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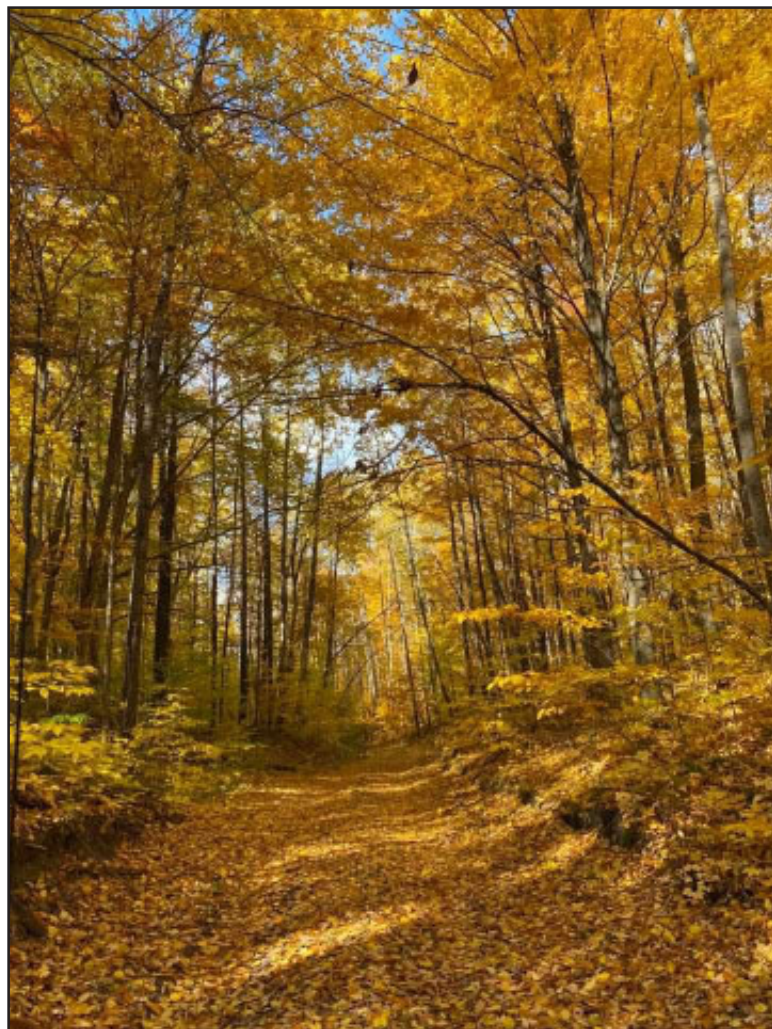
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An area of western Alcona County was glowing in gold hues over the balmy weekend. *Courtesy photo.*

Two county commission districts, school board have contested races

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Voters in Alcona County have a few contested local races in a variety of elected positions and two millages to decide on when they go to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 8 for the Michigan general election.

Other than the county commission, there are no county seats on this ballot.

There are, however, two contested seats on the Alcona County Board of Commissioners and three uncontested seats. Each position is for a two-year term.

- District 1 (Alcona and Caledonia townships) – David Jagst (Rep.) of Hubbard Lake.

- **District 2 (City of Harrisville, Harrisville and Haynes townships)** – Craig Johnston (Rep.) of Harrisville and William Thompson (NPA), an incumbent, of Harrisville.

- **District 3 (Greenbush and Mikado townships)** – Joe Lukasiewicz (Dem.) of Green-

bush and Carolyn Brummund (Rep.), an incumbent, of Greenbush.

- District 4 (Gustin, Hawes and Haynes townships) – Adam Brege, an incumbent, of Lincoln.

- District 5 (Curtis, Mikado, Millen and Mitchell townships) – John Terry Small, an incumbent, of Curran.

There are four candidates vying for two positions on the **Alcona Community Schools Board of Education**. Each position is for six years and has no party affiliation.

- Charlie Calkins, of Lincoln.

- Vicky Hansen, an incumbent, of Spruce.

- Lisa A. Turek, of Harrisville.

- Steven Yokom, an incumbent, of Harrisville.

In the City of Harrisville, there is one contested race – **Alderman Ward 2** with two candidates looking at the four-year seat.

- Mary G. Peterson (Dem.), an incumbent, of Harrisville.

- Kari Vanderheuel (Rep.), of Harrisville.

Four candidates, all with no party affiliation, are running to fill three seats on the **Oscoda Area Schools Board of Education** (portions of Greenbush, Mikado and Curtis townships). These seats are six-year terms.

- William Gaines, an incumbent, of Oscoda.

- Kathy Kent of Oscoda

- Tony Ommani, an incumbent, of Oscoda.

- Sharon M. Savage of Oscoda.

There is a **countywide EMS millage** which asks voters to consider 1.25 mills for four years (2022-2025) “for the purpose of purchasing equipment, ambulances, ambulance and building maintenance, operating and maintaining Alcona County Emer-

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Solar panel energy farms may be future of local land

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Two energy companies have been contacting landowners in Gustin and Harrisville townships last summer to assess interest in leasing or selling their land for the installation of solar panel farms.

Both Consumers Energy and Ranger Power are looking to lease or purchase thousands of acres of unused open flat land or farmland across the state and are especially interested in land where there are currently transmitters in place to plug into such as Gustin Township.

The response has been favorable for many local landowners, who are either looking toward retirement or do not live on the land where the installation of acres of panels would be placed, but not all felt confident in the contracts offered and some have completely refused their offer.

The energy companies’ dangling carrot for landowners seems to be the large amounts of money offered. So far, no one would go on the record to discuss lease amount or other

details.

Jerry Linton, a farmer living on 60 acres in Gustin Township has told the energy companies he wasn’t interested at this time and wanted to continue farming. The company let him know there would be no further offers in the future. “We use all our land and didn’t move up here to put a solar farm in our backyard. They are offering a lot of money and I understand quite a few people have contracted with them. I still have questions on why they are choosing Gustin Township,” he said.

Linton declined to discuss how much the companies were offering but felt the companies seemed to be going after land in townships where there were either no ordinances on solar panels or had very lenient solar panel ordinances in place.

Gustin Township is currently working on an ordinance.

Other landowners seemed intrigued by the offers including Bob Goddard a 70-year-old farmer who has contracted 285 acres in Gustin

Township with one of the energy companies. Goddard said he was ready to hang up his hay hook and go fishing.

He would not discuss any of the financial details except he hasn’t seen any money yet. “I understood there was supposed to have been money given upon sign-up, but I haven’t heard of anyone receiving those funds.

“It hasn’t happened yet and I’m not holding my breath. I’m still farming and will farm until the panels go up. This could be just like when the oil companies came around bidding on property to test for oil. Nothing came of that. They spent money to lease the property and then just walked away. This could be just the same,” Goddard said.

He was confident that Gustin Township would come up with a suitable ordinance regarding the solar panels but said there were still a lot of questions to be answered.

In a press release from Consumer Energy last May, the company spoke about how they are looking for economic opportunities with landowners and communi-

ties for utility-scale solar power plants to provide clean, renewable electricity in Michigan for decades to come.

Consumers Energy plans a massive expansion to add 8,000 megawatts of utility-scale solar energy by 2040 and estimates that 60 percent of its electric capacity will come from renewable sources. Consumers is searching for tens of thousands of acres throughout Michigan and have already begun adding 1,100 megawatts of solar capacity to come online by 2024. It plans to own 50 percent of this additional solar capacity and purchase the remaining half from solar developers.

“Ideal project sites for solar power plants are about 500 to 900 acres often comprised of multiple neighboring landowners. Potential locations include farm fields, brownfield sites and publicly owned properties,” the press release said.

Brian Wheeler, media relations manager from Consumers Energy, said large parcels of land were being sought because it was eco-

nomically better for the company to build. “Technology has also improved. Even on cloudy days, some light comes through. Obviously, solar can’t be used around the clock, but it does fill an electric need during the hot summer months when the grid needs it the most,” Wheeler said.

Sergio Trevino, Ranger Power vice-president of development and siting, also said Michigan is being targeted for solar panel farms because solar technology has advanced as well as the cost of solar panels dropping making the difference for solar energy to be competitive in places like Michigan. “Solar is now the cheapest new form of energy,” he said.

During a telephone interview, Trevino said he had been attending Gustin Township meetings and was discussing some of the solar panel ordinance verbiages with the board. He was optimistic they would be able to operate within the guidelines of the proposed ordinance.

He explained manufacturers of solar panels guarantee them for about 25 years.

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Americanisms



“If you don’t like something, change it. If you can’t change it, change your attitude. Don’t complain.”
— Maya Angelou

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ELECTION NOTICE
The Barton City Volunteer Fire Department Inc. will hold an election of officers during the normal business meeting on November 2, 2022, at 7:00 pm at the Barton City Fire Department located at 1868 W. Trask Lake Rd. Barton City, MI 48705. 10/19 & 10/26

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Correspondence

To the Editor,
I wanted to share with your readers, it is with regret that I was unable to attend the candidates’ forum held this past Thursday, Oct. 20.
My illness kept me from attending and prevented me from possible exposure of those in attendance.
As always, I welcome opportunities to visit with residents at any time. Please call my office phone or utilize my office email. Both are available on the county website.
Carolyn Brummund,
County Commissioner
District 3

To the Editor,
My name is Rolland Lynch. I am a senior. I am a veteran. I am a member of the Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) Board of Directors and chairman of the building and grounds committee. Many of you have visited the current senior center over the past few years and know about its condition. Please allow me to inform you of where we are and where we are going.
In its current state, the old senior center is not handicap accessible or senior-friendly. There are stairs without an elevator, non-ADA ramps, or lift access, door jams that make it difficult for wheel-

To the Editor,
Regarding Proposal 3, the Right to Reproductive Freedom, did you sign the petition thinking it would merely allow continuation of abortion policy as under Roe v Wade?
Did you realize that if this proposal passes, it would amend the Michigan Constitution to, among other things:
1. Allow any individual of any age, to make decisions about pregnancy, sterilization, and related issues? - even a young child, with parental input forbidden?
2. Allow children to be coerced into life-changing decisions about chemical or surgical castration or steriliza-

To the Editor,
Judith Riley articulated her point of view well. She was being objective and not biased, but her last paragraph exposed the fallacy of the argument.
The U.S. Supreme Court has no constitutional authority to legislate from the bench, therefore they cannot confer “rights” to the citizens.
Roe v. Wade was an unconstitutional “created” decision based on their whim and will, the majority at the time in 1973. Abortion is not a

chairs to cross over then, and uneven surfaces that make it risky for seniors to walk on.
In the proposed new facility, the site is being designed with accessibility and public access in mind. We are building for the people utilizing the facility. Alcona residents can use the new facility to host weddings, conferences and other large events. The parking lot will allow for total access to the facility, not just parts of it. The bathrooms will have changing tables and high back toilets and rails for seniors.
The old building was great during its time. Now it is time for something new. The Alcona County Commission on

tion, including irreversible surgical mutilation? - and that these procedures involve generous lifetime income for pharmaceutical companies, medical institutions, and their staff?
Did you realize that these proposed amendments to the Michigan Constitution would, among other things:
1. Prevent any prosecution for “consensual” sex between an adult and a minor, such as teacher with student?
2. Prevent any prosecution for human sexual trafficking?
3. Prevent any prosecution for malpractice, even death, in the course of any practices related to killing babies or

right. It’s a decision with consequences that is not exclusive to women. Some man sowed his seed directly or indirectly into the woman, so it is discriminatory to exclude the man from the proposal or any decisions involving “reproductive rights.”
I’m thankful Judith’s mother did not abort her because it’s good to have thinking, objective, articulate citizens as neighbors.
Mike Doran
Caledonia Township

aging was awarded a fantastic opportunity. The ACCOA was awarded \$12.5 million, not from your pockets, but monies flowing into Alcona County. The ACCOA will build a new senior/community center with everything many seniors like myself can enjoy. This facility will be designed with the future in mind. It will meet all current and future ADA requirements because seniors like myself are helping in its design and planning.
I ask you all to get excited about this project, and please give your support for the new building project.
Rolland Lynch
Lincoln

sterilizing their parents?
4. Prevent implementation of any current Michigan law with any relevant provisions? - as it would basically put children, in particular, at the mercy of medical and corporate profit?
Did you realize that every abortion involves the killing of a living baby, uniquely made in the image of God?
This proposal would more accurately be named the Freedom to Destroy Life, at every age.
Please vote no on Proposal 3 on November 8.
Cynthia Curtis
Cheboygan, Mich.

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Story ideas can be mailed to: P.O. Box 548, Harrisville, Mich. 48740; dropped at the Review office ~ 111 N. Lake Street, Harrisville; or e-mailed to: editor@alconareview.com.
Please, include a contact name & telephone number in case there are follow up questions.

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Obituaries

Richard J. Kunding

Richard J. Kunding, 56, of Oscoda, died on Wednesday, October 5, 2022, at Ascension St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw, Mich.

He was born December 13, 1965, to Chester and Margaret (Gear) Kunding at McDill Air Force Base in Florida. He was raised in Oscoda.

Mr. Kunding served in the U.S. Army. He worked at Phoenix Composites in Oscoda.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing and football.

Mr. Kunding is survived by one sister, Pauline Adkins of Florida, and two brothers, Lester Kunding of Oscoda and Brian Kunding of Greenbush.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.



Frank E. Apsey

Frank Edward Apsey, 73, died on Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022, at home.

He was born January 15, 1949, to Frank Edward and Mary Charlene (Poisson) Apsey in Grand Rapids, Mich. He spent his first 11 years on a farm in Hastings, Mich. before the family returned to Grand Rapids, Mich.

He served two tours in Vietnam in the U.S. Army.

As an avid bird watcher, Mr. Apsey participated in Cornell's University's Project Tanager and Birds in Forested Landscapes.

Mr. Apsey was a devout Catholic. He moved to Alpena, following a call to "mission for Jesus," which led him to a service as Inn Keeper at the Emmanuel Mission Homeless Shelter in the AuSable, Oscoda community where he served for four and half years.

While in Oscoda, he surveyed nesting sites of birds in AuSable Township for the Michigan Bird Breeding Atlas II and enjoyed his membership in the AuSable Audubon Club.

He married Marilyn Gibson on August 18, 2007, and moved to Harrisville.

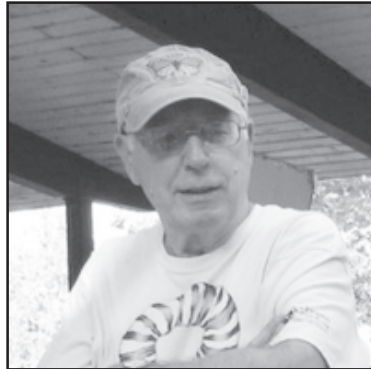
While living in Harrisville, Mr. Apsey continued his work in the natural environment by counting frogs in the spring, combing wetlands for endangered species, participating in bird counts, and generating data used by scientists worldwide.

In searching for endangered species, he was led to educate others about the monarch butterfly. For 12 years, he gave monarch migration presentations at the Harrisville State Park.

Mr. Apsey is survived by his wife, Marilyn; one stepson, John Holmes; one grandson; two brothers, Chuck (Vicki) Apsey of Grand Rapids, Mich. and Tim (Linda) Apsey of Unity, Wisc.; two sisters, Mary Apsey of Edmore, Mich. and Jeanne Apsey of Kalamazoo, Mich.; one aunt, Alice Cariano of Spring Lake, Mich.; many nieces and nephews; and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by one nephew, Michael Apsey.

The funeral was held Monday, Oct. 17 at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. The Rev. John

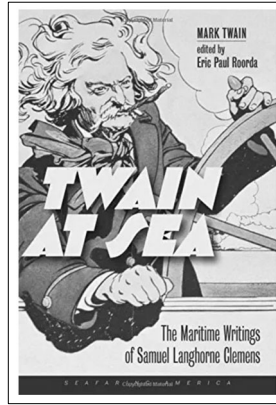


William officiated.

Interment was in St. Anne Catholic Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Monarch Watch online at kuendowment.org/monarch or checks payable to Monarch Watch and mail to: Gift Processing Department, KU Endowment, P.O. Box 928, Lawrence, Kan. 66044-0928 or to St. Joseph Indian School, P.O. Box 326, Chamberlain, SD 57326.

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District 2

County Commissioner

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Local Notes

Office Hours

State Representative Sue Allor will host office hours at the following times on Wednesday, Nov. 2:

- From 11 a.m. to noon at JJ's Steak and Pizza House, 311 N. 2nd Ave., Alpena.
- From 1 to 2 p.m. at 81st District Court, 106 N. 5th Street, Harrisville.
- From 3 to 4 p.m. at the Plainfield Township Hall; 415 E. Main Street, Hale.

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 in-

cludes the counties of Alpena, Presque Isle, Alcona, and Iosco, as well as parts of Cheboygan County.

Hunting Preparation

Firearm Sight-In Days will be held at the lower range of the Glennie Sportsman Club, 5690 Body Road, Glennie from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 12, Sunday, Nov. 13 and Monday, Nov. 14. All hunters are welcome. Cost is \$5 per firearm. Targets are provided, covered benches and sandbags, and 25-, 50- and 100-yard ranges. Spotting scopes are available for use. Food, snacks and beverages available for a donation. Sponsored by the Glennie Sportsman Club, glenniesportsman-club.com.

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Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

Alcona Needlecrafters will meet from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Chosen Ranch Community Center, 483 E. Traverse Bay Road, Lincoln. Everyone is welcome to participate. The group makes hats, baby blankets and mittens to donate to area groups.

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 Alcona County Library Board will meet at the Hubbard Lake Community Center at 2 p.m. The public is welcome.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

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

TOPS 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mi-

kado with weigh-in at 9 a.m. and meeting at 9:15 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Site is handicap accessible. For details, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-8600.

Free Accessible Yoga will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center in Lincoln. Sessions include gentle movement for joint freeing, muscle strengthening and stress reduction. Call Liz McNichols with questions at (989) 335-1777.

A tie-dye Craftomania for teenagers and adults will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 1 to 3 p.m. Participants should bring their own item (limit two), washed with fabric softener. Registration is required and cost is \$3 for supplies. Call to register at (989) 724-6796.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

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

Woodcarving with Friends will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 4 p.m. Woodcarvers ages 16 and up are welcome. Participants should bring their own knives and wood project. For more information, call Mary Denning at (810) 263-7571.

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.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

Run, walk or crawl in the costume fun run "Dawn of the Dash," held at Alcona Community Schools from 9 a.m. to noon. Registration is required for all participants: \$25 for ages 13 and up, \$15 for ages six to 12 and children under five are free. Register at <https://www.facebook.com/MatrixYouthAlcona>. For more information, email: matrixpastor@gmail.com. Sponsored by Matrix Youth Ministry and Revolution Dance.

Alcona GospelFest will be held at Harrisville United Methodist Church. Singers practice at noon, and the community concert for everyone is at 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit Inspiration-Alcona.org or call Lynn at (989) 657-4773.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

Teenagers and adults are invited to join the new Cryptid Club. Cryptids are creatures whose existence has yet to be (or cannot entirely be proven), like Bigfoot and the Michigan Dogman. The first meeting will be at 4 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call (989) 724-6796 for more info.

A teenage movie will be shown with munchies at 5 p.m. at the Alcona County Library in Harrisville. Youth ages 13 and up will see a ghost themed movie and Halloween snacks. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

The Curtis Township Library in Glennie will have a drive-thru Halloween party from 5 to 7 p.m. with candy and prizes. Call (989) 735-2601 for more information.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

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

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

There will be a youth Drop-In Craft activity for ages eight and up at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 4 to 7 p.m. The craft is a birch tree shadow box. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

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.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

A pancake breakfast in support of the Chosen Ranch of Harrisville will be held at 9 a.m. at Grace Community Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 6012 N. Skeel Ave., Oscoda. Everyone is welcome

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MOVING ALCONA FORWARD

JOE LUKASIEWICZ FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

As a county, we've been limping along for years. It's been like living paycheck to paycheck unable to break the cycle, being left with the prospect of never getting ahead. It's time for a change in leadership. It's time to break that cycle and finally move Alcona County forward. Your early absentee ballot vote or general election vote for me on November 8, would be that first step.

As your commissioner for Greenbush and the eastern portion of Mikado Townships (District 3), I will:

- ★ Protect the rights of ALL citizens in Alcona County, particularly the rights of women which have recently come under attack
- ★ Listen to our local veterans and support them with deeds and actions, not lip service and broken promises
- ★ Give our local law enforcers the respect they deserve and close the personnel revolving door at the Alcona County Sheriff's Department with appropriate annual funding
- ★ Stand against Canada's 70 year old oil-carrying Line 5 under the Straits, which if leaks, will destroy Alcona's precious shoreline causing a collapse of property values and the county's economy
- ★ Encourage new medical and recreational marijuana facilities in the county to gain a larger return of state tax revenue coming back to Alcona County
- ★ Mesh county interests with those of local businesses, non-profits, and community civic groups to promote social, educational and economic development
- ★ Lead Alcona County in preparing for and adapting to climate change
- ★ Stay true to my oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic and bear true faith and allegiance to same
- ★ Retired Department of Defense analyst and instructor of operational and tactical logistics to US troops, NATO forces, and military civilian workforce around the world
- ★ Former biologist with NOAA and US Fish & Wildlife Service conducting water quality and fishery research on The Great Lakes
- ★ Former conservationist with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service protecting our water, soil, forest, and agricultural resources
- ★ Serving the community as a volunteer DJ at The Alcona Music Project's WXTF radio in Harrisville
- ★ Chaired committee to establish a four-year state university in Northeast Michigan
- ★ Past commissioner and chair of the Harrisville Harbor Commission
- ★ Past Associate Director of the Alcona Conservation District
- ★ Member of the Mikado American Legion and Oscoda Eagles

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Alcona County Sheriff's Office Report

For the Week of October 17-23, 2022

75 complaints were handled with 1 Arrest; 1 Warrant; 4 Citations Issued

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	11	Traffic/Traffic Stop	27
Mental	1	Personal Protect. Order Vio.	1
Property Damage Accident	2	Personal Injury Accident	1
Assist	6	Animal/Dog	6
Well Being Check	3	911 Hang Up	1
Assault	2	Lost Property	1
Alarm	4	Domestic	2
Harassment	2	Fire	1
Gun Shots	2	Warrant Arrest	1
Attempt Burglary	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	3	Caledonia	6	Curtis	5
Greenbush	7	Gustin	5	Harrisville	13
Hawes	5	Haynes	5	Mikado	6
Millen	3	Mitchell	2		
City of Harrisville	3	Village of Lincoln	2		



VOTER ALERT

Use your right to vote
and vote for the best
candidate for the community
of Alcona County.
Re-Elect William (Bill) Thompson
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agency Medical Services, which will raise in the first year an estimated \$1,040,657.55.”

The second millage request is one mill over four years (2023-2026) for the **Mikado Township Civic Center** “for the purpose of funding ongoing repairs and maintenance.” If approved, the millage will raise an estimated \$33,000 in the first year.

Polls are open for voting from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on election day. Anyone looking for information about where to vote is encouraged to contact their township, village or city clerk’s office or the Alcona County Clerk at (989) 724-9410.

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“What we found was some of the earliest solar panels deployed are retaining a lot more of their efficiency than estimated. We expect these panels to operate for much more than 25 years. Once the project reaches the end of its use, we will remove the project and dispose of all the equipment including the solar panels safely and in accordance with all local, state and federal requirements, Trevino said.

Travino explained most solar panels are being made and exported from multiple countries in Asia, but recently there is a big push in federal legislation to provide significant incentives for solar panels to be built in the United States.

“We have not selected a panel for this project and we are still far away from that step. Hopefully, by the time we are ready to build this project, American-made solar panels may be available.

Travino said his company was offering great use of land for the farmers. “They can put part of their property in the project and receive a steady stream of income while they continue farming the rest of their land. We will plant vegetation under the solar panels so the soil will benefit from being permanently planted and whenever it is time to remove the project, the land will be available for agricultural use.

Neither company would discuss how many property owners have contracted with

them or how much land they currently have contracted in the county. It is estimated construction will not begin in the county for two to five years.

For more information about Ranger Power, contact Travino by phone at (512) 827-1924 or visit the website at www.rangerpower.com. For information on Consumer Energy visit Consumer-Energy.com/misolar.

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3. Molly
4. Daisy
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6. Sophie
7. Sadie
8. Chloe
9. Bailey
10. Lola

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION Tuesday, November 8, 2022

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF ALCONA COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN:

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on Tuesday, **november 8, 2022**. the polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the following polling locations.

Alcona Township	Township Hall, 5576 N. US-23, Black River
Caledonia Township	Township Hall, 6461 Gillard Road, Spruce
Curtis Township	Fire Hall, 5019 Bamfield Road, Glennie
Greenbush Township	Township Hall, 5039 E. Campbell Street, Greenbush
Gustin Township	Township Hall, 113 S. 2 nd Street, Lincoln
Harrisville Township	Township Hall 114 S. Poor Farm Road, Harrisville
Hawes Township	VFW Hall, 2120 W. Trask Lake Road, Barton City
Haynes Township	Township Hall, 3930 E. McNeil Road, Lincoln
Mikado Township	Township Hall, 2291 S. F-41, Mikado
Millen Township	Township Office, 671 Sanborn Road, Barton City
Mitchell Township	Township Hall, 6849 W. Tower Road, Curran
City of Harrisville	City Office, 200 N. 5 th Street, Harrisville

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Alcona County residents will be electing candidates for the following offices and to vote on the following proposals:

State:	Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State and Attorney General
Congressional:	Representative in Congress-1 st District
Legislative:	State Senator-36 th District and State Representative-106 th District
State Boards:	State Board of Education, Regents of U of M, Trustees of MSU and Governors of Wayne State University
Judicial:	Justices of Supreme Court, Judge of Court of Appeals 4 th District, Judge of Circuit Court 23 rd Circuit
Local School Districts:	Alcona Community, Oscoda Area, C.O.O.R. and Fairview Area Schools Board Members
Community College:	Kirtland Board of Trustees
County:	Commissioner Districts 1-5 and Road Commissioner
Township:	Haynes Clerk and Alcona Township Trustee
City:	Mayor, Clerk, Treasurer, Alderman—Wards 1, 2 and 3
Village:	President, Clerk, Treasurer and Trustees
State Proposals:	Proposal 22-1, Proposal 22-2 and Proposal 22-3
County Proposals:	EMS Millage
Township Proposals:	Mikado Township Civic Center Millage

Full text of the ballot proposals and sample ballots may be obtained from the County, City or Township Clerk. Sample ballots may also be found at www.mi.gov/vote.

Registered electors may apply for an absentee ballot with the City or Township Clerk where they are registered to vote.

All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities and voting instructions are available in alternative formats of audio and Braille. Arrangements for obtaining instructions for these alternative formats can be made by contacting the City or Township Clerk in advance of the election.

Stephany Eller, Alcona County Clerk

SEEKING ATTORNEY

10/26 & 11/2

The Village of Lincoln is seeking an Attorney to attend to the business needs of the Village. The person would need to attend monthly meetings to advise on any legal issues that may arise. Additionally, any other legal matters that need attention would need to be taken care of by the Attorney. Any questions should be directed to Sheila Phillips, Village President at 989-335-0012.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ballot Error Concerning Fairview Area Schools' Sinking Fund Millage

An error has been identified on the ballot for the November 8, 2022 General Election in the following townships: Comins Township, Clinton Township, and Elmer Township in Oscoda County, as well as Mitchell Township in Alcona County.

The November 8, 2022 election ballots were inadvertently issued by the Oscoda County Clerk's Office with a Sinking Fund millage proposal for Fairview Area Schools. This millage proposal was previously passed by voters on the August 2, 2022 election and is not up for reconsideration. A vote cast for this millage proposal will not change the outcome of the August 2, 2022 election results nor will a vote or non-vote invalidate your November 8, 2022 general election ballot.

We apologize for any confusion or inconvenience this may cause.

Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education
Oscoda County Clerk's Office

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

To be published in the Alcona Review at least 15 days prior to the public hearing

Public Hearing Notice

Gustin Township Zoning Ordinance Adoption

The Gustin Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on *Nov 10, 2022 at 7 p.m.* to recommend adoption of Ordinance No. ____, an ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance, to the Township Board. The public hearing will be held at the *Gustin Twp Hall Lincoln, Michigan.*

The full text of the amending ordinance is available at *Gustin Twp Hall by appointment* and at *GustinTownship@gmail.com* or by calling *Pamela Ashford @ 989 736-8312*. Written comments may be sent to Gustin Twp Clerk, P.O. Box 25, Lincoln MI 48742 prior to the meeting. The public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. The zoning amendment is summarized as follows: Amend Section 2.1 to add definitions related to solar energy. Amend Section 4.0 to add private solar energy systems as a permitted use in all districts and to add commercial solar energy systems as a special use in the Agricultural-Residential District and Industrial District. Add Section 7.31 to add regulations pertaining to private and commercial solar energy systems.

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Alcona Community Schools

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October 17th, 2022

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Please email or fax the completed Request for Proposal (RFP) to:

Daniel O'Connor

Superintendent

Alcona Community Schools

Fax: 810-591-6018

occonnord@alconaschools.net

RFP is due by 3:00 p.m. local time on November 4th at 10 am.

Runners take close second at Hale Invitational

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

The Alcona cross country team hit the trails for the Hale Invitational last Thursday, held at Wicker Hills Golf Course. The Tigers took second place with 56 points, finishing just behind first place Tawas which had 53.

Alcona had five runners in this one, led by Cole Upper who took second place with a time of 19:14. Carter Upper came in third with 19:36. Darren Boyat was seventh at 20:46. Zygmund Villalobos was 20th with a time of 23:03 and in 27th was Alexander Smith with a time of 24:03.

On Saturday, Oct. 22 the Tigers ran in the Northern Michigan Championships, held in Gaylord. Alcona placed sixth out of eight teams.

Leading the way was Cole Upper, who ran a personal best time of 17:53, putting him 13th. Carter Upper was 21st with 18:05. Boyat was 53rd at 21:04. In 55th was Villalobos with 21:26, and Smith finished in 62nd with a time of 23:30.

Carter Upper and Villalobos also ran personal best times.

Alcona heads to East Jordan on Saturday, Oct. 29 to compete in a Division 4 regional meet at East Jordan Park.



Alcona's Darren Boyat nears the finish line at last Thursday's Hale Invitational. *Photo by Ben Murphy.*

Tigers finish strong in season finale

By Ben Murphy

Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity eight-man football team capped off a successful season with a convincing win last Friday.

The Tigers only led host Whittemore-Prescott by two points early in the second half, but they dominated the rest of the night. They scored 28 points to pull away for the 50-20 North Star League Big Dipper victory.

"I knew going into this game that they had a strong run game and if we could get a couple stops, make them do things they aren't comfortable with we could come out with a win," head coach Jason Somers said. "(The) goal for the week (was) to have the seniors go out on a high note." Alcona used a six-yard

touchdown run by Garrett Somers midway through the first quarter which gave them an 8-0 lead.

The Tigers had a Somers to William Lieber 19-yard touchdown pass make it 14-6 and they tacked on a Hayden Johnston seven-yard scoring run to make it 22-6.

The Cardinals scored the final touchdown of the second half to pull within 22-14 and they also scored to open the third quarter to pull within 22-20.

From there it was all Tigers. Jeremiah Bullis and Somers had touchdown runs of 16 and 27 yards, making it 38-20 entering the fourth quarter.

Somers broke free for touchdown runs of 60 and 29 yards in the fourth.

"We got the couple of stops we needed and then created a couple turnovers and the offense took it from there," Somers said of the strong finish.

Somers finished the night with 189 yards and four touchdowns on 12 carries and he completed five passes for 20 yards. Johnston carried the ball 11 times for 101 yards and one touchdown. Bullis ran four times for 53 yards and one touchdown. Bullis also had two receptions for 15 yards. Lieber had the 19-yard touchdown reception and Collin Walker had one grab for another 12 yards.

The defense had a big game by Logan Zuchowski, as he had 20 tackles, two for a loss and he recovered a fumble. Ryken Wallenmaier had eight tackles. Johnston took down seven. Owen Borsvold and Somers had five apiece. Somers also had an interception. Lieber had four tackles and Jacob June took down three.

"The ground game was successful due to the fact that we were able to pound on them a little and then finesse them a little; we were able to keep them off balance," Somers said. "As always, in the last game of the year you look toward the seniors: Hayden Johnston, Logan Zuchowski, Owen Borsvold, Samuel Prince, Ryken Wallenmaier, and Logan Urban. These guys didn't want to lose their last one and it showed, all had great performances when their number was called."

Alcona finished the season 7-2 overall and took second in the NSL Big Dipper. The seven wins is their most in a season since 2017.

"This year was a success. However, we did not get some of the goals we were hoping for. It is my hope that this will rally the guys to work hard in the off season to become better football players," Somers said. "Looking ahead to next year, we will have a lot of returning players with a lot of expectations. I can't wait."

Classifieds ~ Where the deals are!

Classified deadline is Monday by 4 p.m.

Call (989) 724-6384

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lady Tigers pick up win at Charlton Heston

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona varsity volleyball team played in a late season North Star League Big Dipper match at the Charlton Heston Academy on Thursday, Oct. 20.

Things went well for the Lady Tigers, and they returned home with a straight sets win, 25-13, 25-6 and 25-4.

"We displayed strong teamwork and played much more consistently behind the serving line and on the net," head

coach Kristi Miller said.

"Everyone stepped up defensively. It was a solid team effort."

Leading the way was Angelina Howe with six kills. Emma Travis had 36 assists. Sage Gauthier and Sierra West had six aces apiece.

On Tuesday, Oct. 18 the Lady Tigers played in another NSL Big Dipper contest. They came up short in this one though, 22-25, 25-17, 31-29 and 25-19.

"We definitely needed to be more consistent," Miller said.

"We fought and had many long volleys, but struggled behind the serving line. It is important we play focused and continue to work on developing our skills in all areas."

Howe and Addison Beatty led the attack with nine kills apiece. Travis had 18 digs and Gauthier had five aces.

Alcona heads to Tawas on Thursday, Oct. 27 and wraps up the regular season on Saturday, Oct. 29 in Oscoda for the NSL Big Dipper tournament.

Alcona Community Schools begin year with many new employees

By Dan O'Connor
Superintendent

I first wanted to apologize for not writing a column in quite a while. As many of you know, the district experienced the loss of Jackie Kelly at the end of last school year. It's been a struggle to process why someone so special would suddenly be gone.

She presented her niece with a high school diploma graduation only two days prior. As the district grieved, it was challenging to find the words to articulate what she meant to the school family (students, staff, and community). Jackie was the school mom, and she cared for almost everyone at some point in their tenure in the district.

I know many have Jackie in mind as we start a new school year filled with hope and drive to support all with the vigor and passion she approached each day. The district is working with her family to start the Jacqueline Kelly Memorial Scholarship. If you wish to contribute, please contact the district office at (989) 736-6212.

It seems strange that everything keeps going without Jackie, but it does.

We have new staff members at Alcona Community Schools. They are:

- Philip Whitford - Custodian
- Jack McClure - Middle School Math
- Angela Forsythe - Middle School Special Education
- Katrina Boyat - Middle/High Paraprofessional
- Jodi Clissold - Transitioning from Paraprofessional to Elementary Special Education Teacher
- Ashley Vincent - Transitioning from Associate GSRP to First Grade
- Monica Weaver - First Grade
- Anna Combest Freidman - Third Grade
- Richard Hawes - Director of Maintenance
- Shawna Boyd - Transitioning from Middle/High Secretary to District Office
- Angie Werner - GSRP Associate Teacher
- Cindy Sharboneau - transitioning from Paraprofessional to Facility Caretaker and Cook/Cashier
- Jessica Yokom - MS/HS Secretary
- Cassandra Ortiz - Special Education
- Bobbie Fall - Lead Cook

The district made several technology upgrades this summer utilizing federal grants.

- Wi-Fi on all school buses
- Replacement of fiber between the Elementary and Middle/High schools
- New public address and emergency alert system
- Updated Security Cameras

The most important project that the district dealt with was the replacement of our middle/high boiler system. We replaced the inefficient aging system with a new energy-efficient one, including three new hot water heaters.

Just a reminder, the boiler system was damaged in the wind storm last November. The stacks collapsed, damaging the internal components of the boilers. A continued huge thank you goes out to the community for the passage of the sinking fund two years ago, as improvements like this would not be possible. We have plans to improve the elementary playground and middle/high school kitchen during the summer of 2023.

School Resource Officer & County Partnership

The district is grateful for a partnership with the county and Alcona County Sheriff's Office on a school resource officer. On campus, you will likely see Deputy Leo Franklin monitoring security and building relationships with students in many locations. He's doing a great job!

School Trail

Just a reminder, the school has a community access point north of Alcona Health Center off of Barlow Road to the school nature trail. We welcome you to use it during the posted hours and enjoy the student signage, maps, and interpretative signage along the route.

As always, I'm open to feedback or suggestions. You can

contact me at occonnord@alconaschools.net, (989) 736-6212, or the question/suggestion link at the top right of the school web page.

The school family is looking forward to a great school year. Go Tigers!



Superintendent's Corner

By Dan O'Connor
Alcona Community Schools

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and all the volunteers for all their help!

Hope to see you all on October 13-15, 2023

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Calendar of Events



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to this free breakfast. Donations will be accepted. Call (989) 739-3424 for details.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

The Alcona County Board for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will meet at 10:30 a.m. in the lower-level meeting room at the Alcona County Courthouse in Harrisville.

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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, NOVEMBER 9

Sunrise Community Food Pantry is open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church. Clients are asked to come only one time per month and must be present to receive food. Recipients must remain in their vehicle for curbside pick up and follow volunteer traffic control. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county residence. Identification is required. Bring box or bag. The church is located at 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Call (989) 727-3606 for more information.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10

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

TOPS 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado with weigh-in at 9 a.m.

and meeting at 9:15 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Site is handicap accessible. For details, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-8600.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

All branches of the Alcona County Library are closed to observe Veterans Day.

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.

NOVEMBER 12

Recycle Alcona County will hold drop off day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. Enter and exit through the north gate. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

Guest Speaker Marlene Woodard will be at the Solid Rock Church of God to speak on being battered, broken and redeemed at 10 a.m. Lunch will be provided following the seminar. The church is located at 158 N. Barlow Road, Harrisville. Call (989) 736-6350 to RSVP.

SATURDAY,

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

The Village of Lincoln chili cook-off and Trick or Trunk will be held on Saturday, October 29 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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A growing trend among baby boomers and how to find an old 401(k)

Dear Savvy Senior,
I saw a news segment on television a few months ago about home sharing programs for seniors and would like to learn more. I'm 68, divorced, and am interested in renting out a room in my house to help make ends meet. What can you tell me?

Interested Boomer

Dear Interested,
Because of inflation and rising housing costs a growing number of baby boomers are opting to rent out a spare room in their house as a way to generate some extra income, and for some, increase companionship. To find a good fit, older homeowners often turn to "home sharing programs" that will match an empty nester with someone needing affordable housing.

But be aware that home sharing isn't for everyone. You need to carefully consider the pros and cons of renting out a spare room in your house

and make a list of what you want and don't want in a housemate/renter.

To help you figure all this out, a good resource is SharingHousing.com, a website dedicated to understanding the home sharing concept. They offer various articles, online lessons and resource books that can help you determine if this is a good option for you, and if so, how to find and choose a good housemate.

Home Sharing Tools

If you decide to proceed in finding a housemate/renter, a good first step is to seek out a home sharing program in your area.

Home sharing programs, usually nonprofits, screen both homeowners and renters. They check references, handle background checks and consider lifestyle criteria when making matches. They can also help you with the leasing agreement that the

renter would sign that covers detailed issues like smoking, pets, chores, overnight guests, use of common rooms, quiet hours, etc.

Most home sharing programs are free to use or request a small donation. Others, however, may charge the homeowner and potential renter a fee for this service. To look for a home sharing program in your area visit the National Shared Housing Resource Center website at NationalSharedHousing.org.

If you don't find a program that serves your area, you can also search for housemates through an online home sharing service like Silvernest.com. Or, if you'd rather have a younger housemate that can help out with some household chores, consider Nesterly.com. This is an online home sharing agency, available in a few select communities, that matches young renters with older adults looking to supple-



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ment their incomes and share their space.

If you don't have any luck with any of these home sharing sites, put a call in to your Area Aging Agency (call 800-677-1116 for contact information) who may be able to offer assistance or refer you to local agencies or nonprofit organizations that offer shared housing help.

You can also check with your local senior or community center, or local church you attend to see if you can post an ad on their bulletin board or in their newsletter. Or you can advertise in your

local newspaper or online at sites like CraigsList.org or RoomMates.com.

If you find someone on your own that you're interested in renting to, ask the prospective renter to fill out a rental application (see RentalLeaseAgreement.org to download and print one for free) and run a tenant screening and background check, and then call their references. Tenant screening/background checks can be done at sites like E-renter.com or My-SmartMove.com.

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The City of Harrisville Halloween hours will be Monday, October 31 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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Unlocking the Great Lakes with new lock under construction

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Public Hearing Notice

Gustin Township Zoning Ordinance Adoption

The Gustin Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Nov 10, 2022 at 7 p.m. to recommend adoption of Ordinance No. ____, an ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance, to the Township Board. The public hearing will be held at the *Gustin Twp Hall Lincoln, Michigan*.

The full text of the amending ordinance is available at *Gustin Twp Hall by appointment* and at *GustinTownship@gmail.com* or by calling *Pamela Ashford @ 989 736-8312*. Written comments may be sent to Gustin Twp Clerk, P.O. Box 25, Lincoln MI 48742 prior to the meeting. The public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. The zoning amendment is summarized as follows: Amend Section 2.1 to add definitions related to solar energy. Amend Section 4.0 to add private solar energy systems as a permitted use in all districts and to add commercial solar energy systems as a special use in the Agricultural-Residential District and Industrial District. Add Section 7.31 to add regulations pertaining to private and commercial solar energy systems.

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District works on unlocking the Great Lakes by providing a much-needed resiliency at the Soo Locks with the construction of the New Lock at the Soo. The New Lock at the Soo will be the same dimensions as the Poe Lock, 1,200 feet long, 110 feet wide and 30 feet deep.

Often called the "linchpin" of the Great Lakes navigation system, the Soo Locks are located in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. between the upper Peninsula of Michigan and the Canadian province of Ontario. The Soo Locks enable bulk carrier vessels to safely bypass the swift-moving St. Marys River rapids where the water drops 21 feet over bedrock in a three-quarter mile stretch.

The St. Marys River is the only connecting waterway between Lakes Superior and the lower Great Lakes.

selts to transit safely and more efficiently.

"Nearly all domestically produced high strength steel, 95 percent, used to manufacture products like automobiles and appliances is made with iron ore that transits the Soo Locks," said Mollie Mahoney, New Lock at the Soo Senior project manager. "Of the iron ore that transits the Soo Locks, 88 percent of it is restricted to the Poe Lock due to vessel size."

The Poe Lock opened in 1968 and will be 62 years old when the New Lock at the Soo is scheduled to be complete in 2030.

"The reason the Soo Locks have been so reliable over the years is due to the recurring construction of new locks every two or three decades," LeighAnn Ryckeghem, Soo Locks Operations Manager said. "Up until now the biggest gap was 24 years from opening of the Sabin Lock to

11 million jobs. Approximately 75 percent of the U.S. integrated steel production would cease within two to six weeks after a closure of the Poe Lock; approximately 80 percent of iron ore mining operations would shut down; and nearly 100 percent of North American appliances, automobile, construction equipment, and farm equipment, mining equipment and railcar production would shut down."

Upon completion of the New Lock at the Soo, the facility will have two 1,200-foot lock chambers and one 800-foot lock chamber. After commissioning of the New Lock at the Soo, the Poe Lock will be out of service for several years for major rehabilitation. Once all three locks are operational, one lock will be able to be taken out of service during more favorable periods of weather without affecting navigation.



This image is an artist rendition that illustrates what it might look like if a second Poe-sized lock replaced two of the older locks (left portion of the photo). The Poe Lock, opened in 1969, was the last lock built in the Soo Locks system, the only passage between Lake Superior and the lower lakes. (Second Poe-Sized Lock far left, Poe Lock center, MacArthur Lock far right.) *Courtesy of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers*

Before the first lock was constructed in 1798, trade canoes had to be unloaded and portaged around the rapids, taking roughly six weeks to complete. Today, the locks operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 42 weeks of the year allowing government, commercial and private ves-

the MacArthur Lock."

Currently, all major maintenance on the Soo Locks is completed during the federally regulated annual closure period from January 15 to March 25. The closure period is driven, in part, by Great Lakes ice conditions, which typically restricts vessel traffic during this period. "The Detroit District team works long hours in extreme cold and snowy conditions to complete a significant amount of maintenance during this time. The work they perform is unique, especially given the harsh northern Michigan conditions they work in," Ryckeghem said.

According to a 2015 Department of Homeland Security Study, "an unanticipated closure of the Poe Lock, the only lock large enough at the Soo Locks to allow passage of the Lakers carrying iron ore, would be catastrophic for the nation. A six-month Poe Lock closure would temporarily reduce the U.S. gross domestic product (GDP) by \$1.1 trillion, resulting in the loss of

The New Lock at the Soo is being built in the footprint of the existing Sabin Lock, the northern most lock on the Soo Locks facility, opened in 1919. The construction program, which includes improvements to the northern approach channel, is occurring in three phases of work.

- Phase 1 work includes deepening the upstream approach to the northern channel from 24 feet to 30 feet deep so modern vessels can approach the New Lock at the Soo.

- Phase 2 work includes rehabilitating the upstream approach walls to guide vessels into the New Lock and will allow the vessels to moor on the wall. The existing approach walls in the northern channel are the same age as the existing Sabin and Davis Locks, over 100 years old.

- Phase 3 work includes demolishing the existing Sabin Lock, infilling the Davis Lock, constructing a new pump well and constructing

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the New Lock chamber. "The Corps of Engineers continues to work hard to maintain the pace and continue to make progress toward New Lock at the Soo total project completion in 2030," Mahoney said.

All major phases of the New Lock at the Soo have been awarded. Phase 1 is substantially complete as of August 1, 2022. The \$52 million contract was performed by Trade West Construction Co. They removed about 300,000 cubic yards of bedrock and overburden from the north channel. Trade West used mechanical means to remove the material by using rippers and excavators placed on barges to break up and remove the material. The removed material was placed on the Northwest Pier of the Soo Locks facility and will act as a wind break for transiting vessels.

Phase 2 is in the second year of construction and is estimated to be complete in summer 2024. The contractor, Kokosing-Alberici, is placing a series of coffer cells filled with stone aggregate and concrete, in front of the over 100-year-old Sabin Lock walls. The contract is valued at \$117 million and includes a total of 52 coffer cells along

with several transition walls constructed with steel sheet piles. All the coffer cells and transition walls will be capped with concrete, which will serve as the walking surface of the new walls along the upstream approach channel.

The base contract for Phase 3 was awarded to Kokosing, Alberici, Traylor, LLC on July 1, 2022. With timely award of all nine contact options, this phase of work is expected to be complete in 2030. The New Lock chamber will be the same size as the Poe Lock to provide resiliency in the operations and maintenance between the New Lock at the Soo and the Poe Lock.

There will be some new features on the New Lock at the Soo, such as hands free mooring units.

"Hands free mooring units act like suction cups that hold the ship in place moving up as the chamber fills or down as it empties," Rachel Miller, New Lock Supervisory Civil Engineer said. "These units will be a safety upgrade to using line handlers, the current method of mooring ships in the lock chamber."

The award of the Phase 3 base contract is a major milestone for the project. Awarding the base allows the con-

tractor to begin a substantial portion of the required work. To date the base contract and one of the nine options have been awarded with a total value of \$1.071 billion.

With continued funding, the remaining work, valued at \$802 million is ready to be awarded over the next three years.

A major cost increase led to a five-month contract award delay while the Corps of Engineers developed necessary reports to deliver a new cost estimate for reauthorization to Congress. The cost increase root causes include changing market conditions, inflation, a nationwide labor shortage, design modifications and early estimate assumptions. Since the project's last authorization in 2018 the project's cost increased from \$1 billion to \$3 billion.

"We recognize funding a larger amount for the New Lock at the Soo is a challenge that could potentially result in schedule impacts," said Deputy District Engineer Kevin McDaniels. "The Corps of Engineers is partnering with industry and federal agencies to find collaborative solutions aimed at addressing the cost impacts to Corps of Engineers programs and projects nationwide."

In 2022, the New Lock at the Soo received \$478.9 million in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and \$214.2 million in the 2022 BIL addendum (contingent upon the project's reauthorization at a higher cost in the 2022 Water Resources Development Act). The 2022 BIL addendum funds allow the Corps of Engineers to award some of the remaining \$802 million work required to make the New Lock at the Soo fully functional.

The Soo Locks, recognized as nationally critical infrastructure, continue to receive bipartisan support in Congress for funding the New Lock at the Soo project.

The Soo Locks complete more than 7,000 vessel passages a year, moving up to 75 million tons of cargos. Moving bulk cargos through the Soo Locks and across the Great Lakes saves more than \$3.9 billion per year in freight costs compared to moving the same tonnage by rail or truck.

One 1,000-foot vessel can carry the equivalent of seven 100 car trains with a 10,000-ton capacity or 3,000 large trucks with a 25-ton capacity each.

For more information about the New Lock at the Soo project, visit the website: https://www.lre.usace.army.mil/About/Highlighted-Projects/New_Soo_Lock/.



Karen Fifield, Michigan State University Extension food safety educator, helps Alcona Elementary first grader Brentley Harrison peel and core an apple during the Fall Family Food Night event last week. In addition to learning how to safely wash fruit and vegetables and freeze fruit properly, the students got to make applesauce and try dehydrated pumpkin. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



Ingrid Fritz-Wilson (left), 6, and her mom, Mael Fritz, cut an apple to make applesauce with big sister Freya, 8, at the Family Fall Food Night event held at Alcona Elementary. The event was sponsored by Michigan State University Extension. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



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Great escape north to moose country

By Gregg Schefferly
Outdoor Writer

For the past couple years, I've been wanting to take a ride to the U.P. to look for moose; but the U.P. is so big where the heck would you start?

This past summer an article caught my attention regarding a half dozen bull moose being struck by automobiles in a short period of time, in a very small area. After reading the article, it prompted me to start planning a trip up north across the bridge. My wife had never seen a moose and, while I knew the odds were against us, we had to try.

The article pinpointed where the moose had been struck. The names of the highways where they'd been hit were included, as well as the distances from intersections or towns. Additionally, the name of the DNR wildlife biologist interviewed provided me a contact to help us in our search. With the locations, I found them on a map to better understand how large of an area we'd be searching.

I contacted the biologist in the article, Brian Roell, who worked out of the Marquette field office. After explaining our intentions, he agreed to mark up a couple maps showing us where the moose frequented and leave them at his office for us to pick up.

From my limited experience hunting moose, I confirmed with Brian that the peak of the moose rut took place about the end of September through the first part of October. In addition to the moose rut, the timing of our trip would, hopefully, coincide with the peak of the fall colors.

Once we had the general location, we turned our attention to finding a place to stay. The prime area for moose is in western Marquette and Baraga counties. After some searching and some thought, we decided to rent an air bed and breakfast. We did this for a couple reasons.



Exploring the Outdoors

By Gregg Schefferly

First, that was what was available in the area we wanted to stay. Second, was a combination of having the facilities to prepare our own meals and to stay where we had the place to ourselves with a little solitude. After some searching we settled on a small, newly built one-bedroom cabin just outside of L'Anse.

After some debate, we reluctantly decided to take the Subaru Outback rather than pull the side by side all that way. So on Thursday, Sept. 29 after work we drove to Marquette and spent the night. Friday morning, we stopped by the field office and picked up our maps and made our way to L'Anse.

After check in, we unpacked, grilled some steaks for dinner, grabbed our optics, and headed out in search of moose. With a few hours until dusk and maps in hand we started exploring some of the areas where the moose had been struck as well as the nearby two tracks, the ones we could see connected between two main roads.

Once we got a feel for the area, we focused more on the two tracks looking for moose sign and stopping to call in marshy areas that looked like traditional moose habitat.

Friday evening, Shannon spotted a few sets of moose tracks, one of which was very big and pretty fresh. The evening came and went without sighting any moose. Saturday morning, we found ourselves back in the area Shannon spotted the fresh tracks. To our surprise we found a few more tracks right where we'd found the first the night

before. So, we found a vantage point, parked where we could look down a power line as well as the two-track where the tracks crossed, again nothing.

Doing our research prior to the trip we found out that the best time to see a moose is dusk and dawn, being moose move mostly just prior to and after dark. With that, we decided to make a day trip Saturday to Copper Harbor after we looked for moose.

The drive was incredible, the fall colors were peaked, and the traffic was marginal. It took a little longer than we figured due to the windy and hilly roads leading up to Copper Harbor. We had never been to Copper Harbor and the view was breath taking. Lake Superior was a little angry that day and the natural rocky tree-filled islands protecting the harbor were stunning as the waves crashed on them.

After spending some time in town, we took a ride up Brockway Mountain Drive which overlooks the town. Again, the views were incredible. We drove the loop around and enjoyed the rugged views of the shoreline before heading back to moose country.

Arriving early at the two track where we'd seen all the moose sign, we took our time driving slowly as we diligently searched. Once again, we parked during prime time for an evening sit where we had found all the moose sign. And again, no moose, but we enjoyed seeing a fisher tumble out onto the road in front of us. I believe it was chasing a bug the way it was twisting and turning. No time for a picture because once it spotted the car it was gone in an instant.

Sunday morning, we got up early, packed up and headed east to Marquette County to explore one of the roads highlighted on the map before heading home. Again nothing. During the trip we saw a lot of wildlife, with the highlight being the fisher, but no moose. We knew the odds were long, but next time we'll have a much better idea of where to go and we will take the truck with the SxS to explore even more of the back roads.

Seeing a moose was an excuse to take a trip, not seeing a moose is an excuse to go back and explore the western U.P. even more.

(Gregg Schefferly grew up and spent the majority of his life in northeastern Michigan. With the lakes and forests as his playground, he has spent more than 40 years hunting, fishing, and trapping. Feel free to contact him or send him pictures at northwriter@hotmail.com.)

Publishing Obituaries

The Alcona County Review continues to maintain the policy of not charging for obituaries as long as the obituary includes the vital information of the decedent and follows the established format. (Vital information is on the death certificate, which becomes public information once it is filed.) A good quality photograph can also be included at no charge. An obituary that the family wants published exactly as submitted, or includes memorial type sentiment, can be published as a paid obituary. Please include within the obituary the deceased's connection to the area.

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The Alcona gold rush

By Eric Paul Roorda
Artist & Author

Alcona and Alaska have a lot in common. The most striking similarities are evergreen forests, expansive views across water, and the frontier individualism of their inhabitants.

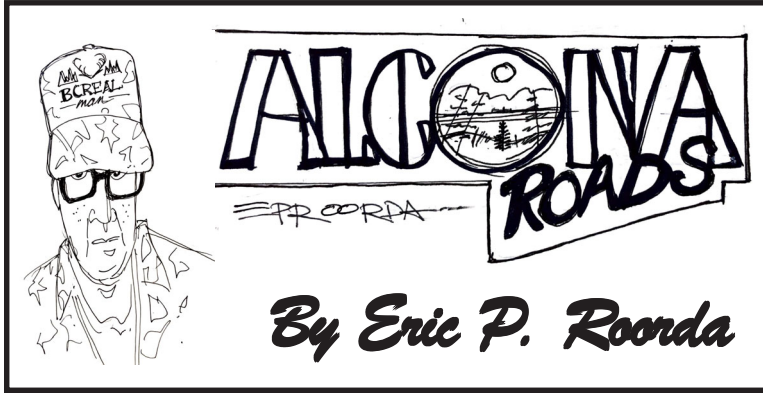
The town in Alaska that best exemplifies these commonalities is Haines, which looks and feels like Harrisville without mountains. On cloudy days, when you can't see the peaks, they seem like twin cities. Haines and Harrisville both have an old tavern and a craft brewery, a marina, a small grocery store, a coffee company, a couple of funky resale shops, a gallery displaying the work of local artists, an independent radio station, and a population of self-possessed oddballs, many of them wearing camouflage.

And both Alaska and Alcona had a gold rush!

The Yukon (or Klondike) Gold Rush of 1898 centered on Skagway, now a kind of cruise ship Disneyland, and Dyea, now a ghost town. Nearby Haines came into being as a third route to the goldfields in Canada, and is still going strong in a low-key way.

The Yukon Gold Rush was the real deal. The discovery of huge lodes of gold close to Alaska lured thousands of "stampedeers" from the U.S. to try their luck. The most famous of them is the author Jack London, who failed as a prospector, but wrote indelible novels and short stories that capture the culture of that time and place.

In the decades after 1898, corporations formed far away, for the purpose of moving into Alaska to build railroads and exploit resources. Some of them succeeded and paid their investors handsomely, while others collapsed amidst corruption, scandals, headlines, court cases, and bankruptcy.



The Alcona Gold Rush was a fraud. It took place in another Haynes, this one the township, and it happened at the same time that mineral wealth was shaping Alaska's future of boomtowns, ghost towns, and corporate combat.

In November 1912, a farmer named Fleming was mowing his soil in Haynes Township when a glint of something caught his eye. I have no idea where Fleming's farm was. There are no landowners named Fleming in Haynes or Hawes today, says my 2019 Alcona County Plat Book.

With gold fever in the air from Alaska, farmer Fleming decided the tiny shiny pebbles he found contained precious metal. Initial assays seemed to confirm his hopes. Before long, the "Haynes Mining and Development Company" was selling stock. The elaborately engraved stock certificates illustrated a lucrative future for their owners, showing a railroad of ore cars in a spacious mine corridor, and a large smelting factory sending a cloud into the air from its smokestack.

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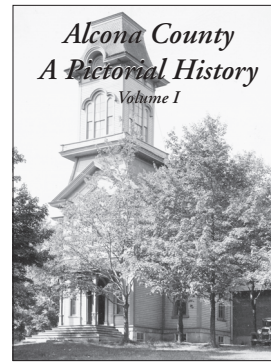
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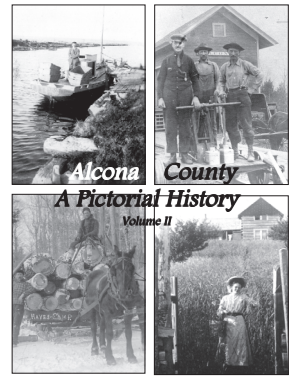
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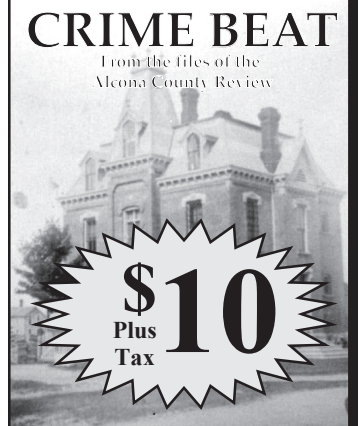


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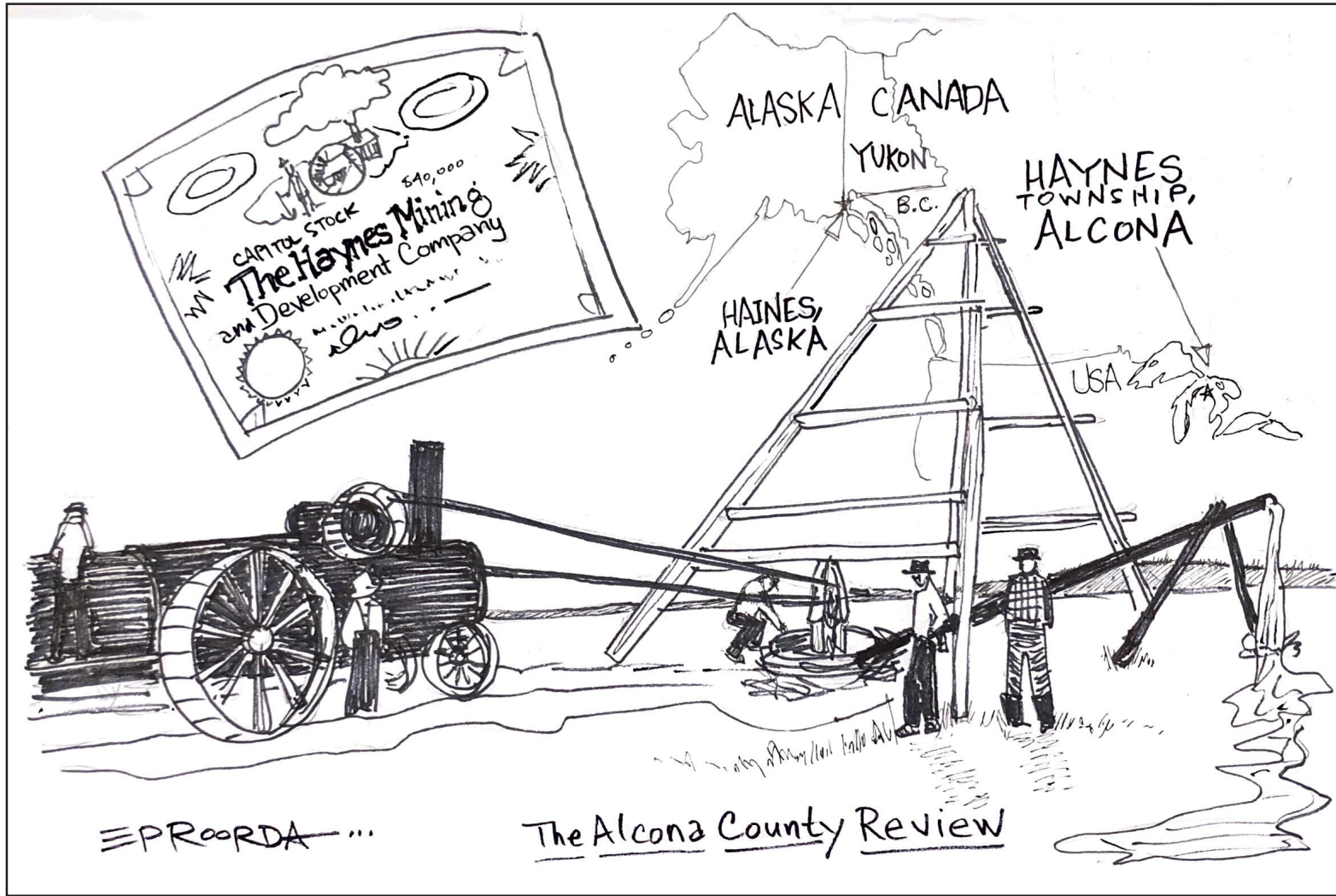
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With gullible people paying hard-earned cash for shares in the corporation, the deepest hole ever dug in Alcona County got deeper daily in 1914. But after an encouraging start, the miners hit the water table. James Watt had invented the steam engine in 1765 to solve the problem of flooded mines, using mechanical horsepower to pump out the water. So, when the Haynes Mine filled up, the directors of the company brought in an enormous steam engine on wheels to empty it.

The expensive pumping operation forced the Haynes Mining and Development Company to seek new investors. They found them in Saginaw, in the form of the Michigan-Yukon Corporation, a name that reflects the influence of Alaska's experience on the dreams of Michigan investors.

After seven years of wasted effort and money, without a dollar in dividends paid to shareholders, local law enforcement started looking into the Michigan-Yukon Corporation. The early assays that showed there was gold in these here hills proved to be wrong. A local prosecutor litigated against the company to force it to stop selling stock, and eventually a judge ordered it to repay the shareholders, placing it into receivership.

There is no evidence the people who put money into the Haynes Mining and Development Company/Michigan-Yukon Corporation got much back, if anything. After all, you can't get blood from a turnip, or find gold in Alcona County, or receive a refund from a bankrupt corporation.

Note: Photos of the mine and stock certificate and another account of the events are in "Alcona County: A Pictorial History," Vol. 2 (pg. 106-07), available for purchase at the Alcona County Review office, 111 N. Street, Harrisville.

(Eric lives in Springport, where his parents put down roots 50 years ago. He was a college history professor for three decades. His books include, "The Ocean Reader" (Duke, 2020), "Twain At Sea" (Chicago, 2018), and "The White Tail Family: A Coloring Book" (R/DC Press, 2021), which is available for \$10 at eproorda@gmail.com.)

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Dear Savvy Senior,
How do I go about looking for an old former company 401(k) plan that I think I contributed money to many years ago, but forgot about until recently?

Retired in Rochester

Dear Retired,
If you think you may have lost track of an old 401(k) retirement account, you aren't alone. As Americans move from job to job, many leave scraps of their company

sponsored 401(k) plans behind, believing they'll deal with it later, but never do.

In fact, according to a recent study, Americans have left behind around \$1.35 trillion in retirement accounts that are connected to previous employers. To help you look for an old 401(k), here are some suggestions along with some free resources that can help you search.

Call Your Former Employer

The first way to look for an

old 401(k) account is to contact your former employer's human resources department. Ask them to check their plan records to see if you ever participated in their 401(k) plan, and if so, how much it's worth. You'll need to provide them your Social Security number and the dates you worked for them.

If you need help tracking down your former employer because it may have moved, changed owners or merged with another firm, help is available from the Labor Department (AskEBSA.dol.gov, 866-444-3272) and the Pension Rights Center and Pension Action Center (PensionRights.org/find-help).

If there was more than \$5,000 in your 401(k) account when you left, there's a good chance that your money is still in your workplace account.

Your former employer should be able to either get you the forms necessary to roll over your retirement money to a different 401(k) or to an IRA, or to give you con-

tact information for any outside financial institution overseeing the plan on your employer's behalf. By following the appropriate instructions, you'll be able to move your retirement money where you want.

But if your old 401(k) account was under \$5,000, your former employer has the option of transferring the money to a default individual retirement account without your consent. Your cash may go into an interest-bearing, federally insured bank account or to your state's unclaimed property fund.

If this is the case, and your old employer cannot tell you where your 401(k) funds were sent, you'll need to track it down yourself.

Searching Tools

While there's no federally run national database where you can look for all the retirement accounts that are associated with your name, a good place to start your search is with the Department of Labor's abandoned plan database at AskEBSA.dol.gov/

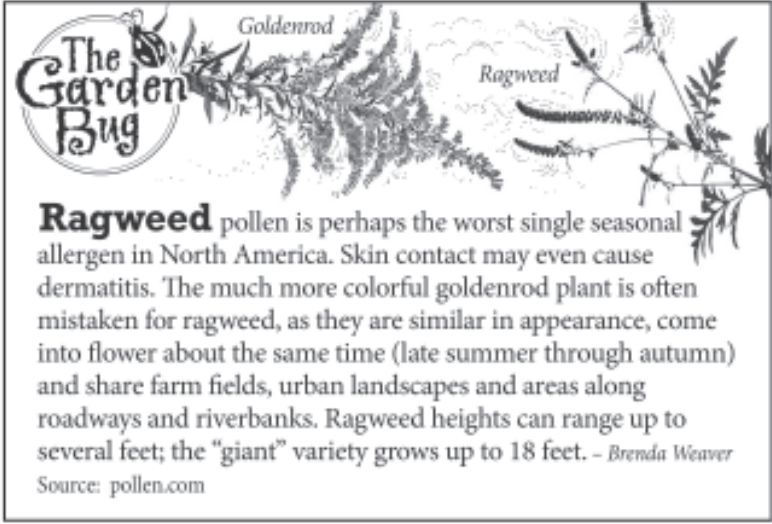
AbandonedPlanSearch. And FreeErisa (FreeErisa.BenefitsPro.com), which maintains a rundown of employee benefit plan paperwork.

There's also the National Registry of Unclaimed Retirement Benefits at UnclaimedRetirementBenefits.com. This site works like a "missed connections" service whereby companies register with the site to help facilitate a reunion between ex-employees and their retirement money. But not every company is registered with this site.

To see if your 401(k) money was turned over to the state's unclaimed property fund, use the National Association of Unclaimed Property Administrators website (Unclaimed.org) to search. Or you can do a multi-state search in 39 states at MissingMoney.com.

Or, if you think you were covered under a traditional pension plan that was disbanded, call the U.S. Pension Guaranty Corp. at (800) 326-5678, or use the trustee plan search tool at PBGC.gov/search-trusteed-plans.

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



Ragweed pollen is perhaps the worst single seasonal allergen in North America. Skin contact may even cause dermatitis. The much more colorful goldenrod plant is often mistaken for ragweed, as they are similar in appearance, come into flower about the same time (late summer through autumn) and share farm fields, urban landscapes and areas along roadways and riverbanks. Ragweed heights can range up to several feet; the "giant" variety grows up to 18 feet. - Brenda Weaver
Source: pollen.com

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Buggy Rides

27,000 acre farm sold in Cheboygan County

Largest Area of Michigan Farm Land Ever Disposed of

October 26, 1922 ~ When the Black River Stock Farm in Cheboygan county was sold recently it is said that the largest single deal in Michigan farm lands was consummated.

27,000 acres of cut over land and 600 acres of improved land changed hands and with it 3,000 head of breeding ewes, horses and cattle.

A. E. Montgomery of Moline, Illinois, was the purchaser and Leonard Freeman of Flint sold the property.

Mr. Freeman started the farm ten years ago to prove that Northeastern Michigan was as suitable as any other part of the country for pro-

ducing meat animals at a low cost. He thinks he succeeded in establishing proof and there are many others who agree with him.

One barn on the place will house 4,000 sheep and the cattle barn will accommodate 500 head of stock. Provision is made for housing 6,000 or 8,000 sheep and 1,000 head of cattle during the winter months.

Alfalfa is grown on 200 acres of the improved land, from which two and three crops are taken each year. The cut over area is used for grazing during the summer or open season, but all the animals are housed and fed during the winter.

"Doc" Lee and the decoys

October 26, 1922 ~ The "Cove" at Alcona figured more or less in the early history of Alcona county and many strange tales of that locality have been handed down from generation to generation. Of late, however, the "Cove" has remained practically in a state of innocuous desuetude and many there are who never even heard of the place. It remained for two of our local

sportsmen to put the "Cove" back on the map again. They were hunting ducks and—well let the reader imagine how they sneaked up on those harmless birds and blazed away—one, two, three, oh! Many times, and raised never a feather. Ammunition was all gone before they discovered that those blamed ducks were made of wood.

J. R. M.

Harrisville Goodfellows begin activities

October 30, 1947 ~ The 1947 activities of the Harrisville Goodfellow Club will open with a Bingo Party at the City Auditorium in Harrisville Saturday night, November 1.

The Club will hold four Bingo parties before the Christmas season, on: November 1, November 22, December 6 and December 13. The annual Christmas dance will be held on Christmas night at the City Auditorium.

As in years past, the club will sell tickets on a grand prize to be awarded at the Dance on Christmas Night. First award, a half beef; Second, hind-quarter and third prize, a front quarter of beef.

Teams have been picked from the members of the club, who will conduct the sale. When you are asked to buy, dig down and help give every child a Christmas.

Captains of the two teams' are Carl Steadman and Dr.

Marshall. The Steadman lineup are: Jack Holmes. Lloyd Hilliard, Edw. Chapelle, R. Bushey, E. Simonesn, E. Hadley, Floyd Potts, W. Foster, Ed Hecklik, Roy LaLonde, Jim Olson, Art Meredith, W. Fogelsinger, E. Clemens, Art McIntyre, R. Warner, Max Carvo, Emmett Shea, Lee Ross', Joe Southwick, Ralph Elmer, Bud Fisher, Lyle MacDonald. Milo Johnson, and Tony Bejeskey.

Capt. Marshall's line-up: Kenneth Noyes, Carl Riebow, Carter Miller, John Kowalski, Harold Cuyler, Gil Gardner, Russell Hughes, Chas. Pizer, H. Rose, Ki Cuyler. Jerry George, Howard Keihn, Bruce Ferguson, Fred Knuth. S. B. Pizer. Chas. Olds, Stan Mallory, Walter Ross, Geo. Freer, Otto Klein. Jos. Matuzak, John Frechette, Lyle Jack, Viggo Klein, S. K. Erickson, and Art Thibeault.

Harrisville to have new modern theatre

October 30, 1947 ~ A Real Estate deal was completed this week, whereby the property of Morris Roberts, in Harrisville, was sold to an outside party for the construction of a modern theatre building.

The property is located between the L. R. Ross Market

and the Harrisville Freeze Company Locker Plant. The lot is 99 by 132 feet.

The new owner of the property stated that construction of the building will start in early spring and will be modern throughout.

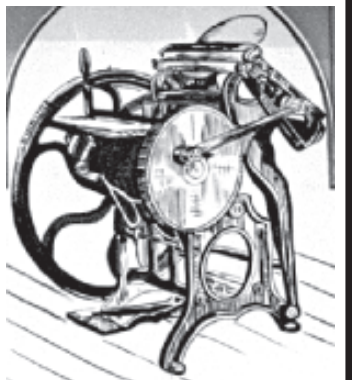
Plans call for a 400 seating capacity theatre.

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Kovels: Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Bentwood Boxes

Hand-decorated storage boxes were important for storage in the 18th century when there were few places, other than shelves, to store small personal items. Collectors today treasure the work of the Bucher family in Berks County, Pennsylvania, made from about 1750 to 1800. There are memorials with dates ranging from 1792 to 1876 with Heinrich, the father's name.

Heinrich Bucher, and eventually his sons, made and sold bentwood boxes decorated with yellow, green, red and white trees, tulips and other foliage on a black background. The boxes sell today for thousands of dollars. This box sold in a Conestoga auction for \$4,260 after 26 bids. It had been estimated at only \$1,000.



This bentwood box, 4 x 9 x 6 inches, sold for \$4,260, more than four times its estimate. Photo credit: Kovels.com

Q: My daughter just got her first apartment, and I found her four Corning Ware casserole dishes in different sizes and one glass lid in a resale shop. I looked up the decoration and learned it is the Pastel Bouquet floral pattern. I paid less than \$10 for the whole lot. Is it collectible?

A: Corning Ware was first introduced in 1958 by Corning Glass Works. The company was sold and is now known as Corelle Brands. The most popular patterns of Corning Ware are Cornflower Blue, made from 1957 to 1988; and Spice of Life, made from 1972 to 1987. Your Pastel Bouquet pattern was made from 1985 to 1990. Most pieces in this pattern sell from \$15 to \$50 each. It's too bad you only have one lid, but you got a good deal!

TIP: Never store old paper collectibles and photographs

in ordinary cardboard boxes or plastic bags. Buy the acid-free boxes and Mylar wrapping film that are approved for long-term storage. Many picture-framing and supply stores will have these items.

Wavecrest tobacco jar, cover, round melon form, blue flowers, green leaves, creamy white ground, swirled lid with words "Tobacco Jar," C.F. Monroe, c. 1900, 5 inches, \$155.

Lalique glass perfume bottle, Grande Pomme, apple shape, frosted body, stopper with clear stem and two leaves, signed Lalique France, 5 1/4 x 5 inches, \$205.

Wooden, firkin, sugar bucket, wood slats, four finger lapped bands, brown paint, swinging wire handle, lid, New England, 1800s, 10 x 10 inches, \$325.

Halloween, figure, black cat, humped back, long

straight tail, papier-mache, textured orange base, 1940s, 13 1/2 x 6 3/4 x 17 inches, \$490.

Clock, tall case, Gustav Becker, oak, flat overhanging top, paneled door, carved arts & crafts design on paneled door, white and brass dial, scrolled Arabic numerals, c. 1900, 80 x 21 inches, \$625.

Bicycle, Schwinn, Black Phantom, black and red, streamlined style, light on front fender, flat carrier over back fender, 1950s, \$1,800.

Pottery, bowl, abstract sgraffito design, green glaze, round, short foot, marked, Edwin & Mary Scheier, New Hampshire, 1950s, 9 x 13 inches, \$2,750.

Looking to declutter, downsize or settle an estate? Kovels' Antiques & Collectibles Price Guide 2022 by Terry and Kim Kovel has the resources you're looking for.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Storing food when there's no space

During the past two years when I stocked up on grocery staples, I ended up with canned foods and dry goods stored in three different places around the house.

I'd have to check all three places to be sure I grabbed the green beans with the nearest expiration date. Pasta was the same. Worse was when I discovered that I wasn't having spaghetti for dinner after all because I'd used the last of the pasta and only thought I had one more tucked away

somewhere.

Enter the internet and the wide selection of kitchen storage products available.

I wish I'd known of this two years ago: a metal stacking unit that holds 36 cans. I put it on the buffet in the dining room, all cans in easy reach around the corner from the kitchen.

Not having a pantry, I've pulled the hall coat closet into service, moving the hanging bar close to the ceiling and opening up the whole bottom half of the space for four rows of wire shelving and baskets for dry goods and envelopes.

And when all seems lost, when you have no pantry and no basement, when your coat closet can't be reconfigured, there are still handy places you can store food. A small bookcase will hold cans. Slide a few baskets under an end table. Cereal keepers are smaller than boxes. A row of clear canisters for envelopes will let you see what you have at a glance.

The immediate benefit of having alternate storage places is that it opens up space in your cupboards for currently used items. The box of instant rice and the jar of peanut butter will all be right in front of you.

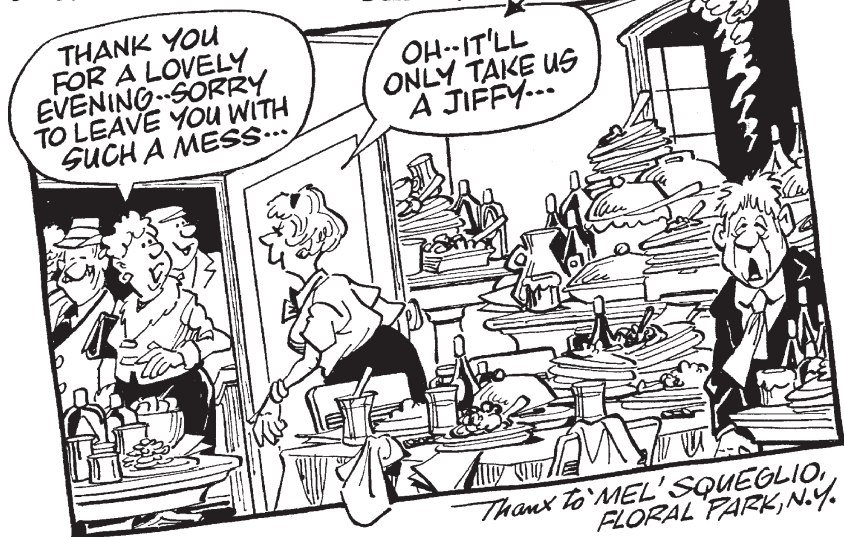
For more ideas to organize your food, search online (especially Amazon and the big-box hardware store near you) for food storage for small spaces.

Remember to get a black marker to write expiration dates in big letters!

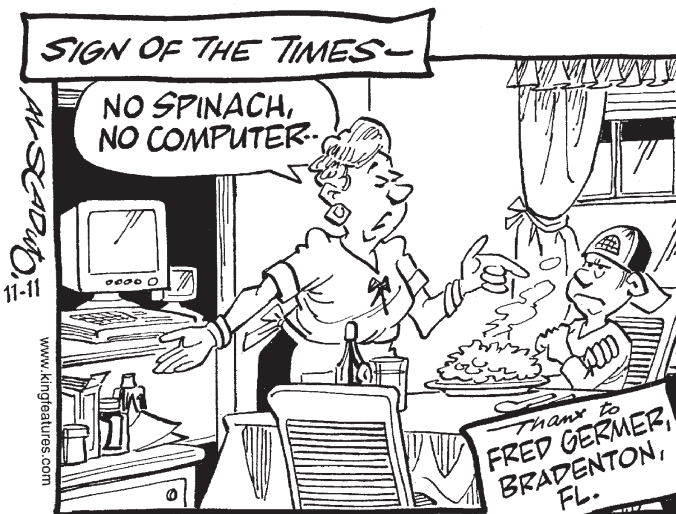
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THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME

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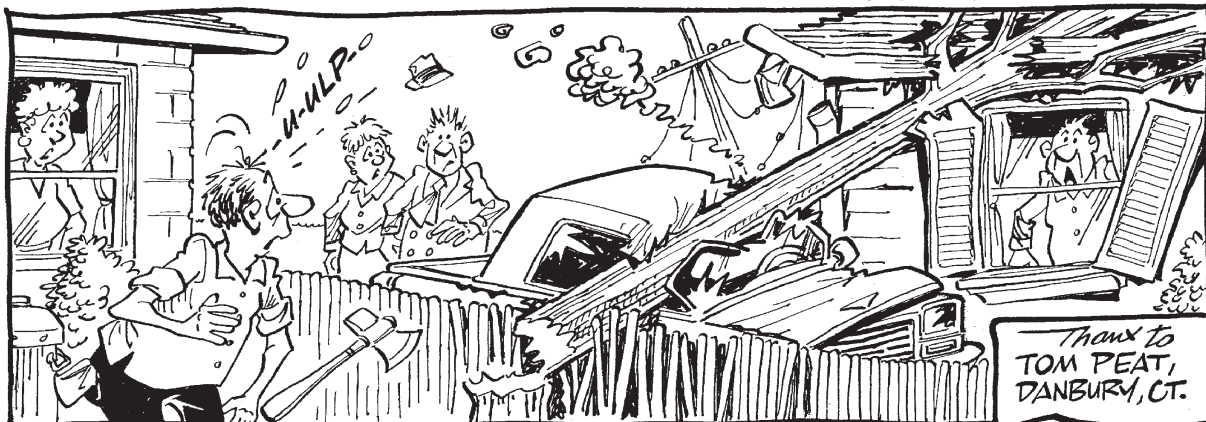


BY AL SCADUTO



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HOCKMORE DIDN'T WANT TO SPEND THE FIFTY BUCKS THE LANDSCAPER WANTED TO CUT DOWN THE OLD TREE... SO HE DECIDED TO DO THE JOB HIMSELF AND SAVE MONEY... SOME SAVING, EH?



Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

- U.S. STATES:** How many states border the Great Lakes?
- MOVIES:** What was Buzz Lightyear's original name in the animated movie "Toy Story"?
- TELEVISION:** What was the name of the family dog on "The Brady Bunch"?
- FOOD & DRINK:** What is blind baking?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What are the two traditional flowers associated with September?
- HISTORY:** Which state divided into two as a result of the U.S. Civil War?
- PSYCHOLOGY:** What kind of fear is represented by the condition called chromophobia?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Who is the only president to serve in the office who was not elected as vice president or president?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a group of tigers called?
- MUSIC:** Who was the first woman to be inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame?

Answers: 1. Six (Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio).; 2. Lunar Larry.; 3. Tiger.; 4. Pre-baking a pie crust without filling.; 5. Aster and morning glory.; 6. Virginia and West Virginia.; 7. Fear of one or more colors.; 8. Gerald Ford.; 9. An ambush.; 10. Aretha Franklin.; (c) 2022 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword BEST OF BREED

- ACROSS**
- 1 Agents, informally
 - 5 Wombs
 - 10 Soccer great Mia
 - 14 Warm up
 - 19 Fix up copy
 - 20 Condor claw
 - 21 Emollient plant juice
 - 22 Incandescent
 - 23 Good occasion to buy securities
 - 25 After-hours
 - 26 Youngest of Chekhov's "Three Sisters"
 - 27 Davenport, e.g.
 - 28 Dish of melted cheese on toast
 - 31 Small marsupial with long hind limbs
 - 35 Doubters
 - 36 Dutch painter Jan
 - 37 Actress Thurman
 - 38 Depot: Abbr.
 - 41 Financier Onassis
 - 42 Rocker Nugent
 - 43 Tiny flash of light
 - 45 Light classical orchestra
 - 51 Flips out
 - 53 Met again, as a legislature
 - 55 Painful spots
 - 56 Mendelssohn orchestral piece in A minor
 - 62 Merlot, e.g.
 - 63 "Yentl" actress Feldshuh
 - 64 Paranormal gift, for short
 - 65 Prankster's messy missile
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 - 76 Lean red meat source
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 - 79 On Soc. Security, say
 - 80 Popover served with roast beef
 - 86 Thin as —
 - 88 Gorbachev's wife
 - 89 "Count" of jazz
 - 90 "The Simpsons" ainer
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 - 98 U.S. spy org.
 - 99 Part of OTC
 - 101 Platform for iDevices
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 - 104 Dispute go-betweens
 - 109 Very sleek
 - 112 Maine and Montana, to Canada
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 - 118 Crossbreed apropos to this puzzle (hint: see the starts of 10 long answers)
 - 123 Resolved to accomplish
 - 124 Fairway club
 - 125 At the zenith
 - 126 Org. looking for aliens
 - 127 Party givers
 - 128 Annoyer
 - 129 Playwright Clifford
 - 130 Eve's garden
 - 40 Ark builder
 - 43 Moo goo — pan
 - 44 Lovers' get-together
 - 46 "You can't — train"
 - 47 Sports drink brand
 - 48 Art of paper folding
 - 49 Waddling bird
 - 50 Opposite of NNW
 - 51 Didn't leave the house
 - 52 To the — degree
 - 54 Ones who can sense others' feelings, in sci-fi
 - 56 Engine additive
 - 57 Jockey Angel or baseballer Wil
 - 58 Burden too heavily
 - 59 Lay eyes on
 - 60 Suffix with neat
 - 61 "Absolutely!"
 - 68 Novelist Josephine
 - 69 "I believe ...," in texts
 - 70 Small donkey
 - 71 Water nymph
 - 72 "— darn tootin'!"
 - 74 Chair piece
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 - 79 Brit. mil. fliers
 - 81 Go — (kid's racer)
 - 82 Certain Indian believer
 - 83 Kindle buy
 - 84 Violet variety
 - 85 Purpose
 - 87 Podiums
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 - 92 Frigate, e.g.
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 - 95 Really raged
 - 96 Web location
 - 97 —Kosh B'gosh
 - 100 Suffix with Vietnam
 - 102 Luc's gal pal
 - 103 Vulgar
 - 104 Embarrass
 - 105 Calf-roping competition
 - 106 Littleimps
 - 107 — -proof
 - 108 Place to shop
 - 110 Retort to "It ain't so!"
 - 111 Ice mishaps
 - 113 "Famous" cookie guy
 - 114 Tepee
 - 119 Purpose
 - 120 No. on a road sign
 - 121 Decay
 - 122 Mark, as a ballot square

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Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Oct. 30, 1864, the town of Helena, Montana, is founded by four gold miners at a location they called Last Chance Gulch. Miners flooded to the area by the thousands, finding \$19 million in gold in four years. By 1894, Helena was the capital of Montana.
- On Oct. 26, 1881, the Earp brothers battle the Clanton-McLaury gang in a shootout in a vacant lot behind the O.K. Corral in Tombstone, Arizona. The gunfight only took 30 seconds, but 30 shots were fired and several were killed. Two were charged with murder, but a judge later found them not guilty.
- On Oct. 27, 1904, the New York City subway opens. The line traveled 9.1 miles through 28 stations. More than 100,000 people paid a nickel each to take their first ride. Today there are 26 lines, the longest running 32 miles.
- On Oct. 24, 1921, from among 77,000 United States servicemen killed on the Western Front during World War I, the body of the first soldier to be honored is selected in the French town of Chalons-sur-Marne. Four bodies were selected to become the Unknown Soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.
- On Oct. 29, 1969, Bobby Seale, a member of the "Chicago Eight," is gagged during his murder trial on orders of the judge to stop Seale's outbursts. The "Chicago Eight" were charged with crossing state lines to cause anti-war demonstrations in Chicago. Seale was eventually sentenced to 48 months in prison for the outbursts alone, but the murder portion of his trial ended with a hung jury and the contempt charges were dropped.
- On Oct. 25, 1983, President Ronald Reagan orders 2,000 Marines to invade Grenada to protect the 1,000 Americans there at the time, many of them students at the island's medical school. Codenamed "Operation Urgent Fury," the fighting was over in four days.
- On Oct. 28, 1998, the Digital Millennium Copyright Act is signed into law. The act strengthened copyright protections and allowed copyright holders to issue "takedown" notices to individuals or companies who engaged in infringing use of a copyrighted work.

Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Boxing heavyweight champion Jack Johnson invented the household wrench in 1922.
- The movie title "Death Wish III" was changed to "Death Wish 3" after a survey conducted by the Cannon Group revealed that nearly half of Americans couldn't read Roman numerals.
- Tom Hanks' brother Jim voices "Toy Story's" Woody when his sibling is too busy.
- A hat that doubles as a weapon? Sure, if you're a gum-leaf skeletonizer caterpillar, which wears its old molted heads on top of its noggin and uses them to bat away predators!
- Those chocolate-covered caramel candies we fondly know as Milk Duds were originally intended to be perfectly round. But when machines in 1928 couldn't produce them consistently, the misshaped goodies were called "duds," hence their unusual name.
- From the "nothing like planning ahead" files: CNN has prepared a doomsday video, to be played by the last surviving employee. In 2009, a former intern posted the footage online. It shows a low-resolution video of a U.S. Army band playing a mournful rendition of "Nearer My God to Thee."
- The center of the Milky Way tastes like raspberries and smells like rum.
- In the 1970s, Chrysler advertised its luxury cars as containing "Corinthian leather." But spokesman Ricardo Montalban admitted on "Late Night with David Letterman" that the term really meant nothing, as said leather was actually sourced out of New Jersey.

Thought for the Day: "Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud." --Maya Angelou
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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: P equals M

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 YBRP BA BTYXTY?
 Z QELQ-FEVJH MBRH.

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as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Foreclosing assignee (if any): Nationstar Mortgage LLC. Date of mortgage: April 21, 2004. Date of mortgage recording: April 22, 2004. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$40,045.00. Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the NE-1/4 of the SW-1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 9 East described as commencing at a point where the north line of the NE-1/4 of the SW-1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 9 East, intersects the west boundary line of U.S. Highway 23; thence southerly parallel with the west boundary line of U.S. Highway 23, 200 feet to the point of beginning; thence southerly along the westerly right of way of U.S. Highway 23 to the north line of land owned by Anna Cuyler as of April 4, 1945; thence north 66 degrees 16 minutes west 198 feet; thence northerly and parallel with the westerly

right of way U.S. Highway 23, 108 feet; thence easterly 198 feet in a line parallel with the north line of land owned by Anna Cuyler as of April 4, 1945, to the point of beginning. Common street address (if any): 601 N. US-23, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. 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. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the

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 Defendant
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 288 N. Melita Road
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 Plaintiff's attorney
 Samantha E. Schanta, P73952
 1821 W. Maple Road
 Birmingham, Mich. 48009
 (248) 593-0300
 To: Steven Ray Alderman
 It is ordered:

You are being sued in this court by the plaintiff to answer to the claim of negligence. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before December 19, 2022. If you fail to do so, a default judgement may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in the Alcona County Review for three consecutive weeks and proof of publication shall be filed in this court. A copy of this order shall be sent to Steven Ray Alderman at the last known address by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the last week of posting and the affidavit of mailing shall be filed with this court.
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 Judge Laura A. Frawley, P39644

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VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met in special session on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." The meeting was called to open bids for construction of the pavilion and to discuss plans for hiring a new village attorney. Those in attendance included president Phillips, treasurer Mahalak, clerk Somers and council members Durham, Gauthier, Healy, Lucas, Schick and Wambold. Two bids were received for the construction of the pavilion. One was received from Wassman Construction in the amount of \$57,000. The other bid was from Jacob Builders for \$61,500. A motion was made by Healy, with support from Schick, to accept the bids and award the contract to Wassman Construction. Motion carried. A discussion followed about placing an ad in the local papers to find new legal counsel for the village. A motion was made by Wambold, with support from Gauthier, to place ads in the newspapers seeking a new village attorney. Motion carried. Motion to adjourn was made by Schick with support from Wambold. Carried.
 Linda K. Somers
 Village Clerk

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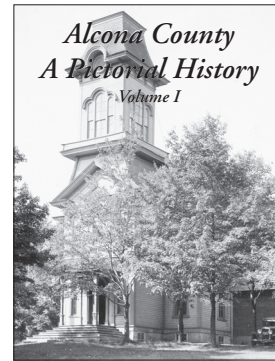
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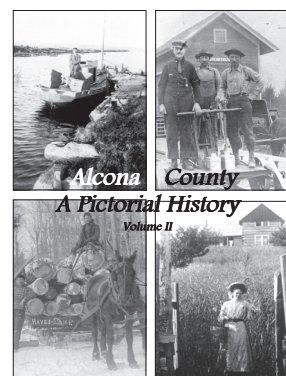
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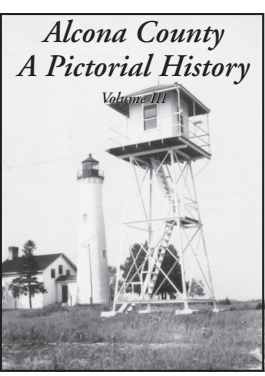
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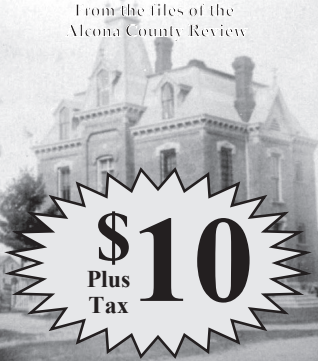
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Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore is a United States National Lakeshore located along the northwest coast of the Lower Peninsula of Michigan in Leelanau and Benzie counties. The park covers a 35-mile-long stretch of Lake Michigan's eastern coastline, as well as North and South Manitou islands. *Courtesy photo.*

Mapping Michigan's sand dunes in stewardship

By Liam Jackson
Capital News Service

New maps of Michigan's sand dunes made with advanced technology can help local policymakers protect and understand them.

"First and foremost, some of these places are just incredibly beautiful," said Conan Smith, president and CEO of the Michigan Environmental Council. "They have an innate value to us as Michiganders. If we don't steward them, we lose them."

Smith's organization coordinated a project called "Valuing Michigan's Coastal Dunes: GIS Information and Economic Data to Support Management Partnerships." It began mapping the sand dunes along the coast of Michigan's Lower Peninsula in 2016. The finished project was presented in a webinar last spring.

"The ultimate goal is to get local governments to use the mapping to inform their decisions," said Beau Brockett, the communications coordinator for the environmental council.

The critical dunes in Michigan are well documented and mapped already, said Elizabeth Brockwell-Tillman, a sand dune interpreter at Hoffmaster State Park near Muskegon, but looking at dunes from a "comprehensive standpoint" will benefit both people and animals.

Monarch butterflies became endangered because of the lack of knowledge people had of the habitat they live in, Brockwell-Tillman said. Mapping of sand dunes can provide more information about the habitats of current species that live there and potentially save more species.

"We knew about where the critical dunes are, but what about all the others?" Brockwell-Tillman said. "And are there keystone species on dunes that are vital to more common species that we don't want to lose?"

Areas in Michigan that may benefit the most from sand dune mapping include Empire Township, where Sleep-

ing Bear Dunes are located, Holland, Saugatuck and Berrien County, Smith said. "I think local communities are starting to realize how critically important these coastal areas are to the economy, to recreation and to the quality of life in those communities," Brockwell-Tillman said. "We need a better sense of how to preserve those corridors."

"One thing that the maps can provide municipalities is an awareness that there may be more of a dune landscape than what they previously thought," said Alan Arbogast, a Michigan State University geology professor who worked on the sand dune map.

Some people may not even realize they live within a dune landscape, Arbogast said. "We've allowed a lot of development on the dunes over the years," Brockwell-Tillman said. "Some local communities are trying to preserve those areas now so they don't lose that endemic character of their community."

Before the entire coastline was mapped, a smaller project focused on specific areas of it. "We went and found photographs of the dunes from back in the day," Smith said. "And then had people go and take the same photograph from that same spot in modern times so that you could see how the dunes had shifted and how that ecology was playing out."

Arbogast used laser imaging, detection and ranging technology, or LiDAR, to map the dunes in the Lower Peninsula. The hope is to do the Upper Peninsula someday, but state laws regarding critical dunes focus more on the Lower Peninsula, he said.

The high-resolution technology used to map the coast by airplane provides detail of the landscape in an "incredible way," Arbogast said.

"Michigan's sand dunes are a world-class landscape," Arbogast said. "There are millions of people that go to them each year in state and national parks."

Dune mapping provides multiple benefits. Conserving the dunes keeps tourists coming back and protects homes and businesses from being taken over by them.

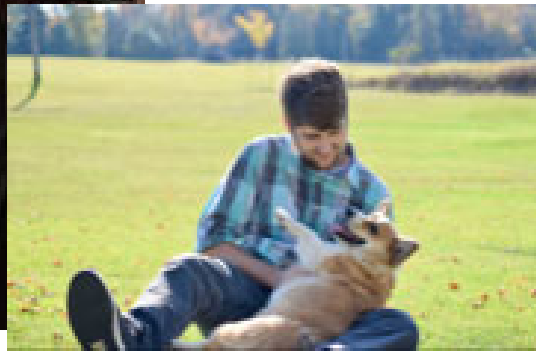
Michigan has a history of sand dunes becoming too much for a town to handle. Deforestation around the Saugatuck area in the 1800s caused sand dunes to move and swallow the nearby city of Singapore.

"An increase of vegetation in dunes is linked to the stability of dunes," said Tom Zimnicki, a former agriculture and source water program and policy manager at the Michigan Environmental Council.

Critical dunes are defined as "the tallest and most spectacular dunes" by the Sand Dune Protection and Management Act in 1976. Of the 225,000 acres of dunes in Michigan, 74,000 are classified as "critical dune areas." These areas require permits for activities that may alter the landscape.

You can't go back and change the beginning but you can start where you are and change the ending.

C.S. Lewis



I am Matthew MacMaster. I love Alcona County and I dream of being a family farmer. I am working full-time as a mechanic. I have a great girlfriend and hope to be a husband and father someday. My birth mother was young and alone when she found that she was carrying me. People urged her to have an abortion. She made many sacrifices to give me life.

She found an adoptive family for me. My birth mother is the most courageous person I know. She is my hero.

Thank you for letting me share my story,
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