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## BUCK TALES



(Cleaver photo)

### Ballot Boxes Abound

This ballot drop box outside Harrison City Hall has already received hundreds of resident ballots. Such boxes are situated throughout the county, offering a safely-distanced option for voters. Having secured your absent 2020 General Election voter ballot is not enough; be sure to fill it out and deposit it with your local voting precinct. Your vote truly does count!

## COMING EVENTS

**Harrison Trick or Treat** hours will be 5:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31.

**Clare Trick or Treat** hours will be 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31.

**Outdoor Movie Night** sponsored by the Harrison Chamber at Harrison City Park Saturday, Oct. 31, showing "Hocus Pocus" and "Hotel Transylvania." Opens at 7 p.m., movie begins at dusk. Cost: \$20 per carload, concessions available.

**Clare County Arts Council** is Craft Show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 31 at the Clare Union Railroad Depot, 201 W. Fourth St., Clare. Social distancing will be required. For information, call Linda at 989-240-2470.

**Free Drive Thru Food Distribution for Clare County Residents** at Clare County Fairgrounds at 418 Fairlane St. in Harrison on Saturday, Saturday, Nov. 7. Vehicle line up/registration begins at 9 a.m. Distribution is 10:30 a.m. until noon.

### Advocacy Team Expands Scope of Support

## NMAC Opens Center for Hope, Healing

By Dianne Alward-Biery  
Cleaver Staff Writer

HARRISON – On the evening of Oct. 12, the Northern Michigan Alliance for Children, an organization dedicated to providing advocacy and support for abused children and their families, saw another of its dreams come to fruition. That is when the NMAC Center for Hope and Healing was officially launched with a grand opening, complete and ribbon cutting ceremony. Not surprisingly, this event was well attended despite some damp fall weather.

The new center was established with funds from the Victims of Crime Act, wherein federal money passed down to the state level specifically for child abuse centers.

Bethany Law, NMAC director and co-founder, welcomed attendees and provided a brief timeline history of the organization, and explained the need and importance of offering support during the legal process as well as after-care services. She then described how the Center for Hope and Healing came to be.

"This is really the work of primarily two employees who have made this program what it is," Law said. "Lots of work – six to 12 months of solid research and dedication to this cause."

Law spoke of NMAC's belief in listening to what employees say about the needs they see in the community and how that led to prioritizing the accessibility of reliable mental health training.

"Thanks to the Victims of Crime Act, local community foundations and donations that many of you have contributed at our galas, we've been able to open this site," she said. "This, too, was the dream of one of our interns who became our employee, and who is now our crisis counselor: Eriana DeKalita-Mull. She's worked super, super hard on the program."

"We recently brought on Mandy Wigren, who



At center, Eriana DeKalita-Mull, left, and Mandy Wigren officially cut the ribbon Oct. 12 marking the official opening of the Northern Michigan Alliance for Children's Center for Hope and Healing. They were joined by NMAC staff and representatives from the Harrison Chamber of Commerce. (Cleaver photo by Dianne Alward-Biery)

is a limited license professional counselor, and is now our victims services coordinator. She's overseeing the programing at both our Child Advocacy Center and here at the Center for Hope and Healing."

Law told attendees that COVID had put a real damper on the program, and described how difficult it was for a group of social workers – people who like to help people – to get through the past six months with a positive outlook and a feeling they were still making a difference for the community.

Law said that oftentimes intervention services have been provided at the time of the investigation, but that by the time a family could leave the center, they would either not be in crisis, not see a need for mental health services, be screened out by one of the advocacy center's partners for inability to pay, or there would be a long wait list for partner mental health agencies. The new site will help level that see-saw journey by providing continuity of services.

"We wanted to make sure the kids would See NMAC Center on page 10

## Harrison Middle School Addressing COVID-19 Exposures

By Dianne Alward-Biery  
Cleaver Staff Writer

HARRISON – In light of increased athletic and academic activities, and while COVID-19 cases are on the rise in the state overall, it is not surprising that the coronavirus has made its way into the Harrison Community Schools.

The district has been diligent in its efforts to safely and cautiously provide as broad an educational experience as possible for students. Yet, the virus intrudes from the outside in, and those best efforts are still subject to what people do as individuals. More importantly, avoiding infection relies on the safety-oriented actions of others with whom they may interact – or who simply touched the same door handle or retail store item, unknowingly leaving virus behind.

Such spread is highly possible, because as much as 40% of those infected are either asymptomatic or pre-symptomatic. However, the manner of spread becomes secondary once it arrives in a school. HCS has reported the following COVID-19 data:

**Total District Confirmed COVID-19 Cases:**  
Staff Active 0; Staff Cumulative 1; Student Active 2; Student Cumulative 0

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## BOE Weighs Hybrid Learning Challenges

By Dianne Alward-Biery  
Cleaver Staff Writer

HARRISON – At its Oct. 12 meeting, the Harrison Community Schools Board of Education began business with approval of its Aug. 5 meeting minutes, and approval of its financial report, general fund, food service, and capital project fund checks of Sept. 1-30.

This meeting was held in the high school gym, the first meeting in a long time that accommodated a gathering of more than 10 attendees. Present were board members were president Angie Cullen, vice president Dan Pechacek, secretary Therese Haley, treasurer Chad Hathcock and trustee Kendra Durga, as well as newly-appointed board trustee Jim Neff; trustee Courtney McCrimmon attended remotely. Also attending were superintendent Rick Foote, business manager Janice Ranck, and recorder Sarah Rust.

The meeting moved quickly into the first public participation. First to speak was Doug Jacobson, chair-

man/trustee at Mid Michigan College. In addition to stumping for his Nov. 3 re-election bid, he informed the crowd of various aspects of MMC financing, as well as energy and maintenance savings realized through its recent massive renovation of Harrison campus structures.

Parent Rachel Anderson spoke of difficulties faced by her high school freshman and other students who have become accustomed to keeping late hours. Her request was to have the virtual curriculum unlocked in the evening to help her child [and others] be able to continue their studies at night, since she was having difficulty getting assignments completed on time.

"As many of the kids have, she has become a night owl," Anderson said. "She's very productive at night, but she won't get up before 10 a.m. to noon."

Thus, she was curious why the curriculum is locked up at the time it is, wondering if unlocking is a possibility, and what reasons there might be against that.

"I do know we are trying to work when we have our staff most available, for those kids to have an opportunity to work with them," said Foote. "We start school at 8 in the

morning and go until 4 in the afternoon. So, we're trying to have somewhat of a normal school day for the face-to-face and also the virtual kids."

Foote said he didn't have a specific answer as to why the 5:30 shutdown, but he would look into it and get back to Anderson with an answer. She added that difficulties with other curriculum and software-related factors, include locking kids out, erasing their answers, and more.

Anderson said she believed that if kids are being productive at night, questions could wait until the next day. Foote responded that if those kids aren't getting up until late morning, they are losing at least four hours of time when they could have something going back and forth with the virtual teachers.

Principal Joe Ashcroft explained that a part of the curriculum timing structure stems from the school's obligation to honor child labor laws, which limit how many hours a student can work on a school day. He said some students want to work during daylight hours and do their virtual work at night.

"Somehow I have to balance the child labor laws with them working during the day," he said. "They're not supposed to work during the

[school] day if they're under the age of 18."

It was noted that even if a student gets up at noon, there are still 5.5 hours to work on school work, yet that has limits because the programs are set up on a tutorial followed by a quiz, repeating throughout the day.

Ashcroft explained that all the students are in a school-day time frame, per building. Middle school principal Kelly Lapovsky explained that the middle school runs from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. because those students need more support from their parents.

Ashcroft added that a regular school day is about 6.5 hours, and the teachers have improved the curriculum to match the curriculum that is taught at the school.

"It's designed to match everything we do here with what's going on," he said, adding that match-up includes trying to keep the same structure as a

normal school day; trying to make sure 16- to 18-year-olds aren't working during the day and doing their homework at night; and trying to ensure the teachers are there to support every child. Ashcroft added compensating for the day/night schedule shifting many students have fallen into is why the end of curriculum hours had been extended from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

It also was clarified that the program being used by the schools does not allow parent access.

Parent Cameron Lewis also raised concerns about problems with online programs, such as being timed-out when a lesson has been worked on for more than 20 minutes, i.e. writing an essay that may take a bit longer. Ashcroft urged him to call the school office to report when such problems occur. He noted the first of the two options he discusses with parents

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### Time for Integrity -



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Progress on the addition to Larson Elementary School is shown Saturday, Oct. 17, as viewed from the southeast corner of the addition. The project is something of a symbol that there is hope for a normalized future when the pandemic subsides. The steep grade also hints at the possibility of a new sledding hill. (Cleaver photo by Dianne Alward-Biery)

## BOE from page 1

is the timing-out problem. He recommended writing as much as possible in Google, which automatically saves the work. Ashcroft also noted that when a student exits the screen, it will time-out.

Lipovsky acknowledged the difficulty encountered when asking trainers about problems, because it is the trainers who instruct the teachers rather than tech support staff who actually know the technical side of things.

“My teachers are well-versed in these problems,” Lipovsky said. She said they have been reaching out to the curriculum program people, but that receiving responses has taken weeks. Lipovsky said she suspects the company is having difficulty simply because of the vast numbers of students now using online learning.

Items under Information and Discussion included a first reading of the NEOLA 2020 Fall update. Foote said two of the policies being updated, citing 56-10 and 56-11 as containing new language that looks for a preponderance of evidence based on the new Title IX policy. He said Policy 74-40 is a new policy that allows HCS to work on installing door devices for lockdown drills – which previous-

ly were not allowed/approved by the fire marshal. Foote said a new law has been passed which allows for the devices, and that he would have to work with the building inspector and provide plans to ensure the device locations were known as well as how to open them up.

Foote explained that locking devices at the middle school and high school are no longer required due to the new locks on the doors.

“The elementary will have similar locks,” he said. “But at this point, they do have things at Hillside, so we have to run those through and get that done.”

It was clarified that BOE action on a second reading will take place in November.

Foote then went on to an update on virtual learning in HCS.

“By law, we are to go back and review each month an extended learning plan that has been approved,” Foote said. “We have a continuity of learning plan that you [the board] approved to open up our school for face-to-face and by virtual.”

He said it is required to report on those things monthly. To that end, the board was provided documents showing the plan for instruction for November in K-12 in both face-to-face and virtual

learning. The information included a 66% virtual attendance beginning with the week of Aug. 24. Up to and through the last week in September virtual attendance improved, rising to 88%.

“At this point, it’s getting people online, educating them on how to use the software and the computer,” Foote said. “We’ve had good attendance through the first of the month, and I am recommending that we stay the course. We are seeing that we have some incidents out there that are starting to heat up with the COVID. It’s not just with us at this point; we’re seeing it in the region and throughout the state in various areas, where they’ve actually moved people back from Stage 5 to Stage 4 – you can see that in the Upper Peninsula. I’m getting kind of worried about where we may be by Thanksgiving here in Harrison.”

Foote also spoke of the student count, which stands at 815 face-to-face students and 460 virtual students. He said having those numbers will help with estimates for staffing, adding that the district is trying to balance those numbers as best it can. The estimates are necessary to plan for the next semester: determining how much classroom space would be needed if face-to-face were to increase or for virtual classes staffing needs. Foote said collection of data on those preferences will be done over the next month.

With no further public participation or action items, the meeting was adjourned. The HCS Board of Education meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month.

## Water Community Welcomes the Perch & Redear Families

# New Budd Lake Residents All Moved In

By Dianne Alward-Biery  
Cleaver Staff Writer

HARRISON – The Budd Lake Association, with the help of a monetary contribution by the City of Harrison, opened the flood gates Tuesday, Oct. 20 at Saxton’s Landing. To be more precise, the flood gates were actually buckets, and those buckets were filled with fish deliv-

Jerry McBrien displays some of the perch, right, and redear sunfish, below right, planted Tuesday from the Power Docks on Budd Lake.



At left, Jared Govitz transfers a fish bucket of perch to Jerry McBrien. Below, McBrien reveals some of the fish about to be find a new home in Budd Lake (Cleaver photos by Dianne Alward-Biery)

ered by the Imlay City Fish Farm to be planted in Budd Lake. Considering the lake’s high water level, from the fishes’ perspective the ordeal probably seemed a bit diluvian (yes, that is a Noah reference).

Silliness aside, this year’s planting required some nerves of steel on the part of the courageous waders, Jerry McBrien and a fish farm employee, as they ignored near-freezing air temperatures and braved frigid waters to relay the fish buckets out into the lake. There, the fish were gently transferred into their vast new home.

Present to cheer them on this year were BLA members Kay McBrien and Terri Koehler, and representatives of the city were Jared Govitz and City Council member Connie Cauchi.

This year’s planting included perch (\$1.50 each) and redear sunfish (\$2.50 each), all ranging from 4-6 inches in length. Ben Achatz and Govitz shuttled the buckets to the lake and back to the truck: dump, rinse, repeat.

Of course, the goal for these little fish is that they grow into much, much larger fish and someday find

their way onto an angler’s hook – and ultimately onto a dinner plate. And, while some may argue about which is the better sport, fishing or baseball, there is no real debate. There really isn’t, because either way – it’s “Batter Up!”



## Treasury: All Bottle, Can Return Facilities Reopening

Michiganers who desire to redeem their outstanding 10-cent deposit on bottles and cans will now be able to go to any retailer that accepts returns, according to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Effective immediately, all grocery stores, supermarkets, convenience stores, gas stations and other retailers with bottle and can return facilities must open their return facilities, resume the collection of returnables and refund customer deposits.

Retailers that typically accept bottles and cans and provide deposits will be reopening their facilities, regardless of where such facilities are physically located, serviced by reverse vending machines, staffed by employees, or some combination of the two.

All retailers with return facilities must ensure that those facilities comply with all state-mandated safety protocols to protect both workers and the public under the emergency order issued Oct. 9 by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

In addition, retailers may take any or all the following steps at

their discretion:

- Limit the number of beverage containers that may be returned by a single individual per day to a deposit refund amount of \$25, as outlined in state law.

- Establish special or limited hours of operation for return facilities.

- Limit the number of available and operating reverse vending machines.

- Periodically close return facilities as needed for cleaning and supply management.

- Implement other procedures or restrictions as necessary to promote safety, efficiency, or both.

If individuals recycle their bottles or cans instead of returning to a retailer for the 10-cent deposit, state law outlines that 75% of the previously collected bottle deposit money is automatically deposited into the state’s Cleanup and Redevelopment Trust Fund and 25% is returned to the retailers.

Additional information about the expansion of bottle and can return opportunities can be found in the state Treasury Department’s “Notice Regarding Michigan’s Bottle Deposit Return Program.”



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# Outdoors With Jeff

Were three weeks into the archery deer season. The first week several hunters were able to harvest nice bucks. The first few days were a mixed bag when it came to the weather. It started out with rain on and off along with some high winds.

One of the afternoons, I watched the weather; it appeared the rain would move out just about the usual time that I go hunting. When I got into my tree blind, sure enough the rain subsided. After I sat in the blind for a while, I noticed there was a breeze starting to pick up. In a matter of minutes the wind was blowing in excess of twenty-five miles per hour, the air temperature was dropping like a rock. Like every hunter that day, including myself was freezing in a matter of an hour or so. As I sat

there, like all other hunters, the cold was getting worse, but in the way that most hunters think we stayed in our tree blinds, freezing and never seeing a deer.

The days following turned out to be a little better and hunters noticed the deer were finally moving. Several other hunters have told me that the deer didn't seem to be moving as much as usual. They believed that other food sources are out there and that's where the deer are hanging out. They said that there are food plots all around and the deer are living near those plots. Some other hunters said that the deer are held up in the oaks where crops of acorns are on the ground.

Other hunters, just scratch their head and told that there are no acorns on the ground because of the Gypsy Moths have eaten all the oaks and didn't have an acorn crop. Some of the hunters told me that they have sat in their blind now for several days hunting, hunting has been slow, they have thought a lot about it sitting in a tree. Some hunters for many years they have told me that they do more thinking sitting in a tree than any other place. I wonder what it is about sitting in a tree that causes this.

With this to ponder, I remembered not long ago, I went over to Silver Lake and drove around looking at the houses and remembering what a great place this was for a kid growing up. In fact one thing I noticed there is a lot less kids in the subdivision, than there were so many years ago. On one corner I stopped and looked at a house, where my friends lived so long ago. I had many fond memories with the kids that lived there, what is sad now many of those kids are old now or have passed away. As I looked I wondered if there was still a swing in the back yard, there wasn't. What was still there was an old Maple tree that struck me. It was the same tree from sixty to seventy years ago.

Back then there could be five to ten kids just sitting on the limbs for hours and talking. That special spot continued until we grew up and moved on. We would discuss things like, what we were going to do that day, where were we going to hunt and fish and tell stories about good places to fish. We would discuss girl friends and many other things.

Today it has struck me that thinking in a tree stand while hunting and a bunch kids sitting an old Maple tree are the same. It must be



JEFF GOYT

a normal thing to think while sitting in tree. I think sitting in a tree and thinking goes back generations.

After we were all grown up, there was a couple times, we were adults we all sat in that old maple tree and still talked about the future and laughed about the past. Other than a few sprained ankles no one ever got hurt. What's left of that group that's still alive, they still-hunt, and not many sit in a tree stand anymore, most sitting in ground blinds. They say its not the sitting it's the climbing that stops them.

For those that hunt, whether it's on the ground or in a tree hopefully the rut will start soon. I wish everyone good luck hunting and remember be safe and hunt ethically.

If your hunting in a tree makes sure you wear a safety harness. Have fun and watch the tree change color, it's the beautiful time of the year.



## Early Clare County Legal Cases

PEOPLE v BENN, BENN & KEYES

MARCH 16, 1903 -

### Assault With Intent To Steal

Millard F. Robinson signed a Criminal Complaint before Surrey Township Justice of the Peace Daniel R. Wait alleging that on February 9, 1903, John(a/k/a Jack) Benn, Noah Benn, and Ormel H. Keyes assaulted him and stole \$45. The defendants were arrested and on February 24th Justice Wait held a preliminary examination. He bound the defendants over to Circuit Court and his Return was filed in Circuit Court on March 16, 1903.

Millard F. Robinson testified at the preliminary examination that he had left his home in Farwell on February 9th and proceeded to his camp in Section 8, Garfield Township. The camp was located on the North side of the Pere Marquette Railroad about 20 to 30 rods from the railroad. On arriving he found no one in the men's shanty and so he checked the cook's shanty where Mrs. Utley (?) told him the men were working in the woods and asked him "to take a stool". He went back to the men's shanty and after a time saw the Benn boys arrive at the camp. They handed him a paper saying "This is the time the old man made out" (this writer assumes the old man to be defendant Keyes) and asked for their pay. Witness Robinson saw an error in defendant John Benn's time sheet and corrected it and paid defendant John Benn \$13.76 and defendant Noah Benn \$15.40.

They refused to sign a receipt claiming that the payment was for "working on cedar" but not for "clearing land", a field planted to rye. Witness Robinson asserted that they were not hired to clear land and refused to pay them in that he had already paid defendant Keyes for clearing the land.

The "old man", defendant Keyes, then arrived, they went to dinner in the cook's shanty, and after dinner went back to the men's shanty where defendant Keyes requested a settling up as to his pay. About this time John

# ~ CLARE COUNTY HISTORY ~

## I.G.A. Grand Opening



Photo by Guys and Dolls

The Northland I.G.A. which was located on the corner of 2nd and Main Streets in downtown Harrison was purchased by Loyal and Lucille Beadle in November of 1961. In less than a year the business grew and Mike Beadle, a graduate of Davenport McLaughlin Business Institute of Grand Rapids, joined the staff and accepted the duties of the grocery department. The business continued to grow in the spring of 1963

and Larry Beadle, who had completed four years of service with the Air Force, joined the group and took over the duties of the I.G.A. meat department. As the business continued to grow in 1965, it was decided a remodeling program was in order and 2400 sq. ft. was added to the existing building.

In the year 1967 the corporation was formed, which is known today as "The Northland I.G.A. Foodliner, Inc."

with Loyal as president; Larry, vice president; and Mike as sec-treas. In 1970 the corp. began its purchase of certain properties within the downtown shopping center. On October 13, 1975 ground was broken on the corner of Main and Broad to erect the new spacious Northland IGA Foodliner. With its uncluttered isles, modern equipment, air conditioning and vast inventory of products to choose from it is a fine addition to the

community. The Beadles and their entire staff of loyal employees dedicate the new store to their many deserving customers who waited patiently for the new store to open. The public is cordially invited to the Grand Opening this week where you will find valuable door prizes, bargains galore, and quality goods and service.

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## A Glimpse Into The Past

The cover of the April 29, 1976 Cleaver announces the grand opening of the new IGA location. They moved from Second Street to the building that now houses Dollar General. The archives of the Cleaver show many contests, giveaways, and support of the community shown by the IGA and the Beadle family over the years. With sadness, the Cleaver also carried Larry Beadle's obituary in last week's paper.

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# MEET THE CANDIDATES

## Ferrett Running for Re-Election

Hello. My name is Barbara Ferrett and I am running for re-election of a Greenwood Township Trustee. I have been on the board for almost 8 years and have continuously worked for the common interests of all Greenwood Township.

I have owned property in Greenwood Township since 1991. My husband, Art, and I grew to love the area and moved here 14 years ago.

I was on the committee to build

the pavilion: an example of your tax dollars being reinvested in our community.

I hope you and your family have had the opportunity to enjoy it. In addition to this and various other responsibilities, I have recently become the sexton of the Hillcrest Cemetery. It has been both very interesting and very challenging and I have learned so much about Greenwood Township's history and its families, past and present.

I am also the treasurer of the Clare county Michigan Township Association. I have held that position for about 4 years. It is there that I learn what is happening in other local townships.

I could list other accomplishments and tell you about the charities I support and contribute to, but what is more important for you to know about me is that I understand the rural nature of our community, and believe what works here isn't necessarily the

same as what works in larger cities.

I don't want to CHANGE Greenwood township, but I do want to be a part of its continued growth and stability.

I feel I've contributed to the board through two terms and would be honored to be able to continue to represent you as Township Trustee.

Thank you for your time, and remember to VOTE on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020.

## Mike Haley Running for Hayes Township Supervisor

The best qualified candidate will do the best job. For the upcoming November general election, Michael Haley is the best choice for Hayes Township Supervisor.

I have the experience – four years as Hayes Township Trustee. My tenure has included attending the many township board meetings that are expected of a reliable trustee as well as attending meetings with other local entities, state representatives, and my knowledge of local government.

I am team oriented and I have the leadership, collaboration, and communication skills necessary to provide support for the staff of a smooth-running office to enable them to function efficiently and cohesively.

I have the knowledge as I have attended many MTA (Michigan Township Association) training and educational classes including Budgeting for Small Townships, Ethics in Government, Board Relations, Common Road Issues, Conflict Management, Open Meetings, FOIA, Leadership for Elected Officials, ZBA (Zoning Board of Appeals) Basics, Planning and Zoning Basics, and Gravel Road Basics and Pavement Asset Management presented by Michigan Tech University. I have attended MTS's Supervisor's Retreat where I was able to network and learn from supervisors from around the state of Michigan.

I am a board member of the Harrison District Library and a

member of the Hayes Township Zoning Board of Appeals. I have been active in the community, volunteering for Recycling Day, Snowball, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans Freedom Park and Harrison Middle School Food Bank. I attend Clare County Road Commission and Clare County Commission meetings. I am a trained election inspector and I have served as an election chairperson.

National party affiliation does not define me. My work ethic, commitment to improving Hayes Township, and the ability to research issues and respond to

local residents defines my last four years of service to the community. The most important parts of my agenda are continued smart use of your tax dollars, economic growth, a plan to reduce blight and enforce local ordinances, and continued negotiation for low-cost trash collection and road brining.

The best choice for Hayes Township Supervisor is the most qualified candidate. I have the training, experience, a proven record, and I will continue to represent you to the best of my ability.

**Mike Haley**  
Hayes Township

## Bailow Running for Re-Election

My name is Linda Bailow and I am running for re-election for Greenwood Township Clerk. I have been on the board for 10 years and have always worked for the best interests of Greenwood Township and its residents. I am also president of the Clare County chapter of the Michigan Townships Association.

My husband and I have lived in the township for 23 years.

I have always listened to the concerns of our residents and have worked with board members to take care of those concerns and issues that may have been presented in our township. I will continue to advocate for the best use of your tax dollars and will always welcome your input and feedback. Change is not a bad thing, but I do not feel or believe that everything that works for larger cities is neces-

sarily right for Greenwood Township. I do not want to change our township; its continued growth and the stability are of main concern.

I believe our residents appreciate the rural nature of our township and prefer to keep it that way. Although both candidates for clerk meet the residency requirements (30 days), I hope my 23 years living in Greenwood Township and my 10 years as Clerk speak to my commitment and love of the township and its residents.

I am asking for your support and vote for re-election to the Greenwood Township Board and I look forward to representing your thoughts and concerns for the next four years as Greenwood Township Clerk.

**Thank You,**  
**Linda Bailow**

## Election Security Advisory Commission

LANSING – Secretary Joselyn Benson appointed an Election Security Advisory Commission in March 2019 to recommend reforms and strategies for ensuring the security of elections in Michigan.

Members included local officials, election specialists and national experts in technology and data security. They assessed Michigan's voter registration system and data, the process of voting and transmission of election results. The commission held hearings inviting input from citizens and experts on election problems and security and developed a set of recommended reforms and actions, many of which have already been executed.

### MISINFORMATION AND FALSE INFORMATION

This year, perhaps more than any other, voters will be inundated by efforts to confuse them – about the election process, their rights, and the issues at stake. These efforts – be they foreign, domestic, partisan, or simply malicious – are designed to sow mistrust in our elections process and are antithetical to a healthy democracy.

Fighting back against them is critical to ensuring our elections are a secure and accurate reflection of the will of the people.

Voters must be vigilant against any and all attempts to "hack" their minds with scare tactics and other attempts to lessen their faith or confidence in our elections. They must proactively seek out reliable sources of information and encourage productive dialogue.

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# Grammar Guy

## A slightly more perfect present



**CURTIS HONEYCUTT**

This year has been rough, especially for the U.S. The country has been on fire, we're dealing with a global pandemic, and both racial injustice and political unrest continue to dominate the headlines. So, my question is: was the past better or will the future bring us brighter days?

To be honest with you, that's above my paygrade. I can't guarantee the quality of your past, present or future, but I can help you understand the present perfect tense.

Yes, times are tense, but learning about the present perfect tense can be fun! The present perfect is a verb tense that is used in two different ways: to indicate something has happened at a time in the unspecified past and to show something has happened in the past that continues to occur in the present. Clear as mud, right? Fine, I'll share some examples.

The present perfect indicates something has happened at a time in the unspecified past: I've heard this one before. She has walked this lonely road many times. I have been to North Dakota. Byron has eaten the gas station sushi. You can see the pattern in this verb construction.

The present perfect shows something has happened in the past that continues to occur in the present: I have had a weak back for about a week back. Coronavirus has been infecting people in the U.S. all year. He has been dealing with bad breath for several decades.

As you can see, the present perfect tense uses "has" or "have" with the past participle form of a verb. The past participle of a verb

typically expresses an action that has already been completed or accomplished.

So, we know the present can be tense, but can it also be perfect? I'm not great at "living in the moment"; I tend to live in my head, planning how I think things should be. Because of this, I find it difficult for the present to be perfect.

Here's the lesson I'm going to apply from the present perfect tense: Think about something in your life (that is in your control) that has happened in the past that continues to occur in the present. If this thing/person/feeling has increased the quality of your life, then you should continue and perhaps amplify it. However, if this pattern in your life makes things consistently worse, then it's probably time to kick it to the curb. Maybe if we put things through this filter, we'll make the present at least a little better – and slightly closer to a present perfect.

Curtis Honeycutt is a syndicated humor columnist. He is the author of "Good Grammar is the Life of the Party: Tips for a Wildly Successful Life." Find more at [curtishoneycutt.com](http://curtishoneycutt.com).

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# LOCAL EVENTS & NEWS



FAS Superintendent Steve Scoville opens up the groundbreaking ceremony. (Cleaver photos by Kaylee Winter)

## Farwell Elementary School Breaks Ground Kindergartners, 1st-Graders Help Dig In At Groundbreaking

By Kaylee Winter  
Cleaver Internship Writer

FARWELL – Farwell Area Schools hosted a groundbreaking ceremony Monday, Oct. 5 for the new wing being added to Farwell Elementary School. The ceremony took place behind the elementary school by the playground.

Members of the FAS held the ceremony at the site of the new wing.

Construction has officially started after the approval of the 2019 bond proposal, making this the last of the major work to be done

through the proposal.

The work completed so far has been new boilers, HVAC systems, along with other unseen work. Official construction for the new wing, which will replace the 1949 portion of the school, will begin this fall. Construction work to replace the outdated playground, parking lot and student drop-off areas will also be done. Fire alarms will be replaced and security systems added to every entrance.

Keeping schools strong is one of Farwell's top priorities.

"Being able to offer a single location for child care, preschool and K-12 education in Farwell helps to meet the needs of the hardworking families in the community," said State Rep. Jason Wentworth, a Farwell Area Schools alumnus.

The districts guaranteed \$2.2 million in energy efficiency and operational savings through a competitive bid process.

Jessica Cobb, chair of the FAS Community Unity Opportunity Committee, took on the role to get this bond proposal passed. The



Kindergartners and first-graders join with Farwell Area Schools members to make the first dig towards the school's new wing.

school recognized a need.

"And a vision is now a reality," said Cobb.

A total of four kindergartners and first-graders stood next to some of FAS members to dig the first hole for

the first phase of the construction. The school chose kindergartners and first-graders for this ceremony because the younger students will be the ones who will see this project all the way through.

## THE AMISH COOK - By Gloria Yoder

### Yoders Still Not Sick of Tortillas

You may or may not want to join us on last night's adventures. I was deep into my first sleep when I was awakened by a little voice calling me from down the hallway. It was Jesse. After soothing him, I flopped back into our cozy warm bed, itching for a good night before dawn. Moments later, there was another "Mama!"

followed by another call, then another. This time it was Austin and I immediately knew that it was something out of the ordinary and that there was a stomach bug going around. As I came to his aid, Elijah's desperate cry met my ears. Daddy took care of him.

"This is crazy," I told myself, "Both boys throwing up at the same time!" Before I had time to clean up after Elijah in our bedroom, it was Jesse's turn. Poor little fellows. I have no idea how Julia and Rayni managed to sleep right through all those howls, piercing the midnight stillness. After cleaning up Jesse, I tucked him back to bed and tackled our bedroom floor, the bed, and everything else that had come in the line of fire. By then, Austin was nestled on a crib mattress on our bedroom floor. He patiently waited as I cleaned and disinfected. Wryly, I told him that I think Elijah did have a big supper last

night. In the meanwhile, Daddy rocked miserable little Elijah. Hours passed as Austin worked on

Now, as I write, I'm lying on the living room floor, with children on all sides. Things have quieted



retching out the stomach flu time and again. After several hours of minimal sleep for both of us, I gave him some sparkling water to help replace the stomach acids he lost; this worked marvelously. The next time I awoke, I was impressed to discover that we had both slept for a whole hour.

By daybreak we had a collection of tissue boxes, paper towels, a heap of wet clothes and pillows, and the likes. Rayni and Jesse had the stomach flu the day before, so it wasn't a complete surprise, yet who is ever actually ready for the stomach flu? I can't say that I am Yet it's like I reminded Austin this morning, of the verse in Romans 5:3 that says, "Tribulation worketh patience." We do gain patience through our rough times.

Just before Daniel went to work in the shop this morning, he made a dash to the garage informing me that he needs to get something. Upon his return, I noticed a piece of blue ribbon in his hand. Stepping over to me, he slipped it over my head and pinned it together in the front. "You are a blue ribbon mother!" he declared. Ah, bless his dear heart. As I went through my day, tending to the needs of my little ones, I was greatly encouraged by his amazing thoughtfulness in encouraging me in this way. Am I doing what I can to encourage others?

pre annual flowers are just more practical for our stage in life with little darlings, so we'll keep taking care of the ones we already have.

Now for a super simple recipe for more of you moms who have a time crunch for one reason or another, join us as we make last-minute tortilla wedges. Seriously, your imagination is the limit to these. Any meats, toppings, or sauces of your choice can be used, such as barbecue sauce, salsa, or ranch. For a quick sweet snack, try toasting a flour tortilla on both sides with a dab of butter then spread jelly on top.

**Easy Tortilla Pizza Wedges**  
flour tortillas  
pizza sauce  
hamburger, fried and seasoned pepperoni  
cheese of your choice

Layer on tortillas in order given. Bake at 350 until hot and cheese has melted. Cut into wedges, pizza style. This is a great last-minute option when all your other menu brainstorming has failed or even a great idea for tea parties. Other toppings such as diced onions, peppers, mushrooms, olives, or even chicken dices with pineapple tidbits are great piled on top!

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# Obituaries

## MARTHA ANN DAVIS

SEPTEMBER 12, 1927 - OCTOBER 16, 2020

Martha Ann Davis 93 of Harrison passed away peacefully on Friday, October 16, 2020, surrounded by her loving family. Martha was born September 12, 1927 in Flint, Michigan the daughter of Henry Clay Davis and Velma Mildred (Bailey) Davis. Martha graduated from Flint Northern High School in 1945. She furthered her education and attended Mid Michigan Community College for two years obtaining her associate's degree in secretarial science.



Ms. Davis had resided in Harrison since 1975, moving from Houghton Lake. Martha worked several years at the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Fire Office of Harrison. She was passionate about her beloved Frank Sinatra, spending countless years listening to his music. Martha enjoyed watching and feeding her Cardinals, watching old movies, especially repeated viewings of Gone with the Wind.

Surviving Ms. Davis are her beloved five children; Diane Lynn Tompkins of Houghton Lake, Christine Ann Willey also of Prudenville, John Clay Parker of Houghton Lake, Alan Charles Parker and wife Michele of Gladwin, and James Scott Parker and wife Stephanie of Harrison, fifteen grandchildren and twenty-five great-grandchildren. Martha

was preceded in death by her parents and one daughter, Karen Sue Parker.

Funeral services honoring Ms. Davis will be held Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. from Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison. A time of visitation will take place on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Inurnment will be in Forest Hill Cemetery, Ewart, Michigan. Memorial gifts in memory of Martha may be considered to: Northern Michigan Children's Assessment Center, 112 S. 4th Street, Roscommon, Michigan 48653. To share an online memory or condolence with Martha's family, please visit: [www.stockingfuneralhome.com](http://www.stockingfuneralhome.com). Arrangements for Ms. Davis are entrusted with Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison (989) 539-7810.

## PATRICIA ANN TOMES

JANUARY 14, 1939 - OCTOBER 16, 2020

Patricia Ann Tomes 81 of Harrison, went to be with her Lord on Friday, October 16, 2020. Patricia was born January 14, 1939 in Detroit, Michigan, the daughter of Ned E. Duval and Tero Belle (Mulkey) Duval. On June 23, 1956, Patricia was united in marriage to Mr. Allen Edwin Tomes. Mr. Tomes preceded Patricia in death on August 2, 2019 after sixty-three years.



Patricia had resided in Harrison since 1970, moving from Royal Oak, Michigan, after she and her husband Allen purchased Camp Withii. Patricia was a faithful member of First Baptist Church since the early 1970's. Mrs. Tomes enjoyed sewing, Needlepoint, floral gardening, especially her beloved Purple Violets, cooking for her family and collecting pictures of her family.

Surviving Mrs. Tomes are her three sons; Chuck Tomes and wife Carol of Plant City, Florida, James Tomes of Harrison and Allen Tomes Jr. and wife Emily of Holland, Michigan, her father-in-law, Mr. Edwin H. Tomes of Olive Branch, Mississippi, six grandchildren; Megan Tomes, Brooke Edgemon and husband Matt, Levi Tomes and wife Kris, Michelle Tomes, Allen Tomes III and wife Emily and Amanda Lyn Tomes, three great-grandchildren; Lily Edgemon, William Edgemon and Katelyn Edgemon, one brother, Jim Duval and wife Rochelle of St. Louis, Missouri. Patricia

was also preceded in death by her parents and one son, Thomas Tomes.

Funeral services honoring Mrs. Tomes will be held Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. from First Baptist Church, 3088 Mostetler Road, Harrison, Michigan 48625, with Pastor Ben Marx officiating.

Visitation will take place Thursday, October 22, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. until time of service. Burial will be in Hamilton Township Cemetery, Harrison.

Memorial gifts in memory of Mrs. Tomes may be considered to: First Baptist Church-Benevolent Fund. To share an online memory or condolence with Patricia's family, please visit: [www.stockingfuneralhome.com](http://www.stockingfuneralhome.com). Arrangements for Mrs. Tomes are entrusted with Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison (989) 539-78110.

## LINDEN DALE BRAND

FEBRUARY 28, 1943 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

Linden Dale Brand 77 of rural Harrison passed away Wednesday, September 30, 2020 at MidMichigan Medical Center-Clare. Linden was born February 28, 1943 in Mecosta County, Michigan the son of Alvord and Golda (Blosser) Brand. Linden honorably served his country in the United States Marine Corps for over six years.



Mr. Brand had resided in Harrison since 2009, moving from Midland, Michigan. Linden spent over fifty years in the automotive repair and painting industry. Linden enjoyed fishing, especially at Cranberry Lake, located in Harrison, hunting with his family, scratching off Lottery tickets and visiting various casino's throughout Michigan.

Surviving Mr. Brand are his three children; Michael Brand and companion Jennifer Groom of Midland, Jeff Brand and wife Wendy also of Midland and Claudia Taylor and husband Dave of Bradenton, Florida, many Grandchildren, two sisters; Esther Sweetland of rural Harrison and Joyce Ferguson and husband Ron of Abilene, Texas, plus many nieces and nephews. Mr. Brand was preceded in death by his par-

ents, one son, Frank Brand, two sisters; Lois Laufer and Geneva Bentley and two brothers; Benny "Junior" Brand and Wilbur Brand.

Celebration of Life services and Military Honors for Linden will be held Wednesday, October 21, 2020 from Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison with family, friends officiating. Inurnment for Linden will be in Pleasant Plains Cemetery, Harrison. Memorial gifts in memory of Mr. Brand may be considered to the Brand Family, in care of: Michael Brand. To share an online memory or condolence with Linden's family, please visit: [www.stockingfuneralhome.com](http://www.stockingfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements for Mr. Brand are entrusted with Stocking Funeral Home, Harrison (989)539-7810.

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### Order at Harrison Chamber, Jackpine Women's Assoc. Cheesecake Sales

The Harrison Women's Association sell cheesecakes each year to help raise money for scholarships for a female, Harrison High School graduate, as well as to provide an 8th grade luncheon for all of the young ladies at Harrison Middle School. However, due to COVID, and some members not wanting to be out in public, orders will

be taken through 2 different locations rather than stopping into the area businesses and taking orders. One is the Harrison Chamber of Commerce, and the other is through Karen at the Jackpine Restaurant.

Stock your freezer for the holidays! Max & Emily's Cheesecakes for Sale, \$20 per cheesecake. Payment due at the time of the order.

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## Strengthen Your Faith

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**LEGALS**

**STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLARE NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Decedent's Estate  
**FILE NO. 2020-18138-DE**  
Estate of Robert Floyd

Austin  
Date of Birth: November 23, 1961

**TO ALL CREDITORS: \* NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**

The decedent, Robert Floyd Austin, died March 30, 2020.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Ryon Wayne Austin, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 225 West Main Street, Harrison, Michigan 48625 and the

personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: October 13, 2020

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**Notice Of Public Hearing**  
The Hayes Township Planning Commission has received a special use permit request from Jay Hoffman/ H&H Propane. In accordance with MCL 125.3103, Hayes Township is publishing notice of this public hearing. The public hearing is being held to consider the special use permit of property located at:  
• 3592 N. Clare Avenue #007-016-100-22  
The special use permit request is to conduct a propane business including LPG bulk storage tanks at this location.  
This request will be heard on **Friday, October 30, 2020 at 7:00 pm** at the Hayes Township Municipal Complex, located at 2055 E. Townline Lake Rd., Harrison MI 48625.  
*If you are unable to attend, written comments may be submitted to:*  
Hayes Township,  
P.O. Box 310,  
Harrison, Michigan 48625  
Attn: Zoning Administrator,  
*or delivered to:*  
Hayes Township Municipal Complex  
2055 E. Townline Lake Rd.,  
Harrison, MI 48625  
until 2:00 pm Friday, October 30, 2020.  
All related information may be reviewed at the Hayes Township Clerks office during normal business hours, Monday through Thursday from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. Additional information regarding a possible virtual meeting will be posted on [www.hayestownship.com](http://www.hayestownship.com) as soon as information is available.  
Debra Hoyt  
Hayes Township Clerk

**STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLARE NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Decedent's Estate  
**FILE NO. 20-18174-DE**  
Estate of KATHLEEN G. BEASLEY  
Date of Birth: 12/29/1930  
**TO ALL CREDITORS: \* NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**  
The decedent, KATHLEEN G. BEASLEY, died 10/11/2019.  
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to BARNEY R. MASON, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 225 WEST MAIN STREET, HARRISON and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.  
Dated: 10-16-20  
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLARE NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Decedent's Estate  
**FILE NO. 20-18173-DE**  
Estate of NORMA JEAN HALTER  
Date of Birth: 04/20/1931  
**TO ALL CREDITORS: \* NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**  
The decedent, NORMA JEAN HALTER, died 09/12/2020.  
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to DEBRA J. JOHNSON, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 225 WEST MAIN STREET, HARRISON and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

**Lincoln Township Public Notice:**  
At the regular monthly meeting held on October 12, 2020, The Lincoln Township Board of Trustees approved and adopted the following zoning ordinance text amendments as recommended by the Lincoln Township Planning Commission, which held a public hearing on the proposed text amendments on the 11th day of August, 2020. Added text is indicated by bold font and underlined or text deleted is indicated by strikethrough.  
Definitions: Attached Garage: A garage structurally attached to a building by either shared wall construction or by a fully and structurally enclosed corridor or similar fully enclosed architectural feature **no more than eight (8) feet in length and five (5) feet wide.**  
Article 20: Supplemental Provisions.  
Sec. 20.8 Recreational Vehicles as Temporary Dwelling on Vacant Lots. B. Standards, 3. Setbacks: Recreational vehicles shall comply with the side and rear yard setback standards of Table 3-4 of Article 3. ~~and shall be set back from a minimum distance of one hundred (100) feet from the front lot line.~~  
Sec. 20.9 Accessory Structures and Buildings, A. Scope: Accessory structures and buildings shall be subject to the regulations of this Section except where expressly regulated otherwise by this Ordinance. No provisions of this Section shall be interpreted as authorizing accessory uses, buildings or structures that do not conform to the definitions of Article 21 pertaining to the same. For the purposes of this Section, a building shall be considered an accessory building where such building is not structurally attached to the principal building by either shared wall construction or by a fully and structurally enclosed corridor or similar fully enclosed architectural feature **no more than eight (8) feet in length and five (5) feet wide.** An attached garage shall not be construed as an accessory building. This Section shall not apply to fences and walls.  
The effective date of the amendments approved and adopted by the Lincoln Township Board of Trustees on 12 October 2020 is 01 November 2020.  
*Carol L. Majewski, Clerk*

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**5595 E TOWNLIN LK RD** Well kept 3bd 2 ba manufactured home 9.75 wooded acres trails thruout pole barn, wood stove paved rd \$119,500  
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**7930 W. TEMPLE DR.** Rustic newer cabin, no water or sewer, ran by a generator, but elec. Available nearby, approx. 6.7 wooded acres near river, state land and trails. \$19,900.00  
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**2110 BEATRICE.** 3 bdrm. with loft bedroom, balcony, vinyl siding, screen porch, on 1/2+ acre & near Lily Lk. Access. \$69,900. **MLS 173447**

**16 WHITE PINERIDGE.** Is For Sale. 1.66 acre building site on the Tamarack Golf Course, a site condo development. \$24,900. **Text P57866 to 54561**

**7024 RODGERS.** 2 bedroom 1910 field stone schoolhouse with stucco finish, wood floors, unfinished basement, wood st., garage, sheds, paved rd. on 1+ acre near state land & trails. \$69,900. **MLS 168034**  
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# More than 7,200 Michiganders have died from Covid-19.

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## Covid-19 is on the ballot.

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# Mid Ballot Proposals Strengthen Ties With Isabella & Gratiot Counties

Mid Michigan College (Mid) has a significant history of serving the residents of Gratiot and Isabella counties. The College first opened its doors to students in 1968 in Clare and Gladwin counties. But just a year later, Mid began offering classes and serving students in Gratiot and Isabella counties as well.

"Mid's first nursing and technical courses were in Isabella county," said Scott Mertes, VP of Community Outreach. "Our flagship programs really took root here and we have been going strong ever since."

The College has two proposals on the November ballot for those who reside within the Gratiot/Isabella RESD. The first proposal asks voters if they will join the College's district. The second proposal asks voters to approve the millage rate of 1.2232 mills.

Because this is an annexation, two proposals are required by the State and both must pass in order for the proposals to take effect.

Over 1,100 students from Isabella and Gratiot counties are attending Mid this fall, accounting for nearly 35% of its enrollment. By comparison, Clare and Gladwin county residents make up 26% of enrollment.

"Students from Isabella and Gratiot counties have historically accounted for a large percentage of our enrollment," said Mertes. "That's why we work to serve our southern region with a campus in Isabella County. And it's why we are working with the schools in Gratiot County to expand our presence."

Local K-12 school districts have been an important part of the Mid's growth over the past sever-

al years. Over 380 high school students from Isabella and Gratiot counties are taking dual enrollment courses. These students have an opportunity to get a head start on college and transfer seamlessly to their next step after high school.

According to data from the State's Center for Educational Performance and Information, Mid is the top choice for college among high school graduates from the Gratiot/Isabella RESD.

"Many students attend Mid during high school and then continue pursuing their degree with us when they graduate," said Mertes. "Those students then move on from Mid and work for local employers or transfer to the university of their choice to continue their education."

Mid's students often stay local when they graduate, which supports workforce and economic development in the region. Local businesses have recognized the importance that Mid plays in the community.

The Gratiot Area Chamber of Commerce, for instance, has backed Mid's ballot proposals.

"We fully support Mid's efforts to annex the GI-RESD territory and feel this will greatly benefit the greater Gratiot com-

munities and support its businesses," said Brendan Kelley, Executive Director of the Gratiot Area Chamber of Commerce.

Over the years, Mid has partnered with local businesses and groups like the Middle Michigan Development Corporation, Chambers of Commerce, and the Central Michigan Manufacturers Association to train the next generation of workers.

In fact, Mid hosts the CMMA's office on its Mt. Pleasant Campus. At the same location, Mid is the home for the Small Business Development Center, which helps small businesses and entrepreneurs start and grow in mid-Michigan.

These, and countless other resources, come together at Mid to support local growth for students, businesses, and the region.

"Building partnerships and helping people succeed is at the core of everything we do," said Mertes. "And it pays off for the community. Mid's annual impact on the region is over \$69 million and we directly support 1 out of every 43 jobs."

If both ballot measures pass, residents of the Gratiot/Isabella RESD, who are not already part of a community college district, will be annexed into Mid's dis-

trict. Although the proposals apply to residents of the GIRESD, this is not a GIRESD proposal and it will not impact their operations.

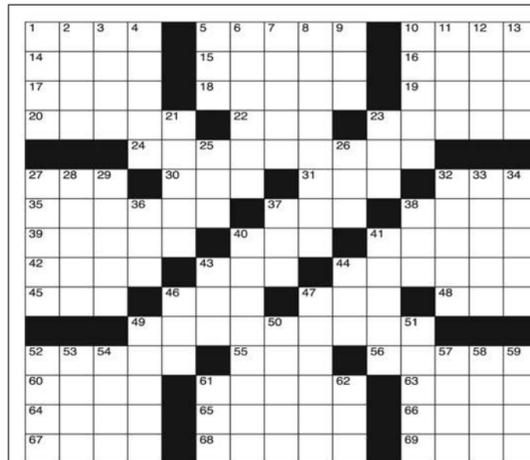
The College would receive about \$3.1 million in property tax revenue, of which, over \$1.5 million would be passed on to students through reduced tuition.

For those in the College's expanded district, tuition would be lowered by

40% - from \$220 to \$132 per contact hour. This change would save a full time student over \$2,100 in tuition each year.

"We are committed to Isabella and Gratiot counties," said Mertes. "If the ballot measures pass, the College will have a more stable funding model that will allow us to reduce tuition, support local businesses, and help students succeed."

## CROSSWORD



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Cold War player
- 5. Flat-bottomed sailboat
- 10. Jamaican tangelo
- 14. Debauched man
- 15. Less covered
- 16. Require to live
- 17. Patrick and Aykroyd are two
- 18. Mixes
- 19. Insurance claim expenses
- 20. Tries to persuade
- 22. Equal (prefix)
- 23. Czech name for Prague
- 24. London soccer team
- 27. Greek letter
- 30. Small Eurasian deer
- 31. Swiss river
- 32. Miller beer
- 35. Less appealing
- 37. 8th month (abbr.)
- 38. \_\_\_ Alto, California city
- 39. Grandmothers
- 40. American time
- 41. NW Chinese people
- 42. "Westworld" actress \_\_\_ Rachel Wood
- 43. Northeastern US university
- 44. Poplar trees (Spanish)
- 45. Hip hop legend Kool Moe \_\_\_
- 46. Not or
- 47. Corpuscle count (abbr.)
- 48. Comedienne Gastereyer
- 49. Fonts
- 52. Female cattle mammary gland
- 55. Down time
- 56. Spiritual leader
- 60. Small brown and gray American rail
- 61. Trimmed by cutting
- 63. NY Giants owner
- 64. A long narrative poem
- 65. Old World lizard
- 66. Product for sale
- 67. Shut Your Pie Hole (abbr.)
- 68. Pacific Island country
- 69. Whale ship captain

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Language
- 2. Fly high in the air
- 3. Made musical sounds
- 4. Organized again
- 5. TV channel
- 6. Unable to fly
- 7. Get up
- 8. Air traveler
- 9. Married woman
- 10. Take weapons from
- 11. Sicilian city
- 12. Actress Remini
- 13. Thought
- 21. Infections
- 23. Golf score
- 25. Hill or rocky peak
- 26. Witch
- 27. Adjusted
- 28. Succulent plant
- 29. Forearm bones
- 32. Hot fluid in the earth's crust
- 33. Subatomic particle
- 34. Part of an organism
- 36. 007's creator
- 37. Burned material residue
- 38. Brain layer: \_\_\_ mater
- 40. Unable to partake
- 41. Lesion
- 43. Historic railroad company (abbr.)
- 44. Basics
- 46. Scottish port
- 47. Flower cluster
- 49. Instruct
- 50. Untamed
- 51. Moth genus
- 52. Utilizes
- 53. Foolish
- 54. Fall in small drops
- 57. A place to get clean
- 58. La \_\_\_ Tar Pits
- 59. Metrical foot
- 61. Semiliquid food
- 62. Small crow

Watch For Answers In Next Week's Issue...

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**LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS**

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## Pastor Retiring

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Pastor Timothy Tanner, of First Baptist Church for last 20 years, is retiring. He and his wife, Cheryl, will be moving to South Carolina. His final service will be on Sunday, October 25.

After morning worship service, the congregation will be honoring the Tanners with a luncheon and cordially invite neighbors and acquaintances to come bid them farewell from 1:30 to 3:30 at a Coffee & Cookie Open House.



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## City of Harrison

Phelps Nature Trail - Phase I TF17-0039

Project #: 2190135

### 1. RECEIPT OF BIDS

Sealed bids for the above project will be received by City of Harrison of 2105 Sullivan Drive, Harrison, MI 48625 until:

**2:00 (local time) on Tuesday, November 10, 2020**

at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

### 2. SCOPE OF PROJECT

The project consists of furnishing all material and constructing the following:

Construction of a paved nature trail. Work includes all clearing, earthwork, retaining walls, aggregate base, paving (HMA or concrete alternatives), lighting, and trail features.

Including all necessary appurtenances and restoration.

### 3. EXAMINATION OF SPECIFICATIONS

Contract documents may be examined online at [www.preinnewhof.com/planroom](http://www.preinnewhof.com/planroom) or at the offices of:

City of Harrison, 2105 Sullivan Drive, Harrison, MI 48625  
Prein&Newhof, 100 East Chapin Street, Suite A, Cadillac, MI 49601  
And some local plan rooms.

### 4. DEPOSIT FOR DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Drawings and specifications are available online at [www.preinnewhof.com/plan-room](http://www.preinnewhof.com/plan-room) or at the Cadillac office of Prein&Newhof after 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 6, 2020. Electronic drawings, specifications and bidding documents will be accessible/available only to those Bidders who have been pre-qualified by Owner in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and are active members of the Prein&Newhof Plan Room. Bidder assumes sole risk for any project specifications and drawings, electronic or hard copy, obtained other than directly from Prein&Newhof. Hard copy drawings and specifications are available for the fee of \$25 dollars. Prein&Newhof Plan Room members who want to purchase the hard copy of the drawings only, may do so for \$25 dollars. A \$15 dollar charge will be added to all mailed drawings and/or specifications. Fees are payable by cash or check only and are not refunded.

### 5. FUNDING

The work to be performed under this contract will be financed and paid for by funds received from MDNR Trust Fund Grant and City of Harrison

**The Contractor and all sub-contractors must comply with all requirements of 1976 PA 453 (Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act), the 1976 PA 220 (Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act), and Executive Directive 2019-09, as amended.**

### 6. BID SURETY

A bid bond, certified check, or cashier's check payable to City of Harrison in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total price shall accompany each bid. This surety shall bind the bidder for a period of thirty (30) days after the receipt of bids.

### 7. COMPLETION DATE

The project shall be substantially complete by June 18, 2021.

Final project completion, including all punchlist items addressed, shall be by June 30, 2021.

A project schedule of major items of work shall be submitted with the Contractor's bid and this schedule will be a factor in project award.



Tracey Connelly  
City of Harrison  
Clare County, Michigan

## HAYES TOWNSHIP

### Notice Of Public Hearing

The Hayes Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on **Friday, October 30, 2020 at 7:00 pm** at the Hayes Township Municipal Complex, located at 2055 E. Townline Lake Rd., Harrison MI 48625.

In accordance with MCL 125.3103, Hayes Township is publishing notice of this public hearing. The public hearing is being held to address the Jay Hoffman / H&H Propane Special Use Permit Application for the property located at 3592 N. Clare Ave.

If you are unable to attend, written comments may be submitted to Hayes Township, P.O.Box 310, Harrison, Michigan 48625 Attn: Zoning Administrator, until **2:00 pm Friday, October 30th, 2020.**

All related information may be reviewed at the Hayes Township Clerks office during normal business hours, Monday through Thursday from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

Debra Hoyt  
Hayes Township Clerk

### Notice Of Planning Commission Special Meeting

The Hayes Township Planning Commission will hold a special meeting on **Friday, October 30, 2020** immediately following the scheduled 7:00 pm public hearing at the Hayes Township Municipal Complex, located at 2055 E. Townline Lake Rd., Harrison MI 48625.

This meeting will be held to vote on Jay Hoffman / H&H Propane Special Use Permit.

Debra Hoyt  
Hayes Township Clerk

# Poacher Loses Lifetime Hunting Privileges; Must Serve Jail Time, Pay \$36,000-Plus In Fines

A Chippewa County man accused of poaching numerous animals, including 18 gray wolves, was sentenced Tuesday under a plea agreement.

Kurt Johnston Duncan, 56, of Pickford pleaded guilty in September to seven poaching crimes following an investigation by Michigan Department of Natural Resources conservation officers.

Chippewa County District Court Judge Eric Blubaugh sentenced Duncan to:

-Pay \$36,240 total (\$27,000 as

reimbursement for the animals illegally taken, and \$9,240 in court fees and costs

-Lifetime revocation of all hunting and trapping privileges in Michigan; including that he may not assist anyone else in any hunting or trapping activities. With this privilege revoked, he will not be allowed to hunt in 48 states that are members of the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact.

-90 days of jail time; 30 of which will be held in aside should he violate probation.

-18-24 months probation.

-Forfeiture of all items and evidence seized by the DNR during the execution of search warrants, including, firearms and snares.

"This is a historical case for the division and department," said Chief Gary Hagler, DNR Law Enforcement Division. "We hope this poaching case acts as a deterrent to criminals for committing future wildlife crimes such as this. Our officers did an excellent job working as a team and building this investigation so it could move quickly through the criminal justice system."

The Michigan DNR's monthslong investigation of Duncan identified 125 wildlife misdemeanor crimes. During an 18-month period Duncan committed numerous wildlife crimes of various species, including: wolves, bald eagles, deer, turkey and bobcat.

On Sept. 24 Duncan accepted a plea agreement

offered Chippewa County Prosecutor Robert Stratton. Duncan pleaded guilty to:

-Three counts of the illegal take; possession of wolves.

-Three counts of the illegal take; possession of bald eagles.

-One count of illegal commercialization of a protected species (wolf).

Anyone witnessing a natural resources crime or having information about such a crime is encouraged to call or text the DNR's Report All Poaching hotline at 800-292-7800.

Michigan conservation officers are fully commissioned state peace officers who provide natural resources protection, ensure recreational safety and protect citizens by providing general law enforcement duties and lifesaving operations in the communities they serve. Learn more at Michigan.gov/ConservationOfficers.

# BENSON ANNOUNCES BAN ON FIREARM OPEN CARRY AT VOTING LOCATIONS

Attorney General, Michigan State Police to ensure enforcement

On Friday, Oct. 16, Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson issued direction to local election clerks statewide clarifying that the open carry of firearms on Election Day in polling places, clerk's offices, and absent voter counting boards is prohibited on Election Day, Nov. 3.

Attorney General Dana Nessel and Michigan State Police Director Col. Joe Gasper have joined with Secretary Benson in preparations to ensure Michigan voters are safe and secure when voting by informing local law enforcement agencies and ensuring that the ban on openly carried firearms is enforced statewide.

"Fair, free and secure elections are the foundation of our democracy," said Benson. "I am committed to ensuring all eligible Michigan citizens can freely exercise their fundamental right to vote without fear of threats, intimidation or harassment. Prohibiting the open-carry of firearms in areas where citizens cast their ballots is necessary to ensure every voter is protected."

Benson issued the directive Friday to all clerks stating, "The presence of firearms at the polling place, clerk's office(s), or absent voter counting board may cause disruption, fear, or intimidation for voters, election workers, and others present. Absent clear standards, there is potential for confusion and uneven application of legal requirements for Michigan's 1,600 election officials, 30,000 election inspectors, 8 million registered voters, and thousands of challengers and poll watchers on Election Day."

In furtherance of her role as Michigan's Chief Elections Officer, with supervisory control over local election officials in the performance of their duties, the secretary directed, "[t]he open carry of a firearm is prohibited in a polling place, in any hallway used by voters to enter or exit, or within 100 feet of any entrance to a building in which a polling place is located."

Offering her full support of the secretary's directive, Nessel said, "Michigan voters have the right to vote in person on Election Day free from threat and intimidation. An armed presence at the polls is inconsistent with our notion of a free democracy. I stand with the Secretary in her commitment to ensure that every eligible voter who wants to vote in person can do so safely and without fear or intimidation."

"Michiganders should know that law enforcement across multiple levels is working together to ensure that anyone who wishes to exercise their right to vote in-person on election day can do so safely and without the threat of intimidation," said Gasper.

The Secretary of State, Attorney General, and Michigan State Police are working together to ensure uniform enforcement of these requirements. In addition, the Attorney General and Michigan State Police will issue accompanying guidance to law enforcement on safety and security issues that could potentially impact the Nov. 3 election.

Voters who witness or experience intimidation or other unlawful conduct at the polls should immediately report this to an election worker or official and document the experience as clearly as possible. If in immediate danger, voters should call 911 prior to informing an election worker or official.

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**NMAC Center** from page 1

have that sort of ‘one-stop-shop’ – that continued care,” Law said. “And they can keep in touch with our organization throughout the court process.”

Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy will be provided by DeKalita-Mull who has a master’s degree in social work and will be working mainly with the younger children in her office. Services also will be provided for adolescents and any adults in the families.

“Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy is set up to be a family program,” Law said. “It’s not to cater just to the children or to the family itself. Hopefully, we’ll be able to support them at all levels.”

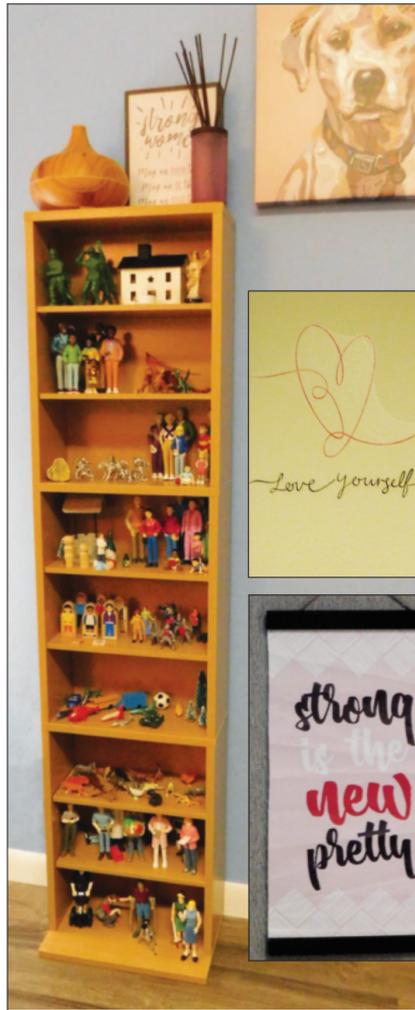
The office of crisis counselor Eriana DeKalita-Mull is decked out with lots of tools, including a vast array of figures from which victimized children can find non-verbal representations of themselves, their families, and others. Affirmations of support can also be found throughout the building, such as those shown here. “Strong is the new pretty;” “Strong Women: May we know them, May we be them, May we raise them;” and the essential “Love yourself.” (Cleaver photos by Dianne Alward-Biery)



Bethany Law, left, describes to visitors some of the ways the new NMAC Center for Hope and Healing will better enable the organization to support child victims and their families.

DeKalita-Mull explained that the idea for the Center for Hope and Healing “arrived with her” [as an intern] but that the concept and plans really began to take shape in early fall of 2019.

The need for this site is unquestioned, as borne out by the Child Advocacy Center data. Some facts: 1-in-10 children will be sexually abused before age 18; 93% of perpetrators are known and trusted by the child; and 65% of child victims of



as a counselor, if needed. The most important thing one can do for child victims of abuse is to seek out help, and that starts with getting answers. Contact the NMAC Center for Hope and Healing by mail at P.O. Box 225, 498 N. Clare



Harrison Chamber representatives Susan Freeman, left, and Tracey Connelly hold the ribbon one more time for the Center for Hope and Healing’s crisis counselor Eriana DeKalita-Mull and victim services coordinator Mandy Wigren.

abuse will experience symptoms of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

“Last year we forensically interviewed around 250 [clients],” DeKalita-Mull said. “I don’t expect we’ll get the same kind of numbers here, but it is an option for all of those people to have that. We’re still working with Community Mental Health and Listening Ear Shelter House – all of our mental health partners.”

Law explained that DeKalita-Mull is starting out at 15 clients and will have a maximum caseload of 25. She added that Wigren can also serve

Abuse, Harrison, MI 48625; at www.mikids.org or call 989-544-1103. They are also on social media @NMACkids.

**Child Abuse can lead to:**

- Anxiety, Anger, Numbness, Confusion, Depression, Irritability, Mood swings, Nightmares, Hypervigilance, Flashbacks, Shame/Guilt, Self-Harm, Trust issues, Bedwetting, Difficulty concentrating, Isolation, Appetite problems and Sleep disturbances.

**Benefits of Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy:**

- Decreases in PTSD symptoms
- Resolves behavioral problems
- Decreases cognitive distortions
- Promotes secure attachment
- Reduces symptoms of depression and anxiety

**Gov. Whitmer Signs Emergency Rules Allowing State Agencies to Conduct Remote Hearings**

LANSING – Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signed emergency rules Friday, Oct. 16 allowing the Michigan Employment Relations Commission and the Michigan Public Service Commission to conduct remote hearings to protect Michiganders and frontline workers.

“Continuing the practice of remote hearings will help us continue to protect Michigan families, frontline workers, and small businesses,” said Governor Whitmer. “As our state continues to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and as the 2020-2021 flu season approaches, my administration will continue to do everything in our power to protect Michigan residents.”

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in Michigan, and with the authority given by emergency executive orders, the administrative law judges (ALJs) and Tax Tribunal members at the MOAHR (Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules) have remotely conducted nearly 25,000 hearings, all while maintaining MOAHR’s organizational mission – to provide a timely, professional, sound, impartial and respectful administrative hearing process consistent with all legal requirements.

Despite the Michigan Supreme Court’s recent ruling, MOAHR has administrative rule authority to continue to conduct hearings by telephone or video conference in order to reduce the risk to all hearing participants of both the transmission and a resurgence of COVID-19. However, the current ruleset does not apply to administrative hearings held on behalf of the Michigan Employment Relations Commission and the Michigan Public Service Commission.

This narrow emergency rule amendment will therefore revise Rule 121 of the MAHS administrative hearing rules, Rule 792.10121, to allow MOAHR to continue to remotely conduct hearings on behalf of the MERC and the PSC.

**HMS** from page 1

**District Quarantine Information:**

Close Contact with a confirmed COVID positive tested individual within HCS 52;

Close Contact with a confirmed COVID positive tested individual outside HCS 0.

In an effort to contain spread, Harrison Middle School sent out the following notice Sunday:

“Subject: ATTENTION HMS FAMILIES! Important Announcement for Week 10-19-202 Hello Families,

You are receiving this message because you have a student that

attends Harrison Middle School. You may already be aware that HMS will transition to remote learning the week of Oct. 19 through Oct. 23 due to positive cases affecting adults and students. Harrison Middle School students should log onto their Google Classrooms, check their Gmail accounts for information from their teachers and see requirements for remote instruction for the upcoming week. You may refer to the COVID-19 updates on the district webpage for more specific information regarding the cases of COVID-19. We are working with the health department very closely and fol-



(Cleaver file photo)

lowing the instructed protocol provided. If your child is directly affected, you will be contacted. Out of an abundance of caution, all students at HMS will be remote, but please continue to use good judgement in regard to self-

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