January, February and March 2020
WINTER PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SAVE THE DATE
THE HAPPENING
March 26, 2020
TBD
W01 - PICKLEBALL
Date: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 1/6 thru 3/30/20
Location: Aplex
Cost: $3.50 per hour Payable to the Aplex
Coordinator: Dick Bremer
Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Phone: 727-8028
See you on the court when we play Pickleball at the Aplex. All skill levels welcome.

W02 - DOMINOES - “MEXICAN TRAIN EXPRESS”
Dates: Tuesdays, 1/7 thru 3/31/20
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinators: Barb Meek
Time: 9:30 - 11:30 am
Phone: 354-6923
Ready for a fun, addictive and fast-moving game that has lots of surprising twists and turns? Join us for Mexican Train Express. This dominoes game does not have partners and can be played with two, three, four, five or more players. We will show you some tricks and techniques. You may join our class any time during the year.

W03 - JOURNAL WRITING
Date: Thurs: 2/6 & 3/5/20
Location: M. Briggs Center
Minimum #:4 Maximum #:15
Coordinator: Carey Rapin
Time: 12:00 - 1:30 pm
Phone: 354-3046
This session invites us to write – for ourselves or for others. Journal writing is a first step for creating stories, capturing memories, and exploring our ideas and feelings. We will write for fun and insight, in a no-pressure workshop. Sessions will provide prompts for writing, but you will be free to write about whatever you choose and do as much or as little writing and sharing as our time allows. The purpose is to have time devoted to exploring our creative spirits through writing. Bring paper (or journal), pens or pencils or a computer – whatever you need to be comfortable writing.

Carol O’Connor uses journaling to capture thoughts and feelings about daily life, to bring more understanding about the small moments that help shape her beliefs and connection to others.

Carey Rapin began journaling as a teenager, used it as a tool in the grief support groups she facilitated for Hospice, which encouraged expression of feelings, and has begun writing her legacy for her children.

MaryAnn Krajnik Crawford has been a personal journal writer and teacher of writing for many years. Retired from Central Michigan University as emeritus professor of English and director of the CMU Writing Center, she continues to write for the fun of it.

W04 - CONTRACT BRIDGE
Dates: Fridays, 1/10 thru 3/27/20
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinator: Joyce Iles
Time: 12:30 - 3:00 pm
Phone: 989-255-5927
This is an ongoing group of card players who welcome any players at any time. We are a teaching class but welcome experienced players also.

W05 - WRITING WORKSHOP: SHARING OUR STORIES
Date: Wednesday, 1/15, 2/12 and 3/11/20
Location: M. Briggs Center
Minimum #: 4 Maximum #: 12
Coordinator: Mary Ann Crawford
Time: 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Phone: 278-8575
This writing workshop series focuses on writing, sharing, and feedback. Everyone has stories, some are told, some are written, and some, like memoir, are written to be shared with others. Sessions will examine issues with writing, share techniques for writing and revising, and practice some editing. Participants write between sessions, share their writing at sessions, and get feedback that they can use for revising and polishing their stories.

Mary Ann Krajnik Crawford has taught writing for many years; she especially enjoys creative nonfiction and memoir writing. She moved to Alpena after retiring from CMU as emeritus professor of English and director of the Writing Center. She serves on the ALL board, teaches writing online, and continues to write for the fun of it.

For extra copies of schedule or newsletter visit the ALL website at www.associationoflifelonglearners.org
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Check us out on Facebook - Association of Lifelong Learners @ Alpena Community College Office Hours: Mon & Fri 10am – 1 pm & Tue & Thurs 10 am – 2 pm.
W06 - FOCUS ON FUN CAMERA CLUB
Dates: Third Wednesdays, 1/22, 2/19 and 3/18/20
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinator: Ray Zielinski
Phone: 379-4766
Picture an informal monthly meeting where you share the joy of photography. From beginning photographers to experts, members have widely varying degrees of photographic expertise and experience and are willing to share their knowledge. Each month a photographic topic is chosen and the fun begins. You will be welcomed.

W07 - ALPENA UKETER'S
Date: Mondays 1/6 thru 3/30/20
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinator: Judy Nichols
Phone: 517-663-4970
Folks who enjoy playing the ukulele meet to play, share techniques and tips. Participants have a variety of ukulele skills. If you enjoy an informal, kick back, play and sing then this group is for you. Contact Judy M. Nichols at 517-663-4970 for more information, or email at nicholsjudym@gmail.com.

W08 LEARNING / REFRESHER BRIDGE
Date: Wednesdays, Jan 15th thru March 25th Excluding Feb. 12th, and Mar 11th
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinator: Ron Young
Phone: 884-4011
Interested in learning bridge or refreshing memories from playing bridge long ago? This is the group for you. You might ask "why should I learn to play bridge?" Here are some answers: Bridge offers intellectual and social stimulation on a routine basis. An area in the brain used in playing bridge stimulates the immune system. Playing bridge can help older people retain their mental sharpness. And the ALL Friday bridge players are in need of some new participants. Both Marcy Sherman and Linda Clegg are avid bridge players. In fact it is their favorite pastime. They have been playing bridge for many years and are hoping to interest others in the game they love so much.

W09 MAPLE SYRUP PRODUCTION
Date: TBD depending on the weather
Location: 8364 Salina Road  Posen
Coordinator: Wanda Discher
Phone: 989-742-3222
Here is an opportunity to enjoy a breakfast of pancakes with fresh maple syrup (compliments of Gary and his wife Janet) before seeing the tapping of trees and the boiling of the sap. Taking into account the unpredictability of the syrup season you will be notified a few days in advance (likely it will be in late March) of when this will take place. Gerald Lucas has been tapping maple trees since he was a child helping his family. In addition to the maple syrup operation he is also a beekeeper.

W10 SNOWSHOEING ALPENA WINTER SPORTS TRAIL + OTHER LOCATIONS
Date: To Be Determined (TBD)
Location: Alpena Winter Sports Trail (located behind the Alpena Events Complex (Aplex) 701 Woodward Ave, Alpena, MI and other locations to be determined such as Norway Ridge, Reid Lake, Mini Hunt, etc.
Number of attendees? Minimum #: 4 Maximum #: 12
Coordinator: Ron Young
Phone: 989-884-4011
This is a group outing for Snowshoeing for ALL members and guests with appropriate equipment. This is an Ad-Hoc event in that the date and time will be determined in consultation with interested participants when weather and trail conditions warrant. If Snowshoeing with ALL interests you, preregister and you will be contacted to work out appropriate date(s) and time(s). The Alpena Winter Sports Trail is a modest, easy trail to gauge interest. If there is sufficient interest, other snowshoe outings can be considered among the participants.

W11 RECYCLING – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Date: Thursday, January 9, 2020
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinator: Dottie Haase
Phone: 989-340-2123
Recycling started in Alpena County in January 2011. That same year a County wide cleanup day was started. In the first year there were 31 roll off bins of plastic, cardboard, paper and tin processed at the Alpena Recourse Recovery Facility and sent out to be recycled. In 2015 the number of roll offs increased to 845. Also that year we started an all electronics take back recycling program. Items like old...
T.V.’s computer towers, laptops, monitors and old stereos. A mattress take back recycling program was also started. When China stopped accepting lower-grade recyclables in January 2018 things changed in the marketplace. That left many communities in the U.S. without a market for the low-grade recyclables they were producing. Come to this program and learn how the recycling program in Alpena has been affected by this. 

Stan Mischley is the manager of the Recycling Facility in Alpena. He will tell us what the recycling facility is doing about the changes.

W12 ALPENA SENIOR CITIZENS' SERVICES
Date: Monday, January 13, 2020
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinator: Marlene Bartz
Phone:

During this presentation attendees will learn about the many and varied services and activities that are offered at the Senior Center. Annie Hepburn has been the director of the Senior Citizens Center for two years. A native of the area, she received her BA from Spring Arbor College in Family Life Education. She was employed by Medilodge (formerly Tendercare) for 17 years. Annie lives in Posen with her husband Jason. They have one son.

W13 DESIGN YOUR COLLAGE
Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2020
Location: M. Briggs Center
Number of attendees? Minimum #: 3 Maximum #: 15
Coordinator: Cec Murray
Phone: 356-2556

Are you ready to be creative? Ellen is looking forward to showing you how to make a collage that fits with your sense of creativity. She will have all of the supplies that you need( although if you have a glue stick do bring that and some scissors); bits of cloth and ribbon, background papers, cut outs, magazine pictures, etc. If there are some mementos you would like to include bring that along.

Ellen LaCross is a longstanding Northeast Michigan Artists Guild member. She has studied with many teachers and is interested in watercolor, acrylics, mixed media and collage.

W14 MAKE AND TAKE - ONE OF A KIND CARD
Date: Thursday, January 16, 2020
Location: M. Briggs Center
Cost (if any): $5.00
Number of attendees? Minimum #: 5 Maximum #: 30
Coordinator: Kathy Crawford
Phone: 989-370-3819

Make your own one of a kind rubber stamped card. Meg will have the supplies ready for you to make your own get-well card and sympathy card on January 16th. On January 23, we will make an adult and a child’s birthday card. You will take home 2 cards and envelopes with you at the end of the class.

Meg Devers is a retired teacher who has been making home designed and made cards for 15 years. She loves sharing her love of crafting, just as her friend shared it with her. Your success is guaranteed to make someone else feel special.

W15 WAIT UNTIL DARK
Date: Thursday, January 16, 2020
Location: Alpena Civic Theatre 401 River, Alpena, MI
Cost (if any): $14 Money must be paid to the ALL office by January 8.
Coordinator: Sue Maxwell
Phone: 471 2235

Wait Until Dark is a play by Frederick Knott, first performed on Broadway in 1966 and often revived since then. Susy Hendrix is a blind Greenwich Village housewife who becomes the target of three con-men searching for the heroin hidden in a doll, which her husband Sam unwittingly transported from Canada as a favor to a woman who has since been murdered. "Roat” leads his companions into thinking that they are going to be rich and will get the heroin soon enough. The con-men turn on each other, two are murdered and one is left to deal with Susy, alone, in the dark.

W16 CONSERVATIVE AND PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANITY
Date: Tuesday, January 21, 2020
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinator: Joyce Sobeck
Phone: 354-4503

The news is filled with comments regarding the New Atheism and the importance of Fundamentalism. Some people believe that Fundamentalism is what most Christians believe and the choice is between the two extremes. This presentation will look at
Conservative and Progressive Christianity and ask a series of foundational questions. How and what do we know about the man Jesus? What did Jesus Teach? Why did Jesus die? Did Jesus experience a bodily resurrection? What is the meaning of the Virgin Birth and was Mary really a virgin? What about the Second Coming and does it make any sense after 2,000 years. These questions will be answered by internationally known scholars N.T. Wright and the late Marcus Borg.

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**W17 MOVEABLE FEAST - THUNDER BAY RIVER RESTAURANT**

**Date:** Wednesday, January 22, 2020  
**Location:** 1315 W. Chisholm St., Alpena, MI  
**Cost (if any):** order from the menu 
**Coordinator:** Linda Wallace  
**Phone:** 379 2760

We have had a chance to catch our breath after a hectic Christmas. Let someone else do the cooking and join us for lunch. Invite a friend to join us – just contact the coordinator for this event.

**W18 THUNDER BAY INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**

**Date:** Wednesday-Sunday, January 22-26, 2020  
**Location:** Theatre at Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center 500 W. Fletcher St. Alpena  
**Alternate locations:** Rogers City Theatre; Alcona County Library, Harrisville – Check website 

This program is presented in partnership with Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

The 8th Annual (2020) Thunder Bay International Film Festival will showcase over 50 Ocean and Great Lakes films from around the world. A contest to create a 5-minute video on the theme “The Great Lakes are…” for grades 8-12 will challenge some of the area’s most creative young students. This festival will also give patrons an opportunity to meet some of the innovative and exciting film makers themselves.

**Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary** has become the winter “go-to” place to see films that transport the viewer to exotic places around the world to experience the world beneath the surface of oceans and lakes. Join your friends and family to plot your next cruise, dive or tourist destination at this film festival.

**W19 MAKE AND TAKE – ONE OF A KIND CARD**

**Date:** Thursday, January 23, 2020  
**Location:** M. Briggs Center  
**Cost:** $5.00  
**Number of attendees? Minimum #: 5 Maximum #: 30  
**Coordinator:** Kathy Crawford  
**Phone:** 989-370-3819

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**W20 “WHAT’S HAPPENING IN LANSING WITH REPRESENTATIVE SUE ALLOR”**

**Date:** Monday, January 27th, 2020  
**Location:** M. Briggs Center  
**Coordinator:** Jacinta Boyk  
**Phone:** 989-255-8114

State Representative Sue Allor, 106th House District, will present/speak about the going on’s in Lansing. Her points will include potential legislation that will impact the state of Michigan, bills introduced by Representative Allor, and potential legislation that the representative is looking to introduce during the new term.

**State Representative Sue Allor** was first elected in November 2016 to the Michigan House to represent the people of Alpena, Presque Isle, Alcona, and Iosco counties, as well as part of Cheboygan County. Allor is on the House Appropriations Committee, where she is chair of the Natural Resources and Environmental Quality subcommittee. She also serves on the Appropriations’ subcommittee on Health & Human Services, General Government, and School Aid & Michigan Department of Education. Allor earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from University of Detroit-Mercy and a Masters of Business Administration from Lawrence Technological University. Today, she and her husband own and operate a small collision repair business in Indian River and Petoskey. Married for 40 years, Allor and her husband, Pat, live in Wolverine. Together they have three children and three grandchildren.
W21 WANT TO CURL?
Date: Tuesday, January 28, 2020
Location: Northern Lights Arena
Cost (if any): $10

There's a new sport in town – curling. Here is an opportunity to give this sport a try. There will be a brief introduction to curling and safety tips before getting on the ice. Then you will be given the opportunity to try a few of the basic curling shots. Wear warm comfortable clothes, hat and gloves and bring clean soled tennis shoes.

Joe Bonfoey is past president of the Detroit Curling Club, was a member of the Janesville, WI Curling Club, currently curls in Lewiston and is now the organizer of the Alpena Curling Club. All in all he has had over 30 years of curling experience.

W22 PEMF THERAPY
Date: Wednesday, January 29, 2019
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinator: Jim Falk
Phone: 989-379-3305

PEMF (Pulsed Electro Magnetic Field Therapy) is used all over the world and is FDA approved in the US for certain ailments including wound and bone healing, anxiety and depression. PEMC charges the cells in our body which allow our own bodies to heal naturally without side effects.

Chris Coultes, certified Lifestyle Consultant for Swiss Bionic Solutions was plagued with the pain and symptoms of Peripheral Neuropathy and after 3 years of unsuccessful medical treatments she found PEMF Therapy and it showed relief within 3 days.

W23 DISCOVERING THE BIG WILD
Date: Thursday, January 30, 2020
Location: M. Briggs Center
Coordinator: Ron Young
Phone: 989-884-4011

The Pigeon River Country State Forest is known as the “Big Wild”. In the middle of this forest of over 109,000 acres, is a newly created Discovery Center, an educational center dedicated to increasing visitors’ awareness and appreciation for the land, the wildlife and the history of the Pigeon River Country and to fostering a new generation of stewards and protectors of this unique place. This program will discuss the history of the Pigeon River Area State Forest, the repurposing of a CCC constructed building, development of the discovery center, and a review of discovery center educational activities. The Pigeon River Country State Forest is home to numerous wildlife species, including black bear, deer, bobcat, osprey, bald eagle, and elk and has three award winning trout rivers running through it. It is the largest contiguous block of state-owned land in Michigan's Lower Peninsula.

Conservationists Rudi Edel and Sandy Franz are original members of the Steering Committee for the Discovery Center. They are part of a 5-person volunteer team that conducted the research, developed the exhibit content, coordinate educational classes and manage the day to day functions of the Center. Sandy is a voting member of the Pigeon River Country Advisory Council and Rudi is a Master Naturalist (MSUE program).

W24 SNOWSHOE HIKE AT EMILY MIN HUNT NATURE PRESERVE WITH HURON PINES
Date: Tue. Feb 4th with alternate Tue. Feb 11, 2020
Location: Carpooling from Madeline Briggs at ACC, we will meet at 12:30 pm and be back by 3 pm. Hike location is Emily Min Hunt Preserve near Long Lake. 12 Miles north of Johnson St/Long Rapids Rd on US 23 to Shupert Hwy then left (west) 1 3/4 miles.

Cost: None, must provide own snowshoes though.
Number of attendees? Minimum #: 5

Coordinator: Ron Young
Phone: 989-884-4011

Join us for a snowshoe hike through unique ecosystems at the Emily Min Hunt Nature Preserve. We will introduce Leave No Trace concepts and highlight the interaction of land and water at the preserve. Expect approximately 60-75 minutes of snowshoeing on flat terrain with primarily unbroken trail (restroom not available on property). Must provide own snowshoes. Registration required by Sunday, February 2 at http://bit.ly/minhuntsnowshoe. Further details or any changes due to weather will be sent to registered participants on Monday, February 3.

It is our mission at Huron Pines to conserve and restore Northern Michigan’s natural resources to ensure healthy water, protected places and vibrant communities. Heather Huffstutler serves as Land Protection Director; Emily Vogelgesang as Environmental Education Coordinator.
**W25 BON TEMPS ROULER (Repeated)**

Date: Wednesday, February 5, 2020  
Location: Turning Brook at 100 Village Blvd.  
Number of attendees? Minimum #: 10     Maximum #: 30

Coordinator: Karen Brindley  
Phone: 356-9418

**If you missed it the first time you will now have a chance to enjoy this program as Don Londo brings it to the people at Turning Brook.** Cajun music is fun, cultural and made for dancing. Even though 90% of the bands live in a 50 mile radius of central Louisiana, their music is famous throughout the entire world. They perform in Canada, Belgium, France, Sweden, S. America and coast to coast in the United States. Don even experienced his first Cajun concert in Tawas High School Gym. Cajun music, whether English or Cajun French, is infectious. Let the good times roll!

For the past three years, **Don and Evelyn Londo** have traveled to Louisiana’s Lafayette area, the heart of Cajun country. They have seen over 20 different bands at Cajun dancehalls and other various music venues in the area. During these visits, they have had numerous opportunities to experience Cajun cuisine as well as music. It is their hope that the audience will join with them in their joy and excitement of this little known piece of American culture.

**W26 MOVEABLE FEAST – 19TH HOLE**

Date: Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2020  
Location: 1081 US 23 N  
Cost: order from the menu

Coordinator: Linda Wallace  
Phone: 379 2760

Are you experiencing cabin fever? You are not alone. Why not join the ALL gathering for lunch? The conversation will be lively and the atmosphere relaxing. As always encourage guests to all our events. Just tell the coordinator about your guests.

**W27 10 WARNING SIGNS OF ALZHEIMER’S**

Date: Thursday, February 13, 2019  
Location: M. Briggs Center  
Coordinator: Susan Stacey  
Phone: 703-314-5000

Learn the ten common warning signs for Alzheimer’s and what to watch for in yourself and others.  

**Taylor Cramer** provides consultations, support and education to Northern MI. Within the realm of Alzheimer’s and other dementias.

**W28 WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A LIBERAL ANYMORE?**

Date: Thursday, Feb 13, 2020  
Location: CTR 114  
Coordinator: Jere Doyle  
Phone: 989-340-0858

This session will explore the meaning of liberalism as a political philosophy and provide opportunity for discussion about what it means to be a liberal. Considerations will include theoretical foundations and principles of liberalism over time and by different thinkers, including how liberalism is interpreted/misinterpreted in the present political discourse. How is it possible that the notion of being a liberal is a bad thing in America? Were our founding fathers not liberals? Is our Constitution not about liberty? Is liberty not the root word of liberal? So what gives here? What happened to the meaning of words and how did this word and what it means get so confusing politically? This is the second session of a two-part consideration of related topics. A fall semester session considered similar questions regarding conservatism as a political philosophy.

**Tim Kuehnlein** is an instructor at ACC. He was the Endowed Teaching Chair for 2009 and 2016 and continues to serve on the Board of Thunder Bay Arts. Tim is currently President of the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan.

**W29 CONSERVATIVE AND PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANITY**

Date: Tuesday, February 18, 2020  
Location: M. Briggs Center  
Coordinator: Jeanette Vredenburg  
Phone: 989-471-2097

The news is filled with comments regarding the New Atheism and the importance of Fundamentalism. Some people believe that Fundamentalism is what most Christians believe and the choice is between the two extremes. This presentation will look at Conservative and Progressive Christianity and ask a series of foundational questions. How and what do we know about the man Jesus? What did Jesus Teach? Why did Jesus die? Did Jesus experience a bodily resurrection? What is the meaning of the Virgin Birth and was Mary really a virgin? What about the Second Coming and does it make any sense after 2,000 years.

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**W30 YOU COUNT NORTHEAST MICHIGAN…SO BE COUNTED – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**Date: Wednesday, February 19, 2020**

**Location:** George N. Fletcher Public Library

**Number of attendees? Minimum #: 5**

**Coordinator:** Sue Nagy

**Phone:** 989-736-7105

It is estimated that in the 2020 U.S. Census, 16% of northeast Michiganders will not be counted. That would mean a $48 million loss in annual federal funding for our communities for critical programs like Medicare, food for children, broadband access, and much more. Find out the many ways Census data is used, and how that can affect every person in every age group in our communities. Learn how local nonprofits are collaborating to reach northeast Michigan's hardest to count populations, and how you can help ensure a fair and accurate count for our communities. We all win when everyone is counted. This program is offered with the partnership of the League of Women Voters for Northeast Michigan.

**Tim Kuehnlein** is an instructor at ACC. He was the Endowed Teaching Chair for 2009 and 2016 and continues to serve on the Board of Thunder Bay Arts. Tim is currently President of the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan. **Patrick Heraghty** is the Executive Director of the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan. The Foundation is serving as the Nonprofit Census Hub in partnership with the Michigan Nonprofit Association and Council of Michigan Foundations to increase our region’s chances of a complete count.

**W31 "COMING TO ALPENA”**

**Date: Thursday, February 20, 2020**

**Location:** Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library

**Coordinator:** Deloris Law

**Phone:** 356-2846

With sardonic wit and incisive social critiques, David Sedaris has become one of America’s pre-eminent humor writers. He is the master of satire and one of today’s most observant writers addressing the human condition. *Calypso*, his latest collection of essays, is a *New York Times* best-seller, and a *Washington Post* Best Book of the Year. His pieces regularly appear in *The New Yorker* and have twice been included in “The Best American Essays.” There are over ten million copies of his books in print and they have been translated into 25 languages. In April, Sedaris will make an appearance in Alpena. Join Eric **Magness-Eubank** for a presentation on Sedaris and his place in American Humor writing.

**W32 A TALE OF TWO GIANTS: NORMAN, GRECIAN AND THE GREAT LAKES STEEL REVOLUTION**

**Date: Thursday, February 20, 2020**

**Location:** Theatre at Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center

**Time: 7:00 - 8:30 pm**

This program is presented in partnership with Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

Did you ever hear about the **Norman** and the **Grecian**? The middle-late nineteenth century witnessed substantial changes in the Great Lakes maritime landscape. The birth of steel cities, corporate fleets, and revolutionary shipbuilding and canal technology granted shippers previously-unfathomable commercial opportunity. Learn about sister ships, the **Grecian** and **Norman**'s role in this shift in maritime commerce, and how both steel bulk freighters met their end in the waters of northeast Michigan.

**Phil Hartmeyer** is a Maritime Archaeologist at Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary. In 2014 he earned a Master of Arts degree from East Carolina University in Maritime Studies. At that time, he made an extensive study of the **Pewabic** and has since been responsible for the designation of several other Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary shipwrecks as sites listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

**W33 ALICE**

**Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2020**

**Location:** M. Briggs Center

**Time: 1:30 - 2:30 pm**

The Michigan Association of United Ways released their third ALICE report in 2019. Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed - a complex term for a population we know too well. ALICE is the person who works hard to make a living, but still can't make ends meet. ALICE has an income above the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), but struggles to afford basic household necessities. 44% of the 12,789 households in Alpena County, 43% of the households in Alcona County and 52% of the 4,074 households in Montmorency County are ALICE households. We will discuss in further detail the complete results of the most recent ALICE report and focus our conversion on the real and present needs of our residents and discuss potential solutions to reducing ALICE households.
Joe Gentry is a former adjunct economics instructor for ACC, a retiree from First Federal, currently serves as a trustee for Alpena Community College and is now the executive director for United Way of Northeast Michigan.

**W34 TELEHEALTH PROGRAM AT MIDMICHIGAN HEALTH**

**Date:** Wednesday, February 26, 2020  
**Location:** MidMichigan Medical Center – Alpena, Auditorium  
**Number of attendees? Minimum #: 10  Maximum #: 45**

**Coordinator:** Sue Nagy  
**Phone:** 989-736-7105

Join Tom Wood, Director of Trauma and Virtual Care for MidMichigan Health as he explains the benefits of telehealth and telemedicine programs. Tom will offer information on how technology assists in providing access to physician specialists in a rural setting. He will also review the telemedicine program and self-scheduling capabilities that are now offered at MidMichigan Health. Tom received his BSN degree from Grand Valley State University and his MBA in 2016 from Northwood University. He worked at St. John Providence Health System and Beaumont Health Systems as an RN in the Emergency Department. He then became the Emergency Department Manager at Beaumont Health System prior to joining MidMichigan Health as the Trauma Program Manager in 2011. In 2015 Tom became the Director of Trauma and Telemedicine; a role in which he currently serves.

**W35 VICTIM SERVICES UNIT**

**Date:** Thursday Feb 27, 2020  
**Location:** M. Briggs Center  
**Number of attendees? Minimum #: 10  Maximum #: 45**

**Coordinator:** Wanda Discher  
**Phone:** 742-3222

Michigan sheriff’s association victim services program  

**Diane Sims** is an original member of the VSU which was started in May, 1997. She is currently the program coordinator and oversees 20 volunteers of the program.

**W36 ANTITHEISM: RETURNING TO GOD AFTER GOD**

**Date:** Tuesday, March 3, 2020  
**Location:** M. Briggs Center  
**Number of attendees? Minimum #: 10  Maximum #: 45**

**Coordinator:** Kathleen Lutes  
**Phone:** 989-595-2330

We read and hear of the terms Atheism and Theism. Richard Kearny professor of Philosophy at Georgetown University, coins a new term Antitheism which he defines in the following ways: "How might one speak of the sacred after the disappearance of God? Or how might one continue to have faith after the scientific enlightenment dispensed with superstition and submission and after two world wars exposed the fallacy of history as some Divine Plot? After the terrors of Verdun, after the traumas of the Holocaust, Hiroshima, and the gulags, to speak of God is an insult unless we speak in a new way." This is a new way to ask and give hints of an answer to the question.

**Bob Case** is a pastor emeritus from the First Congregational United Church of Christ and is beginning to enjoy his full retirement. He continues to offer thoughtful presentations giving ALL members much to consider and ponder.

**W37 WISCONSIN MARITIME MUSEUM AND HISTORIC WORLD WAR II SUBMARINE COBIA**

**Date:** Thursday, March 5, 2020  
**Location:** Theatre at Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center  
**Time:** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

This program is presented in partnership with Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

What is a World War II submarine doing in Lake Michigan? Welcome Cathy Green back to Alpena for a fascinating presentation on the Wisconsin Maritime Museum’s efforts to preserve Wisconsin’s rich maritime history, including the historic World War II Submarine Cobia.

**Cathy Green** is a former TBNMS maritime archaeologist, Education Coordinator and Program Manager. She is now Executive Director of the Wisconsin Maritime Museum. A graduate of the Master’s Program at East Carolina University, in 2000 she received a degree in Maritime History and Nautical Archaeology.

**W38 BOOK LOVER’S GATHERING**

**Date:** Tuesday, March 10, 2020  
**Location:** M. Briggs Center  
**Number of attendees? Minimum #: 10  Maximum #: 45**

**Coordinator:** Carey Rapin  
**Phone:** 354-3046

As we continue with winter weather, come share with fellow book lover’s stories you may have read this winter or in the past. Any genre is welcome and a list is made for your future reference. “Some like to believe it’s the book who chooses the person.” Carlos Ruiz Zafon’.

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**W39 MOVEABLE FEAST-NICK’S DINER**

**Date:** Wednesday, March 11, 2020  
**Location:** 3023 US 23 S  
**Cost (if any):** Order from the Menu  
**Coordinator:** Linda Wallace  
**Time:** 12:00 pm

Come join fellow ALL members at this unique 1950's Roadside Diner in Alpena – it's a one of a kind dining experience. A popular spot for both locals and visitors.

**W40 ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE OF PEOPLE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)**

**Date:** Thursday, March 12, 2020  
**Location:** M. Briggs Center  
**Number of attendees? Maximum #: whatever room can accommodate  
Coordinator:** Wanda Discher  
**Time:** 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Environmental Committee of People for Social Justice has been educating themselves and the Alpena area about environmental concerns. This session will focus on PFAS: What is it? Where is it? What are the health concerns? What is being done about it? 

**Members of the Environmental Committee of People for Social Justice.** They have been meeting monthly for nearly 4 years. Actively engaged our regional DEQ to prepare and give report on PFAS contamination and containment within the Alpena area. They coordinated a DEQ and Health Dept. presentation attended by County, Township and City Boards last February.

**W41 WHAT'S IN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS CENTER OF ALPENA COUNTY LIBRARY?**

**Date:** Tuesday, March 17, 2020  
**Location:** M. Briggs Center  
**Coordinator:** Deloris Law  
**Time:** 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

You will be surprised what you will learn regarding what can be found in the Special Collections at your local library. The wide range of materials includes rare books, as well as, historical records & old newspapers. Come get the details as you will obtain information regarding not only your community but records from the North Country and its waters.  

**Marlo Broad** is responsible for the Special Collection and Thunder Bay Research Center at Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library.

**W42 WHO'S LAND IS IT?**

**Date:** Thursday, March 19, 2020  
**Location:** M. Briggs Center  
**Coordinator:** Sandy Doubek  
**Time:** 10:30 - 11:30 am

During this presentation Judy will discuss surveys, land descriptions, the types and uses of surveys, survey discrepancies, title insurance, dispute resolution and litigation. There will be time to have your questions answered.  

**Judy McFalda** is a lifelong resident of northern Michigan. She is a strong supporter of ALL and a practicing attorney in Rogers City with a focus on law relating to estate planning, elder law and other areas of everyday life.

**W43 A PRIMER ON FRUIT TREE PRUNING**

**Date:** Tuesday, March 24, 2020  
**Location:** TBD  
**Number of attendees? Minimum #: 10 Maximum #: 40  
Coordinator:** Arlis St. Charles  
**Time:** 2:00 - 3:30 pm

This presentation will cover the basics of fruit tree pruning and how and why pruning can stimulate healthy trees. Basic tree biology will be discussed, and an example of pruning will be demonstrated. Greg will include a little about the trimming of bushes also.  

**Dr. Greg Corace** has 25 years of forest and wildlife ecology research, management, inventory, monitoring and outreach and education experience. For the last 30 years, Dr. Corace conducted work across different ownership types in the Upper Peninsula and northern Lower Peninsula of Michigan. Currently, Greg works for the Alpena-Montmorency Conservation District as District Forester. In this capacity, he helps forest landowners meet their ownership goals and objectives while spending the remainder of his time in outreach and education devoted to the science behind ecologically-based forest and wildlife management for biodiversity purposes. Greg has a B.S. and M.S. in Zoology and Biology from Northern Michigan University and a Ph.D. in Forest Science from Michigan Technological University. He also was a Peace Corps Volunteer in Botswana.
LA COMPAGNIE MUSIC AND DANCE TROUPE
Date: Saturday, March 28, 2019                  Time: 7:30 - 9:00 pm
Location: Rogers City Theater
Cost (if any): $5
Number of attendees? Minimum #:  Maximum #:
Coordinator: Marlene Werda                    Phone: 354-2822
La Compagnie Musical Dance Troupe was founded in 2007 by Genot Picor in an effort to preserve French Canadian and Celtic folklore, music and dance of North America. To the name suggests, the members of La Compagnie are "real trouper!!" They are seasoned professionals whose goal is to provide the host and the audience with an unforgettable experience.

PAINTING ROCKS (REPEAT)
Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2020                  Time: 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Location: M. Briggs Center
Number of attendees? Minimum #:  5 Maximum #: 12
Coordinator: Elaine Stenger                   Phone: 513-283-3225
Painting Rocks for garden decorations, bookends or whatever strikes your fancy.
Lynda Russell is an active ALL member who likes playing dominoes and is also involved in the Garden Club.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

Creating a Beloved Community

Jan 16, Thurs. CTR 106, 6:30-8 p.m.

Join African American La ’Ron Williams, an award-winning storyteller and workshop trainer, who will share his vision for creating an inclusive community—the “Beloved Community” depicted by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Jan. 20, Mon. CTR 106, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Film “I Am Not Your Negro”, a documentary that explores the history of racism in the US. Matt Dunckel, Geography & History Faculty Instructor will lead a discussion for his class along with community members. The public is invited to see the movie and participate in the discussion.

Jan. 20, Mon. Lumberjack Shack 5-6:15 p.m.

Chili Supper Adults - $8.00, Students - $4.00.
Proceeds benefit “Wash your coat”, a project that provides laundromat service for those in need.
Please pre-register for programs.
Mail registration form and any payment due, to ALL at
665 Johnson Street. Alpena, MI 49707

Purchase gift memberships for any occasion.
Annual Single Membership is $50 or $90 per couple or $110 per family from July 1 to June 30.
A charge of $5 will be assessed for non-members attending without a guest pass.
Guest passes for a one-time attendance are available from ALL board members or the ALL Office.
Program fees are non-refundable unless ALL cancels an activity, then fees will be refunded.
Inclement weather: If ACC closes and the activity is at ACC the program is cancelled.
Activities at other locations may not be cancelled.
Please retain a copy of your registration form for your records.
For general information call 989-358-7207 or you can email questions to all@alpenacc.edu

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