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All News

From ALL President Judy Nichols

We received the following notice from ACC. I share it with you FYI. Our masking responsibilities remain the same.

Judy M. Nichols

Folks,

Yesterday in a 6-3 vote the United States Supreme Court blocked the OSHA COVID-19 mandate proposed by the Biden administration, which would have required employers with more than 100 employees to document vaccination status, enforce mask wearing in the workplace, and establish a regimen for testing unvaccinated employees at least once a week. What does this mean for ACC? We will continue with the mask policy most recently instituted in August 2021 that has served us well. We continue to encourage staff and students to get vaccinated and receive a booster when appropriate, to help keep themselves and their friends and co-workers safe. We will not implement a weekly testing protocol for unvaccinated employees. We will not implement mandatory vaccinations for staff or students. Per CDC guidance, we will shorten the quarantine period to 5 days.

In a related case, by a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court issued an opinion allowing the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to now enforce a nationwide vaccine mandate for health care workers (and students) working in health care settings receiving Medicare or Medicaid reimbursement. At ACC, the CMS directive affects health care faculty and students working in clinical settings. My Michigan, the largest provider of clinical opportunities for ACC students, will comply with the CMS directive but will also offer a process for unvaccinated health care faculty and students to pursue religious and medical exemptions. We will monitor this process moving forward

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In short, nearly two years after the pandemic first appeared in our lives, we still must deal with the virus on an almost moment-by-moment basis. We will be dealing with it awhile longer, unfortunately. As we begin Spring semester, I urge all members of the ACC team to manage this ongoing stress with as much grace and professionalism as we can muster. These are trying times. Stay strong, stay positive, and stay healthy.

Regards,

Don

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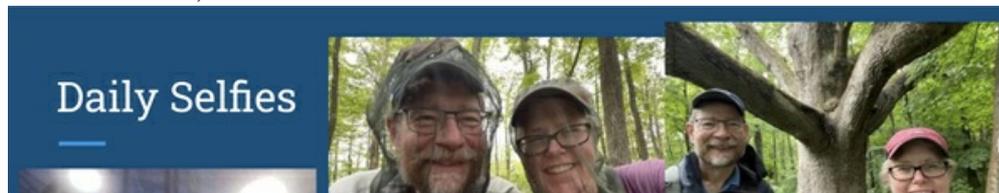


Amicalola, Georgia-Approach Trail (February 26, 2021) and summiting Mt. Katahdin, Maine (August 11, 2021)

All presenters Michelle and Eric beginning and ending their through hike.



Mount Katahdin, at trail end!





One of their daily routines!



A picture of the New waterfront park surrounding the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary, with re-built parking and green space across the top of the photo, a new amphitheater in front of TBNMS building in the foreground, and multiple recreational spaces primarily to the top left.





Here is Jim Rapin, former ALL Board member, in 2006 riding in the 4th of July parade to support the initiative "Let's Get Moving Northern Michigan," of which ALL was a part.



Denny Doubek and Jodene Compton making plans back in 2007.

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FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

ROME – EVER ANCIENT, EVER NEW.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

1:30 PM

M Briggs Ctr (In person and Zoom)

Coordinator: Tommie Wolff Phone: 828-774-4550

Zoom host: Tyler Winowiecki

Zoom connection: Meeting ID: **846 8419 2728** Passcode: **385758**



Rome, Italy has stood for centuries as the center of Western civilization. Join Fr. Tyler – a catholic priest – as he shares some of his experiences living and studying in the ancient city. The multimedia presentation will take us through the streets of Rome to discover her ancient secrets, explore her most important monuments, visit her most beautiful churches, and even discuss the best places in the city for a cup of *caffè* and a plate of *spaghetti alla carbonara*. Rome has so much to offer – come and hear what *la bella vita* is all about.

Father Tyler Bischoff is the Parochial Administrator of All Saints Parish in Alpena since June of 2021. He was born and raised in Tawas City, MI. After graduating from Tawas Area High School he earned his bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Classics at the Pontifical College Josephinum in 2011. He studied at the Pontifical North American College in Rome, Italy from 2011 until his priestly ordination in 2015. Since ordination he has served as an associate pastor in Gaylord, East Tawas, and Oscoda.

TOURING EGYPT

RESCHEDULED

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

12:00 PM

M Briggs Ctr (in person and Zoom)

Coordinator: Wanda Discher Phone: 989-742-3222

Zoom host: Judy Hompstead

Zoom connection: Meeting ID: **878 1849 2060** Passcode **242647**

One bucket list completed! Come and join Sue on her recent trip to Egypt. Hear how Egypt was a part of ancient man. Hear how the temples and pyramids were built and how they are more awesome than what any TV documentary can show. You will be able to try some Egyptian treats and share Sue's dream trip.

Sue Nagy is a valued member of ALL's board. Besides making the plans for the Happening, arranging the monthly Moveable Feast, writing articles for *The Alpena News*, and contributing her wisdom at the meetings she manages to find time to travel and then to share her experiences with ALL.

THE LOST RESORTS & COTTAGES OF LONG LAKE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10 1:00 PM

M Briggs Ctr (Zoom only)

Coordinator: Kathy Crawford

Phone: 989-370-3819

Zoom host: Judy Hompstead

Zoom connection: Meeting ID: **821 4967 4789** Passcode: **937670**



This presentation will be brief overview of the making of the popular book series "The Lost Resorts and Cottages of Long Lake"

Dave Distler is a retired electronics industry executive whose travels include every state and 4 Continents. He has written 5 books and produced a local Documentary Film in Indiana. He was born in West Germany after WWII to a USAF airman stationed near Frankfurt. He attended Purdue University where he studied aviation. He is married and has two children and two grandchildren. He currently lives in the Indianapolis area and has a summer home on Long Lake.

COME TOUR THE LIBRARY

RESCHEDULED

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

1:00 PM

211 N. First Alpena

Coordinator: Marlene Bartz Phone: 989 -340 -1718

The completely renovated George N. Fletcher Public Library is ready for viewing ! Join director, Eric Magness-Eubank, as he shows off what has taken place over the past year.

Eric Magness-Eubank is the director of the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library. Over the years he has contributed much to the programming for ALL.

MOVEABLE FEAST

TUESDAY, February 15

1:30 PM

Twin Acres 19th Hole 1081 US 23 N

Coordinator: Sue Nagy

989 736 7105

Here's a little history of this restaurant: Twin Acres 19th Hole has been a family owned business for 55 years. Pete and Marie Peterson purchased Twin Acres in the fall of 1955. With Pete running the bar and Marie in back doing the cooking, the

tail of 1955. With Pete running the bar and Marie in back doing the cooking the business grew. In 1982 with the death of Pete, his daughter Sue and son Bill took control of the business and reopened it as a neighborhood sports bar serving a limited menu. Now a third generation continues with Bill's son Adam stepping in and learning the ropes. As they say on their website, "A lot of friends have been made in those 52 years ...". This brings us to ALL and their friends. It's the perfect time to introduce a friend to ALL—bring them along. Just make sure you let the office (989 358 7207) or Sue know that you are coming.

FOCUS ON FUN CAMERA CLUB

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

1:30 PM

Zoom Only

Coordinator: Jeanette Vredenburg 989-471-2097

Zoom host: Mark Kinney

Zoom connection: Meeting ID: **847 0459 7928** Passcode: **635146**

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.

RESOURCES FOR HOME SCHOOLERS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

10:00 AM

M Briggs Ctr (in person and Zoom)

Coordinator: Debra Brisch Phone: 989-340-0329 Zoom host: Judy Hompstead

Zoom connection: Meeting ID: **879 5320 1743** Passcode: **282245**

Do you wonder about home schooling? Take part in this presentation as Jen Myers explains the Alpena Family Partnership Program through Alpena Public Schools which offers electives to area homeschool and public school students.

Jen Myers has a bachelors degree in education from U of M and a masters degree in early childhood from Central Michigan University. She served as an elementary and junior high teacher as well as teaching education courses at a college and served as a principal. Currently Jen is the Director of the Alpena Family Partnership Program which is part of Alpena Public Schools. She and her husband moved up here when they got married 30 years ago – both were from downstate. They have four kids that are all grown and live out at Grand Lake.

JESUS AND JOHN WAYNE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

1:00 PM

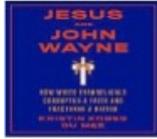
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Coordinator: Mike Mandrick Phone: 989-255-2699

Zoom host: Tyler Winowiecki

Zoom connection: Meeting ID: **881 5385 9764** Passcode: **507559**



How did a former President who lacks even the most basic knowledge of the Christian faith win 81 percent of the white evangelical vote in 2016? This is one of the questions acclaimed historian at Calvin College Kristin Kobes Du Mez asks in *Jesus and John Wayne*, which explains how white evangelicals have brought us to our fractured political moment. *The book* is a sweeping account of the last 75 years of white evangelicalism, showing how American evangelicals have worked for decades to replace the Jesus of the Gospels with an idol of rugged masculinity and Christian nationalism.

Bob Case is a pastor emeritus from the First Congregational United Church of Christ and struggles to find that full retirement continually giving to the church community. He regularly offers thoughtful presentations to ALL members, giving them much to consider and ponder.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

PICKLEBALL at the APLEX

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY 9 AM TO 11 AM

Pickleball continues. Call the Aplex for additional information: 354-6164 Aplex fees apply.

BEGINNING MODERN SQUARE DANCE LESSONS

WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 2,9,16,23 5:30 TO 7:30 PM

M Briggs Center

Coordinator: Katie Taylor

Phone: 803 292 9613

Fee: first lesson is free. Members \$5/session Nonmembers \$7/session New Class Being Formed and Continuing for Experienced Dancers

Let's Dance! Learn how to square dance. Super fun for all ages -- 6 to 106! Great health, brain, and balance benefits. If you can walk you can square dance. Don't have a partner? You're in luck, you don't need one! It's probably not what you learned in school. If you are not an ALL member there is an additional \$2.00 fee per lesson. The first half hour will consist of a workshop for advanced dancers and the rest of the time will be lessons for the new dancers. Lessons will be taught by either Wayne and Jan Palmer from Lake Isabella, MI or Tom

by either **Wayne and Jan Peimear** from Lake Isabella, MI or **Tom Kaiser** of Sacramento, CA. (Tom will be on Zoom.) Both are very experienced callers and teachers and are members of CallerLab (International

Assoc. of Square Dance Callers

Games and Cards

Mexican Train Express Dominoes

TUESDAYS, FEBRUARY 1,8,15,22 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM

M. Briggs Ctr

Coordinator: Eileen Wikaryasz . Phone: 989 340 0608

Ready for a fun, addictive and fast-moving game that has lots of surprising twists and turns? Join us for Mexican Train Express! You may join our class any time during the year.

PINOCHLE

WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 2,9,16,23 12:30 PM TO 3 PM

M. Briggs Ctr

Julie Byrnes is inviting you to join her and others in single deck Pinochle on Wednesdays in February..

CONTRACT BRIDGE at M. Briggs Ctr

FRIDAYS, FEBRUARY 4,11,18,25 12:30 PM to 3 PM

This is an ongoing group of varied players who welcome any players at any time. We are a teaching class but we also welcome experienced players.

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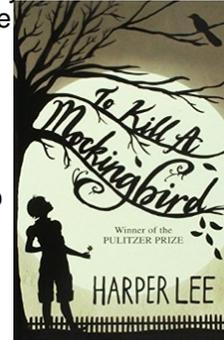
MLK, Jr. Committee invites the community to celebrate Black History Month



The MLK, Jr. Committee is inviting the community to a discussion of the book or movie *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee via Zoom on Wednesday, February 2, at 7 pm.

Books are available for loan at the United Way office on River Street in Alpena. The movie can also be viewed at <https://video.pbsnc.org/video/to-kill-a-mockingbird-1962-Infoaz/> Sandra Pilgrim-Lewis of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services will lead the discussion. To request the link for the discussion email abelovedcommunity.alpena@gmail.com. abelovedcommunity.alpena@gmail.com

Harper Lee wrote *To Kill a Mockingbird* during a very tense time racially in her home state of Alabama. The South was still segregated, forcing Black people to use separate facilities apart from those used by whites, in almost every aspect of society. The Civil Rights Movement began to pick up steam when Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama, in 1955. Following her bold defiance, Martin Luther King, Jr., became the leader of the movement, and the issue began to gain serious national attention. Clearly, a prime subject of *To Kill a Mockingbird*, namely the injustice of racism and inequality in the American South, was highly relevant at the time of its publication. The novel was praised for its sensitive treatment of a child's awakening to racism and prejudice in the American South.



A Little History of ALL

(from the 10th Year Anniversary Book)

ORIGINS AND OVERVIEW

In December 1997, during a Christmas Wish program sponsored by the Volunteer Center at Alpena Community College, several volunteers were introduced to an Elderhostel document which they read with great interest. It described the concept of Institutes of Learning in retirement years. Volunteer Center employee Chris Angel took the lead in bringing interested people together to discuss creating an educational program targeting what was considered at that time an under-served segment of the population in the Alpena area, those 50 years or older or retired.

In January 1998 with the support of Alpena Community College and the Volunteer Center, a startup committee was brought together to establish an Institute of Learning in Alpena and the surrounding area. Among those who created the lifelong learning project were Chris Angel, Chuck Wiesen, Jackie Grulke, Florence Stibitz, Betty Connolly, Joyce Doyle, Denny and Sandy Doubek, Ronnie Stevens, Lorrie LaCross, Wanda Discher and Sue Sandy.

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It was decided to call the new group The Association of Lifelong Learners at Alpena Community College, which soon was shortened to ALL@ACC. A contest was held to create a logo for ALL @ ACC and a logo created by Dodi Lance was chosen. In the early stages of development Lake Superior State University provided some technical support to the emerging association. LSSU had a developed lifelong learning program and a teleconference with them gave ALL organizers assistance on critical issues.

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