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## Opioid committee works to address addiction impact

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

With the assistance of funds from the Michigan Opioid Settlement, rural communities like Alcona County, which grapple with the repercussions of opioid addiction, have a brighter outlook.

As resources funnel in from the state, a committee of Alcona County residents has been meeting over the past year to address the best use of the monies.

To date, the county has received \$56,398 from the settlement, which can be spent under three specific criteria: opioid prevention, opioid treatment and the recovery of addicts.

The committee, consisting of 10 residents including county commissioner Carolyn Brummund; prosecuting attorney Tom Weichel; county clerk Stephany Eller; former county commissioner Bill Thompson and others outlined a list of projects that they asked the Alcona County Board of Commissioners to vote on for spending approval.

The county has committed to spending up to \$10,800 for six months to be used for fees that county residents entering Recovery Court, formally known as Drug Court, may use for an American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) assessment which is necessary to enter the program.

Recovery court is an alternative sentencing option for non-violent offenders with substance abuse addictions who live in or around Alcona, Iosco, or Oscoda counties. The program has seen a high success rate since its inception in 2005.

Brummund explained the ASAM assessment is to make sure the individual is appropriate for recovery court. According to Brummund, the entity the court was using to make the assessments was rather slow, however, they have tried a new entity this past year which seems to be much faster with an in-depth assessment, but it costs more. "These funds will allow a resident to go into Recovery Court significantly faster, by six months or more," she said.

Up to \$5,000 of the funds will go for scholarships for residents who are rehabilitating at the Sunrise Center

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in Alpena. Thompson said the funds are for Alcona County residents who may have to stay longer for treatment. "If the center feels the resident needs to stay longer, this could cover monies needed should their other funding run out," he said.

A small amount of funds has also been used to facilitate naloxone distribution boxes, including one outside the courthouse.

The greatest sum spent so far is \$16,200 which will go to the development of The Nest Recovery Residence.

The Nest Recovery Residence, yet to be opened in Oscoda, will be an affordable recovery guest home for men

who have gone through rehabilitation but are not quite ready to adjust back into family home life. Thompson and Brummund said while the recovery residence is a regional facility, Alcona County is sponsoring it to get up and running.

"We're hoping that will put our residents closer to first in line," Brummund said. Thompson said the owner/operator of the facility, Zachary Williams, who is also on the Alcona County opioid committee, will need a lot more funds than what they have given to open the doors.

Zachary Williams, a graduate of recovery court, explained once the treatment

process is complete, there is still much work to be done and many addicts simply slip back into their addictions when returning to home life too quickly.

"The world of addiction and recovery is changing all the time. These people who have gone through the treatment phases get out and they have no place to go except back from where they came. That's counterproductive because that's where the drugs started for them and (so-called) friends encourage them to shoot up again. These recovery homes are so important," Brummund said.

She explained in recovery studies, the farther you remove a person from their family, however, the less they want to remain at a recovery residence.

"The Nest is not a free ride. The men going there will have to get a job, they must pay rent, and perform household

duties. They must participate or leave," Thompson said.

According to Thompson and Brummund, the committee decided early last year they did not want to use all the money they received the first year. The state is slated to receive nearly \$800 million from the opioid settlements over the next 18 years, however, as different settlements have gone through, some paid early so as not to deal with a large lump sum at the end.

Half of the settlement amount will be distributed directly to county, city, and township governments. The remaining 50 percent will be distributed to the state government's specially designated fund, The Michigan Opioid Healing and Recovery Fund.

"We (Alcona County) are not sure what the final

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## Trout trial resumes after extended adjournment

By Cheryl Peterson  
Editor

The murder trial of a two-year-old child resumed as planned on Thursday, Jan. 4 in 23<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court in the Alcona County Building in Harrisville.

The trial for Aaron J. Trout, 32, of Curtis Township, began on November 29 with 14 jury members. Trout is charged with one count of felony murder and one count of child abuse in the first degree for the alleged murder of Jayde McDonnell, the two-year-old daughter of his then girlfriend, Adrienne Pavelka.

Testimony from several Michigan State Police detectives and officers, including photos and video to illustrate the investigation process were shown. Three individuals from the Tawas Bay Beach Resort, where Pavelka worked briefly prior to the toddler's death, testified to her employment and two absences.

Several forensic scientists for the Michigan State Police Forensic Lab in Grayling, Mich. also testified to their role in collecting and processing the evidence found at the scene of the alleged murder at Trout's residence on Camp 10 Trail in Curtis Township.

Testimony will continue



Jennifer Patchin, Michigan State Police forensic scientist, testifies about evidence collected in the home where the child was allegedly murdered. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Gary Rapp, (right, standing) asks questions of Patchin as. Photo by Cheryl Peterson.

this week and it is anticipated the trial could conclude by the weekend.

The trial began with jury selection on November 27 and November 28, 2023. On November 29, opening state-

ments were given by Alcona County Prosecuting Attorney Thomas J. Weichel and defense attorney William Pfeifer.

Illness began to overcome several jury members at the beginning of December. Due

to COVID-19 protocols, the trial was adjourned until Monday, Dec. 18. By then, a witness for the prosecution had come down with COVID-

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# God Bless America





# Obituaries

## Richard J. Long

Richard Jack Long, 100, of Harrisville died on Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2023, at St. Joseph Ascension Hospital in Tawas.

He was born December 11, 1922, in Flint, Mich. to William Long and Martha Stuck.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II at Okinawa, Japan.

On May 21, 1947, he married Lois Shepherd in Angola, Ind.

Mr. Long retired from Buick Motor Division after 38 years.

He was a member of the Lincoln Baptist Church. He enjoyed deer hunting and snowmobiling.

Mr. Long is survived by his wife, Lois, of Harrisville; two sons, Richard Long of Davison, Mich. and Elgie Long of Lincoln; seven grandchil-



dren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Steven Paul Long; three brothers, Bill Stuck, Edward Stuck and Clark Stuck; and three sisters.

## Jolee A. Boyat-Hoeft

Jolee Ann Boyat-Hoeft, 66, of Alpena, died on Thursday, Jan. 4, 2024, at home.

She was born October 25, 1957, to George and Eleanor (Hildebrant) Boyat in Bay City, Mich. She was raised in Bay City and Mikado.

She was a longtime resident of Oscoda and Harrisville before moving to Alpena in 2015.

On October 5, 2008, she married Allen Hoeft at their home in Harrisville. She was a loving homemaker, who devoted her life to her family, especially her grandchildren.

She loved cows, watching birds, and everything in nature fascinated her.

Mrs. Boyat-Hoeft is survived by her husband, Allen; one daughter, Amanda (Steve Schumacher) Boyat; one son, DJ (Karen) Webster; five grandchildren, Konnor Webster, Payge Webster, Aiden Boyat, Gavin Gillmore, and Zander Roda; one great-granddaughter, Skylar Rose Webster; two step children, Anna Lechner and Aaron (Kelsey) Hoeft; one niece, Denisha (Boyat) Roberts; one nephew, Dennis Boyat Jr.; and her beloved canine friend, Pablo.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and one brother, Dennis Boyat Sr.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

## Ernest C. Burgoyne

Ernest C. Burgoyne, 80, of Bonita Springs, Fla., died on Friday, Dec. 29, 2023, in Bonita Springs, Fla.

He was born in Harrisville on June 15, 1943, to Ernest and Exoria Burgoyne. He attended Alcona High School and graduated in 1961. He earned a degree from Northern Michigan University in Marquette, Mich.

Mr. Burgoyne retired from Dow Corning after 32 years. He enjoyed the outdoors, snowmobiling, fishing, and baseball.

He loved motorcycling and biking. He also enjoyed playing his guitar and listening to old country music.

Mr. Burgoyne is survived by his wife, Diane Burgoyne of Bonita Springs, Fla.; three children, Kelly Davis, Kathryn Fleming and Delynn Doolittle; two stepchildren, Randy Wearing and Misty Gerow; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; three step grandchildren; one sister, Mary McGlocklin; and one brother, Bill Burgoyne.

He was preceded in death



by his parents and one brother, Richard Burgoyne.

A private celebration of life event has been held.

## Larry J. Ritchie

Larry J. Ritchie, 84, of Lincoln, died on Friday, Jan. 5, 2024, at home.

He was born November 2, 1939, to Howard and Grace (Anderson) Ritchie in Harrisville. He has been a resident of the area for most of his life.

He served in the United States Army.

On December 11, 1965, he married Sandy Messina in Detroit, Mich. They moved to Lincoln in 1967.

Mr. Ritchie worked for the Alcona County Road Commission for 39 years.

Growing up on a farm, he enjoyed farm work and the outdoors, especially hunting and fishing. He attended the United Methodist Church of Lincoln.

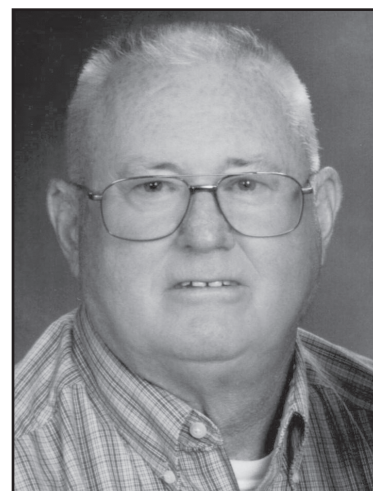
Mr. Ritchie is survived by

his wife, Sandy; one daughter, Kelli Ritchie of Alpena; one son, Scott (Kim) Ritchie of Lincoln; two grandsons, Aaron (Kirsten) Ritchie and Brandon (Amina) Ritchie; two great-grandchildren, Ellery Ritchie and Grayson Ritchie; one sister, Janice LaFave; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Sue Hale.

Visitation will be held Friday, Jan. 12 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln. Visitation will continue at the funeral home on Saturday, Jan. 13 from 11 a.m. until the funeral service at noon. The Rev. Reeve Seagrest will officiate.

Burial services will be held at Twin Lakes Cemetery, Lin-



coln, in the spring. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice Compassus, Alpena, the United Methodist Church, Lincoln, or to the Michigan Parkinson's Foundation.

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## Lorraine F. Bolam

Lorraine Francis Bolam passed away peacefully in her home in Lincoln on Thursday, Dec. 28, 2023, at the age of 83.

She lived a full life surrounded by dear family and friends.

Lorraine was a devoted mother and grandmother, often bragging about her family to anyone who would listen.

She was also an avid crocheter who loved spending time making lapghans for the veterans. The Detroit Tigers made her both the happiest woman, and the most frustrated all at once. You'd often catch her saying "those darn Tigers are not good for nothin' this year."

Her ranch, lovingly known as Fish Creek, was her happy place where she could be found strolling around outside barefoot in the garden.

Most importantly, she was a woman of strong faith in Jesus Christ. She never lost sight of her faith even in her last days.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Thomas Bolam; one son, Gregory Bolam; five siblings, Frank (Marilyn) Matusik, Jim (Gwen) Matusik, Gloria (Art) Lauzon, Joe Matusik, and Billie Matusik; and her parents, Jacob Matusik and Joanna Ziolkowski.

She is survived by her brother, Donald (Sandie) Matusik; her loving children, Perry (Kara) Bolam, Todd (Lisa) Bolam, and Laurie (Jeffrey) Moll. She was a grandmother known as "Busia" to 10 grandchildren, Jackie Walker (Nathan), Paul (Angi) Rauhauser, Amber Reno (Rob), Kyle (Lauren) Bolam, Josh (Chelsea) Moll, Jacob Bolam, Jason (Jenna) Moll,



Shelby (Josh) Bolam, Sarah (Vanier) Joseph, and Jordan (Alexis) Moll; and a great-grandmother to 13 with a 14th on the way.

She was dearly and deeply loved and will be dearly missed. Funeral arrangements will be announced at a later date.

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# Obituaries



## Geneiveve V. Klamert

Geneiveve V. Klamert, 78, of Harrisville, died on Friday, Jan. 5, 2024, at Lincoln Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Community in Lincoln.

She was born December 12, 1945, to Victor and Leona (Girnell) Snyder in Cadillac, Mich. She was raised in Lake City, Mich. and Harrisville.

On August 10, 1967, she married Alfred Klamert in Harrisville.

Mrs. Klamert worked as a pharmacy technician, and enjoyed learning as much as she could. She loved to walk, especially all over Harrisville. She was an avid seamstress and handy person. She could fix anything.

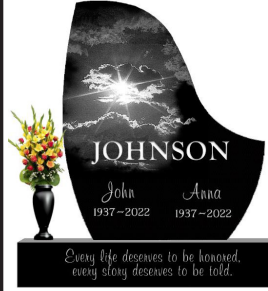
Mrs. Klamert is survived by one daughter, Annette Klamert of Sterling, Mich.; one son, Dale (Cheryl) Banks of Lincoln; five stepchildren, Clarence Klamert, Randy Klamert, Terry Klamert, Debbie Worden, and Angela Watson; 13 grandchildren, Jennifer Burger, Teddy Burger, Stuart Rota Jr., J.T. Needham, Anthony Needham, Zuma Parsons, Audrey Banks, Roxanne Martin, Breeanna Banks, Lily Banks, Sebastian Banks, Chris Lopo, and Serena Lopo; one great-grandson, Joseph Ranger; and two sisters, Frieda Newcombe and Bonnie Stewart.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alfred, in 1994; one step daughter, Sandy Gilbert; one granddaughter, Alexis Lopo; three sisters, Norma Jean Snyder, Vickie Toombs, and Gladys Bagley; and two brothers, Victor Snyder Jr. and William Banks.

Visitation will take place on Wednesday, Jan. 10 from 11 a.m. until the funeral service at 1 p.m. at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln. The Rev. Jim Young will officiate.

Burial will be in Springport Cemetery, Harrisville.

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## Calendar of Events



### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

Homeschoolers, seasoned or curious, are invited to the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 1 to 2 p.m. to offer inspiration and camaraderie for school-aged children. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

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.

There will be a free gentle stretching and strength class at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Sponsored by Alcona County Library and led by Liz McNichols. For more information, call McNichols at (989) 335-1777.

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

There will be a children's craft activity and story time at 10:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. See the library's Facebook page for updates and information about each week's book and craft activity. For information, call (989) 724-6796.

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

The Curtis Township Library Board of Trustees will meet in the conference room of the Curtis Township Library in Glennie at 10 a.m. For details, call (989) 735-2601.

Forge new friendships, learn to strategize and be creative in the teen-exclusive Dungeons & Dragons Club, which meets from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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.

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

Practice ukulele at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 to 11:30 a.m. If needed, ukuleles are available for check-out and players of all skill levels are welcome. The ability to read music is not required. For more details, call (989) 724-6796.

The Alcona Book Club will meet from noon to 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library to discuss January's book, "The Firekeeper's Daughter," by Angeline Boulley. Coffee and light refreshments are available during the discussion. For more details, call (989) 724-6796.

Play euchre at the Lincoln Senior Center, lower level, 207 Church Street, Lincoln from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. All seniors are welcome to participate in this free activity.

The 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 skill levels are welcome to share stories, tips and tricks while working on projects or starting a new one. For details, call (989) 724-6796.

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

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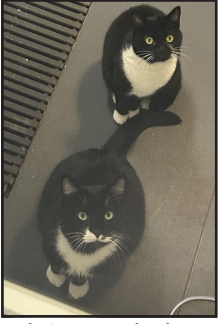
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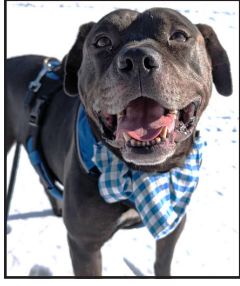


## PETS OF THE WEEK

At the Alcona Humane Society  
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Flower and Guy are both around 2 years old, spay/neutered, microchipped, feline leukemia negative, have their distemper vaccine, and have been dewormed. They are litter box trained. Guy (front) is front declawed. They are love bugs!



Jamz is 7 years old, neutered, microchipped, has distemper and parvo vaccines, and has been dewormed. He would prefer to be the king of the castle as the only pet. He adores children and all people. He loves to go for walks, car rides, snack dates, and is a very well behaved boy!

## SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

### RECREATION PLAN FOR CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP

The Caledonia Township Board of Trustees will hold a Special Meeting and Public Hearing, on the draft Caledonia Township Recreation Plan, on January 24, 2024, at 7:00 pm, at the Caledonia Township Hall located at 6461 Gillard Rd., Spruce, MI 48762.

The public hearing allows the public to participate in the final development of the recreation plan. The recreation plan contains goals, objectives, and action items pertaining to recreation improvements in Caledonia Township for 2024-2028. The current draft plan may be reviewed at: <http://www.discovernortheastmichigan.org/recreation.asp>. Written comments may be submitted to Nico Tucker, Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, P.O. Box 457, Gaylord, MI 49734; or by e-mail at [ntucker@nemcog.org](mailto:ntucker@nemcog.org).



## Local Notes



### Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, Lincoln. Reservations are required by 11 a.m. each day by calling (989) 334-3470.

- Monday, Jan. 15: Brats, macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges.

- Tuesday, Jan. 16: Chicken with gravy, stuffing, squash, peaches.

- Wednesday, Jan. 17: Sausage gravy, biscuits, Spudsters, stewed tomatoes, tropical fruit.

- Thursday, Jan. 18: Roast beef, roasted red potatoes, peas and carrots, apricots.

All meals include milk, bread and butter according to guidelines. Menu is subject to change due to food availability. A donation of \$6 for folks under 60 and \$3 for

those over 60 is welcome. For home delivered meals, call by 8 a.m. Monday through Thursday.

### Day of Action

On Thursday, Jan. 18, Hope Shores Alliance (HSA), Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library and Oscoda Robert J. Parks Library, are hosting the first National Day of Action for Stalking Awareness from 6 to 7 p.m. at each library to participate in the call to action in bringing awareness and supporting prevention of stalking across our communities.

January 18 marks the first National Day of Action for Stalking Awareness as part of National Stalking Awareness Month (NSAM). "For each awareness month this year, we will be Planting Seeds of Hope to connect with community members about the ways they can create safer communities and support survivors. It's a way to say no more to the people who choose to harm," HSA Prevention and Community Services Coordinator Paige Allia said.

"The majority of survivors tell friends and family about their situation first and how we respond influences whether they seek further help or not," Allia said. "It takes all of us to create communities that say no to perpetrators of violence."

These events are free to the public. Advocates will be available to answer any questions and support with capturing photographs. Resources and light refreshments will be provided. Learn more by visiting Hope Shores Alliance's Facebook page and by visiting [StalkingAwareness.org](http://StalkingAwareness.org).

### Scholarship Applications

The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) is accepting applications for its 2024 competitive scholarship season. Current and former graduates of high schools in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, and Presque Isle are invited to apply.

Scholarship opportunities through CFNEM are based on a wide variety of criteria including the student's high school, year of graduation, college they plan to attend, or their planned field of study. Many scholarships are for students who have already graduated from high school, and for those planning to attend a trade school or certificate program.

To be eligible, students must complete the application by the March 1, 2024, deadline.

Most of the scholarships must be applied for directly through the Community Foundation's online platform. Students applying for awards will complete one online application and will be considered for any scholarship for which they are eligible.

Scholarship applicants in Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, and Presque Isle counties should visit the "Scholarships" section of the Community Foundation's website at [cfnem.org](http://cfnem.org) and look for the blue piggy bank image.

Scholarships awarded during the 2024 competitive scholarship program are for the 2024-25 academic year and are paid directly to the educational institution the student has chosen. The application deadline for all CFNEM and its affiliate foundations' scholarships is March 1, 2024.

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TOWNSHIP

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## Publicize an Upcoming Event in the Review & Online

The Review's Calendar of Events is a *free service* and is published in chronological order as space allows. This forum is for events and programs open to the general public.

- Calendar items are short, concise announcements of an event happening in or around Alcona County. *Please submit entries at least 2 weeks before the event.*
- Entries must have the day and date, time, location, brief description and cost if any. An entry may also include a telephone number for more information.
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## District Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 81<sup>st</sup> District Court in December 2023.

- Donald John Shock, 48, of Atlanta was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$600 for allowing a suspended person to operate a motor vehicle.

- Edward August Kleve, 51, of Hubbard Lake was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$600 for no insurance.

- Frank Thomas Mitchell, 31, of Burton, Mich. was sentenced to \$210 in fines and costs for no valid license in possession.

- Joseph Anthony Martini, 24, of Brighton, Mich. was sentenced to one day in jail, \$1,450 in restitution and \$410 in fines and costs for failure to report an accident.

- Megan Irene Busenbark, 24, of Hale was sentenced to one day in jail and \$600 in fines and costs for allowing a suspended person to operate a motor vehicle.

- Michael Claudio Mencotti, 37, of Lathrup Village, Mich. was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$1,490 for operating while visibly impaired.

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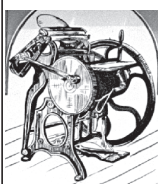
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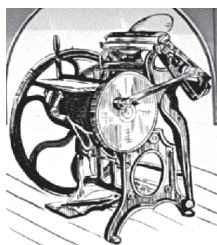
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# Trial

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19 and would not be able to safely testify until the Saturday prior to Christmas. To add to the situation, a jury member had to travel due to the impending death of a close family member. So, the trial was adjourned for the holidays.

Prior to making the decision, Frawley explained that adjournments have been to keep the jury healthy so no one else falls sick. There are 12 jury members and if one more cannot continue, the judge would have to call a mistrial and the process would have to start over.

# Addiction

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amount will be. It could be around \$300,000, maybe more, but it will come to the county one piece at a time, and it will have to be spent under the same criteria: prevention, treatment and recovery. We are just focusing on what we have at hand which is the \$56,398. As the funds come in, there could be a bigger project the money could go to," Thompson said.

Brummond explained there is still a lot going through the courts regarding the settlement and that companies are trying to file for bankruptcy which would reduce their debt. "It's in flux," she said.

According to Thompson, when they started forming the Alcona County opioid committee, a year or more ago, they made themselves available to the state by communicating with officials overseeing the opioid settlement funds. "We wanted to make sure we were on a path fitting for this settlement and we were assured by the state by having the community represented at the meetings we are," Thompson said.

Williams was pleased with the action the Alcona County Opioid Committee was taking and the sincere interest in following criteria on spending, which is why he wanted to share his insight and be on the committee.

"Some communities feel these funds should just be rolled into law enforcement to arrest more people and that is not what it was intended to be used for. There will be a voluntary post-use follow-up on what counties did with the funds.

"It is very important for community members to attend local opioid committee meetings to better understand how the monies are being spent and what action they are taking," Williams said.

The committee meetings are generally held monthly as needed. The committee will not have a public meeting this month as it will be attending a Recovery Court graduation instead. The next meeting scheduled will be on Wednesday, Feb. 28 at 1:30 p.m. in the commissioner's conference room located on the lower level of the courthouse located at 106 5<sup>th</sup> Street in Harrisville.

# Tournament outcome for Tiger bowlers

Last Saturday's bowling tournament was a double header, the first for the season, and it made the day challenging.

The team went up against Tawas first and high scores for that game were: Ceanna Stern, 164; Jacob June, 133; Daniel June, 118; Ryan Windsor, 102; Jaxon Whittaker, 101.

Then they went on to play Ogemaw Heights. High scores for that game were Daniel June, 155; Ceanna Stern, 122; Jacob June, 121; Ryan Windsor, 115; Jaxon Whittaker, 87.

The girls went up against Oscoda first and high scores for that game were: Danica Manning, 145; Rylee Man-

ning, 140; Makayla Prince, 129; Nyhia Jackson, 125; Addison Birk, 118.

Then they went on to play Whittemore-Prescott. High

scores for that game were: Rylee Manning, 135; Nyhia Jackson, 127; Danica Manning, 126; Addison Birk, 114; Makayla Prince, 109.



Members of the Alcona girls varsity bowling team (front) Ceanna Stern, (back row, from left) Danica Manning, Makayla Prince, Nyhia Jackson, Addison Birk, Rylee Manning. *Courtesy photo.*



Members of the Alcona boys varsity bowling team, (from left) Ryan Windsor, Daniel June, Jaxon Whittaker, Jacob June. *Courtesy photo.*

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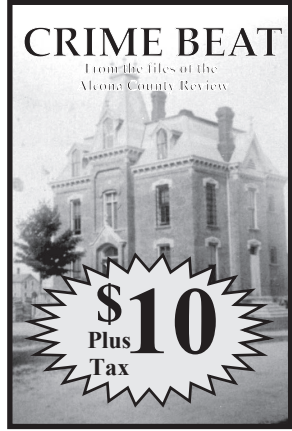
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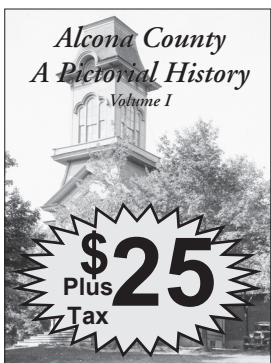


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Nearly 30 people from four counties participate in a "Truth Rally & March" last Saturday in Harrisville in remembrance of the insurrection at the nation's capitol three years ago. Participants gathered at Harrisville's pocket park on the west end of Main Street and marched east to the Lake Huron shore where the Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence honoring the patriots who lost their lives that day. *Courtesy photo.*

## Alcona girls dominate in first game of 2024

By Ben Murphy  
 Sports Writer

There was no post-holiday rust for the Alcona girls basketball team on Friday. The Lady Tigers, playing their North Star League Big Dipper opener at Whittemore-Prescott on Friday, led wire-to-wire, claiming the 49-18 victory in what was their first game since Dec. 15.

"We are very happy with how we came out after the long break," head coach Karina Sharboneau said.

The first quarter had Kaylee Wambold score eight points and Emma Travis net six.

Sage Gauthier also drained a three as it was a commanding 19-4 lead after just one quarter of play.

The scoring slowed down some in the second for Alcona, though Claire Somers did get three free throws. Alcona still led 26-6 at the half.

Travis and Gracyn Tracy had four points each in the third, with Alcona holding a lopsided 41-11 advantage entering the fourth.

The Lady Tigers had K. Wambold finish with 16 points to lead all scorers. Travis had 14, Jena Wambold, Gauthier and Tracy all had four points, Somers added three and with two apiece was Jenna West and Olivia Borchardt.

Alcona (5-0 overall, 1-0 NSL Big Dipper) played Ogemaw Heights on Monday, Jan. 8 and hosts Rogers City on Friday, Jan. 12.

## Tigers open with win at Whittemore-Prescott

By Ben Murphy  
 Sports Writer

After having not played in about three weeks due to the holiday break, the Alcona boys varsity basketball team finally returned to action last Friday.

The Tigers took on Whittemore-Prescott in their North Star League Big Dipper opener on the road. They had a big performance by Cayden Hebert who had 18 points, as they rolled to the 71-32 victory.

"Very proud of the team's defensive effort," said head coach Alex Cole. "We put a lot of work in over Christmas break so it was nice to see it pay off. I'm not surprised

Cayden Hebert played the way he did. He had an excellent week in practice and really played under control in our offense."

Hebert buried three treys in the opening quarter, as the rout was on early, with Alcona leading 20-4 after one.

Garrett Somers drilled a pair from behind the long line in the second quarter which helped extend the Tiger lead to 35-8 at the half.

Jacob Renchenski had six points in the third and David Sharboneau hit a three, with the score 54-20 entering the fourth quarter.

Hebert hit another three and had seven points in the final frame, fishing with 18. Renchenski netted 12. Collin Walker had nine points. Somers netted eight. Evan Borsvold and Sharboneau had six points each. Jordan Benac and Ricky Schott added three apiece. Carter Upper, Sam Johnston and Vinny Mahalak each scored two points.

Will LaFranca and Logan Aiello each had eight points to lead the Cardinals.

Alcona (7-3 overall, 1-0 NSL Big Dipper) hosted Ogemaw Heights on Monday, Jan. 8. They take on visiting Rogers City Thursday, Jan. 11.

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# Arctic grayling reintroduction effort reaches milestone

In early November 2023, three Michigan lakes were stocked with Arctic grayling. These fish are surplus from the establishment of a grayling brood stock as part of the Michigan Arctic Grayling Initiative.

The initiative has been underway since Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) began a partnership aimed at reintroducing this iconic species to Michigan waters in 2015. The full partnership includes nearly 50 stakeholder and partner groups, along with the general and angling public.

Four hundred grayling were stocked at Alger County's West Johns Lake, 300 at Penegor Lake in Houghton County and nearly 1,300 in Manistee County's Pine Lake. The fish were taken from the Marquette State Fish Hatchery in Marquette, Mich. and represented year classes from 2019 and 2021.

"When starting a year-class of brood stock, you always start with more than you will need in the end to allow for potential losses to disease, mechanical issues, et cetera," said Ed Eisch, assistant chief of the DNR's Fisheries Division. "Such losses never materialized with the two year-classes that were stocked. The numbers needed to be thinned down to levels that are safe to carry into the future at the Marquette hatchery."

With the third year-class recently clearing requisite health inspections, it is highly likely that there will be additional surplus available for stocking again next fall.

The Arctic grayling, called "Nmégos" by indigenous people, was an important connection to nature as it pro-



An Arctic grayling is shown swimming in West Johns Lake in Alger County after being released from hatchery captivity in November. *Photo courtesy of Michigan DNR.*

vided a substantial food source for the Anishinabek people's subsistence.

This connection has been lost for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians community and the Anishinabek people through the extirpation of the Arctic grayling from Michigan. The arctic grayling reintroduction initiative, with the supporting partners, provides a way to reconnect the Anishinabek people with their culture and heritage.

"There is a strong tribal interest in reclaiming what was lost. To recapture what has been lost takes more effort, but as a tribe, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is committed to this project because it is the right thing to do," said Larry Romanelli, Ogema Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.

At the October meeting of the Michigan Natural Resources Commission, fishing regulations were modified so that it is now legal for an angler to attempt to catch, but not harvest, Arctic grayling. "We're excited to be able to provide this opportunity

for Michigan's anglers to try to catch an Arctic grayling this early in the reintroduction initiative," said DNR Fisheries Division Chief Randy Claramunt. "Anglers need to be aware, though, that any grayling that they catch must be released. They cannot be harvested."

The lakes the grayling are stocked in are open to fishing from the last Saturday in April until October 31.

Arctic grayling are known to be susceptible to handling stress when caught by recreational anglers. Anglers are encouraged to use single, barbless hooks and to allow the fish to remain in the water when taking them off the hook. Actions such as these will reduce the chances that the released fish will die.

Now that the three lots of future broodstock have been developed, the Little River Band, the DNR and other partner groups are eyeing spring of 2025 as the likely timeline for the first eggs to go into remote site incubators.

While it would be great to start earlier, females of one year class need to be spawned with males from a different year class. This results in the most genetically fit fish possible by avoiding the potential or crossing siblings.

Work continues by several partner groups to collect stream data to determine which watershed will be selected to receive the first eggs in this initiative.

For more information, visit Michigan Arctic Grayling Initiative at [migrayling.org](http://migrayling.org).



Michigan DNR fisheries biologist Cory Kovacs puts the first Arctic grayling into Upper Peninsula waters in decades at West Johns Lake in Alger County in November. *Photo courtesy of Michigan DNR.*



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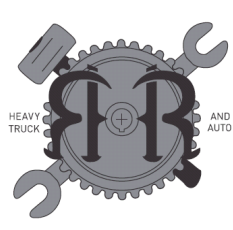
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# How to find a medical escort after a procedure

Dear Savvy Senior,  
 Can you recommend some medical escort services that help seniors get home after a medical procedure? I need to have a colonoscopy, but my doctor's clinic won't schedule my appointment unless I supply them with a name and phone number of the person taking me home afterward. I live alone with no family nearby, and my friend doesn't drive anymore. Any suggestions?

Need a Lift

Dear Need,  
 Good question! Finding "door-through-door" medical escort services for outpatient screenings and procedures that involve anesthesia can be challenging for older patients without nearby family or friends to rely on.

Door-through-door escorts that most clinics require as a safety measure. With a colonoscopy, for example, patients often receive an anesthetic, like propofol, or a narcotic such as Demerol or fentanyl, combined with anti-anxiety medication like Versed or Valium.

These drugs affect the brain, and they can stay in the system for four to six hours. So, what's needed is someone to escort you out of the building, take you back home and see you into it.

While there's no one simple solution to this medical escort problem, there are wide variety of local service providers, nonprofits and home-care companies that may be able to assist you. But what's available to you will depend on where you live.

### Finding Help

A good first step in making medical escort arrangements is to talk to your health care provider that's doing the procedure to find out if their clinic offers transportation services or if they can refer you to a local medical escort service or person who can help you. If not, see if you can remain in the clinic for an extended period of time, until the drugs wear off, so you can safely drive yourself home or hail an Uber, Lyft or taxi to take you.

If these options aren't available, here are some sources you should check into.

- Area Agency on Aging (AAA): Your local AAA is one of your best resources for locating transportation services and should be able to refer you to medical escorts available in your community. To find your AAA call the Eldercare Locator (800) 677-1116 or visit [Eldercare.acl.gov](http://Eldercare.acl.gov).

- Local nonprofit groups: The National Volunteer Caregiving Network ([NVCNetwork.org](http://NVCNetwork.org)) connects about 700 community organizations nationwide, most of which provide door-through-door transportation without charge.

- Shepherd's Centers of America: There are 55 affiliates in 17 states that provide support services for older adults - see [ShepherdCenters.org](http://ShepherdCenters.org).

Most offer escorts to and from medical appointments without charge.

- Village to Village Network: There are around 250 local village networks across the country (see [VTVNetwork.org](http://VTVNetwork.org)) that often help with medical escorts, though there's an annual fee - usually subsidized for lower-income seniors - to join a village.

- Home-care companies: You may also be able to hire a medical escort through a home-care agency, or you can find someone on your own through websites like [Care.com](http://Care.com) or [CareLinx.com](http://CareLinx.com). Note that Medicare doesn't cover medical escorts, but in many states Medicaid does. If you choose this option, be sure you give plenty of notice before your appointment.

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

## Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of January 1-7, 2024

**60 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 1 Arrest; 2 Arrest Warrants; 4 Citations Issued.**

### Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	7	Traffic/Traffic Stop	16
Warrant Arrest	1	Property Damage Accident	4
Assist	7	Animal/Dog	5
Well Being Check	3	911 Hang-up	1
Suspicious Event	1	Harassment	1
PBT/Drug Testing	2	Trespass	1
Juvenile	1	Child/Adult Neglect	3
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1	Domestic	1
Found Property	1		

### Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	3	Caledonia	6	Curtis	2
Greenbush	5	Gustin	6	Harrisville	8
Hawes	2	Haynes	8	Mikado	1
Millen	1	Mitchell	3		
Harrisville City	7	Village of Lincoln	4		



## Buggy Rides



### Mikado cashier still missing

**January 10, 1924** ~ The mystery surrounding the disappearance on December 25 of Ralph M. Heasty, cashier of the Mikado Bank, is still unsolved.

The theory of foul play is entertained by many and there are also reports that Heasty intimated repeatedly to friends and acquaintances that he was going to leave Mikado. Certain unpleasant circumstances are said to have led the cashier to this decision; these did not include financial difficulties

with his bank where no shortage is reported in the missing official's accounts.

The officers of Alpena city have been investigating as a possible clue to the missing man the story of a patient in the receiving hospital of that city that on the evening of the disappearance he, the patient, saw an automobile drive onto the Chisholm street bridge and stop. This was about 8:30 o'clock.

The headlights of the machine were left burning and the man in the hospital saw

figures got out of the car and lift a bundle apparently about six foot long from the machine, place it on the concrete side-wall of the bridge and shove it into the river.

The machine came from toward the city and after shoving the bundle into the river the drivers continued across the bridge, turned at the first turning place and drove back toward the city.

By the time this information came to the police the river had frozen over at the point where the bundle was

thrown in and a complete investigation is very difficult if not impossible. The officers are working on the case, however, in the hope of finding a way to search the river bottom without waiting for more favorable weather conditions.

One or two other mysterious disappearances have been occupying the attention of the city police, and it may be that their investigation of the river clew will result in clearing up either the Heasty case or one of the others.

## Five cattle from two beef herds test TB positive

**January 13, 1999** ~ By Cheryl Peterson

Five head of cattle on two farms in Alcona County have tested positive for bovine tuberculosis.

The Michigan Department of Agriculture said the positive results came from two cows in a herd of 163 and three cows in a herd of 13. The department of agriculture is not releasing the names of the farmers or location of the farms.

Since 1995 officials from MDA and the US Department of Agriculture have been working together with farmers to test cows, goats and bison in a five county area that includes Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle counties.

The tests have been conducted on approximately 25,000 head of livestock. With about 3,000 head left to test, the prospects, according to

MDA Director Dan Wyant, of finding animals that were TB infected were diminishing.

One cow was confirmed TB positive in a herd of cattle in Alpena County last fall. To date, one captive deer herd in Presque Isle County and 225 wild deer have been confirmed TB positive all within the area bordered by 1-75 to the west, M-55 to the south and Lake Huron and the Straits of Mackinac to the north and east.

While we are disappointed with these results, we remain focused on our objective of eliminating bovine tuberculosis from both livestock and wildlife in Michigan," said Wyant.

"We're continuing with our plan to test cattle, goats and captive deer and elk in the five-county area of north east Michigan affected by TB."

Wyant said both beef cattle herds had been quarantined

since initial testing last fall when a few animals first reacted to a TB test.

TB tests are conducted at each farm, and if any cows test positive to the initial test another test is conducted. A second positive reaction dooms the cow and the entire herd. Wyant said that all cows in the herd with a TB positive cow are destroyed.

"Animals that react to TB tests are necropsied and the tissues examined at Michigan State University," Wyant said. "Tissue samples are sent on to the USDA's National Services Lab in Iowa for further evaluation. Only upon USDA confirmation are animals classified as TB-positive," Wyant said.

According to Wyant the farmer is paid for the value of the cows destroyed. "We will also work with the farmer and if they want to bet back into business, we make sure

the facility is properly cleaned and disinfected to ensure any future infection" Wyant said.

Michigan will lose its status as a TB-free state, but at this point the USDA is recognizing a split-state status in that TB is only found in a recognized, quarantined area. "The loss of status doesn't require any testing by the government," Wyant said. "It also doesn't prevent cattle from being sold for slaughter. Independent tests are done in that process."

Wyant explained the quarantine is being imposed only on those cattle being sold to other farmers outside of the area. There are 1.1 million head of cattle in Michigan, which includes all cows and calves;

about 340,000 are sold for slaughter yearly. Approximately 6,000 head are sold in interstate sales for stocking herds.

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# Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GEOGRAPHY:** The Darien Gap separates which two countries?
2. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is Three Kings Day also known as?
3. **MOVIES:** What's the name of the supervillain character in the animated film "Despicable Me"?
4. **LITERATURE:** Who is the author of "The Kite Runner"?
5. **TELEVISION:** What is the name of the motorcycle-riding greaser in the sitcom "Happy Days"?
6. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which musical instrument does former President Bill Clinton play?
7. **GAMES:** In the game Battleship, how many ships does each player have at the beginning?
8. **MUSIC:** Which famous rock singer was born with the name Farrokh Bulsara?
9. **HISTORY:** What was the name of the first U.S. Space Shuttle?
10. **U.S. STATES:** Which state is home to the Mammoth cave system, believed to be the longest in the world?

**Answers:** 1. Panama and Colombia., 2. Epiphany., 3. Gru., 4. Khaled Hosseini., 5. Fonzie., 6. Saxophone., 7. Five., 8. Freddie Mercury., 9. Columbia., 10. Kentucky. (c) 2024 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Super Crossword

### LEGAL THRILLERS

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| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Highest roll of a single die</p> <p>4 Peak in Thessaly</p> <p>8 Freaks out</p> <p>15 Subjective paper piece</p> <p>19 Never dying</p> <p>21 Kind of cherry named for its shape</p> <p>22 — sci. (coll. major)</p> <p>23 Scaled-down symphony group [1994]</p> <p>25 Mallorca, por ejemplo</p> <p>26 "King" primate</p> <p>27 Writer Ferber</p> <p>28 Anti-bias job agcy.</p> <p>29 Gown fabric</p> <p>30 Program interacting with a remote server [1993]</p> <p>34 Bygone times</p> <p>38 Nurtured</p> <p>39 Kids' song with French lyrics</p> <p>40 — to go (gung-ho)</p> <p>41 "It's ch-chilly!"</p> <p>42 Whimpered like a baby</p> <p>44 Place to disclose sins [2010]</p> | <p>48 Coinage for something with no name</p> <p>53 Beginning on</p> <p>54 "To — much is given ..."</p> <p>55 Nantes' river</p> <p>57 Sets of points on graphs</p> <p>58 Shallowest Great Lake</p> <p>60 Waltz or tango [1997]</p> <p>63 Itinerant band member, say</p> <p>66 State after wedlock</p> <p>68 Having more seepage</p> <p>69 Panels that may reverse decisions [2008]</p> <p>71 Melody</p> <p>72 Jungle roarer</p> <p>73 Ouzo flavorer</p> <p>74 Exact lookalike</p> <p>76 Brand of rodent killer</p> <p>80 Horse-man of myth</p> <p>83 Greeting act conveying confidence [1991]</p> <p>86 First-rate</p> <p>88 Flub it up</p> <p>89 Actress Shire</p> <p>90 Plant snugly</p> <p>94 — -cone</p> | <p>95 Junk email sender</p> <p>97 Samoan peak famous for trapping clouds [1995]</p> <p>101 Italian port</p> <p>102 Exactly</p> <p>103 Money won in a game of dreidel</p> <p>104 Claudius I's successor</p> <p>108 Getting the job done</p> <p>109 What the first word of each of seven answers in this puzzle is, when preceded by "The"</p> <p>113 Stun with a charge</p> <p>114 Canceled by crossing off</p> <p>115 Revising, as text</p> <p>116 Bishops' jurisdictions</p> <p>117 Prescription amounts</p> <p>118 Berlin article</p> <p>119 Meadow</p> <p><b>DOWN</b></p> <p>1 Ailing</p> <p>2 Texter's "If you ask me"</p> <p>3 Mutant Marvel superhero</p> | <p>4 Celestial ball</p> <p>5 Like a cold, hard gaze</p> <p>6 Manhattan eatery since 1927</p> <p>7 Isolated</p> <p>8 Ad — committee</p> <p>9 Hatchet part</p> <p>10 Ram or ewe</p> <p>11 "The Fox and the Crow" storyteller</p> <p>12 Tabby's scratcher</p> <p>13 Bobby of hockey</p> <p>14 Venus Williams' org.</p> <p>15 Sedative drug</p> <p>16 Sticky little sheet</p> <p>17 "Mama" Cass</p> <p>18 Actress Wiest</p> <p>20 Texter's "Yikes!"</p> <p>24 Bolted to escape</p> <p>29 Riyadh native</p> <p>30 Sugar source</p> <p>31 Shore flier</p> <p>32 "Not yet sure what my answer is"</p> <p>33 Director Joel or Ethan</p> <p>34 Killer whale</p> <p>35 Neighbor of Myanmar</p> <p>36 Early James Bond foe</p> | <p>37 Not similar</p> <p>41 Dust jacket write-up</p> <p>42 Demi and Dudley</p> <p>43 Departs</p> <p>45 Cupcake flourish</p> <p>46 That lady</p> <p>47 Less spicy</p> <p>49 Honey-coated Easter entree</p> <p>50 Anderson of "WKRP in Cincinnati"</p> <p>51 Cicero's "Lo!"</p> <p>52 Cake layer</p> <p>56 ICU workers</p> <p>59 Actor Stephen</p> <p>60 Iran's former name</p> <p>61 Ball-shaped</p> <p>62 Put on, as an outfit</p> <p>63 After-bath powder</p> <p>64 Andy Taylor's boy</p> <p>65 Sitting atop</p> <p>66 Suffix with ball</p> <p>67 Innocent types</p> <p>70 President before Donald</p> <p>71 Shallow pan</p> <p>74 Swarms</p> <p>75 Huge conflict</p> | <p>77 Sedate</p> <p>78 Steinbeck migrant</p> <p>79 Close</p> <p>81 In — (more than sleeping)</p> <p>82 Arm bone</p> <p>84 Eatery list</p> <p>85 Baseballer Musial</p> <p>87 Is really mad</p> <p>90 Grain fungi</p> <p>91 "Watch Me (Whip—)" (2015 hit)</p> <p>92 "Apollo 13" actor Gary</p> <p>93 Bills worth 100 bucks</p> <p>94 "You got that right!"</p> <p>95 Meat in a sub</p> <p>96 Coal-mining guys</p> <p>98 MMA fighter Rousey</p> <p>99 Armageddon nation</p> <p>100 Little laugh</p> <p>104 Silent "yes"</p> <p>105 Like villains</p> <p>106 Russo of film</p> <p>107 Gymnast Korbout</p> <p>109 Elly May Clampett's pa</p> <p>110 Good Grips kitchen brand</p> <p>111 "— a trap!"</p> <p>112 Ark.-to-Ill. dir.</p> |
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## Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Jan. 22, 2006, Evo Morales became Bolivia's first indigenous president, with a primary focus on fighting poverty and reducing the influence of transnational corporations. As more than half of the country's population identified as indigenous at the time, political analysts drew comparisons with the election of Nelson Mandela to the South African presidency in 1994.
- On Jan. 23, 1986, the first musical artists were inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, including Elvis Presley, James Brown and Ray Charles. Generally, the number of inductees each year ranges from about a half-dozen to a dozen.
- On Jan. 24, 1908, the first Boy Scout troop was organized by cavalry officer Lieutenant General Robert Baden-Powell in England, who had also written a book called "Scouting for Boys." Two years later, Baden-Powell went on to organize the Girl Guides as a separate entity.
- On Jan. 25, 2005, more than 300 people died in a stampede at the Mandher Devi Temple in India during the annual Kalubai Jatra pilgrimage, which takes place during the first full moon of January and is marked by animal sacrifices to the goddess Kalubai. The pilgrimage attracts over 350,000 Hindus every year.
- \* On Jan. 26, 2014, two white "Peace" doves released by Pope Francis were attacked by a seagull and crow shortly after they were set free. Thousands of people witnessed the attacks, as they had been observing the Pope's Angelus prayer.
- On Jan. 27, 1944, following the loss of hundreds of thousands of Russian lives, the siege of Leningrad was finally broken after 872 days, during which German forces had allowed no food or medical supplies to enter the country.
- On Jan. 28, 1917, U.S. forces gave up searching for Mexican revolutionary Pancho Villa after nearly a year, following his massacre of 16 American citizens at Santa Isabel in northern Mexico and another 17 U.S. citizens in Columbus, New Mexico. President Woodrow Wilson had sent U.S. forces into Mexico with orders to capture Villa dead or alive.

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## Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- Fireflies are the most efficient producers of light in the world.
- Tong Aonan solved 840 Rubik's cubes, then used them to create a portrait of his crush and declare his love for her. Sadly, she rejected him
- A runaway tortoise in Putnam County, Florida, covered a span of five miles in three and a half years before ending up at Florida's Wildest Animal Rescue, where a staff member was able to determine its identity and reunite it with its owners.
- Snake Venom, the world's strongest beer, has an alcohol level of 67.5%.
- Breton, a great white shark, created a self-portrait of sorts with its GPS tracker on its travels through the Atlantic Ocean. What made the mapped outline remarkable was its resemblance to a great white shark!
- Anuptaphobia is the fear of being single forever.
- Sixteen-year-old Titanic survivor Katherine Gilnagh didn't understand the ship's dire situation until she made it safely to New York, but thought that being put into lifeboats and picked up by the Carpathia was part of the voyage.
- The soft drink Mountain Dew was created in Tennessee in the 1940s as a mixer for whiskey, hence its name (a slang term for moonshine).
- If, like many Americans, you have trouble getting to sleep, you might try the advice of researchers and go low-tech camping for at least a week. The lack of electronics helps reset the body clock and synchronize melatonin hormones with sunrise and sunset.

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Thought for the Day: "How wonderful is it that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."  
-- Anne Frank

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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: **V** equals **L**

FA J SQFVV ZBQYBJWR KCGGJWSZ

ZCVSFBQZ RC QFZB RC REBFQ

ABBR, F'S KJVV REJR J

ZRJWSFWY CQSBQ.

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# Kovels: Antiques and Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

## Art Deco

The legal definition of an antique is that it is at least 100 years old. This means the art deco era is officially reaching antique status. The name "art deco" is believed to come from the Exposition Internationale des Arts Decoratifs et Industriels Modernes (International Exhibition of Modern Decorative and Industrial Arts) in Paris in 1925, but the style already existed by the time of the exhibition.

World War I is generally considered the end of the art nouveau period and the beginning of art deco. People were moving into smaller homes and wanted inexpensive furniture where form followed function. The new machinery, manufacturing techniques and materials of the time lent themselves to the sleek geometric shapes that define the era.

This cabinet, made in Italy in 1934, shows characteristics of art deco style. It is constructed from smooth, simple shapes in veneers, acrylic and lacquered wood. Decorations are contained within the cabinet's shape. Instead of ornate carvings, the cabinet has burl veneer, bands and squared spirals of dark wood. The cabinet sold for \$2,322 at a Cowan's auction.

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Q: My son was in a book club in the late 1950s-early 1960s. They had the first editions of Dr. Seuss books. The books are in good condition. Are they worth anything?



The art deco period began about 100 years ago and has not lost its appeal. This geometric cabinet with wood veneers is an example of the style. Photo courtesy of Kovels.com

A: Theodor Seuss Geisel wrote more than 60 children's books under the name Dr. Seuss. Some of his most famous books were written in the 1950s and '60s and continue to be the most popular children's books in the world. Identifying Seuss's first edition books is a challenge. The publishers did not explicitly print "First Edition" but printed a copyright date. There are experts who can help identify books that may be valuable first editions. Recent high-priced books are "And to Think I Saw it on Mulberry Street," Horton Hears a Who," and "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." They have recently sold from \$300 to \$2,400.

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TIP: Brown shoe polish is good to cover scuffs and slight damage on furniture.

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### CURRENT PRICES

Salt and pepper shakers, ceramic, Rockingham glaze, architectural planter form, two cones end-to-end, marked "Genuine Rockingham, Cook/Serve by Tackett," LaGardo Tackett, 1960s, 5 in. x 2 3/4 inches, diameter, \$55.

Furniture, chair, Shell, molded fiberglass, elephant hide gray, molded rope edge, black wire Eiffel Tower base, Charles and Ray Eames for Herman Miller, 30 1/2 x 25 x 21 inches, \$375.

Doorstop, two bathing beauties, huddling together under umbrella, art deco style, cast iron, Fish Series, Hubley, 11 inches, \$740.

Pottery tile, peacock and small bird in tree, multicolored, glossy finish, marked, Paul Revere Pottery, c. 1915, frame, 5 1/4 x 5 1/4 inches, \$985.

Toy, robot, Chief Smoky, Advanced Robotman, "Mr. Chief" on chest, walks in erratic pattern, head lights up, releases smoke through top of helmet, battery operated, Yoshiya, Japan, original box, 12 inches, \$2,345.

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# Veterans Post

By Greddy Groves

## Here we go again

I'm not the only one who has opted, once again, to stay home. Both the rec center and the senior center are cutting back on classes and hours because of the lack of participation, again, but mostly because of the sudden increase in cases of Covid, again. Of course this could include the flu and RSV (respiratory syncytial virus), but no one is specifying. It's just clear that more and more people here are getting sick.

At the rec center, the number of exercise classes has been halved, and so has the number of people who can sign up for them. They're going back to spaces outlined in blue painter's tape on the floor, giving a spot to each person to work out. No more walking with pals in a group around the indoor track. Instead, they're going back to single walkers staying a minimum of 10 feet apart.

The senior center has been hit the hardest, I think, because so many of their classes

involved sitting around a large table learning a new language, doing painting or fiber art or sharing a meal. The local weekly sightseeing events are stopped because they no longer want to fit 20 seniors into the bus. For some seniors, those social events were the highlight of their week. Now it looks like they'll be back to Zoom meetings.

The good news is that the food bank is still up and running with no sign (yet) of slowing down what they do. Participants will pull up and stay in their vehicles, while volunteers bring out the bags and boxes.

And bless their hearts, the drivers are still out there, picking up seniors to take them to appointments. Rumor says they vowed, as a group, not to stop what they're doing.

Have we really been doing this for four years?

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# Here's A Tip

By JoAnn Derson

- If you lose a contact lens, you can try turning off the lights and using a flashlight held perpendicular to the floor. They sort of reflect the light, and as you move the beam of light across the floor, it will flash. This has helped me many times. I am a little clumsy when I put my contacts in. Thanks! -- R.E. in South Carolina

- Great diet control tip: When serving dinner, portion out the meal, then pack up the leftovers right away. You won't be as tempted to go back and have seconds, nor stuff a few more mouthfuls in when cleaning up later.

- I have a medicine that I take with every meal. Surprisingly, it's difficult to remember whether I took it already when I'm eating on the go or out with friends. I keep small containers in my purse labeled "lunch" and "dinner," each with one pill inside. Before I eat, I look in the container. If a pill is there, it means I forgot to take it. Then I refill the container when I get home and it's ready for next time.

- Last year, I had a large wall calendar at the office. It was a wet-erase calendar with the year on one side and a "planning space" on the back. When the year was over, I needed a new calendar, but the blank side was still usable. I took it home and cut it to fit inside my kitchen cabinets. I have a handy space to jot notes and such. -- R.W. in Colorado

- This is a fun game for kids to play with cookies: Stamp the alphabet letters into the top of mini cookies, or use a kebab skewer to write words. Then let the kids spell out their name or make sentences or silly phrases. -- B.D. in Mississippi

Send your tips to Now Here's a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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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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# TIGER





# Couch Theater

By Demi

"The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes" (PG-13) -- In 2020, author Suzanne Collins released a prequel to her megahit series, "The Hunger Games," and it was quickly adapted to the big screen to join the other four films in the franchise. Starring Tom Blyth in his breakout role as a young Coriolanus Snow and Rachel Zegler ("West Side Story") as Lucy Gray Baird, the prequel is set 64 years before the events of "The Hunger Games." It focuses on Coriolanus' beginnings as an Academy student and how he was chosen to be Lucy Gray's mentor for the 10th Hunger Games. Clever and dangerously ambitious, Coriolanus knows that he can seize this opportunity to gain great power, but first, he needs to ensure that his songbird District 12 mentee gets out of the arena alive. Out now to rent. (Amazon Prime Video)

"Ted" (TV-MA) -- Based on the feature films created by Seth MacFarlane ("Family Guy"), this prequel series takes viewers back to Massachusetts in 1993 to tell the origin story of the foul-mouthed teddy bear that everyone came to know and love in the first two films. In his early life, Ted lives with the family of his 16-year-old best friend, John (Max Burkholder), previously portrayed by Mark Wahlberg. After being pressured by the family to get an education along with John, Ted enters

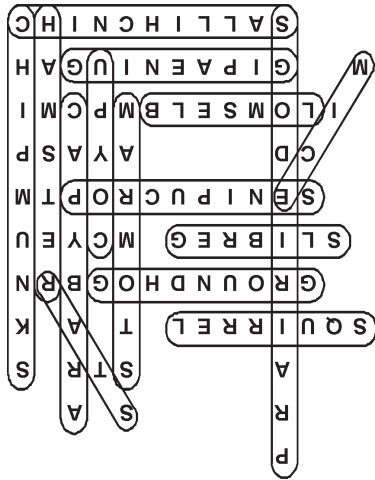


Jake Johnson, left, and Anna Kendrick star in "Self Reliance." Photo courtesy of Hulu

the terrifying realm of high school and attempts to find hilarity in all the awkward teenage milestones that come with it. The full series, consisting of eight episodes, premieres Jan. 11. (Peacock)

"Self Reliance" (R) -- In his directorial debut, Jake Johnson ("New Girl") plays Tommy, a single network manager, who gets approached by Andy Samberg to star in a dark-web reality show with a prize of \$1 million. The premise of the show is simple: For 30 days, Tommy must avoid a group of hunters who will try to kill him. His only saving grace is that the hunters can only attack when he's alone. So, to survive, this lone wolf must find someone to shadow him. After a handful of people find excuses not to shadow him, Tommy finally encounters an-

other player in the reality show, named Maddy (Anna Kendrick), and the two strangers team up to effectively avoid getting murdered. This comedy



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 Unlisted clue hint: DAM BUILDER

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### VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Village of Lincoln Council met on Wednesday, Jan. 3 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. Those in attendance included president Phillips; treasurer/zoning administrator Mahalak; clerk Somers; and council members, Durham, Gauthier, Lucas, Schick, Wambold and Werth. The minutes of the December 2023 meeting were approved on a motion from Wambold with support from Durham. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Gauthier with support from Schick. The bills were approved for payment as presented on a motion from Wambold with support from Lucas. A letter of resignation was received from Brian Renchenski effective December 7, 2023. A motion was made by Wambold, with support from Durham, to accept the resignation. Motion carried. Nathan Walker appeared before the Council. He has been the acting assistant fire chief and was asked by members of the fire department to become their new

chief. A motion was made by Schick, with support from Wambold, that we appoint Nathan Walker as the new fire chief. Motion carried. There were nine fire runs and 12 medical runs in the past month. He presented Brody Potts as a candidate for joining the fire department. A motion to allow Brody to join the fire department was made by Wambold with support from Gauthier. Motion carried. Council Member Werth stated that he is going to have to resign due to moving out of the area. A motion was made by Wambold, with support from Durham, to accept the resignation of Brent Werth with deep regret. Carried. Council Members thanked Brent for all he has done for our community. A letter of resignation was received from Planning Commission member Marcie Cowles. A motion to accept the resignation was made by Wambold with support from Schick. Carried. A motion to advertise for open posi-

tions on the village council and planning commission was made by Wambold with support from Gauthier. Carried. Werth gave the sewer report for this month. A few days showed high readings at the beginning of December. He has some concerns with some wiring that needs attention as well as valves. He has been in communication with a company regarding work that may need to be done. An update was given regarding the cost of repairs at the beach property and the plans to continue to move forward with fixing the damages. A letter was received regarding fiber optic - cable service in parts of Alcona County. PIE&G is interested in expanding its area of service. A motion was made by Durham, with support from Gauthier, to send a letter of support for PIE&G. Motion carried. A motion to adjourn was made by Gauthier with support from Schick. Carried.

Linda K. Somers  
 Village Clerk

### LEGAL NOTICES

State of Michigan  
 Probate Court  
 Alcona County  
 Notice to Creditors  
 Decedent's Estate  
 Case No. 2023-6415-DE

Judge Laura A. Frawley  
 Court address  
 P.O. Box 385  
 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street,  
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740  
 Court telephone No.  
 (989) 724-9490  
 Estate of John Radwanski  
 Date of birth:  
 To all creditors:  
 Notice to creditors: The decedent, John Radwanski, died August 2, 2022.  
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Leocadia Radwanski, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication of this notice.  
 Date: January 10, 2024  
 Kathryn M. Wayne-Spindler,  
 P54725  
 Attorney  
 425 W. Huron Street, Suite 120  
 Milford, Mich. 48381  
 (248) 676-1000  
 Leocadia Radwanski  
 Personal representative  
 700 Napa Valley Drive, Apt. 212  
 Milford, Mich. 48381

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