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Winter Homecoming
Zygmund Villalobos and Sage Gauthier pose after the basketball game where they were selected as king and queen during the annual Alcona High School Winterfest 2024. *Courtesy photo.*

Glennie shooting suspect charged with two felonies

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

A late night altercation in Glennie last Friday left one man in handcuffs and another transported for medical treatment of a gunshot wound.

According to the Alcona County Sheriff's Office, Matthew W. Busch, 33, of Bay City, Mich. has been arraigned in 81st District Court on two felony counts of assault with intent to commit murder and possession of a firearm while intoxicated causing a serious impairment.

The victim, a 33-year-old man from West Branch, Mich. was transported to Ascension Healthcare in Tawas City by Alcona EMS. Later he was transferred to St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw, Mich. By press time, he was released

and is recovering at home.

According to a press release from the sheriff's office, at 11:09 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 26, Alcona County Central Dispatch received an emergency call from the Glennie Tavern in Curtis Township. "It was reported that a person had been shot outside in the parking lot," according to the press release. Responding deputies found Busch in the parking lot. The victim was inside the bar suffering from a single gunshot wound to the groin area.

According to the sheriff's office, Busch was arrested at

the scene and transported to Ascension for minor injuries.

"The preliminary investigation revealed that a physical altercation had occurred between the two individuals in the parking lot of the Glennie Tavern. During this altercation the suspect (allegedly) shot the victim once from a pistol that was in his jacket pocket," the press release said.

Busch is being held in the Iosco County Jail. Bond has been denied.

The incident is under investigation.

American Legion brings community to veterans

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Offering invaluable support and a sense of community among veterans and residents, the American Legion plays a crucial role in rural communities. It serves as a lifeline, addressing the unique needs of veterans while simultaneously strengthening the fabric of its community.

For over 35 years the Mikado American Legion Post 254 has provided a platform for local veterans and their families to connect, share experiences and support one another by embodying the principles of service, camaraderie and patriotism.

The Legion boasts three organizational structures: American Legion, Son's of American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary, engaging in multiple community service projects, events and contributing to local initiatives well beyond its veteran-focused mission.

Mikado American Legions Adjutant John Parsons explained one of their objectives is to be a resource to the community and they invite organizations, clubs and entities to utilize their space.

He said opening their doors to the public for different activities not only promotes community inclusion, but it

has also boosted their membership in the process.

"We had a group of guys that wanted to play corn hole during inclement weather and we invited them to play here. Some of them were already members of the American Legion, but others were not, which is perfectly fine. It's important for us to show inclusion," Parsons said.

Although their doors are open to just about everyone, their canteen is limited and only members or their guests are allowed to purchase alcohol.

Parsons was very clear in stating the Mikado American Legion is not a drinking club. "Our doors are open for people to come in and have a cup of coffee or a soda. We want the Legion to be a social asset to our community and veterans.

"The mental health crisis of veterans is very real and we have a heavy veteran presence in this community, especially from the last several conflicts. One of the best things we can do to combat the mental health crises is through socialization.

"It is important we have a safe place for them to come to. A place that is oriented toward (healthy) social activities. Staying at home drink-

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One of Alcona County's new residents, Erin Body of Harrisville, shares this photo of ice pancakes forming on Lake Huron. She explained, the phenomenon is rather uncommon. When the temperature is right slush forms on the water and as the waves move it, they start to form pancakes. The waves splashing over the edges cause a harder layer of ice which helps them maintain their shape. "This is our first year a residents in Harrisville and I'm thrilled to have had the opportunity to see them in person," she said.



God Bless America



Calendar of Events

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

The first meeting of the Glennie Book Club will be held at 3 p.m. at the Curtis Township Library in Glennie. Participants should enter through the side door. Call (989) 735-2601 for more information.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Veterans and spouses and widow(er)s are invited to join other retired military members for a drop-in coffee and fellowship between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville. For more info., call (989) 724-9581.

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

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.

“Golden Grocery Giveaway” (Formally known as CSFP/Commodity Supplemental Food Program) will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 205 Church Street, Lincoln.

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

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

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, FEBRUARY 13

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.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

The Sunrise Community Food Pantry is open from 1 to

3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church, 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Clients are asked to come one time per month and must be present to receive food. Distribution is by curbside pick-up. Recipients stay in their vehicle. Identification is required. Clients are accepted regardless of where they live. Bring a box or bag. Call (989) 727-3443 for details.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

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

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1. Squid Games: Season 1
2. Wednesday: Season 1
3. Dahmer - Monster: The Jeffrey Dahmer Story
4. Money Heist: Season 5
5. Bridgerton: Season 2
6. Bridgerton: Season 1
7. Money Heist: Season 4
8. Stranger Things: Season 3
9. Lucifer: Season 5
10. All Of Us Are Dead: Season 1

Source: Insider Monkey

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Maintaining an outdoor compost pile through winter months will produce fertilizer for planting in the spring, and can act as a secondary heat source for a greenhouse. To keep compost active over winter, feed it the right balance of green (nitrogen) and brown (carbon) ingredients. Green scraps will be produced in your kitchen over the winter, but most of the brown matter such as dried leaves, straw and plant debris will have been produced in the fall. Gather these types of materials, bag them and store them in a dry place near your compost, so you can balance the green scraps that are added through the winter. - Brenda Weaver

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The Alcona County Veterans Affairs Committee is accepting bids for the installation of a well at 222 Second Street, Lincoln MI. The well must meet all health department requirements and draw water from the second aquifer. Nearby wells range in depth from 125-200 feet. For additional information, contact the VA office at 989-724-9510. All bids should be mailed to 216 W. Main Street, Harrisville, MI 48740 by February 29, 2024.

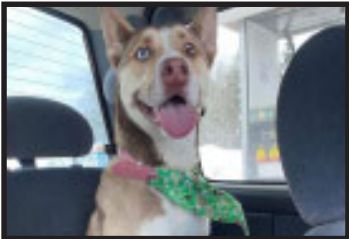
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The family of Larry Ritchie would like to thank all those who came to pay their respects. Special thanks to Pastor Reeve, Susan Armstrong, Sara and Aaron Healy, Dawn Mikazes and Compassus of Alpena. Your comforting words and kind deeds helped us through a very difficult time. God bless you all. Sandy and Kelli Scott and Kim Aaron and Kirsten Brandon and Amina Ellery and Grayson

PETS OF THE WEEK

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Juno is 4 years old, spayed, microchipped, has her Distemper and Parvo vaccines, and has been dewormed. A meet and greet with other dogs is always required. She would be good with cats and respectful, mindful children. Juno is our longest resident being with us for 8 months. She loves long walks and is very active. She is getting used to enjoying car rides. This beautiful and shy girl is looking for a patient family that can visit her a few times to gain her trust!



Salem is 2 years old, spayed, microchipped, Feline Leukemia negative, has her Distemper shot, and has been dewormed. She would be a great addition to any family with other cats, dogs, and kids. She is very affectionate and doesn't mind being held and snuggled!

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Road Commissioners of the County of Alcona, Michigan, at 301 North Lake Street, P.O. Box 40, Lincoln, Michigan 48742, until 4:00pm local time, Monday, February 26, 2024. Accepted bids will be compiled and presented to the Board Of Road Commissioners during the Road Commission meeting on Wednesday, February 28, 2024, for furnishing and delivering 2024 annual requirements for the following materials:

1. CORRUGATED METAL CULVERTS
2. CRUSHED & WASHED LIMESTONE – STOCKPILED
3. CRUSHED & WASHED LIMESTONE – PICKUP
4. EMULSION
5. BITUMINOUS PATCHING MATERIAL (CP-6 & CP-7)
6. AGGREGATE: TAILGATE-SPREAD
7. AGGREGATE – STOCKPILE
8. AGGREGATE – PICKUP
9. CHLORIDE (applied for dust control & bulk for pre-wetting winter salt)
10. PAVEMENT MARKING SERVICES

Bid price for the above materials shall include cost of delivery to designated points in Alcona County and cost of pickup if noted.

Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the office of the Alcona County Road Commission, 301 N. Lake Street, Lincoln, Michigan 48742, phone (989) 736-8168, e-mail roads@alconacrc.com or at www.alconacrc.com

All proposals must be submitted in sealed envelopes bearing the name of the bidder and item being bid.

The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularities in the bids and to accept the bid which is in the best interest of the Alcona County Road Commission.

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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, Feb. 5: Fish almondine, red potatoes, broccoli, mandarin oranges.
- Tuesday, Feb. 6: Taco salad, chips, peaches.
- Wednesday, Feb. 7: Turkey, stuffing and gravy, green beans, tropical fruit.
- Thursday, Feb. 8: Pork roast, baked potato, cauliflower, pears.

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.

First Aid and CPR Classes

Educators at MyMichigan Medical Center in Alpena are offering the American Heart Association's Heartsaver CPR/AED and First Aid classes, designed for non-clinical individuals who are looking to learn CPR and receive their certification.

The classroom course, held in MyMichigan Medical Center Alpena's Auditorium, located at 1501 Chisholm Street, teaches basic CPR skills such as performing a head tilt-chin lift, giving compressions and breaths, as well

as how to use an automated external defibrillator (AED).

The course also provides training for anyone who wants to learn basic CPR and obtain a two-year American Heart Association Heart-saver Course completion card but is not required to have a Healthcare Provider card.

The first aid portion of the class covers first aid basics, as well as medical, injury and environmental emergencies. The classes are taught together and offered one day per month. The cost is \$60.

Those who would like to learn more, including upcoming class dates and times, or register for a class, may visit www.mymichigan.org/heartsaver or call MyMichigan health line at (989) 837-9090.

Lady Tigers dominate Charlton Heston to end three game skid

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

The Alcona girls varsity basketball team entered last Friday's home game with the Charlton Heston Academy on a three game losing streak.

That did not last long.

The Lady Tigers dominated the North Star League Big Dipper contest, holding the Lady Patriots to just one field-goal all night, in what was a 60-3 victory on a night they celebrated Winterfest.

"After struggling for the past few games, it was nice to get back on track," said head coach Karina Sharboneau.

Jena Wambold hit two threes in the first quarter and had seven points in that frame. Sage Gauthier also had seven points in the opening quarter, as Alcona rolled to a 28-0 lead after the first.

In the second, Claire



Alcona's Kaylee Wambold with the ball during last Friday's homecoming win over the Charlton Heston Academy. Photo by Ben Murphy.

Somers hit a three-pointer, and Alcona pushed its lead to 37-0 by the break.

J. Wambold hit two more threes in the third quarter, and the Lady Patriots also hit their only field-goal in that frame, a three-pointer, as it was 49-3 entering the fourth.

J. Wambold hit five threes on the night and she finished with 17 points. Emma Travis scored 11 points. Somers and Gauthier finished with seven points each. Liberty Kimball made six points. Adding four points each was Kaylee Wambold, Hannah Renchenski and Olivia Borhcardt.

On Monday, Jan. 22, the Lady Tigers lost a NSL crossover contest at Fairview, 43-39.

Alcona struggled in the opening quarter and Fairview took advantage, taking a 13-6 lead through one quarter.

The Lady Tigers picked things up in the second quarter. Led by K. Wambold, who had six points in that frame as Alcona took a 20-15 lead at the half.

The Lady Eagles had a 20-6 scoring edge in the third quarter though, giving them a 35-26 lead entering the fourth. Travis caught fire in the final minutes, scoring 11 points, including a three-pointer to make things close in the final minutes, though Fairview hung on for the win.

Travis finished with 17 points. J. Wambold, K. Wambold and Gauthier each had six points and Somers added four points.

Alcona (7-3 overall, 2-2 NSL Big Dipper) heads to Rogers City on Friday, Feb. 2 and makes the trip to Oscoda on Monday, Feb. 5. They'll also play at Mio on Friday, Feb. 9.

Check out the Alcona Review Website
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For events, local news & much more!

Strong fourth quarter lifts Alcona to win over Charlton Heston

By Ben Murphy
Sports Writer

Through three quarters things were pretty tight between Alcona and the Charlton Heston Academy in the North Star League Big Dipper boys varsity basketball contest last Friday.

The Tigers dominated the final frame however, and they survived to pick up a 56-43 victory, helping them celebrate Winterfest in the process.

“Huge team performance tonight in front of a packed crowd for Winterfest,” head coach Alex Cole said. “Charlton Heston Academy has proven to be a tough team in the league and (this game) they were just that. I’m proud of the guys locking in on the defensive end and executing the game plan well.”

Leading just 41-38 after three, the Tigers caught a bit of a break in the opening minute of the fourth quarter when CHA standout center Ryan Patterson picked up his

fourth foul. With him on the bench Alcona took control of things, getting an and-one play by Jacob Renschenski and a pair of buckets in the paint by Evan Borsvold. Cayden Hebert and Collin Walker had baskets as well in the frame, as Alcona pulled away for the win.

“Patterson was a force inside for Charlton Heston,” Cole said. “Once he picked up his fourth foul, we were able to take advantage of our size advantage. Renschenski and Borsvold scored a couple of crucial buckets each on post isolations to help us build a lead. Then to seal the deal, our defensive pressure stepped up and we held them to five points in the fourth quarter.”

The Tigers started the night off well too, getting six first quarter points from Walker and three by David Sharboneau and Hebert to lead 20-11 after one. The Patriots closed the gap to 27-25 by the half though, and it remained tight until the fourth quarter.

Sharboneau hit three treys to finish with 13 points for

the Tigers. They also had Walker and Hebert hit double figures with 10 points apiece. Renschenski had nine points. Borsvold chipped in with eight. Garrett Somers had four and Ricky Schott scored two points.

Patterson finished with a game-high 19 points for the Patriots, who also had 11 points from Dylan Cichowski and seven by Dillon Teed.

On Tuesday, Jan. 23 the Tigers won a home NSL crossover game over Fairview, 68-42.

“We had a balanced scoring attack led by Sharboneau with 17 points,” Cole said. “He hit some timely buckets to help us build a lead. Walker and Hebert also had big nights scoring in double figures.”

The Tigers only led 15-14 after the first quarter, but they managed to increase that gap to 31-22 by the half and 51-34 entering the fourth quarter.

Sharboneau led things with 17 points for the Tigers. Hebert drilled three treys and had 11 points in all. Walker netted 10 points. Somers and Ricky Schott had six points



Alcona’s David Sharboneau launches a shot during Friday’s homecoming win over the Charlton Heston Academy. Photo by Ben Murphy.

apiece. William Liebler had five points. Sam Johnston added four. Vinny Mahalak scored three points and with two each was Jordan Benac, Borsvold and Renschenski.

Alcona (11-4 overall, 4-0 NSL Big Dipper) will host Rogers City on Wednesday, Jan. 31. The Tigers hosts Oscoda on Tuesday, Feb. 6 and is in Mio on Friday, Feb. 9.

Alcona varsity bowling results

Last weekend the boys played against Oscoda and Charlton Heston in West Branch, Mich. High game scores were Jacob June, 121 and 134; Ryan Windsor, 119 and 125; Jaxon Whittaker, 111 and 109; Ceanna Stern, 110 and 122.

The girls played against Tawas and Whittemore-Prescott. High game scores were Danica Manning, 168 and 128; Makayla Prince, 109 and 132; Rylee Manning, 120 and 119; Nyhia Jackson, 127 and 105; Addison Birk, 95 and 100.

On Saturday, Jan. 20, Alcona bowling teams played in Bay City, Mich. The boys played the first game against Whittemore-Prescott. High scores were, Jacob June, 137; Addison Birk, 119; Ryan Windsor, 108; Jaxon Whittaker, 102. They played Bay City 2 for their second game. High scores were Jacob June, 128; Ryan Windsor, 110; Addison Birk, 102; Jaxon Whittaker, 91.

The girls first game was against Bay City. High scores were Rylee Manning, 136; Nyhia Jackson, 119; Makayla Prince, 107; Danica Manning, 104; Ceanna Stern, 102. They played against Ogemaw Heights for their second game. High scores were Danica Manning, 145; Rylee Manning; 141, Makayla Prince, 99; Ceanna Stern, 87; Nyhia Jackson, 82.

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Alcona High School's Winterfest 2024



Alcona High School 2024 Winterfest senior court (from left) David Sharboneau, Sage Gauthier, Jeremiah Bullis, Mikayla Antuma, Zygmund Villalobos, Arian Monnier, Samuel Johnston, Emma Travis, Collin Walker, and Alera Beuhl. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

An orphaned puppy, rescued on a battlefield in World War I, Rin Tin Tin became perhaps the most known dog in the entire world. This famous movie dog was named after a puppet French children gave to American soldiers for good luck.







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Alcona High School 2024 Winterfest under classmen court (from left) freshmen Wyatt Alderman and Elliyana Grimshaw; sophomores Daniel June and Charley Petty; and juniors Aiden Reno and Rilee Tracy. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

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PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Public Accuracy Testing for the February 27, 2024 Presidential Primary Election will be held at the following voting precincts as follows:

COUNTY	TOWNSHIP	DATE	LOCATION	
Alcona County	Alcona	February 15, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.	Twp. Hall, 5576 N. US-23, Black River	
	Caledonia	February 15, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.	Twp. Hall, 6461 Gillard Road, Spruce	
	Curtis	February 14, 2024 at 11:15 a.m.	Fire Department, 5019 Bamfield Road, Glennie	
	Greenbush	February 16, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.	Twp. Hall, 5039 E. Campbell Street, Greenbush	
	Gustin	February 14, 2024, at 5:15 p.m.	Twp. Hall, 113 S. 2 nd Street, Lincoln	
	Harrisville	February 16, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.	Twp. Hall, 114 S. Poor Farm Road, Harrisville	
	Hawes	February 15, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.	VFW Hall, 2120 W. Trask Lake Road, Barton	
	Haynes	February 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.	Twp. Hall, 3930 E. McNeil Road, Lincoln	
	Mikado	February 14, 2024 at 3:15 p.m.	Twp. Hall, 2291 S. F-41, Mikado	
	Millen	February 14, 2024 at 1:15 p.m.	Twp. Office, 671 Sanborn Road, Barton City	
	Mitchell	February 15, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.	Twp. Hall, 6849 W. Tower Road, Curran	
	CITY			
	Harrisville	February 16, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.	City Office, 200 N. Fifth Street, Harrisville	

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to record and count the votes cast at the election meet the requirements of the law.

Stephany Eller, County Clerk

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Legion Continued from page 1

Mikado Cemetery before Memorial Day and will often send a representative to funerals and other events where veteran representation is requested. The Legion has a drop box for retired American Flags where they are respectfully disposed of, with ceremony, on Flag Day, June 14.

The Legion opens its hall to host many memorial services for members and family and often hosts benefit dinners to help offset medical expenses of members and friends in need.

Private hall rental for graduations etc., is typically \$100 with a security deposit, but for nonprofit organizations, groups and clubs they will quite often waive the fee.

Other weekly and bi-monthly activities include euchre on Mondays from 2 to 6 p.m.; corn hole tournaments on Wednesdays; pool tournaments on Fridays; and every other Sunday they host a musician round robin starting at 2 p.m. where anyone can come and perform or listen. In February the musician round robin will be on February 4 and 18.

The Legion loans handicap equipment to those in need and if a veteran member needs a helping hand, such as replacing a mailbox knocked down by a snowplow, other members will do what they can to get it back in place.

Donations make up the principle of funds needed to keep the Legion doors open and operational. In the winter, the auxiliary holds pasty sales each month and they have a bake sale in the fall.



Mikado American Legion delivers school supplies collected for teachers at Alcona Community Schools. The event was administered by the Mikado American Legion Post 254, the Sons of the American Legion, and the Legion Auxiliary. Appreciation to Kalitta Air for its generous support of this project. (From left) Legion Adjutant John Parsons, Son's of the American Legion Commander Jerry Garcia, Legion Commander John Swazey, Alcona High School principal Christie Thomas, and Senior Vice Legion Auxiliary Suze Beckley. *Courtesy photo.*

can be found on websites under www.legion-.org or www.legion-aux.org.

According to legion.org, each post determines its programs and social functions, as well as the amount of annual dues. The Mikado American Legion Post 254 charges its members a \$45 annual fee which covers months from January to December.

A membership card is not exclusive to the Mikado

9526.

Mikado American Legion Post 254 is located at 2205 Alger Street in Mikado one block east of F-41 off F-30.



Veteran Walt Clingan (left) was happy to receive help from Mikado American Legion officers Don Thornton (middle) and John Parsons who helped to install a new mailbox for Clingan after his old box was hit by a snow plow. *Courtesy photo.*

The Sons of American Legion holds a gun raffle each fall.

Each of the three organizational structures has specific member eligibility requirements such as veterans only or relatives of veterans, which

American Legion but allows the holder access to over 11,000 American Legions across the country.

For information on events, hall rental or membership applications, call (989) 736-

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Take safe approach while ice fishing

By Gregg Schefferly
Outdoor Writer

So much has changed through the years. When I was growing up, winter started sometime after Halloween and ended in March.

When it was winter, it was winter. We had cold temperatures, a lot of snow and I enjoyed many winter pursuits. Snowmobiling was big and it was nothing to see a dozen sleds traveling on the shoulders of the roads heading for trailheads or lakes.

Hunting bunnies was mostly on snowshoes. The only things complicated about ice fishing was cutting a hole through the thick ice and getting out to fish.

The snowmobile was often the choice due to the amount of snow on the ice. If possible, the popular lakes looked like cities filled with wood shanties, cars, trucks, and snowmobiles. When there was too much snow, only those with snowmobiles could make the trek.

Back then, one had to be careful, the weight of all the snow caused water to come up on top of the ice. As a result, slush pockets formed under the snow, some of them were extremely large and deep. If you sank down with your sled and got slush in the tracks, it would freeze in the cold, and you weren't going anywhere. In those days with the lighter sleds, anglers would often prop them up and run them to spin everything out of the track before they started fishing. This was to ensure when they were ready to head in, they could do so.

In recent years winters often come later, temperatures continually fluctuate between bitter cold and warm, and the ice conditions are constantly changing. A front will come in, the lakes will freeze, and just about the time things are looking good for ice fishing, a warm front sweeps through and we lose much of what we gained.

The danger comes because the ice covering often stays, and it's impossible to truly know how safe the ice is to venture out on. Years ago, I

was laid off during the winter and I'd be out practically every day from first ice on. As a result, I had a good sense of what was happening and, of course, the temperatures were normally always below freezing.

When you work fulltime, it's very difficult to have a feel for what's going on regarding ice conditions. Just because you see someone out on it doesn't necessarily mean it's safe. If you're an angler who loves fishing on the hard water, your tactics must change.

For starters if you don't already have them, an ice spud and pair of safety spikes

are a *must*. The spud allows you to continually check ice thickness as you make your way out. The safety spikes are on a cord that goes around your neck to allow you to pull yourself up onto the ice if you fall through; without them you have little chance of getting back on the ice.

Through the years my approach to sketchy ice was to find a place to fish where the fishing was good in only a few feet of water and where my truck could be parked nearby. When going onto the ice, I always use the spud and test it as I make my way out.

My homemade shanty had



Exploring the
Outdoors
By Gregg Schefferly

a wood floor that further dispersed my weight. Fishing shallow water with your truck nearby assures that if you go through the ice, you'll be able to easily get back on the ice and make your way to shore and warm up in your vehicle. This approach allows you to get out and safely do what you enjoy.

Here we are in late January and before the temperatures were low enough to allow the ice to form, we got not one, but two storms in less than a week: dumping a total of about 28 inches of snow on the ground. As we all know too well, the temperatures plummeted immediately after the storm, and one would think we were on the way to some good ice for fishing. If the nearby lakes were open, the snow would've reduced the water temperature prior to the temperatures falling into the teens.

This should create perfect conditions for rapid forming of ice to allow us to venture out ice fishing. Nevertheless,

if venturing out on the ice, proceed with extreme caution.

The weather of late is more like we're accustomed to regarding a good old fashioned winter. Considering the weather, we've experienced the last several years, I certainly don't believe for one minute, that old man winter of old is back; it's just for the moment.

So, what's a guy to do? If you like to snowmobile, snowshoe, cross country ski, rabbit hunt, or ice fish Mother Nature provides you with the opportunity; take advantage of it, get out there and do it. Good luck.

(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.)



Gregg and his wife, of Shannon, are warm in their fishing shanty during a previous fishing tournament on Long Lake. Photo by Gregg Schefferly.

Buggy Rides

Mike Goddard to tryout with Tigers

January 31, 1974 ~ Mike Goddard, an Alcona High School senior, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goddard of Mikado, will report for a baseball try out with the Detroit Tigers on February 22.

Word was received last week from Jack Tighe, Scout for the Detroit Tigers in a letter dated January 20, 1974 as follows;

Bill' Kahn.
Box 38
Mikado, Mich. 48745
Hi Bill:

Have some information for you relative to the young ball players.

Mike Goddard, he absolutely needs a letter of permission from the principal of the high school he attends.

Letters from his parents or the coach will do no good. It has to be a letter from the principal.

Also, he will have to pay his own expenses but, as you mentioned, this will be no

problem since his granddad lives in the area.

Ed Katalinas has been alerted about the young man and he has a copy of the letter you sent to me. There is also a very good chance that I will be there. If so, I will certainly take care of the lad.

Have Mike report to Tigertown and ask for Ed Katalinas. The camp will start on February 22.

He will need his glove, shoes and sweat clothes. We will furnish the uniform. It is not necessary that Mike get there exactly on the 22nd. If more convenient, he can come in on the 23rd or 24th. The first five days we will have nothing but pitchers and catchers and he will get a good look.

Thanks again for past kind treatment. See you in the sunny south in the not too distant future.

Our love to Ruth.
Sincerely,
Jack Tighe

How it came about

January 31, 1974 ~ How this arrangement all came about, we had received a letter from Jack Tighe in early January this year and in his letter, he asked if we were going to Florida and Tiger Training Camp again. Ruth and I have been going for the past 20 years. When we first became acquainted with Bob and Lola Reynolds at Winter Sports Affair in Tawas about 21 years ago, they invited us to go to Florida and spring training and we accepted and have been going every year since. Bob is the Sports Director of WJR Radio of Detroit.

We were introduced to Bob by Ron and Eleanor Gamble. Ron was with WJR for 25 years and was Bob's former boss. We of course met Jack Tighe through Bob Reynolds.

In my reply to Jack Tighe's recent letter I casually mentioned that we have a very fine young Alcona County athlete, Mike Goddard, who was greatly interested in baseball and had the desire to try for a career in Major League play. I wrote Jack all the de-

tails on Mike and at a meeting of the heads of the Tiger organization very recently, my letter was presented.

I wound up my letter to Jack Tighe, quote, "On behalf of the boy, his family, coach and his host of followers in our section of the state, I would like to see Mike get an opportunity to further his ambitions in baseball."

This resulted in the invitation for Mike Goddard to report to Lakeland, Florida and Ed Katalinas, who, incidentally, is the chief of player procurement for the Detroit Tigers.

Charles D. Matlock, principal of Alcona Community Schools, very graciously wrote a letter of permission for Mike to attend the tryout at Lakeland, Florida.

Speaking on behalf of everyone concerned, we sincerely hope Mike makes it. If he just has a spark of the ole Mocksie his granddad, Cecil Lane, possessed back in Cec's hay-day around N.E. Michigan. Mike should make it. Good luck Mike! We'll all be pulling for yuh.

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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a beaver's home called?
2. **U.S. STATES:** In which state would you find Crater Lake?
3. **TELEVISION:** Which animated cartoon character says, "What's up, Doc?"
4. **LITERATURE:** Who is the author of "The Exorcist"?
5. **MATH:** In Roman numerals, what is XVIII times V?
6. **ANATOMY:** How many vertebrae are in the human spine?
7. **GEOGRAPHY:** Which nation is home to Europe's largest glacier?
8. **MOVIES:** In which film does Doris Day sing "Que Sera, Sera"?
9. **SCIENCE:** What is anemophily?
10. **MUSIC:** Who sang the hit "Girls Just Want to Have Fun"?

Answers: 1. A lodge.; 2. Oregon.; 3. Bugs Bunny.; 4. William Peter Blatty.; 5. XC (90).; 6. 33.; 7. Iceland.; 8. "The Man Who Knew Too Much."; 9. Pollination by the wind.; 10. Cyndi Lauper. (c)2024 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Feb. 12, 1912, Hsian-T'ung, the last emperor of China, was forced to abdicate following Sun Yat-sen's republican revolution, ending 267 years of Manchu rule in China and 2,000 years of imperial rule.
- On Feb. 13, 1958, a four-passenger Thunderbird called the "Square Bird," made by the Ford Company, made its public debut. Considered to be a model that turned the Thunderbird from a sports car into a luxury car, it's still often referred to as simply the T-Bird and has appeared in movies such as "Grease," popular songs and music videos.
- On Feb. 14, 1984, Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean became the highest-scoring figure skaters in history at the Olympic ice skating championship in Sarajevo with their sensual, free-dance performance of Ravel's "Bolero."
- On Feb. 15, 1965, the maple leaf officially became Canada's official national flag symbol. It had already served in that capacity for more than a century, but the matter was only settled in the House of Commons the previous December, and approved by England's Queen Elizabeth II shortly afterward.
- On Feb. 16, 2007, British Education Secretary Alan Johnson's order for "difficult" classic authors including Jane Austen and Charles Dickens to be taught to 11- and 12-year-olds was not met with favor by teachers. They believed these classic works might prove daunting enough to turn students off of such material for life. Johnson argued that they were in fact essential to a well-rounded British education.
- On Feb. 17, 2014, the Saudi Gazette made Somayya Jabarti the newspaper's editor-in-chief, marking the first time a woman held that position in the country. Her successor, writing about the decision that represented a major step forward for Saudi women's rights, made sure to state that the position was granted solely on Jabarti's merit.
- On Feb. 18, 1943, a small group of German students from the University of Munich known as the White Rose movement were arrested after a janitor observed and reported them for distributing leaflets with anti-Nazi propaganda. Within days, all the members, including philosophy professor Kurt Huber, were sentenced to death for treason by the People's Court and beheaded.

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Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Guy in the Beatles' "I Am the Walrus"</p> <p>7 Brand of bottled water</p> <p>13 Holy places</p> <p>20 Yacht basin</p> <p>21 Old Missouri natives</p> <p>22 Arranged, as a page for printing</p> <p>23 2001 Josh Hartnett war film</p> <p>25 Not macho</p> <p>26 "— little!" ("Have some fun!")</p> <p>27 Vegas action</p> <p>28 Darkens in the sun</p> <p>30 Hammer, e.g.</p> <p>31 Yalie</p> <p>32 1971 Malcolm McDowell crime film</p> <p>37 They're fed after parking</p> <p>40 "Energy healing" technique</p> <p>41 Artist Neiman and Jim Croce's Brown</p> <p>42 1973 Charlton Heston thriller</p> | <p>46 Beginner, in gaming lingo</p> <p>47 Use sand-paper on, informally</p> <p>48 Ed. supporter</p> <p>50 Brain wave tests, in brief</p> <p>54 — -Ball (carnival game)</p> <p>57 Lubbock-to-Laredo dir.</p> <p>58 1986 Isabella Rossellini neo-noir film</p> <p>61 WWW page</p> <p>64 Musical inaptitude</p> <p>67 Having arrived tardily</p> <p>68 Choose (to)</p> <p>69 1984 Gene Wilder romantic comedy</p> <p>72 "— said before ..."</p> <p>73 "The Lion in Winter" actor</p> <p>75 Dawned</p> <p>76 Certain English student</p> <p>78 1984 Prince musical film</p> <p>80 Psychic "gift"</p> <p>82 Table scraps</p> <p>83 Graf — (German warship)</p> | <p>84 Potent compound in marijuana: Abbr.</p> <p>85 Sequence of episodes on the tube</p> <p>89 Test of speed</p> <p>92 1986 Molly Ringwald Cinderella story</p> <p>96 6x9-inch book</p> <p>99 Attach with cord, e.g.</p> <p>101 Actor Patrick</p> <p>102 1992 Wesley Snipes sports film</p> <p>107 ABA mem.</p> <p>108 Sol-do linkup</p> <p>109 Meat spread</p> <p>110 "Starpeace" singer Yoko</p> <p>111 — voce (quietly)</p> <p>113 Smart speaker from Amazon</p> <p>115 Photos not in shades of gray ... or what eight answers in this puzzle are?</p> <p>120 Precisely, with "on"</p> <p>121 Retaliate</p> <p>122 Czar called "the Great"</p> | <p>THE SILVER SCREEN</p> <p>123 More impertinent</p> <p>124 Actor Dick Van —</p> <p>125 Evaluate</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Tokens</p> <p>2 Telescope pioneer</p> <p>3 Newton topic</p> <p>4 Rats' relatives</p> <p>5 Crooner Paul</p> <p>6 "Prob'ly not"</p> <p>7 Carpentry rod</p> <p>8 Invite out for</p> <p>9 Hardly happy</p> <p>10 Of yore</p> <p>11 Unfamiliar</p> <p>12 Fails to be satisfactory</p> <p>13 Skulked</p> <p>14 Sci-fi role for Harrison Ford</p> <p>15 Cup edge</p> <p>16 Muckraker who took on Standard Oil</p> <p>17 "That's all wrong!"</p> <p>18 Funeral speech</p> <p>19 Fashion trends</p> <p>24 Jackson 5 hit</p> <p>29 Meyers of "Dutch"</p> <p>32 Comes — surprise</p> <p>33 Tribe of Canada</p> <p>34 Piercing</p> <p>35 Come in first</p> <p>36 Vintage auto</p> <p>38 Someone — problem</p> <p>39 Sleep stage</p> <p>43 "I fail — the humor"</p> <p>44 Some sporty autos</p> <p>45 Orating skill</p> <p>46 No, in Selkirk</p> <p>48 Least ornate</p> <p>49 Zig or zag</p> <p>51 Major Taiwanese carrier</p> <p>52 Implies</p> <p>53 Pub mugs</p> <p>54 Nosy sorts</p> <p>55 Sustained</p> <p>56 Automaker Bugatti</p> <p>58 Part of N.B.</p> <p>59 Lead-in to Cong or Minh</p> <p>60 Lead-in to skeleton</p> <p>62 "— cost you!"</p> <p>63 You, quaintly</p> <p>65 "Sign me up!"</p> <p>66 Rapper Lil — X</p> <p>70 Infant's cry</p> <p>71 Reimburse</p> <p>74 Surgeries</p> <p>77 Like sexist jokes</p> <p>79 Road map abbr.</p> <p>81 Tennis unit</p> <p>85 1982 film and arcade game</p> <p>86 Steam hole</p> <p>87 Ninny</p> <p>88 Bump — log</p> <p>90 Road map abbr.</p> <p>91 Write music</p> <p>92 Pod veggie</p> <p>93 Like Charlie Brown's kite, inevitably</p> <p>94 Seine users, e.g.</p> <p>95 Result of a very-low-carb diet</p> <p>96 Hooting baby birds</p> <p>97 Latin dance</p> <p>98 Gives 10%</p> <p>99 Blast creator</p> <p>100 Polar topper</p> <p>103 Diner patron</p> <p>104 1995-2011 Yankee Posada</p> <p>105 Release, as from a corral</p> <p>106 "Excusez —!"</p> <p>111 Holy Milles.</p> <p>112 Excuses</p> <p>114 "— have to?"</p> <p>116 Female gametes</p> <p>117 Allow to</p> <p>118 Ottawa loc.</p> <p>119 1040 pro</p> |
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

- In 2012, a 90-year-old Baltimore woman named Venus Green locked a police officer in her basement when he tried searching her home without a warrant. Afterward, she brought a civil rights lawsuit and won a \$95,000 settlement.
- Chess is a required school subject in Armenia.
- Before the modern glass versions we use today became commonplace, mirrors were made from bronze and were prized possessions of rich households in Egypt, Greece, Rome, China and Japan.
- The Statue of Liberty's full name is Liberty Enlightening the World.
- A study conducted at the University of Montreal showed that young people who played the 1996 game Super Mario 64 for only two months increased their spatial and episodic memory, which improves brain capacity and helps to ward off dementia.
- More than 20% of all the world's freshwater is in the Great Lakes.
- While humans and giraffes obviously have vastly different neck lengths, they still have the exact same number (seven) of neck vertebrae.
- Ever wonder why some cocktails are shaken while others are stirred? Chalk it up to the level of dilution and texture required: The longer the shake or stir, the more diluted and cold the beverage gets. Hence cocktails made with spirits, tonics and bitters should be stirred, while those featuring fruit juices, egg whites, cream or cream-based liqueurs should be shaken.
- Folks used to say "prunes" rather than "cheese" when having their pictures taken.

Thought for the Day: "It is not by muscle, speed or physical dexterity that great things are achieved, but by reflection, force of character and judgment, and in these qualities old age is usually not only not poorer, but is even richer." -- Cicero

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Kovels: Antiques and Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Mechanical creatures

Robots may sound like cutting-edge technology or science-fiction dreams of the future, but automated mechanical creatures have captured people's imaginations for centuries. Animals and music were always popular themes.

Legends say that King Solomon surrounded his throne with mechanical animals, including lions that would raise their paws and roar when he approached and birds that would descend to give him his crown and a scroll. There are records from the Middle Ages and Renaissance of clever inventors in Europe and Asia creating mechanical animals and musicians.

Despite all this innovation, the "Golden Age of Automata" did not arrive until the 19th century. Technology had advanced enough to make automata accessible outside of royal palaces, but not so much that the novelty had worn off. All kinds of automata were made with different levels of complexity, from pictures with moving paper figures to life-size mechanical puppets.

Music boxes with mechanical features were popular, too. A favorite style was the singing bird, like this one that sold for \$4,560 at Morphy Auctions. It was made in Germany in the late 19th century and winds with a key. When it is wound, a small bird with red feathers pops out of the enameled box to chirp and flap its wings.

Q: I have a Boy Scout handbook, "Revised Edition, 13th Printing, One Hundred Thousand Copies." It has a list of copyrights from 1911 to 1930.



Is it a music box, a toy, a showpiece or a robot? Wind it with a key, and a feathery bird pops out to chirp and flutter in a lifelike way. Photo courtesy of kovels.com

It is in fair condition. The cover and first page are torn, and the back is taped. What is it worth?

A: The Boy Scouts of America started in 1910. The first handbook, titled "The Official Handbook for Boys," was published in 1911. The title of the handbook has been changed several times. From 1927 to 1948, it was "Revised Handbook for Boys." The copyright dates in your handbook indicate it was printed in 1930 or shortly after. A Norman Rockwell painting called "Spirit of America," originally made for a 1929 Boy Scout calendar, was used for the cover art on the handbook from 1927 through 1937. It pictures the profile of a Boy Scout against a blue background with profiles of Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Teddy Roosevelt, Charles Lindbergh, a frontiersman and an American Indian. Copies in poor condi-

tion usually sell for \$10 or less.

TIP: Spray the inside of a glass vase with nonstick food spray. It will keep the water from staining the glass.

CURRENT PRICES
Card set, Funny Valentine, multicolor illustration and inscription on front, insult on reverse, black and white with red accents, Topps, 1959, 66 pieces, \$85.

Paper, Valentine, cutwork, watercolor, red, yellow, green, ring of eight hearts around center medallion, inscription in each heart, swags, stylized flowers, painted frame, 19th century, 11 inches, \$500.

Teddy bear, Teddy Baby replica, brown fur, stitched nose, red collar, yellow tag in ear, Steiff, 1980s, 11 inches, \$945.

For more collecting news, tips and resources, visit www.Kovels.com
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Veterans Post

By Freddy Groves

A new life insurance program

The Department of Veterans Affairs has started a new life insurance program for the first time in 50 years, and the details are worth noting. Called VALife, it's different from (and much better than) the previous insurance program. In fact, within the first year, over 30,000 veterans have signed up.

With the old program, S-DVI, veterans with service-connected disabilities only had two years to sign up from the time of receiving a disability rating. VALife has no such limitation.

With the old program, you had to be in good health (except for the disability) before you could apply. The new program has no limit, and no medical exam is required.

The old program limited veterans to \$10,000 in coverage. The new program, VALife, offers up to \$40,000 in whole life insurance.

The policy starts to build cash value after two years. If there's a death in the first two

years, the payment to the beneficiary would be the premiums that had been paid plus interest. (If you currently have a policy under the old program, you can keep that coverage while you wait for the two-year benefit of the new policy to kick in -- that's if you apply before Dec. 31, 2025.)

You can apply online and get an immediate response. Additionally, you can make payments and changes to beneficiaries online.

Premiums will never change and depend on your age.

If you're a veteran age 80 or under, and if you have any level of service-connected disability (that means 0-100%), your acceptance is guaranteed. If you're over the age of 80, there are eligibility points that still might allow you to buy coverage. See the URL below for those eligibility requirements.

To read the details about

VALife, go online to www.va.gov/life-insurance/options-eligibility/valife to see if you're eligible and how to sign up. The cost of the policy is noted in the drop-down chart of premium rates by age. (There is a discount if you pay yearly.)

If you have questions, call the VA Life Insurance Center at 800-669-8477.

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

MAGIC MAZE ● GULF COAST BEACHES

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The regular meeting of city council for January 8, 2024, was cancelled, quorum was not met.
 The regular meeting of city council on January 16, 2024, was called to order at 7 p.m. by mayor Gehring. "The Pledge of Allegiance" was said. Roll call: Kaiser, Bauermeister, Mason, Schwanz, Vanderheuel. Absent: Bean. Present: Mayor Gehring, treasurer Luenberger, and guests. Absent: Clerk Pierce.
 Motion by Schwanz, support by Vanderheuel to approve agenda. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Schwanz, support by Kaiser, to approve the minutes of December 11, 2023. Motion carried 5-0.
 Motion by Bauermeister, support by Mason to pay the bills in the amount of \$36,432.20. Motion carried 5-0.
 Mayor Gehring recommended appointing Dan White as city attorney. Council discussion and concurred with keeping Dan White as city attorney. Discussion of city council meeting times. Motion by Schwanz, support by Vanderheuel to set city council meeting times as the second Monday of the month, at city hall, at 6 p.m. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Mason, support by Kaiser, to appoint Jacquelyn Schwanz as mayor pro tem. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Mason, support by Bauermeister, to appoint Marjory French as deputy clerk for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried 5-0.
 Motion by Mason, support by Kaiser to appoint, Thomas Keerl as deputy treasurer for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Schwanz, support by Vanderheuel, to appoint Jim Kaiser as street and sidewalk administrator for 2024. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Schwanz, support by Mason, to reconfirm clerk as city census administrator for 2024. Motion carried 5-0.
 Motion by Schwanz, support by Mason, to confirm Jim Kaiser as FEMA representative for 2024. Motion carried 5-0.
 Motion by Bauermeister, support by Schwanz, to appoint Kari Vanderheuel and Lane Schwanz as city web site coordinators for 2024. Motion carried 5-0. Kari Vanderheuel will continue as liaison to the harbor commission.
 Old business
 Discussion of using Zoom or Google Meets to video council meetings. Discussion of using Google as email server versus the Ionis server. Tabled for the next council meeting.
 Planning Commission liaison Jacquelyn Schwanz recommended adoption of the recreation plan. Motion by Schwanz, support by Vanderheuel to adopt the City of Harrisville Recreation Plan. Ayes: Schwanz, Bauermeister, Kaiser, Vanderheuel, Mason. Nay: none. Motion carried: 5-0.
 New business
 Motion by Bauermeister, support by Mason to approve Tom Keerl, as a member of the harbor commission, term ending December 31, 2026. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Schwanz, support by Bauermeister, for Jacqueline Schwanz to step down from the finance committee. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Schwanz, support by Bauermeister, to appoint K. Vanderheuel and T. Mason to the finance committee for term ending December 31, 2024. Motion carried: 5-0.
 Moratorium review on number of marijuana facilities in the city was discussed. Decision was made on November 9, 2020, at the city council meeting to hold the number of facilities to three.
 Motion by Mason, support by Bauermeister, to continue the moratorium and review it on a yearly basis. Next review set for January 13, 2025. Motion carried: 5-0.
 Motion by Vanderheuel, support by Schwanz to confirm appointment of Richard Dunn and Mary Peterson to the Tax Board of Review, term ending December 31, 2024. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Schwanz, support by Vanderheuel to confirm appointments of B. Bean, S. Chrumka, T. Keerl, M. Peterson, A. Brandon as tree board members. Motion carried: 5-0.
 Treasurer Luenberger addressed the investment policy of the city.
 Motion by Schwanz, support by Mason, to reconfirm and accept the investment policy as presented by the treasurer for 2024 using the following banks: Huron Community Bank, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, Nicolet, PNC and to do business with said institutions. Motion carried: 5-0.
 A finance meeting will be held on February 21, 2024, at 6 p.m.
 Motion by Schwanz, support by Mason to approve clerk to submit MDOT Application for use of M-72 and US-23 for annual activities and repairs use permit.
 Resolutions

No. 2024-02: Resolution for Poverty Exemption. Now, therefore, be it hereby resolved that the mayor/assessor and board of review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption, unless the board of review determines there are substantial and compelling reasons why there should be a deviation from the policy and federal guidelines and these reasons are communicated in writing to the claimant.
 Motion by Bauermeister, support by Kaiser to adopt Resolution No. 2024-02. Ayes: Schwanz, Bauermeister, Kaiser, Vanderheuel. Nay: Mason. Motion carried: 4-0.
 No. 2024-03: Asset Level Test to be used by the board of review. Therefore, be it resolved that liquid assets of no more than \$5,000 and no other tangible assets with the exception of one automobile and one primary residence, subject to being adjusted or amended by the board of review or any other additional pertinent information on a case-by-case basis. Income producing assets shall be treated at the discretion of the board of review. Motion by Bauermeister, support by Kaiser to adopt Resolution No. 2024-03. Ayes: Schwanz, Bauermeister, Kaiser, Vanderheuel. Nays: Mason. Motion carried: 4-0.
 Mayor Gehring acknowledged Huron Pines for its yearly management report on the ongoing work they are doing in containing invasive species within the city. Congratulations to the planning commission on approving the resolution of adoption of the city recreation plan. Well done.
 Mayor Gehring discussed the proposal by the Harrisville Goodfellows to replace the large pine tree on the corner of US-23 and M-72 because of its deteriorating condition.
 Mayor Gehring discussed the parade route issue in the city. Vanderheuel and Mason volunteer to provide the city with viable information for alternative parade routes in the city for 2024.
 Mayor Gehring discussed the public bathroom issue use at the harbor. Schwanz, Vanderheuel, and Mason volunteer to negotiate with the harbor master and provide a solution for use of the bathrooms for 2024.
 Mayor Gehring discussed the issue of the stairs at the harbor. Bauermeister and mayor Gehring will work to find a suitable solution for the problem.
 Mayor Gehring updated council as to the schedule and procedure to replace all the street light bulbs on Main Street.
 Mayor Gehring discussed the parks and recreation process. A subcommittee of the planning commission will be created to form a parks and recreation committee. Mayor Gehring discussed the snow removal policy for the city. Snow will be removed from city streets when there is an accumulation of three or more inches.
 The tax assessment review from the state rated a 100 percent on the 2023 PA 660 Assessment Audit Review. Mayor Gehring acknowledged receipt of a zoning ordinance violation within the city and the proper procedure for dealing with this will be followed.
 Mayor Gehring thanks Monica Spears, Tim Slezack, Kari and Andy Vanderheuel for a happy New Years Eve celebration. A lot of fun was had by all.
 Planning commission liaison J. Schwanz stated that the planning commission and/or the parks and recreation committee will begin meeting monthly. Requests input on whether the city wants them to pursue a commercial blight ordinance and wonders how many food truck permits were issued in 2023.
 Comment Cards: Monica Spears asked why we don't have "for profit" vendors on the 4th of July fireworks celebration. Andy Vanderheuel thanked councilman Tom Mason for listening.
 Alderman Bauermeister asked about hiring a grant writer and stated he forwarded a resume to the mayor. Alderman Mason stated the storm drain got blocked by debris on Second Street causing flooding; asked about the trash cans being emptied, asked if there is an ordinance regarding dog poop. Alderman Schwanz reported that the Christmas decorations are shedding and asked if it would be possible for people to purchase new decorations as honorariums; and also stated that the main camera at the Harbor is not working. Alderman Vanderheuel asked about an ice rink.
 Motion by Schwanz, support by Vanderheuel for meeting to be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. Next city council meeting February 12 at 6 p.m. Published prior to council approval.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement
 Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Alcona County, starting promptly at 10 a.m. on February 28, 2024.
 The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information.
 Name of the mortgagor: Natasha Dettmer, a single woman. Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Foreclosing assignee: Amerisave

Mortgage Corporation. Date of mortgage: July 15, 2022. Date of mortgage recording: July 21, 2022. Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$112,600.79. Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Millen, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: The southwest 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of Section 27, Town 26 North, Range 7 East. Common street address: 1135 S. Bean Hill Road, Mikado, Mich. 48745-9779.
 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 attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.
 This notice is from a debt collector.

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**State of Michigan
 Judicial District
 23rd Judicial Circuit
 Alcona County
 Order Regarding
 Alternate Service
 Case No. 23-3963-CH**
 Plaintiff's name
 Michael Myles
 3962 Power Drive
 Mikado, Mich. 48745
 Plaintiff's attorney
 David H. Cook, P40560
 5466 M-72
 Harrisville, Mich. 48740
 Defendant's name
 Edith Lee
 Patricia Borman
 Shayna N. Engelhard and all other of their unknown heirs, legatees and assigns.

The court finds: Service of process upon the defendant, Edith Lee, Patricia Borman, Shayna N. Engelhard and all other of their unknown heirs, legatees and assigns, cannot reasonably be made as provided in MCR 2.105 and service of process may be made in a manner that is reasonably calculated to give the defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard.
 It is ordered: Service of the summons and complaint and a copy of this order shall be made by the following methods – publication of this order in the Alcona County Review for three consecutive weeks.
 Honorable Laura A. Frawley
 1-31, 2-7, 2-14

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