrical appliances.

The Alcona Motor Sales has been successfully operated by Harold Cuyler for the past two years. Mr. Cuyler plans on entering into the baseball field as a business manager. No definite position has yet been announced by Harold, but several offers have been under consideration.

The Review joins the many friends of the new owners in wishing them success in their new undertaking, as does the host of friends made by Mr. Cuyler in the past, wish him happiness and success in his new work.

Railway to run along shore, through Harrisville

January 3, 1895 ~ Ira Lount, the Standard Oil travelling salesman, claims to possess inside information relative to the new shore railroad project which is just at present absorbing considerable public attention and is the subject of much newspaper comment. "That road is coming right through Harrisville," he said to the Review, "and will follow the shore closely to the straits."

"You can tell the people I have confidence enough in the outcome so that I have seven hats bet on it. I know what I am talking about when I tell you it's a sure thing. It has been estimated that 13 or 14 more loaded cars can be hauled over a road constructed on the lake shore level than can be hauled over the Mackinaw division of the Central railroad. Everyone knows that north of Grayling, the highest point in the state, there is an 8-mile stretch having a grade of 90 feet to the mile. The shore route offers none of these objections to freight traffic and that's the principal inducement for the construction of such a railroad as is projected. It's coming sure."

Bowling alley and dairy bar under construction

January 1, 1948 ~ A much needed recreational center for Alcona County is now under construction in Harrisville at the south city limits on US-23.

The new eight-lane bowling alley and dairy bar will be of the latest modern equipment. The building, constructed of cinder blocks, will be 52x147 feet and has an offset set aside for a dance

hall for the teenagers.

The new business is being started by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kerbyson of Greenbush, formerly of Detroit. The new equipment has already arrived and is now in storage awaiting the completion of the building. Mr. Kerbyson states that if weather permits, the dairy bar and alleys will be open to the public in early May.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2021

Weekly Report

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		Dominant Direction
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	
Dec. 26	34	22	0.00	4.0	20	N
Dec. 27	34	30	0.04	11.5	23	ESE
Dec. 28	32	26	0.00	1.9	19	W
Dec. 29	35	27	0.00	3.8	15	SSW
Dec. 30	33	20	0.00	2.4	13	N
Dec. 31	35	32	0.00	2.1	15	SSW
Jan. 1	32	21	0.00	6.7	25	N

2021-2022 Season Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.04	1.2	0.42
Month of December	1.54	5.1	1.83
Hanuary to Date	0.00	0.0	0.06
Year/Season to Date	0.00	8.4	0.06

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

- SCIENCE:** How long does it take for light to travel from the Sun to Earth?
- TELEVISION:** Which comedian used the catchphrase "one ringie dingie, two ringie dingies" in a TV character sketch?
- MEASUREMENTS:** How many centimeters are equivalent to 100 inches?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Who is the only president to serve nonconsecutive terms?
- LANGUAGE:** How many languages are spoken in the world today?
- GOVERNMENT:** Which branch of U.S. government is responsible for making laws?
- SPORTS:** Which famous baseball pitcher's nickname is "The Chairman of the Board"?
- FOOD & DRINK:** What type of food do the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles love?
- GEOGRAPHY:** Which ocean does Bermuda lie in?
- MATH:** What is a prime number?

Answers: 1. Eight minutes, 20 seconds; 2. Lily Tomlin, as telephone operator Ernestine; 3. 254; 4. Grover Cleveland; 5. More than 7,000; 6. The legislative branch -- U.S. House and Senate; 7. Whitey Ford; 8. Pizza; 9. Atlantic; 10. A number that is only divisible by itself and 1 (c) 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Dec. 30, 1803, Francis Lewis, signer of the Declaration of Independence, dies in New York City at age 90. Lewis' patriotism came at a high cost: The British army destroyed his Long Island estate and took his wife prisoner in 1776.
- On Jan. 1, 1863, farmer Daniel Freeman submits the first claim under the new Homestead Act for a property in Nebraska. By the 1890s, many homesteaders found that farming 160 acres of such dry land was nearly impossible, and at least half the original claims were abandoned.
- On Dec. 27, 1944, during World War II, President Franklin Roosevelt gives orders to seize properties belonging to the Montgomery Ward company because it refused to comply with a labor collective bargaining agreement. Roosevelt said strikes in wartime cannot be condoned.
- On Dec. 29, 1956, the New York Times leaks news that the United States is preparing a major policy statement on the Middle East. The Eisenhower Doctrine would proclaim that the U.S. would use force in the Middle East to contain Soviet aggression.
- On Dec. 31, 1968, the Soviet Union's TU-144 supersonic airliner makes its first flight, months ahead of the Anglo-French Concorde. In 1965, the French had arrested Sergei Pavlov, head of the Paris office of the Soviet airliner Aeroflot, for illegally obtaining classified information about France's supersonic project.
- On Dec. 28, 1973, Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn's "literary investigation" of the police-state system in the Soviet Union, "The Gulag Archipelago, 1918-1956," is published in Paris. On Feb. 12, 1974, Solzhenitsyn was arrested, stripped of his citizenship and deported.
- On Jan. 2, 1980, in response to the December 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, President Jimmy Carter asks the Senate to postpone action on the SALT II nuclear weapons treaty. Carter feared that the Soviet invasion could lead to its gaining control over much of the world's oil supplies.

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Super Crossword

ENGLISH QUINTET

- ACROSS**
- 1 Tribal carving
 - 6 Beatle Ringo
 - 11 Depict with bias
 - 15 Ellipsoidal
 - 19 Earthy tone, to a Brit
 - 20 Magazine release
 - 21 Irene of "Fame"
 - 22 Central point
 - 23 He played Jim Dial on "Murphy Brown"
 - 26 Kazan with three Tonys
 - 27 Carp in a garden pond
 - 28 Football's Manning
 - 29 "— my way!" ("Scram!")
 - 30 Cathedrals' main areas
 - 31 Necklace of 12-Down
 - 32 Strong product-selling influence
 - 36 Toon skunk Le Pew
 - 39 Nonstick cookware brand
 - 41 Ending for priest
 - 42 In-favor vote
 - 43 Partly joking
- DOWN**
- 46 Shabby hotels
 - 51 Striped stone
 - 52 "Are you — out?"
 - 53 Currency of Belgium
 - 55 Dormant
 - 56 Able to feel
 - 58 Taking a rolling pin to
 - 62 Period
 - 63 Add- — (extras)
 - 65 Brings a civil action
 - 66 Snare loops
 - 67 What the Australian Open is played on
 - 72 Druids, e.g.
 - 75 Burn soother
 - 76 Bruins' Bobby
 - 77 Purpose
 - 80 Black Protestant denom. since 1821
 - 84 Have coming
 - 87 Green shade
 - 88 Blood-related
 - 89 Daddy
 - 91 Pond buildup
 - 92 Expected saviors
 - 95 Gave a worthy effort
 - 97 — -ray Disc
 - 98 Long-headed antelope
 - 100 Florence's river
 - 101 Pod items
 - 102 Franz Liszt piano piece in 3/4 time
 - 108 Purpose
 - 110 In regard to
 - 111 Conga relative
 - 112 Standoffish
 - 113 Animal kept in the house
 - 116 Feudal VIP
 - 117 Crossing during a journey
 - 122 Balladeer Burl
 - 123 Green shade
 - 124 Ho-hum feeling
 - 125 Volunteer's offer to be sent
 - 126 Disaffirm
 - 127 Male tabbies
 - 128 Regards as
 - 129 Sequence found in this puzzle's nine longest answers
 - 6 "Yes, yes!" in Mexico
 - 7 "For shame!"
 - 8 "Just — suspected!"
 - 9 Bit of hearsay
 - 10 Reprimands
 - 11 Actors Baio and Wolf
 - 12 A Hawaiian Island
 - 13 Work unit, in physics
 - 14 Sound of a crying baby
 - 15 Ryan of "Love Story"
 - 16 Swedish vehicle make
 - 17 Ta-ta, to Tati
 - 18 Most minor
 - 24 Aristocratic
 - 25 Numbered whys.
 - 30 Scholastic sports org.
 - 31 Some turns and jabs
 - 32 Principal
 - 33 Standoffish
 - 34 Tarp material
 - 35 "I didn't know that!"
 - 36 Period
 - 37 Avid
 - 38 First strategy
 - 40 Buddy
 - 44 Viking locale
 - 45 E-address
 - 46 Plaster painting
 - 47 Archie Bunker, e.g.
 - 48 Hubbubs
 - 49 Model binder
 - 50 U.S. Open units
 - 53 Sewing case
 - 54 Beehive State college team
 - 57 Bodily trunk
 - 59 Ed of "Roots"
 - 60 Habituate (to)
 - 61 Negative conjunction
 - 64 Neat piles
 - 67 Visibility reducers
 - 68 DiFranco of song
 - 69 Pre-coll., in education
 - 70 Pluralizable word
 - 71 Appoint to holy office
 - 72 Oahu tree
 - 73 French gal pal
 - 74 Tiara stones
 - 77 Have a tiff
 - 78 She divorced Donald
 - 79 Intersects
 - 81 Bible book after Micah
 - 82 Tax form pro
 - 83 Went to town on
 - 85 Plant pouch
 - 86 Run off to tie the knot
 - 90 Cuzco locale
 - 93 "Likely story!"
 - 94 "Thrilla in Manila" boxer
 - 95 Spoke indistinctly and softly
 - 96 Put one's finger on, say
 - 98 "R.I.P." sites
 - 99 City in Alaska
 - 102 Legitimate
 - 103 Superior to
 - 104 Sophia of "Two Women"
 - 105 Froth-filled
 - 106 Pious song
 - 107 "Common Sense" writer Thomas
 - 109 Aleppo locale
 - 112 Possible reply to "That so?"
 - 113 Hungarian sheepdog
 - 114 Kellogg's waffle brand
 - 115 Holier-than- —
 - 117 Blast source
 - 118 — Grande
 - 119 Dir. from Little Rock to Chicago
 - 120 Juicy Fruit, e.g.
 - 121 Bullring yell

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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- In Germany, you are allowed to drive your car naked, but not get out of it naked.
- A high-school principal once disciplined a student by making him sit in the basement while reading the U.S. Constitution. The punishment must have taken effect, because said student (who also memorized parts of the document) was Thurgood Marshall, who grew up to become the first Black Supreme Court justice.
- Male orb-weaver spiders give back rubs to their mates so they don't get eaten.
- "Mbuki-mvuki" is a Bantu word for the irresistible urge to strip off your clothes while dancing.
- In 2002, Saddam Hussein's campaign theme song for re-election was Whitney Houston's "I Will Always Love You."
- For a single day in August 1998 and another in October 2018, Topeka, Kansas, renamed itself "ToPikachu" to mark the release of different Pokemon games.
- Pule, the world's rarest cheese, is made from donkey milk, something that was widely believed impossible since the liquid doesn't coagulate. However, Serbian cheesemaker Slobodan Simic discovered a solution and now sells his cheese for over \$500 per pound.
- The Saturday falling closest to April 1 is International Tom Hanks Day.
- MLB pitcher Turk Wendell, "baseball's favorite oddball," would not only brush his teeth every inning, but at the start of same, would turn and wave to the center fielder and wait for him to wave back before proceeding.
- There are more English speakers in China than in the United States.
- In 1994, a man was arrested for dressing as the Grim Reaper and standing and staring into the windows of a home for the elderly.

Thought for the Day: "The best teacher in the world is someone who loves what he or she does, and just loves it in front of you." -- Fred Rogers

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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: E equals L

U A R E F D D F Y B R O Y F R M B F L

O J V F W J L S W S R U Y V R U E, U X K F O O

S J K M J K E L O R S U D ' O W F F G O F G D

A E S U G X.

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Kovels: Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Splatterware pitcher



This 11-inch-high antique rainbow splatterware water pitcher with bands in five different colors sold for more than \$5,000 at a Conestoga auction last year. *Photo Credit: Kovels*

A: The Vendo company was started in the late 1930s in Kansas City, Missouri. The Vendo Model 56 vending machine was designed about 1956 and made until the mid-1960s. The machine held 56 bottles, sizes 8 ounces to 12 ounces, in up to seven varieties. It was offered in red and white, red and white with woodgrain, and with woodgrain "decorator doors" that made it look like a cabinet rather than a brightly colored soda machine. Styles included Danish, Provincial, Colonial, Traditional and Mediterranean, like yours.

Vintage Vendo soda vending machines in old and worn but working condition that advertise brands like Coca-

Cola or Pepsi sell from about \$250 to about \$500. Coca-Cola versions are worth the most. Restored examples sell into the thousands. Without product advertising, they are worth less, about \$100 to \$300.

It is easy to guess what this is -- a rainbow splatterware water pitcher. But how old is it? Splatterware was first made in the late 1700s in England, but most found today dates from about 1800 to 1850 in Staffordshire, England, made to sell in the United States. Unfortunately, the word "splatterware" now has several meanings, probably because novice collectors didn't realize there is a difference between spatter and spongeware. Another hazard is that there are fairly good copies of splatterware made today to be used in the kitchen. Experts can tell the old from the new by the shape, weight and the white glaze color. They also know the difference in the look of a splattered paint mark and the mark left by a paint-dipped sponge.

Old rainbow spatter like this pitcher is expensive, and the double G-scroll handle is an added value feature. This piece sold with the buyers' premium for \$5,227.

Q: When I bought my beauty shop in 1972, it had a Coke machine. It was made by the Vendo Company of Kansas City. Cokes cost 15 cents. But it isn't the typical red-and-white Coke machine -- the front looks like wood and has eight panels with black trim. The machine still works, and I have it in my home. Could you tell me its value?

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Wood candlesticks, carved, Wilhelm Schimmel style, central ball, tapered sections, stepped base, 1900s, 10 1/4 inches, pair, \$95.

Alarm clock, travel, gilt brass case, square, white dial with Roman numerals, Swiss quartz movement, marked Tiffany & Co., c.1970, 4 inches, \$115.

Toy, Playland Merry-Go-Round, children on horses, multicolored, tin lithograph, windup, J. Chein & Co., box, 11 x 11 inches, \$270.

Weather vane, golfer, silhouette, swinging driver, golf bag with clubs standing behind, copper, verdigris patina, 25 1/2 x 21 1/2 inches, \$445.

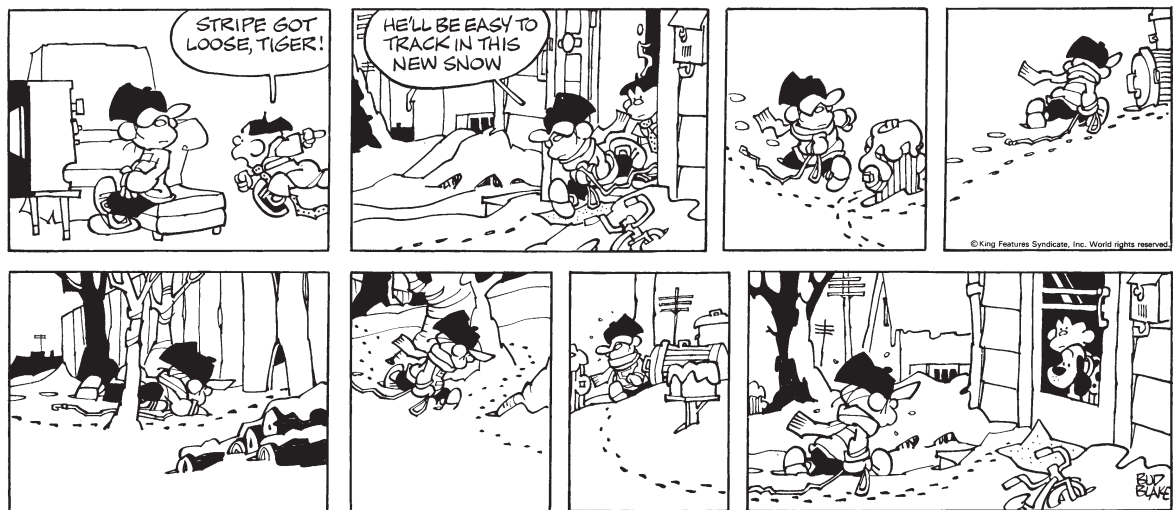
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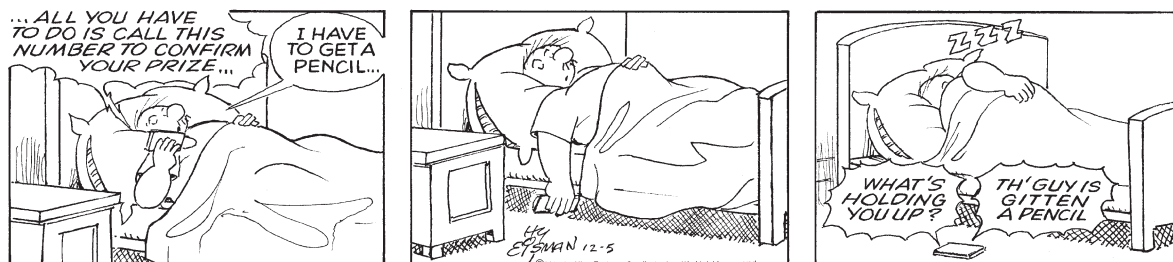
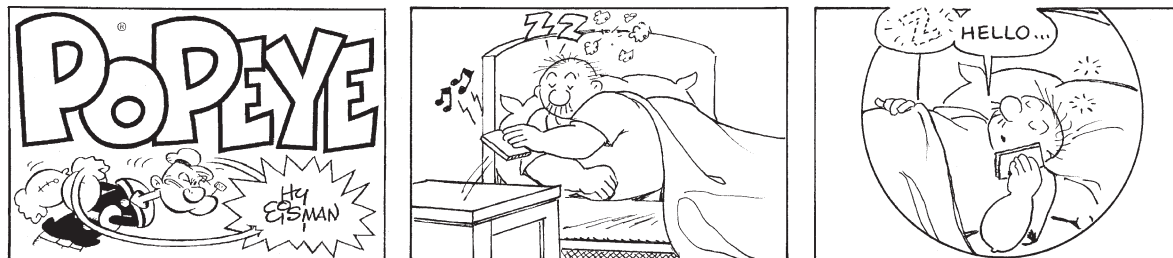


by Mike Marland

TIGER



by BUD BLAKE



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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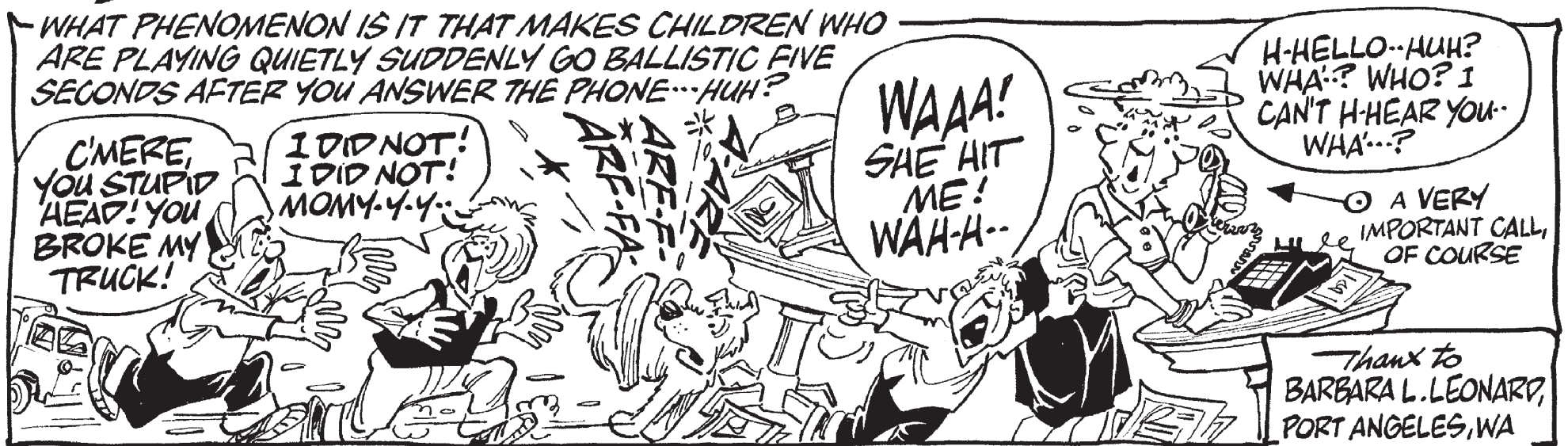
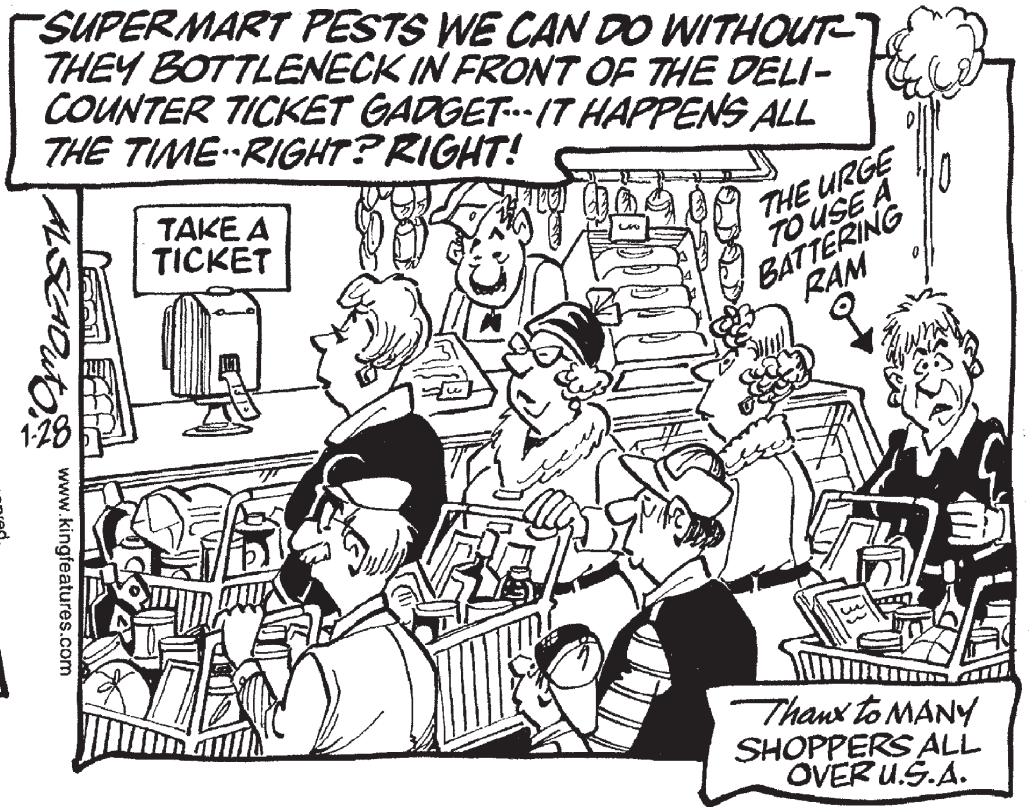
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BY AL SCADUTO



Sports Quiz

By Ryan A. Berenz

1. What team selected 17-year-old Jermaine O'Neal in the first round of the 1996 NBA Draft?
2. Name the ESPN game show that had contestants taking on statistician Howie Schwab in a showdown of sports trivia knowledge.
3. During the 2012 and '13 seasons, what Cincinnati Reds pitcher threw the 279th and 280th no-hitters in Major League Baseball history?
4. What legendary Dutch striker played for Manchester United (2001-06) and Real Madrid (2006-10), and scored 35 goals for the Netherlands national team from 1998-2011?
5. Name the Tennessee Titans wide receiver who scored the winning touchdown versus the Buffalo Bills in the "Music City Miracle" AFC wild-card playoff game in January 2000.
6. What World Golf Hall of Famer was the first Mexican golfer -- either male or female -- to achieve the world No. 1 rank?
7. What short-lived Marvel Comics series, first published in 1991, centered on an ex-NFL player who derived special crime-fighting powers from spilled chemicals and a nearly indestructible football uniform?

Answers: 1. The Portland Trail Blazers.; 2. "Stump the Schwab."; 3. Homer Bailey.; 4. Ruud van Nistelrooy.; 5. Kevin Dyson.; 6. Lorena Ochoa.; 7. "NFL SuperPro." (c) 2021 King Features Syndicate, Inc.

Now Here's A Tip

By JoAnn Derson

- To prevent candle wax from sticking to a candleholder, swipe the inside with a little olive oil. It'll do the trick!
- Make your own gift wrap from everyday items like newspaper (think color comics) and children's drawings, which can be glued together along the edges. For a really unique wrapping, try inexpensive fabric.
- Cookies are so fun to make (and to eat). To

save some of your favorites for the new year, simply place dough balls on a cookie sheet and freeze. Pop into a freezer-safe bag, and you can have freshly baked cookies pretty much anytime! -- JoAnn

• "Wine: Nobody I know is wasting it. But if you're done before the bottle is, pour the leftover wine into ice-cube trays to save it. You can use it later in recipes or (my favorite) to chill a glass of wine!" -- E.

in Florida

- A can opener's crevices can be cleaned by "opening" a length of waxed paper. Kitchen scissors can be sharpened by folding a piece of aluminum foil and cutting through it with the scissors.

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