

City of Harrisville readies for water project to begin

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Special to the Review

"Not everyone is going to be happy with everything we do," Harrisville Mayor John Dobis told a crowd of about 40 people on Tuesday, March 30, "but the end result - that, everybody will be happy with."

Dobis spoke at a public information meeting regarding the upcoming City of Harrisville water project, scheduled to begin around April 22 and run through early August.

The project will enlarge the existing pump house and add a recirculating pump, replace undersized and aged water mains and storm sewers on Main Street and upgrade mains on Huron Avenue, Lake Street, State Street and 1st, 3rd and 6th streets. If contingency funds remain, Dobis said, it is possible that Dock Street mains will also be updated.

The majority of the \$2.35 million project is funded with a Rural Development (RD) grant and a 40-year RD low-interest loan to be paid through city millage, along with an additional \$180,000 in city capital water funds.

During the project, Jerry MacArthur of MacArthur Construction, Inc. of Hale told residents, "We want to talk to you. It makes no sense for you to call the mayor or the city office with complaints - come to us. Get ahold of one of the guys and they will aim



Harrisville residents and business owners attend an informational meeting regarding the upcoming water main replacement project that is set to begin in a few weeks. (Back row, from left) Nikki Smith, Shirley Lindow, Pat Bushey, Ernie and Liz Andree, Joan Crick (standing), (front row) councilmember Jim Kaiser, Sharon and Don Hume, councilmember Barbara Pierce and Councilperson Persephonie Reynolds. Photo by Art Kniep.

you in the right direction." If all else fails, he said, residents may call (989) 464-7278 and leave a message.

MacArthur said that with the exception of Main Street, work will generally begin on one street as it ends on another. He will personally no-

tify each resident of a given street when work is beginning.

"We will initially run a water main down one side of the street or the other," MacArthur explained. "The street will be closed at that time. Temporary water lines will be run down the sidewalk and hooked up to homes to provide water. We will then pulverize the street's asphalt and take out any gravel. We

will then lay 300-400 foot of the main line at a time.

"Once that work is done, we will have to do two tests for water quality spaced a day apart. If the water passes the tests, we can begin to reconstruct the street. We won't blacktop for a bit, but there will be a gravel surface to get you to your driveway."

Blacktopping will be done in larger sections, perhaps all at once throughout the

city, Dobis added. During the testing, MacArthur said, residents will receive a "boil water notice" through local media instructing them to boil water used for drinking and cooking in order to ensure that it is safe. Water will be adequate for normal household functions while hooked to the temporary lines, he said, but water pressure may be reduced.

While attaching the temporary hookups, MacArthur said, the crew will note build-

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DNR Case Sikorski gets time served for misdemeanor charges

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

A Harrisville resident arrested in the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) undercover investigation in December 2009 was sentenced in 81st District Court and is awaiting sentencing in 23rd Circuit Court next week.

Jeffery Joseph Sikorski, 40, was sentenced on Wednesday, March 31 by the Honorable Laura A. Frawley to 90 days in jail for each charge (running concurrently) with credit for time served, \$250 for attorney fees, and \$885 in restitution.

The charges he pleaded guilty to and was sentenced on are: use of marijuana, wildlife conservation violation - baiting, five counts of using an illegal fishing device, two counts of fishing a trout stream out of season, three counts of buying/selling fish illegally and hunting without a license.

The charges dismissed in the plea agreement with the Alcona County Prosecutor's office were: Six counts of possession of marijuana, nine counts of use of an illegal fishing device; three counts of using marijuana, three counts of transporting open intoxicants in a motor vehicle, fishing a trout stream out of season and fishing without a license.

Sikorski will appear in circuit court for sentencing on Tuesday, April 13 for several felony charges associated with the December 4, 2009 arrest of six Harrisville residents by undercover DNRE officers.

He remains lodged in the Alcona County Jail, where he has been since being arrested.

No open debris burning in northern Michigan

As warm, dry weather persists in Michigan, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) reminds property owners that open debris burning is prohibited at this time and no burn permits are being issued due to high danger fire conditions throughout the Upper Peninsula and northern lower Michigan.

With a lack of snow on the ground in the Upper Penin-

sula, exposed dry, dead grasses and vegetation is easily ignited. More than half of wildfire occurrences this year, numbering over 50 so far in March, have been caused by property owners burning debris.

"This is an unusual spring for us because we lack snow in parts of the state that usually are blanketed with snow into April," said Paul Kollmeyer, DNRE fire prevention specialist. "Normally, wildfire season starts in the southern part of Michigan and works its way north. This year, we have had wildland fires occur in all regions of the state."

"In order to reduce fire danger right now, we need all property owners to forgo debris burning at this time until fire conditions improve," Kollmeyer said. "If you do debris burning now and the fire escapes your control, you will be held liable for the cost of putting out the fire."

Kollmeyer suggested that property owners try safer alternatives, such as composting yard waste or chipping brush into mulch, rather than burning it.

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Replacing the city's water tower is one of the last elements of the water main replacement project the City of Harrisville is conducting this summer. However, the materials have arrived and are near the old tower. Photo by Art Kniep.

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Obituaries

Jefferson A. Marshall

Jefferson Al Marshall, 45, of Bryan, Texas died on Friday, April 2, 2010 at St. Joseph Health Center.

He was born July 25, 1964 in Cynthiana, Ky. to Al and Bertha (Sharboneau) Marshall.

Mr. Marshall is survived by his mother, Bertha Marshall of Bryan, Texas; his father, Al Marshall of Wyoming; one sister, Sandra J. Morrow of Bryan, Texas; one brother Trate J. Marshall of Bryan, Texas; and many aunts and uncles.

Donald J. Remilong

Donald J. Remilong, 62, of Roseville, Mich. died on Tuesday, March 30, 2010 at Henry Ford Hospital.

He was born February 22, 1948 in Detroit, Mich. and was the son of Donald and Grace (Rapson) Rogers.

He married Virginia Lee Good on May 22, 1976 at the United Presbyterian Church in Roseville, Mich.

He was a retired stock chaser for Chrysler at the Sterling Heights Plant.

Mr. Remilong is survived by his wife, Virginia Lee; three daughters, Darlene Remilong of Roseville, Mich., Lynn Sondy of Harrison Township, Mich. and Lisa Boulrier of Lapeer, Mich.; one son, Jack House of Las Vegas, Nev.; five grandchildren, Raymond Lammens, Tara Byers, Jolynn Boulrier, Tamara Boulrier and Shayna Mihalovich; his father, Donald Rogers; three brothers, Earl "Bob" (Sue) Remilong of Mikado, Sterling (Linda) Rogers of Detroit, Mich. and Kenneth (Kathy) Rogers of Midland, Mich.; two sisters, Diana (Don) Harvey of Tawas and Julie (Ken)



Sprung of Clarkston, Mich.; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Grace, in May, 2003.

The funeral was held April 3 at Kaul Funeral Home, Roseville, Mich. The Rev. William Lawrence presided.

Robert E. Foster Sr.

Robert E. Foster Sr., 79, of Flint, Mich. died on Monday, March 29, 2010.

He was born June 9, 1930 in Pontiac, Mich. to William McKinley and Hazel Marie (Ridgley) Foster.

He worked for General Motors at Buick Plant 36 and retired after 44 years. He was an avid sportsman.

Mr. Foster is survived by one son, Robert E. (Cheryl) Foster Jr. of Indian River, Mich.; two grandchildren, Michelle Marie Foster of Greenbush and Michael Eugene Foster; four great-grandchildren; one nephew, Richard J. (Debbie) Nickerson; two nieces, Kelli (James) Smith and Kim Nickerson.

He was preceded in death by his stepfather, William Lindell Stacey; two brothers, Clayton Foster and McKinley Foster; three sisters, Peggy Nickerson, Betty Plamondon, and Patricia Iski; and one daughter-in-law, Kimberley May Foster.

The funeral was held April 3. Burial was in Flint Memorial park, Flint, Mich. Arrangements were handled by Sharp Funeral Home, Flint, Mich.

George A. Procunier

George A. Procunier, 59, of Harrisville, died on Friday, April 2, 2010 at Alpena Regional Medical Center.

He was born on July 20, 1950, to Peter and Thelma (Kingsley) Procunier in Pontiac, Mich.

He served in the United States Navy and was a member of the American Legion, Mikado Post No. 254.

On March 15, 1991, he married Kimberley Joan. They have been residents of Harrisville for the past several years.

Mr. Procunier is survived by his wife, Kimberley; four daughters, Melissa (Andrew) Fribley, Jenny Beck, Shilo Fitzgibbon and Elizabeth Procunier; one son, George Procunier of Harrisville; 10 grandchildren; one sister, Alice Tubbs; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Michael Jacob Procunier on March 15, 2009; and three sisters, Gennie Bruer, Elizabeth Weisenb and Cathy Smith.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. There will be a memorial service on Friday, April 16 at 2 p.m. at the American Legion Mikado Post No. 254, with a meal following. Burial will be in Great Lakes National Cemetery.

Barbara J. Robinson

Barbara Jane Robinson, 64, of Washington Township, Mich., died on Monday, March 29, 2010.

She was born December 17, 1945 in Okemos, Mich. daughter of Ilo H. and Alice B. Bartlett.

She was a graduate of Michigan State University.

She married Larry Robinson on December 4, 1971 in Okemos, Mich.

She was a systems analyst at MESC and when her first child was born became a stay at home mom.

She enjoyed bowling, golfing, tending her flower garden and spending summers at their cabin in Glennie.

Mrs. Robinson is survived by her husband, Larry; one daughter, Tracy (Nathan Powell) Robinson; two sons, Erik (Kelly) Robinson and Brian (Kelly) Robinson; and



three grandchildren, Quinn, Kayla and Camille Robinson.

Inurnment will follow at a future date in Glennie. Memorial contributions may be made to Sierra Club, Michigan Chapter, Attention: Wendi Tilden, development director, 109 E. Grand River Avenue, Lansing, MI 48906.

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

I just want to draw attention to our great community and the wonderful support from citizens and organizations that made the Easter egg hunt at the library a huge success.

The Harrisville Lions, with the Lady Lions, spearheaded donations and manpower for this annual event. St. Anne Catholic Church allowed overflow parking and Mrs.

Sysak allowed the little ones to hunt for eggs on her side lawn.

It was great fun and a wonderful community effort that delighted over 125 children and their parents.

Alcona County and Harrisville is a terrific place to live and work.

Carol Luck,
Alcona County Library
Director

To the Editor,

Our government is totally out of control. We have a government of the government, for the government and by the government, not for the people.

This health care bill is totally unconstitutional and the last straw. People in fear of their government is tyranny. Government in fear of its people is called freedom. We

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2000/2010

Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	March 28	43		29	0.00	5.0
March 29	39	27	0.00	6.4	22	E
March 30	47	25	0.00	5.4	16	SE
March 31	51	31	0.00	7.4	20	S
April 1	57	39	0.00	3.6	14	SW
April 2	62	42	0.00	7.8	24	S
April 3	61	41	0.13	5.0	37	S

2009-2010 Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.13	0.0	0.53
Month of March	0.43	0.0	2.13
April to Date	0.13	0.0	0.28
Year/Season to Date	1.22	22.2	5.45

Climatological Observations taken by Stanley L. Darmofal at the Harrisville National Weather Service Coop Station located 1.8 miles NNE of Harrisville Post Office. Observations for each day are from midnight through 11:59 p.m. T=Trace (less than 0.005" Water Content.)

Requiring governments to publish notices in newspapers aids transparency, public access

By Mike McLaren
Michigan Press Assoc.

Paying for baseball umpires is more important than protecting your property from foreclosure.

That is in essence what some groups are saying as they push for "cost saving" legislation to allow the government to post notices of legal actions on government-run Web sites.

"Baseball umpires...you can't be serious," you say?

I am serious; I'm also worried. You should be too. Here's why:

Legislators say the savings these bills represent will keep police and fire crews on the street. But there are government programs that cost more than publishing these notices, such as umpires for city baseball leagues. It's a fact: The City of Niles spends more each year for baseball umpires than for publishing its legal notices in the local newspaper.

But there's a larger issue at stake. These public notices are legal documents. News-on-paper notices give citizens an independent, authentic and verifiable record of what their government has done. If questions arise regarding ordinances, actions or any other municipal decision, courts will not accept a copy—they want the original document as proof. This news-on-paper publication requirement was put in place to protect public and municipal officials so that there's no question that a document had been doctored at some point in the legal process.

Requiring legal notices to be published in a venue independent of government is a form of insurance for taxpayers. How can you get unquestionable proof of the contents of a legal document from a Web site that can be altered with a click of a mouse, or hacked? Heck, even the Pentagon's computers have been hacked.

Some say backups and vetting might address concerns about Web-only public notices, but doesn't that then diminish any cost savings? If you have to invest in layers of technology to achieve "official" status, are you still saving money? There are other ways to save taxpayer dollars without putting your rights at risk, such as cutting back on baseball umpires.

When was the last time you visited your local government Web site? Is it something you do weekly?

By contrast, according to American Opinion Research: Newspapers are the number one source for local-community news.

Seventy percent of Michigan adults read a print newspaper on an average Sunday.

Eighty-seven percent of Michigan adults (6.7 million) read a Michigan newspaper during an average seven day period.

Ninety-five percent of 18-

Guest Columnist

29 year olds read a newspaper each week in Michigan.

Newspapers deliver an ongoing information stream, so that if one person misses a property-rezoning announcement, others can alert them that a nearby wooded lot could become an adult video store.

Let me be clear: Under the guise of "saving money," this legislation will make it easier for municipalities to have special meetings, make assessments and other important decisions with nearly no knowledge or input from the community. Yes, newspapers charge to publish these notices. More often than not, they are done at cost. But without these notices, more than a few community newspapers face the specter of shutting down. So on top of posting these public notices where the public won't notice, there may be no local paper to report on the results of the actions.

And let me be clear about something else: government officials have thankless jobs. And most of the ones I've worked with are industrious and well-intentioned people. I sincerely doubt that they realized how these bills would disenfranchise the citizens they serve. But the truth is that these bills will hurt you and every other citizen in this state.

So, government officials: Thank you for all the thankless work you do. It is a lot.

And thank you for reconsidering your support of this legislation. Because the taxpayers you work for deserve better.

(Mike McLaren is the executive director of the Michigan Press Association headquartered in Lansing, Mich.)

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have two types of representation, corrupt and /or immoral and compliant and/or blind to the wants or needs of the people.

We not only have a right to fight tyranny, but a duty. We must protect what our forefathers so carefully set up to ensure; our freedom from all enemies, foreign and domestic.

The votes and rights of hardworking American citizens has been sold or given away to foreign interests, greedy people, illegals and all sorts of worthless schemes. They have shoved all of this down our throats for profit or power.

That's our government? No more! Recall them all -- Democrats and Republicans alike. Repeal all unjust laws and taxes. Close the doors on irresponsible/corrupt government before we lose everything we have worked so hard for.

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NOTICE

The next meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission will be Wednesday, April 14, 2010, instead of Tuesday, April 13, 2010. Meetings begin at 9:00 a.m. at the Alcona County Road Commission office at 301 N. Lake Street, Lincoln, MI, and are open to the public.

Finding a safe and caring complete facility for your loved ones is probably the most difficult decision. We understand the complexity of the decision. **Let Us Help!**



Calendar of Events

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

The food pantry is open at the Spruce Lutheran Church from 1 to 3 p.m. No qualifications required although ID must be shown and person must be present to receive food. Food is available per individual one time per month.

A basic computer class will be given at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 9:15 to 10 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

Friends of the Alcona County Library will meet at the Harrisville branch at 1 p.m.

Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will have its membership meeting at 11 a.m. at the VFW hall, 2900 Connon, Alpena near Diamond's Pointe. Lunch will be served. Bring a can of food for the needy. Place reservations by calling (989) 356-4959 or (989) 727-3553.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

Artwork by Heart and Soul will be exhibited at the Thunder Bay Arts Council beginning today with a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. This reception is open to the public. TBAC is located in downtown Alpena, 309 1/2 N. Second Avenue, in the Waterfront building. This exhibit will be on display until May 28.

The Community Walking Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 9 a.m. This activity is for all ages.

There will be a four day AHS Poker Championship in the Huron Room at Vista Lanes in Oscoda beginning today and running through April 11, each day from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. This four day tournament will include no limit Texas Hold'em and cash tables. For more information, call Terry at (989) 739-3708.

Tops No. MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-4483.

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

The Alpena MS Support Group will meet at the First Presbyterian Church, 1600 Chisholm, Alpena from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Family, caregivers and friends are welcome. For more informa-

tion, call Vivian Hepburn at (989) 471-3190.

There will be a story and craft project for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10:15 to 11 a.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

There will be a '50s themed sock hop night of dancing for VitalCare Hospice of the Sunrise Side at the Cedar Grove Bar & Grill in Hubbard Lake from 8 p.m. until midnight with dancing contests, 50/50 drawings, door prizes and costume contest. Come dressed in your best '50s attire. Dancers call to register at the Cedar Grove (989) 727-9183 or Hospice office at (989) 358-1156. All proceeds benefit Hospice.

Recycle Alcona County will hold drop off day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lincoln ARA site. Enter and exit through the north gate. For more information, call (989) 724-6546.

There will be an artistic demonstration given by Mary Iwanski at the ESAG Gallery, Harbortown Marketplace, Harrisville. Enter drawing for a \$50 gallery gift certificate and a \$25 certificate to Reed's on the River Restaurant. Drawing will be May 1 at 3 p.m. - need not be present to win.

American Legion Post 254, 2205 Alger St., Mikado will serve a buffet breakfast from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children.

MONDAY, APRIL 12

The Weight Loss Support Group will meet at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln United Methodist Church. Visitors are welcome and there is no membership fee. For more information, call (989) 736-8645 or (989) 736-8338.

Everyone is invited to play bunco, an easy to learn game, at the Lincoln Senior Center

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COMMENT REQUEST

USDA Forest Service
Huron-Manistee National Forest
Iosco and Alcona Counties, Michigan

The Huron-Manistee National Forests, Huron Shores Ranger Station, is seeking public review and comment for the 2010 Fuelbreak and Opening Maintenance Project. This project proposes management activities on approximately 2,150 acres. These activities would take place on sixty previously-managed fuelbreaks and wildlife openings on the Harrisville and Tawas Ranger Districts of the Huron National Forest. The purpose of the proposal is to continue routine maintenance on sixty existing fuelbreak and wildlife opening areas within the Huron National Forest. This maintenance would provide several benefits. It would ensure habitat diversity for several species of wildlife that rely on these areas by maintaining openings that normally result from natural processes such as wildfire, and insect and disease outbreaks. It also aids in fire suppression by creating defensible space between areas of the forest that are heavily wooded and adjacent to occupied properties. The maintenance activities also help suppress the regrowth of existing woody vegetation, thus keeping them in their preferred open state.

We would like to know your thoughts concerning the project proposal as we identify issues, develop alternatives, and make recommendations for managing these sites. Any suggestions you have regarding the site-specific activities will be considered as we identify issues and further develop the proposal.

This public scoping opportunity includes and is concurrent with a 30-day comment period to establish standing under a Forest Service administrative appeal regulation. The 30-day comment period provides the final pre-decisional opportunity for public review of the proposed action. The opportunity to comment ends 30 days following the date of publication of the legal notice in the Oscoda Press. Appeals may be filed by persons or non-federal organizations or entities that provide comments or otherwise express interest in the proposed action. In order to have standing to appeal this decision under 36 CFR 215, you must have submitted comments prior to the close of the 30-day comment period for the legal notice, and sign the comments or be able to verify identity upon request. Comments should be within the scope of the proposed action, specific to the proposed action, have a direct relationship to the proposed action, and include supporting reasons for the Responsible Official to consider. Your comments will be considered by District Ranger Sue Kocis in reaching a final decision.

Please provide written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, and electronic comments before May 7, 2010. Please submit your written or hand-delivered comments to District Ranger, USDA Forest Service, Huron Shores Ranger Station, 5761 N. Skeel Ave., Oscoda, MI 48750, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, or fax to (989) 739-0347, or e-mail to: comments-eastern-huron-manistee-huron-shores@fs.fed.us (must be readable by Microsoft Office 2007 or Adobe Acrobat formats) and include the following information when submitting comments:

- Name, address, telephone number, organization represented and title;
- Title of the project-2010 Fuelbreak and Opening Maintenance Project
- Specific comments and supporting reasons for consideration in the analysis.

Please direct all responses to Paul Lyden at 989-826-3252, ext. 3350, or Greg Berner at 989-739-0728, ext. 3110. Submit comments electronically to plyden@fs.fed.us or gberner@fs.fed.us. Comments received in response to this project will become a matter of public record. If you have questions, or need further information regarding the proposal, please don't hesitate to call.

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Now on Display

Photographers Christine Brackett of Harrisville and Mary Alice Comar of Ossineke are the April featured artists at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Their exhibit, "The Beauty of Nature in Your Backyard," highlights birds, flowers, insects, animals and other wildlife through spectacular and colorful digital photography. The community is invited to a reception in their honor on Tuesday, April 13 from 2 - 3 p.m. Their photography will be on display during regular library hours through April 30. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

New Arrival

Michael Thomas Peace II is the new son of Mike and Missy (Stewart) Peace of Greenbush. He was born on Friday, March 19, 2010 at Alpena Regional Medical Center. He weighed six pounds, 9.5 ounces and was 20 inches long. He is the grandson of Nancy Brown of Greenbush, Rich and Pam Peace of Mikado and Cathy and John McNary of The Villages, Fla.

Three on Three

The Alcona Three on Three basketball tournament will be held at the Alcona High School

on April 24. The first registration time is 7:45 to 8:15 a.m. for boys and girls 10 and under and boys and girls 11-12. Games start at 9 a.m. The second registration time is 12:30 to 1 p.m. for boys and girls 13-14; boys and girls 15-16; men and women 17-18 and men and women open division. The entry fee is \$50 before the date of the tournament or \$60 the day of the tournament. For more information, call (989) 736-7204. Coordinated by the Alcona Athletic Association.

Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at various times during the week at senior centers in Glennie, Greenbush and Lincoln. Anyone planning to attend a meal is asked to reserve a place by calling (989) 736-8879 by 10 a.m. Monday through Thursday and by 9:30 a.m. on Friday.

- Monday, April 12—Ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, coleslaw and fruit.
- Tuesday, April 13—Lasagna, peas and carrots, American blend salad, garlic bread and fruit.
- Wednesday, April 14—Cook's choice, meat and potato, vegetable, salad, cake and ice cream.
- Thursday, April 15—Swedish meatballs, rice, cauliflower, three bean salad and fruit.
- Friday, April 16—Sloppy Joe on a bun, pasta salad, wax beans, American blend salad and fruit. (Glennie center only.)

Youth Grant Applications

The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) is accepting grant applications for youth related programs and projects through the Northeast Michigan Youth Advisory Council (NEMYAC) during the third quarter of its 2010 fiscal year.

The application deadline is May 1, 2010. All 501(c)(3) non-profit agencies and organizations in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, and Presque Isle are invited to apply. For more information, call Julie Wiesen at (989) 354-6881, (toll free) (877) 354-6881, or stop by the CFNEM office at 111 Water Street in downtown Alpena. Fillable application forms are also available online at www.cfnem.org.

Nurse's Aide Seminar

The annual Home Health Aide-Nurse's Aide seminar sponsored by the Northeast Michigan Home Care Coalition is May 12 in Alpena. This year's seminar will be held at the AMA ESD building, 2118 US-23 south. Topics for this year will focus on mental health with speakers presenting from the Alzheimer's Association, Sunrise Center and Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health. The sessions begin at 8 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. and a 5.5 service credit will be earned for attending the seminar. Registration is \$10 includes lunch. For more information or to register, call Chris Angel at Hospice of the Sunrise Shore (989) 358-1156.

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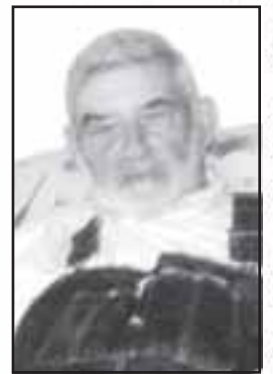
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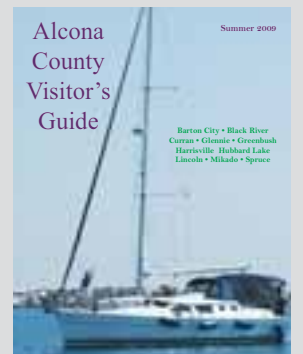
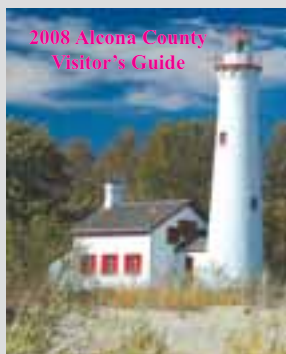


The Review is looking for photographs that depict what summer in Alcona County is all about.

We are looking for good quality, eye-catching, color photos that represent the best Alcona County has to offer in the way of summertime fun and/or scenic beauty. Some examples: Waterskiing on Hubbard Lake, canoeing on the Pine River, a bonfire at dusk, deer walking the shoreline at sunrise, etc.

All photos submitted will be posted on the Review's Web site: alconareview.com. People can vote to select the "People's Choice" winner. The People's Choice winner will receive \$50.

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ings that have old or damaged permanent hookups and let homeowners know that they may want to have these replaced in the near future.

Main Street, the longest stretch in the project, will be addressed on a block at a time basis, MacArthur said, pulverizing, laying pipe and trying to complete one block before moving to the next. That will allow access to businesses along the street. Some businesses may require larger quantities of water and larger temporary hookups, he said.

The Main Street project also involves curbs, MacArthur said, which will take another week and the entire length of Main will be paved at one time. In order to reach some businesses (especially those located in the middle of a block) residents may have to walk from the next block, Dobis said. "We are asking the community to share lots and green space to allow individuals to get into their homes and provide parking," he said.

Initial plans call for the Main Street portion of the project to be completed by June 11. While weather can delay that date somewhat, Dobis said, "I promise you Main Street will be completed by the Fourth of July."

Originally, the city had planned to carry out its Main Street beautification project, updating trees, lighting and sidewalks and adding plants and a pocket park, in conjunction with the water project, Dobis said. However, while the city has received a "conditional commitment" for \$500,000 in Michigan Department of Transportation funding (MDOT) it cannot receive final grant approval until MDOT receives its funding from the federal government.

Work on State Street (US-23) will largely be done behind homes and commercial buildings through a series of easements, Dobis said. The city does not have the authority to close the state highway for the week required by the project.

Dobis also addressed the issue of trees that may require removal during the project. "We are going to try

to keep every beautiful tree we can," he said. "When the contractor feels it is necessary to remove a tree, the city's tree committee will be on call to make the decision." When trees are removed, young trees will be planted to replace them, Dobis said.

The second portion of the project, replacement of the city's more than 70 year-old water tower, is expected to be completed by the end of the main project, Dobis said. Several large pieces of the new tower were delivered late last week.

During the switch over from the old to the new tower, he said, 6th Street to the north will be partially closed, although residents will have access. Water will be shut off throughout the city for a period of about two hours.

MacGuire Iron will conduct the \$614,900 water tower project. In answer to a question from the audience, Dobis explained that MacGuire will collect the old tank and tower materials and it will probably be sold as scrap metal.

Wilcox Engineering will handle inspection of the water main project. Inspectors will include Dan Kibbee, manager of the firm's Alpena office, Jeff Allen and Dale Saranin. "We work closely together," Kibbee said. "If you have questions or complaints, talk to one of us and we'll get your information to (Mac-Arthur)."

Both MacArthur and the Wilcox team emphasized that while it is fine to bring children to watch the work, parents should strongly caution both children and young people to stay away from construction and off equipment, especially at night when the equipment is left unattended, to avoid injury. "We don't want anyone hurt," MacArthur said.

Residents who need assistance in accessing their vehicle are especially urged to let the workers know, MacArthur emphasized. "We've carried individuals in wheelchairs out before," he said, "and we're happy to do that."

"We're not here as aliens," he pointed out. "We're here to help you. But you've got to let us know when and how we can assist."

Burning

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Citizens can check burning conditions in their area by going to www.michigan.gov/burnpermit. The interactive map on the site will list burning conditions by county down to the township level.

Kollmeyer reminded citizens that persons burning yard waste in the northern Lower Peninsula and the Upper Peninsula are required to obtain a DNRE burn permit first.

The permits are free and available online at www.michigan.gov/burnpermit. This year, the burn permit Web site has been streamlined and improved. It shows a map of Michigan, and by clicking on the county in which a person needs a burn permit, homeowners will be informed of local burning ordinances and restrictions.

On the DNRE burn permit Web site, residents are not required to give personal information about their location or what they are burning. They simply need to check the site for what burning conditions are in their area. Persons without Internet access can call (866) 922-2876 toll-free.

In southern Michigan, burn permits and information on burning can be obtained from local fire departments and township offices.

Kollmeyer also urged that homeowners take fire prevention measures, including staying with your fire at all times while burning. Evenings are a safer time to burn, when temperatures are cool and the wind has died down. You also should have garden tools and a charged hose ready for when it is time to put your fire out or to handle unexpected flare-ups. Thoroughly extinguish your fire with water, and do not simply cover it with dirt. If a fire escapes your control, call 911 immediately.

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Business Brief



Linda Dean is quickly closing in on the one year anniversary of owning Kohler's Flowers in Oscoda, but she's had a lot of experience owning and operating Kohler's Flowers in Lincoln. Dean learned the flower business from her mother, Joanne Kohler (previous owner of Kohler's Flowers in Lincoln). She purchased the Lincoln business from her in 1999. When the owners of Oscoda Floral decided to close, Dean decided to open her second business in Oscoda. She began leasing at the Oscoda location in April 2009. "It was kind of scary at first," Dean said. "But it was quickly into the fast and furious...I've been meeting a lot of nice people and I'm enjoying getting to know area customers," Dean said. Helping her at the Oscoda location is Marion Mulvahill, Deanna Gorman, Shelia Rockett and Tina Healey. Kohler's Flowers offers floral arrangements, plants and a large selection of giftware for weddings, funerals, holidays and special occasions. The hours are Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call (989) 739-7242. *Photo by Cheryl Peterson.*

Bowling

Wednesday Nite Women's

March 31

Ark Plumbing	92.5	57.5
Alcona Abstract	92	58
Udder Team	87	63
Richard's Phar.	81	69
JB's Auto	78	72
Animal Clinic	76.5	73.5
Mikado Mkt.	71	79
Moosetales	66.5	83.5
Alcona Tool	66	84
Stoney Acres	62.5	87.5
Back Alley Bar	59	91
Abend Bros.	58	82

High game and series: Lynn Gibson, 202 and 546.
High handicap game: Mickey Zurcher, 255.
High handicap series: Sarah Webb, 661.

Wolverines	20	25
Flaming Scorp.	19	26
Red Dragons	13	32
Tigers	10	35

Boy's high game and series: Hunter Sullivan, 126 and 250.
Boy's high handicap game and series: Conner Morgan, 254 and 468.
Girl's high game: Emily Hoffman, 76.
Girl's high series: Elizabeth Webb, 141.
Girl's high handicap game: Emily Hoffman, 229.
Girl's high handicap series: Hannah Berge, 435.

High team series: Tigerlilys, 1,295.

Huron

March 30

Outdoor Ctr.	26	100.5
Back Alley Bar	4	86
Gary Oil	21	78
Lincoln Prec.	14	73
B & D Sales	9	73
Carpet One	19	67
Big Joe's Motel	11	62
E & M Bldrs.	16	60.5

High game: Harley Robinson, 243.
High series: Ray Covey, 628.
High handicap game and series: Ray Covey, 264 and 712.

Early Bloomers

March 30

Buttercups	217.5	118.5
Tigerlilys	197.5	138.5
Violets	170.5	165.5
Rosebuds	169.5	166.5
Daffodils	167	169
Marigolds	151	185
Bluebells	144.5	191.5
Mums	126.5	209.5

High individual game: Velma Myers, 176.
High individual series: Annette Kane and Velma Myers, 483.
High team game: Violets 444.

Minors

April 3

Fantastics	34	11
Sparkles	30	15
Black Widows	27	18
Bulldogs	26	18

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The Alcona County Road Commission will lift seasonal load and speed restrictions on Alcona County roads at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

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Dear Tapped,
To get paid as your mother's caregiver there are several possibilities you should check into, and a variety of support services that can help, too.

If your mom is eligible for Medicaid, you may be able to get paid a small amount by the government. In 15 states, Medicaid offers a Cash and Counseling program (see cashandcounseling.org) that provides direct financial assistance to their beneficiaries, and that money can be used to pay in-home caregivers.

A few other states have similar programs for low-income seniors, even if the person receiving care doesn't quite qualify for Medicaid. To find out about these options contact your local Medicaid office or visit benefits-checkup.org - an online service that helps seniors and their families find and enroll in federal, state, local and private benefit programs.

If your mom has financial resources of her own, find

out if she can afford to pay you herself. If she agrees, it may be a good idea for both of you to draft a short written contract detailing your work and payment arrangements. Or, if your mom has long-term care insurance that includes in-home care coverage, in some cases those benefits can be used to pay you.

The IRS may also be able to help you out if you can show that you pay at least half of your mother's yearly expenses, and her annual income was below \$3,650 in 2009 (not counting Social Security). If so, you can claim her as a dependant on your taxes, and reduce your taxable income by \$3,650. Your mom doesn't have to live with you to qualify as a dependant. IRS Publication 501 (see www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p501.pdf or call (800) 829-3676 to get a copy mailed to you) has a worksheet that can help you with this.

If your mom's income, however, is over \$3,650, you can't claim her as a dependant.

But if you're paying at least half her living expenses, you can still get a tax break if you're helping pay her medical and long-term care costs and they exceed 7.5 percent of your adjusted gross income. You can include your own medical expenses in calculating the total. See the IRS publication 502 (www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p502.pdf) for details.

If you don't qualify for caregivers pay or a tax break, you can still get some financial relief through the National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP). This is a federally funded program that provides aid for specific caregiver needs like respite care or adult daycare to give you a break, counseling and support groups, and supplemental services including the purchase of medical supplies, SOS emergency response systems and even home modifications.

In addition to the NFCSP, you should also check into home delivered meal programs, volunteer companion

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programs, and even home and personal care services. These, too, can lighten your load. To locate all the various programs and support services near you, contact your Area Agency on Aging. Call the Eldercare Locator at (800) 677-1116 to get your local number or visit www.eldercare.gov.

Savvy Tip: The best Web resource to search for caregiver support services and programs in your area is the Family Caregiver Alliance at caregiver.org. When you get there, click on "Family Care Navigator," or call (800) 445-8106.

(Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show.)



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Tenth Grade

Danielle Alt, 3.32; Selina Bellew, 3.52; Taylor Caslow,

3.34; Kieran Clarke, 3.46; Katrian Cotton, 3.0; Evan Dennis, 4.0; Rachel Elkins, 3.6; Mikayla Erickson, 3.28; Raevin Fox, 3.72; David Frasher, 3.42; Jenna Grant, 4.0; Justine Hock, 4.0; Robert Huebel IV, 4.0; Clara Insuasti, 3.08; Clayton Jackson III, 3.88; Hannah Kachur, 3.28; Patricia Lake, 3.14; Alicia Lentz, 3.6; Kevin Mioduch, 3.4; Cody Nogle, 3.14; Michael Ostrander, 3.94; Brian Perkins, 3.6; Gabriel Pike, 3.06; Bryana Reinhard, 3.66; Erica Ruemenapp, 3.68; Matthew Simpson, 3.4; Nicole Steenberg, 3.06; Jana Tewid, 3.6; Mary Wood, 3.88; Toni Wood, 3.0; Stacy Yang, 3.66.

Eleventh Grade

Mari Businski, 3.77; Megan Crowder, 3.4; Joshua Deornellas, 3.07; Corinanne Evans, 3.2; Kenneth Fielders, 3.17; Ashley Kennedy, 3.35; Troy Kohl, 4.0; Anna Kushmaul, 3.43; Trevor LaPointe, 3.35; Oriane Lilley, 3.67; Brandon McCausey, 3.15; Alyssa Miller, 3.77;

Julia Nassan, 3.52; Trisha Nelson, 3.42; Joshua Obeada, 4.0; Sarah Page, 3.0; Kathleen Peacock, 3.46; Tieler Perior, 3.07; Michael Perkins, 3.74; Steven Rhonehouse, 3.0; Matthew Rivera, 3.35; Sean Rousseau, 3.5; Brandi Rudolph, 3.35; Crystal Ruemenapp, 3.92; Ashley Scott, 3.67; Nathan Spragg, 3.42; Ashley Suszek, 3.67; Catherine Tait, 3.85; Melissa Yang, 4.0; Randalyn Younk, 3.15.

Twelfth Grade

Jarin Batangan, 3.8; Mia Beliveau, 3.92; Alyssa Binkowski, 3.0; Sarah Bolsby, 3.0; Joshua Brewer, 3.7; Amanda Buckman, 3.52; Gerry Cagle, 3.68; Kasey Copus, 3.0; Lelia Cotton, 3.67; Benjamin Davies, 3.25; Jacob Davis, 3.17; Dorene Donovan-Andrews, 3.74; Emily Flowers, 3.0; Shannon Fowler, 3.86; Eric Frsher, 3.08; Kaitlyn Hoh, 3.7; Crystal Hoogerhyde, 3.25; Dillon Hupcik, 3.13; Michael Inman, 3.67; Nicole Jackson, 3.75; Tyler Jaroscak, 3.1; Crystal Johnston, 3.03; Kimberly Kaiser, 3.94; Jason Kear, 3.35; Maryna Kotula, 3.62; Megan Lamrock, 4.0; Samantha Legere, 4.0; Haley Luebben, 3.2; Stephanie Lueckeman, 3.46; Dylan McLaren, 3.6; Kyle Miller, 3.7; Braden Morrish, 3.02; Charlene Morrison, 3.82; Andrew Morse, 4.0; Stephanie Mumma, 3.34; Jennifer Nedo, 3.33; Coty Nolff, 3.72; Nicole Obeada, 3.33; Melanie Page, 3.0; Eric Pancost, 3.46; Alyson Parker, 3.66; Christopher Puzjak, 3.66; Brynne Raymond, 3.0; Derek Rick, 3.0; Barbara Ridpath, 3.1; Heather Roberts, 4.0; Jesse Rose 3.0; Abby Samotis, 3.56; Zachary Shelton, 3.56; Nicole Shugart, 3.65; Damia Spangle, 3.57; Blake Sponaule, 4.0; Marie Stork, 3.94; Erin Sweet, 4.0; Lauria Taylor, 3.9; Christopher Tymczym 3.2; Andrea Uchel, 3.9; Maggie Ungurean, 3.0; Tyler Walker, 3.1; Megan Zarachowicz, 3.92.

Rickert/Pukall plan June nuptials

Richard and Susan Rickert of Mikado announce the engagement of their daughter, Bethany Leann Rickert, to Jeffery Mark Pukall, son of Dale and Lynn Pukall of Oscoda.

The bride-to-be is a 2006 graduate of Alcona High School. She is enrolled in the medical assistant program at Alpena Community College and will graduate in May. She is employed at Kmart.

The future groom is a 1997 graduate of Plattsmouth High School in Nebraska, and is also taking classes at Alpena Community College for business management. He is employed at Kmart.

A June 26 wedding is planned at the Harrisville Methodist Church. The couple will make their home in Oscoda.



Bethany Rickert and Jeffery Pukall

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The last wolverine

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

"Picture a weasel — and most of us can do that, for we have met that little demon of destruction, that small atom of insensate courage, that symbol of slaughter, sleeplessness, and tireless, incredible activity — picture that scrap of demoniac fury, multiply that mite some fifty times, and you have the likeness of a wolverine."

~ Ernest Thompson Seton, "Lives of Game Animals," 1928.

In all the activity of the past few weeks, we've neglected to comment in this space on the death of Michigan's only wolverine. To paraphrase the old American song, "that doesn't mean it ain't been on my mind."

In case you missed the story, hikers found the body of the 28-pound female on March 13 in the Minden Game Area in Sanilac County. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) had tracked the wolverine for about seven years. Prior to that, the last known sighting of a wolverine in Michigan was some 200 years ago. Most North American wolverines are found in Alaska and Canada and in Idaho and Wyoming.

As Mr. Seton points out above, wolverines have a reputation as nasty creatures with bad attitudes. As a Michigan State fan, that

purely begs for a University of Michigan (U of M) joke, but I'll try to restrain myself.

Anyway, the DNRE's announcement — as is often the case — left me with a lot of questions. Michigan became a state in 1837. If there haven't been any wolverines here in two centuries, why then are we "the wolverine state?"

Turns out that there are two versions of how the nickname came to be. One is that although we didn't have wolverines, it came from the early fur trapping business, which dealt in wolverines or at least, their pelts. The other is that during the Toledo War, a fight between Ohio and Michigan over a strip of land in the mid 1800s, Ohioans gave Michigan the nickname because Michiganians were "as vicious and bloodthirsty as wolverines." U of M's first use of the nickname, according to their Web site, came in 1861.

In researching, I'd kind of hoped that it would turn out that the state didn't have any wolverines because they were so cranky and nasty that even other wolverines wouldn't breed with them, lending itself to yet another great U of M joke. Alas, no one postulated that theory.

Either way, it turns out, the wolverine isn't Michigan's state animal. That honor (or at least the title of "state mammal") goes to the white-tail deer. And while the state

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flag depicts an elk, a moose and a bald eagle (along with a man with a gun "denoting peace," and a sunrise) there's no wolverine there, either.

All in all, it seems, we were either nicknamed for an animal that never really lived here and now doesn't live here at all, or for being as vicious as an animal that never lived here and now doesn't live here at all. So maybe, I thought, it might be time for us Michiganians to consider a different state mascot.

Unfortunately, I couldn't think of one. While they're beautiful, graceful creatures, I don't think anybody — even with the lack of sunny days for six months of the year in our state — wants to be known as the "whitetails," and just "deer" could be confusing for husbands. I suppose the elks or the moose might be better, but those could get confused with the local organizations of the same names, and the Lion's Club would probably be miffed.

Most of the Michigan animals that we have in abundance have, well, less than stellar reputations. The

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Super Crossword

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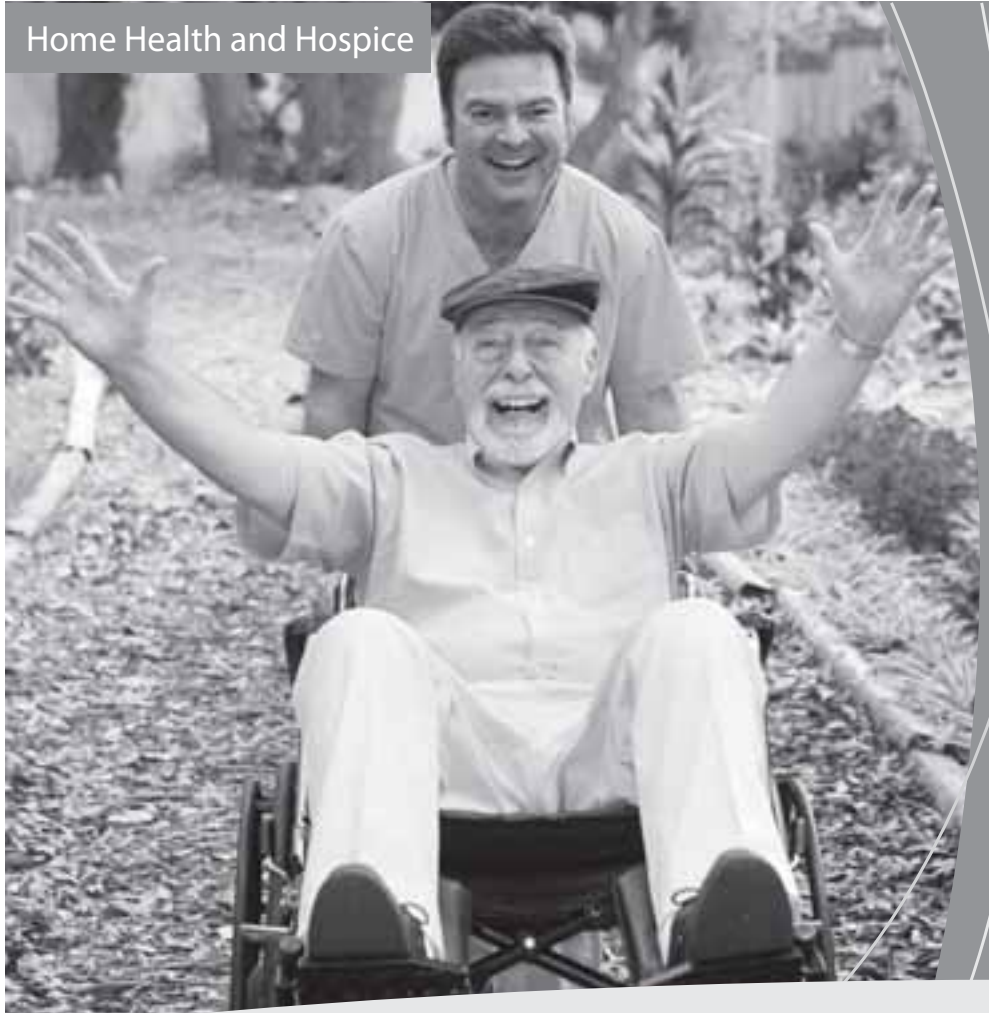
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Operate While Intoxicated	1	Drive While License Susp.	2
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skunks, for example. The porcupines. The opossums. ("Ladies and gentleman, introducing the University of Michigan's fighting opossums" just doesn't have much of a ring to it).

Seeking inspiration, I moved on to look up some other state's animals. Wisconsin, for example, has the

dairy cow, not noted as a particularly tough animal. Maine has the Maine coon cat, interestingly enough. My husband's state, Connecticut, has the sperm whale ('nuff said). Ohio, in addition to swiping the Toledo Strip, stole our state mammal, the deer. (But then, they have only one state nut, the buckeye, whereas we have literally hundreds of them, many of whom attended U of M).

So that pretty much leaves us with the Kirtland's warbler, which gets nominated to be the state everything. I personally don't like the warbler. It's endangered because it's silly enough to mate on the ground, making it easy

prey, and that's not something I want to be noted for. Besides, "the warbler state" doesn't sound very tough, either.

And then one night last week it came to me. I'd been looking at this whole state mascot thing from the wrong angle. Rather than go to all the trouble and the considerable argument that getting a new state mascot would inevitably cause, now that we've observed a decent period of mourning it would be much easier to just get another wolverine.

I move that we obtain Hugh Jackman. Okay, he's Australian, but he plays Wolverine in the X-men movies. He's established himself as a tough guy, yet he also sings and dances. And he was named People Magazine's 2008 Sexiest Man of the Year. I think he'd make an absolutely smashing state mascot and if you do too, well, write the governor.

Following a necropsy at the Michigan DNRE Wildlife Lab (rather ironically housed on the campus of Michigan State) the last late Michigan wolverine's skeleton will be displayed in the MSU museum and the skin will be mounted and put on display at the visitor center at the Bay City State Recreation Area in Bangor Township, the DNRE said. I suppose that's a fitting tribute to our only known mascot.

Mr. Jackman, on the other hand, would probably only be available to Michigan on those occasions when he's not making a movie, hosting the Oscars or standing around in a tight black t-shirt, flexing his muscles and the dimple in his smile.

Never let it be said that I don't love my state. I'd be happy to volunteer to house, feed and groom him on the occasions when he's here. It's a compromise, of course. But I have to say as state mascots go; he beats the heck out of the Petoskey stone.

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Calendar of Events

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at 2:30 p.m. First-timers are always welcome. Questions, call (989) 739-7029.

Get Crafty for Adults will be at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kathryn Cubalo will teach a beginning pastel class. Cost is \$5 for supplies. Call (989) 724-6796 to register.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13
Partners in Prevention will host the eighth annual Power of Parenting event, "Why Your Kids Do What They Do," from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Thunder Bay Jr. High School, 3500 Third Avenue, Alpena. Dinner, keynote speaker and child care all for just \$5 per family. Register by April 6 by calling (989) 356-2880 or (800) 354-2880.

The Digital Photography Club will meet at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library from 1 to 2 p.m. Call

(989) 736-3388 for more information and to register.

Kids are invited to the Mikado branch of the Alcona County Library from 3:30 to 5 p.m. to play games on the library's Wii system.

The ESAG Gallery will have its general monthly meeting at 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Guest speaker Sisty Behmer will talk about beginning art history. Members and guests welcome. The board meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m., officers of the guild and gallery should be present.

The Alcona County Democrats will hold their monthly breakfast at the Iron Skillet Restaurant in Lincoln at 9 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Questions, call (989) 736-6516.

The Target Alpena Development Corporation will hold

its annual meeting of the board of directors at 7:30 a.m. in the Maritime Heritage Center, 500 W. Fletcher St., Alpena. The media is invited. For questions regarding this meeting, call (989) 354-2666.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14
VitalCare Hospice of the Sunrise Shore will have a grief support group meeting from 6 to 7 p.m. at 109 N. Second Ave., Suite 201 in Alpena. This is an educational, confidential, non-denominational, free of charge, peer-support group where you will learn about the grief process and healthy coping skills. Everyone welcome.

The Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce general monthly meeting will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 6 p.m. featuring a guest speaker.

A beginning word processing class will be given at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 9:15 to 10 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

The Alcona Lady Tigers Softball Team invites the public to a benefit spaghetti dinner at the Backwoods Bistro in Lincoln from 4 to 8 p.m. A silent auction and 50/50 drawing will be held.

The Barton City Improvement Association will hold their regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the VFW Post No. 8135 in Barton City. For more information, call (989) 736-3263.


There will be an American Red Cross blood drive at the First United Methodist Church of Alpena from 11:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Visit www.RedCrossBlood.org for more information on requirements for donating blood.


THURSDAY, APRIL 15
Huron Shores Genealogical Society will hold its quarterly meeting at 5:30 p.m. at A Different Blend Coffee House, 513 W. Bay (US-23), East Tawas. All interested in genealogy are welcome to join. Questions, contact Judy at (989) 739-5497 or huronshoresgs@yahoo.com.

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) invites all mothers of children ages newborn through five years to a morning of fun, food and crafts from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Oscoda Baptist Church, 5589 US-23. Childcare is free, a \$3 donation is appreciated, but not required. For more information, call (989) 739-5441.

Tops No. MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-4483.

Area Church Directory

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 (including Children's Church and nursery 5yrs. & younger)
 7:00 p.m. - Evening Worship
 Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m. - Bible Study & Prayer Meeting
 7:00pm - Extreme Kid's Night Out!(K - 8th grade)

GREENBUSH COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
 2430 S. State, Greenbush • 724-5264 • Pastor A. C. Caincross
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.


Haynes Community Church
 4505 Shaw Road, Harrisville, Michigan 48740
 Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m.
 989-724-6665 • 989-724-6578
 Pastor Claire Duncan • haynescommunitychurch.org


Family Heritage Baptist Church
 4260 M-72 Harrisville (2.5 miles west of the light)
 Pastor Ernest Ruemenapp (989) 724-6728 • www.church72.org

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St. Joseph Health System named one of nation's 100 Top Hospitals

St. Joseph Health System (SJHS) has been named one of the nation's 100 Top Hospitals by Thomson Reuters, a leading provider of information and solutions to improve the cost and quality of healthcare.

The award recognizes hospitals that have achieved excellence in clinical outcomes, patient safety, patient satisfaction, financial performance and operational efficiency.

During the week of March 29, Dr. Patrick J. Murtha,

president and CEO of St. Joseph Health System communicated the recognition to the hospital's board of trustees, medical staff, management team and all employees and volunteers of St. Joseph Health System. Murtha noted that the accomplishment is the result of a total team effort and represents a strong focus on clinical excellence and quality, spearheaded by medical staff and the board of trustees. "We are so proud of all of our clinical providers and support staff at SJHS and are pleased to be able to share this distinction with our community," Murtha said.

This new recognition comes on the heels of St. Joseph receiving the distinguished Best in Value award in the last quarter of 2009 sponsored by Data Advantage. In addition, St. Joseph was one of only 15 hospitals across the state to receive the Governor's Recognition of Excellence in Surgical Care

Improvement in 2009. "Our continued recognition for clinical service excellence by external agencies is representative of the dedication of our medical staff and the passion for quality and patient satisfaction in the care we deliver to our patients", said Dr. Neelima Ryali, chief of medical staff at St. Joseph Health System.

The 100 Top Hospitals national benchmark represents a quantitative study that identifies 100 hospitals with the highest achievement on the 100 Top Hospitals: National Benchmarks Balanced Scorecard. Balanced hospital-wide performance reflects a hospital's ability to provide great value through highly reliable and efficient clinical care, financial stability, and service to patients, local employers, payers and the entire community.

Thomson Reuters bases its selection on objective statistical performance measure-

ment across six critical areas: Clinical process and outcomes, patient safety, patient perception of care, operational efficiency, financial stability and extended outcomes.

"The 100 Top Hospitals winners raised the bar again this year, delivering a higher level of reliable care and greater value for their communities," said Jean

Chenoweth, senior vice president for performance improvement and 100 Top Hospitals programs at Thomson Reuters.

The winning hospitals were announced in the March 29 edition of Modern Healthcare magazine and will be recognized at the 2009 100 Top Hospitals Summit on June 9-11 in Dana Point, Calif.

Michigan's only known wolverine dead from natural causes

Michigan's only known wolverine apparently died of natural causes, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE).

A necropsy performed at the DNRE's Wildlife Diagnostic Laboratory and microscopic examinations at Michigan State University showed some heart degeneration and some liver congestion, but no sign of infection or trauma. The wolverine was in fair body condition with small deposits of fat. Metal and pesticide screenings were negative.

The female wolverine, first discovered by coyote hunters near Bad Axe, Mich. on February 24, 2004, was approximately nine years old, said DNRE pathologist Tom Cooley. Previous DNA analysis indicated the animal's genetic origin was from a vast area of Ontario and Manitoba.

The dead wolverine, was found semi-submerged on the downstream side of a beaver dam by hikers Morgan Graham and Todd Rann in the Minden City State Game Area in mid March. The animal was last known to be alive on February 17.

The wolverine's carcass was taken to a taxidermist by DNRE personnel. It will be made into a full-body mount to be displayed at the Saginaw Bay Visitor Center at Bay City State Recreational Area.

The animal was first wolverine ever authenticated in Michigan.



April Showers

If you live in an area where it rains a lot this time of year, be sure to keep your feeders as clean and dry as possible. Wet seed causes bacteria growth that can make birds sick. If possible, bring your feeders in at night to help keep them dry.

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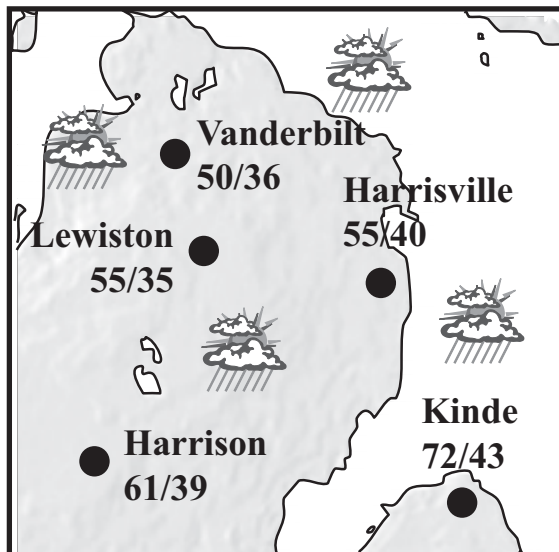
Alcona Review Weather Report

April 7, 2010

Seven Day Forecast

	WEDNESDAY Showers Likely High: 55 Low: 40
	THURSDAY Few Showers High: 44 Low: 30
	FRIDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 45 Low: 30
	SATURDAY Mostly Sunny High: 46 Low: 32
	SUNDAY Mostly Sunny High: 57 Low: 35
	MONDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 55 Low: 34
	TUESDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 54 Low: 32

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 90% chance of showers, high temperature of 55°, humidity of 67% and an overnight low of 40°. The record high temperature for today is 86° set in 1991. The record low is 9° set in 1982. Thursday, skies will be cloudy with a 30% chance of showers, high temperature of 44°.

*Last Week's Almanac

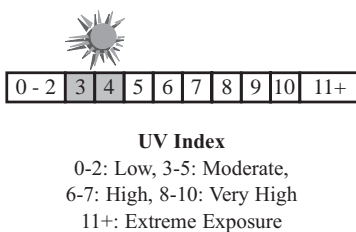
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	46	29	42/24	0.00"
Tuesday	52	19	43/24	0.00"
Wednesday	74	29	43/24	0.00"
Thursday	70	40	44/25	0.00"
Friday	83	44	44/25	0.00"
Saturday	75	46	45/26	0.22"
Sunday	67	41	45/26	0.00"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
New 4/14	7:03 a.m.	8:08 p.m.	3:52 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	Full 4/28
Wednesday	7:01 a.m.	8:10 p.m.	4:19 a.m.	2:33 p.m.	
Thursday	6:59 a.m.	8:11 p.m.	4:42 a.m.	3:35 p.m.	
Friday	6:58 a.m.	8:12 p.m.	5:03 a.m.	4:38 p.m.	
Saturday	6:56 a.m.	8:13 p.m.	5:23 a.m.	5:40 p.m.	
First 4/21	6:54 a.m.	8:15 p.m.	5:42 a.m.	6:44 p.m.	Last 5/5
Sunday	6:52 a.m.	8:16 p.m.	6:03 a.m.	7:49 p.m.	

Local UV Index



National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with a few showers and thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 86° in Norwood, Mass. The Southeast will see mostly clear skies today, isolated showers and thunderstorms Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 89° in Louisa, Va. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with a few showers today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 68° in Hermiston, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 85° in Thermal, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	7:35 a.m.	9:55 p.m.
Venus	7:54 a.m.	9:57 p.m.
Mars	1:23 p.m.	4:38 a.m.
Jupiter	6:09 a.m.	5:32 p.m.
Saturn	6:20 p.m.	6:47 a.m.
Uranus	6:27 a.m.	6:19 p.m.

Weather History

April 7, 1980 - Severe thunderstorms spawned tornadoes which ripped through central Arkansas. The severe thunderstorms also produced high winds and baseball size hail. Five counties were declared disaster areas by President Carter.

Weather Trivia

How far is the sun from the Earth?

Answer: 93 million miles.

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StarWatch By Gary Becker - Caught by Surprise

A few days ago while driving home, I was caught by surprise, when "on a lark," I stopped at one of my favorite observing sites to note the location of Venus. In next week's StarWatch you will learn about the close encounter that Mercury will make with the moon on Income Tax day, April 15. Venus will play an integral part in finding an extremely thin waxing crescent moon next to Mercury on that evening. I was interested in knowing whether this location would permit me the opportunity of witnessing the event. The setting is on a rise which overlooks a field and distant trees. It provides me with a near perfect western horizon that is only three blocks from my home. I turned onto N. Hillside Dr. and proceeded up the block and did my standard U-turn which pointed my car in the correct direction. There was Venus shining brightly above a silhouette of distant skeletal trees. "Wonderful," I mused, as I imagined myself setting up my photographic gear and adjusting all of the knobs and buttons to take that one perfect digital image. But as I looked through my car window, feeling the elation of a near perfect moment beginning to sweep me away, I noticed a slow, pulsating light slightly below and to Venus's right. "Damn," I muttered to myself. "Another beautiful image marred by an airplane. There was just no justice." But as I strained to detect any movement of the plane, there was none to be seen. It suddenly dawned upon me that I had just discovered Mercury. It had to have ranked as one of the clearest and brightest sightings of the Messenger God that I have ever made. After checking my computer programs when I got home, I discovered that this week offers an extraordinary opportunity to view, just to the right of Venus, the most elusive of the naked eye planets. Its brightness will be rapidly diminishing by week's end, so act now if you also want to be caught by surprise like I was last week. www.astronomy.org

TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- MOVIES:** Which one of the Seven Dwarfs is the only one wearing glasses in Disney's "Snow White" animated film?
- TELEVISION:** Who starred in the TV series "Quantum Leap"?
- PSYCHOLOGY:** A xenophobic person would be afraid of what?
- GEOGRAPHY:** What was the prior name of the nation of Sri Lanka?
- LANGUAGE:** What is another name for comestibles?
- COMICS:** What is the name of the family duck in the "Hagar the Horrible" comic strip?
- FAMOUS QUOTATIONS:** Who once said, "Freedom is not worth having if it does not include the freedom to make mistakes."
- MEASUREMENTS:** What is a jiffy, as in "I'll be there in a jiffy"?
- MUSIC:** Which rock music singer used to perform onstage with a boa constrictor around his neck?
- BUSINESS:** What does the "B.F." stand for in "B.F. Goodrich"?

Answers: 1. Doc; 2. Scott Bakula; 3. Strangers or foreigners; 4. Ceylon; 5. Edibles, or food items; 6. Kvack; 7. Mahatma Gandhi; 8. 1/100th of a second; 9. Alice Cooper; 10. Benjamin Franklin Goodrich, company founder (c) 2010 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword PLACE NAMES

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| 1 Golf stroke | 58 Farm vehicle | 100 Lennon's lady | 6 Braided bread | 52 Engine part | 94 Harp — |
| 5 43,560 square feet | 60 Actress Berry | 101 Biblical book | 7 Libertine | 53 February forecast | 95 Head line? |
| 9 Live on lettuce | 61 "— Gay" | 103 California city | 8 — Stanley Gardner | 54 Pursue | 97 Beat |
| 13 Word in a triangle | 62 Bellini opera | 107 New Jersey city | 9 Mr. Hammar-skjold | 56 Battle site of 1836 | 99 Where kids eat |
| 18 Lotion additive | 63 Sausage | 110 Or — (threat words) | 10 Hotel | 57 Freshwater fish | 102 Menlo Park monogram |
| 19 Restaurateur Toots | 66 Golfer's gadget | 111 Defeat by a knockout | 11 Self-esteem | 59 Between three | 105 Pipe part |
| 20 "Teen —" ('60 smash) | 67 Tropical tree | 112 Castilian cry | 12 Work for a while | 62 Letters | 106 A place with buzz? |
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| 23 Minnesota city | 71 Ewe said it! | 115 Landed | 14 Calligraphy supply | 65 Behalf | 108 Nom de crime? |
| 25 Folklore figure | 72 Stink | 118 Cunning | 15 Statesman | 68 About | 109 Gnats and brats |
| 26 Japanese dog | 73 New York city | 122 Man of rare gifts? | 16 Procrastinator's word | 70 Black piano key | 114 First base man? |
| 27 Saint Catherine's home | 75 Kentucky city | 125 "Roots" writer | 17 Frank book | 72 Trickster | 116 Spinks or Trotsky |
| 28 Groucho's gaze | 78 Dorothy's dog | 129 Wisconsin city | 21 Head | 73 La —, CA | 117 Desdemona's enemy |
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| 32 "— Alibi" ('89 film) | 80 Wingding | 132 Dolphins' home | 29 CSA soldier | 76 Helen Hunt Jackson novel | 120 Carmen or Clapton |
| 33 The planes of Israel | 82 Condescend | 133 Fairy tale fiend | 31 Damage competitor | 77 Hound's handle | 121 Actress Ward |
| 35 James or Place | 83 Yalie | 134 Marsh bird | 36 Western Italian | 78 Side | 123 When Seurat sweated |
| 39 Connecticut city | 84 "— with Love" ('67 film) | 135 Selling point | 37 Jogger's gait | 81 They're out of this world | 124 Postal abbr. |
| 42 Virginia city | 86 Fernando or Lorenzo | 136 High time? | 38 Shining | 84 Ryan's daughter | 126 — tzu |
| 46 Buffalo waterfront | 88 Guitarist Eddy | 137 Playwright Coward | 40 It falls but never breaks | 85 Salon solution | 127 Philips of "UHF" |
| 47 Directional suffix | 91 "Hi, Ho!" | 138 Org. founded in 1844 | 41 Composer Bartok | 87 — League | 128 Chinese principle |
| 48 Owl's cry | 93 Guest | DOWN | 42 Small songbird | 89 Singer Simone | 130 "Fantasia" frame |
| 49 — plexus | 95 — license | 1 Pinza or Chaliapin | 43 Entreaty | 90 Word form for "environment" | |
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STRANGE BUT TRUE
By Samantha Weaver

• It was American journalist, satirist, critic and editor H.L. Mencken who made the following observation: "For centuries, theologians have been explaining the unknowable in terms of the-not-worth-knowing."

• In a standard deck of playing cards, the only king without a mustache is the king of hearts.

• If you ever make a trip to Alaska, you might want to keep in mind the fact that it is illegal there to wake a sleeping bear for the purpose of taking its picture.

• Those who study such things claim that when a glass breaks, the cracks travel along the glass at a speed of more than 3,000 miles per hour.

• You probably know that the Wright Brothers made the first powered airplane flight in Kitty Hawk, NC. It was Dec. 17, 1903, and Orville piloted the aircraft a total of 120 feet. You might not be aware, however, that the length of that flight is shorter than the wingspan on one of today's Boeing 747s.

• An autumn visit to a corn maze in North Yorkshire in the United Kingdom last year turned disastrous for Anne Moon. When she reached her hand into a pen to pet a pig, the pig (named Ginger, incidentally) took Moon's hand into its mouth. The pig released the hand unharmed but kept the diamond out of the woman's engagement ring. The farmer who owned the attraction, Paul Caygill, then had to spend days searching for the gemstone in the pig's refuse.

• The next time you're looking at a map and see a "you-are-here" arrow pointing to your current location, you'll know that the arrow is technically known as an ideolocator.

Thought for the Day:

"Sometimes the appropriate response to reality is to go insane." - Philip K. Dick
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MOMENTS IN TIME
The History Channel

• On April 24, 1800, President John Adams approves legislation to appropriate \$5,000 to establish the Library of Congress. The first books, ordered from London, consisted of 964 volumes. Today the collection, housed in three enormous buildings in Washington, contains more than 17 million books.

• On April 23, 1859, William Byers distributes the first newspaper ever published in the frontier boomtown of Denver. Working with a hand press in the attic of a local saloon, Byers printed and distributed the first edition of The Rocky Mountain News, beating the first release of competitor The Cherry Creek Pioneer by only 20 minutes.

• On April 19, 1876, a Wichita, Kan., commission votes not to rehire policeman Wyatt Earp (of O.K. Corral fame) after he beats up a candidate for county sheriff. For much of his life, Earp worked in law enforcement, but his own allegiance to the rule of law was conditional at best.

• On April 21, 1930, a fire at an Ohio prison kills 320 inmates, some of whom burn to death when they are not unlocked from their cells. The prison, built to hold 1,500 people, was almost always overcrowded. At the time of the 1930 fire, there were 4,300 prisoners living in the jail.

• On April 25, 1947, President Harry S. Truman officially opens the first White House two-lane bowling alley. President Eisenhower closed the alley in 1955 and turned it into a mimeograph room, while President Nixon had a one-lane alley installed underground directly beneath the North Portico entrance of the White House.

• On April 22, 1970, Earth Day, an event to increase public awareness of the world's environmental problems, is celebrated in the United States for the first time. Millions of Americans, including students from thousands of colleges and universities, participated in rallies, marches and educational programs.

• On April 20, 1986, the Chicago Bulls' Michael Jordan scores 63 points in an NBA playoff game against the Boston Celtics, recording a post-season scoring record. Jordan remains the NBA's highest regular season scorer, with an average of 30.1 points per game.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Notice Of Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Russell J. Hale and Katherine A. Hale to Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, whose address is 1100 South Bagley Street, Alpena, Michigan 49707. The mortgage is dated April 8, 2005 and recorded in Alcona County records on April 15, 2005 at Liber 415, page 378. There is claimed to be due on the mortgage at the date of this notice, for principal, interest, and other items paid as allowed by the mortgage, the sum of eighty-eight thousand and eighty-eight and 47/100 dollars (\$88,088.47) and no proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt secured thereby.

Notice of Borrower's Rights Under Michigan Foreclosure Statute

Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage (mortgage) made by Carrie M. Groves, a married woman, (borrower), against the property located at 326 S. Sleepy, Lincoln, MI 48742, given to United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development, having its principal offices at 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO 63120.

Notice is hereby given that borrower has the right to request a meeting on or before April 15, 2010 (14 days from date initial letter sent) with USDA's designated agent to attempt to work out a loan modification to avoid foreclosure. The name and phone number of USDA's designated agent is Elaine Weathersby, USDA Rural Development, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO 63120, (800) 349-5097, ext. 4500.

Borrower may also contact a housing counselor who may accompany borrower to any meeting with USDA's designated agent. A list of housing counselors approved by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) can be found at http://www.mshda.info/counseling_search/ or by calling (517) 373-8370.

If borrower requests a meeting, foreclosure proceedings will not begin until 90 days after April 15, 2010 (14 days from date initial letter sent). If borrower and USDA reach an agreement to modify the loan and borrower abides by the terms of the agreement, the mortgage will not be foreclosed.

Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number for the Michigan State Bar Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738. The telephone number of Legal Services of Northern Michigan, Inc. is (888) 645-9993. This firm is attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

Publish Date: April 7, 2010
William M. Davison (P12570)
Running, Wise, Ford, P.L.C.
326 E. State Street,
P.O. Box 686
Traverse City, MI 49685-0686

The power of sale contained in the mortgage has now become operative.

Notice is hereby given that, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage and pursuant to the applicable foreclosure statute, the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property described below at public auction to the highest bidder at the Alcona County Courthouse located at 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Michigan 48740 on Wednesday, May 12, 2010 at 10 a.m. The property will be sold to pay the amount due on the mortgage with 5.35 percent interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes and insurance that the mortgagee

Federal law requires us to advise you that communication with our office could be interpreted as an attempt to collect a debt and than any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you are in active military service, please contact our office as you are entitled to special protections. This is an opportunity to save your home.

To: Robert S. Clayton II and Jennifer L. Clayton, 109 East Church Street, Harrisville, MI 48740; County: Alcona.

State law requires that you receive the following notice: You have the right to request a meeting with your mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The person to contact and that has the authority to make agreements for a loan modification with you is: Orlans Associates, P.C. Loss Mitigation Department, P.O. Box 5041, Troy, MI 48007-5041, (248) 502-1331.

You may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) Web site or by calling MSHDA. The Web site address and telephone number of MSHDA is: (www.mshda.info/counseling_search/), telephone (866) 946-7432, TTY No. (800) 382-4568. If you request a meeting with the servicer's designate within 14 days after the notice required under MCL 600.3205a(1) is mailed, then foreclosure proceedings will not start until 90 days after the date the notice was mailed to you. If you and the servicer's designate reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if you abide by the terms of the agreement. You have the right to contact an attorney. You may contact attorney of your choice. If you do not have an attorney, the telephone number for the Michigan State Bar Association's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

Dated: April 7, 2010
Orlans Associates P.C
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File Number: 306.3434
ASAP No. 3516749

pays on or before the date of sale. The property described in the mortgage and subject to sale is as follows: The west 670 feet of the north half of the northeast quarter of Section 34, Town 27 North, Range 8 East, township of Hawes, county of Alcona, Michigan. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right-of-way purposes.

The period of redemption will be one year from the date of sale, unless abandoned as defined by MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale.

Dated: March 30, 2010
Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, Mortgagee
Daniel W. White
Attorney for Mortgagee
313 North Second Avenue
Alpena, MI 49707
(989) 354-4104
4-7, 4-14, 4-21, 4-28, 5-5

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Millen Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to adopt their proposed wind energy ordinance on Monday, April 19, 2010 at 7 p.m. at the Barton City Eagles Club at 671 North Sanborn Road.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority provides and manages public mental health services in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle. The Michigan Department of Community health annually issues Program Policy Guidelines to which community mental health boards must respond. These guidelines often address directions and initiatives that the department intends to move the public mental health system toward. As part of its ongoing planning process, the authority will hold a public hearing to present these guidelines, discuss their ramifications and to accept comments and suggestions from the public and stakeholders.

The hearing is scheduled for April 13, 2010 in the board room at Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority, 400 Johnson Street, Alpena, Michigan at 5 p.m. in conjunction with the Consumer Advisory Council meeting.

In addition to public comment, written comment will be received through April 13, 2010. Please direct comments to Charles A. White, Director, Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority at 400 Johnson Street, Alpena, Michigan 49707 or e-mail comments to dhayka@nemcmh.org

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This firm is debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made on the 9th day of March, 2007 by Mark A. Petterson and Karen E. Petterson, husband and wife, of 6321 Peach Drive, Clarkston, MI 48346, as mortgagors to Huron Lending Services, L.L.C., mortgagee, of 301 Newman Street, P.O. Box 312, East Tawas, MI 48730. Said Mortgage was assigned by Huron Lending Service to Huron Community Bank through assignment dated March 11, 2010. Said mortgage given by the mortgagor and recorded on the 12th day of March 2007 in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, Michigan in Liber 440, pages 1-20 inclusive and on which mortgage there is a claim to be due and owing on the date of this notice the sum of sixty-nine thousand three hundred sixty-two and 60/100 (\$69,362.68) plus interest, costs and attorney fees incurred from March 11, 2011 as provided by said mortgage note. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises or some part of them at a public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Courthouse in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. on May 5, 2010.

Said premises is situated in the township of Alcona, county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Parcel C-Part of the north ½ of the southeast ¼ of Section 19, T28N, R9E, described as: Commencing at the east ¼ corner of Section 19, thence south 8 degrees 39 minutes 47 seconds west along the east-west ¼ line, 1,666.64 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 00 degrees 44 minutes 14 seconds west, 1,314.66 feet; thence south 89 degrees 38 minutes 29 seconds west along the south line of the north ½ of the southeast ¼, 330.33 feet; thence north 00 degrees 36 minutes 23 seconds east, 1,314.73 feet; thence north 89 degrees 39 minutes 47 seconds east along said east-west ¼ line, 333.33 feet to the point of beginning. According to survey recorded in Liber 342, pages 1,478-1,480, Alcona County records.

And Parcel 11: Commencing at the south

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Georgia L. Fry, unmarried, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., mortgagee, dated March 26, 2008 and recorded April 3, 2008 in Liber 451, page 273, Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance LLC by assignment.

There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy-four thousand three hundred twenty and 19/100 dollars (\$74,320.19) including interest at 7.5 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville in Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on April 21, 2010.

Said premises are located in the township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of Lot 29

¼ corner of Section 19, T28N, R9E; thence north 89 degrees 37 minutes 10 seconds east along the south line of said Section 19, 658.44 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing north 89 degrees 37 minutes 10 seconds east along said south line 327.0 feet; thence north 00 degrees 40 minutes 36 seconds east 1,314.63 feet; thence south 89 degrees 38 minutes 29 seconds west along the north line of the south ½ of the southeast ¼ of said Section 19, 330.33 feet; thence south 00 degrees 32 minutes 03 seconds west 1314.70 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the south ½ of the southeast ¼ of Section 19, T28N, R9E. According to survey recorded in Liber 328, pages 404-411, Alcona County records.

And Parcel 12: Commencing at the south ¼ corner of Section 19, T28N, R9E; thence north 89 degrees 37 minutes 10 seconds east along the south line of said Section 19, 985.50 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing north 89 degrees 37 minutes 10 seconds east along said south line 327.06 feet thence north 00 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds east 1,314.47 feet; thence south 89 degrees 38 minutes 29 seconds west along the north line of the south ½ of the southeast ¼ of said Section 19, 330.33 feet thence south 00 degrees 40 minutes 36 seconds west 1314.63 feet to the point of beginning. According survey recorded in Liber 328, pages 404-411, Alcona County records.

And Parcel 13: Commencing at the south ¼ corner of Section 19, T28N, R9E; thence north 89 degrees 37 minutes 10 seconds east along the south line of said Section 19, 1,312.56 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing north 89 degrees 37 minutes 10 seconds east along said south line 327.06 feet; thence north 0 degrees 57 minutes 43 seconds east 1,314.51 feet; thence south 89 degrees 38 minutes 29 seconds west along the north line of the south ½ of the southeast ¼ of said Section 19, 330.33 feet thence south 00 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds west 1,314.57 feet to the point of beginning. According to survey recorded in Liber 328, pages 404-411, Alcona County records.

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned accordance with MCL 600.3241 (a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated this 18th day of March 2010.

For more information, please call.

David H. Cook
 Attorney for Mortgagee
 5466 M-72, P.O. Box 585
 Harrisville, MI 48740
 (989) 724-5155
 3-24, 3-31, 4-7, 4-14

of Scott's Subdivision, Alcona Township, Alcona County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 81, Alcona County records, described as: Commencing at the northeast corner of Lot 29; thence west 100 feet; thence south 150 feet; thence east 100 feet; thence north 150 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: March 24, 2010
 Orleans Associates, P.C.
 Attorneys For Servicer
 P.O. Box 5041
 Troy, MI 48007-5041
 (248) 502-1400
 File No. 310.7652
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Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In the event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by Sunrise Lodge No. 2529, Loyal Order of Moose as mortgagor, to Northland Area Federal Credit Union as mortgagee, which mortgage is dated August 9, 2004, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, Michigan, on August 19, 2004, in Liber 405 on pages 748-754, and upon which mortgage is claimed to be due on the date of this notice the sum of \$246,055.18, and no suit or proceedings at law or equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

now, therefore, by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, May 5, 2010, at 10 a.m., on the front steps of the Alcona County Courthouse, 106 5th Street in the City of Harrisville, county of Alcona, that being

Schneiderman & Sherman P.C., is attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at (248)539-7400 if you are in active military duty.

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kevin Coulson and Tamara L. Coulson, husband and wife, to American Money Centers, Inc., mortgagee, dated February 4, 2004, and recorded on February 13, 2004, in Liber 397, on page 52, and assigned by said mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, as assigned, Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the

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Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mark Allen Johnson, a married man, and Ruth Ann Johnson, original mortgagor(s), to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, mortgagee, dated May 30, 1997, and recorded on June 3, 1997 in Liber 305 on page 947, in Alcona County

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Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David S. Rieck and Karen M. Rieck, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to T&C Federal Credit Union, mortgagee, dated November 16, 2004, and recorded on November 17, 2004 in Liber 409 on page 873, in Alcona County records,

the place for holding Circuit Court for the county of Alcona where the premises are situated, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for the purpose of satisfying the amount due and unpaid upon said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 6.50 percent per annum, together with legal costs, charges and expenses of sale, including applicable attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee on or before the date of said sale which may be necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

The land and premises in said mortgage, being situated in the township of Greenbush, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, and described as follows: Parcel A: Commencing at the northwest corner of Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 9 East; thence south 01 degree 16 feet 00 inches east along the west line of said Section 2, 759.54 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 19 degrees 36 minutes 19 seconds east along the centerline of Cedar Lake Road so-called, 534.32 feet; thence south 87 degrees 58 minutes 45 seconds west along the south line of Government Lot 1 as monumented, 168.13 feet; thence north 01 degrees 16 minutes 00 seconds west along said west section line, 509.40 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel being part of Government Lot 1 of said Section 2.

Parcel B: Commencing at the northwest

sum of ninety-five thousand two hundred thirty-four dollars and thirty-three cents (\$95,234.33), including interest at 5.750 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. o'clock, on April 28, 2010.

Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: That part of the north half (N-1/2) of the northwest quarter (NW-1/4) of Section 29, Town 25 North, Range 4 East, described as commencing at the northwest corner of said north half (N-1/2) of the

records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty-seven thousand five hundred fourteen and 02/100 dollars (\$47,514.02), including interest at 6.8 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m., on May 5, 2010.

Said premises are situated in township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The north 339.76 feet

Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of sixty-six thousand seven hundred three and 68/100 dollars (\$66,703.68), including interest at six percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on May 5, 2010.

Said premises are situated in township of Haynes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 43, 44 and 45 of Ramar Acres Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as found in Liber 2 of

corner of Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 9 East; thence south 01 degree 16 minutes 00 seconds east along the west line of said Section 2, 354.57 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 71 degrees 32 minutes 07 seconds east along the centerline of Cedar Lake Road so-called, 174.78 feet; thence south 10 degrees 32 minutes 08 seconds east along the westerly right of way line for Michigan State Highway US-23, 96.06 feet; thence continuing along said right of way line, 792.21 feet along a 5804.65 foot radius curve concave northeasterly with a central angle of 07 degrees 49 minutes 11 seconds and a chord bearing and distance of south 14 degrees 26 minutes 43 seconds east, 791.60 feet; thence south 87 degrees 51 minutes 58 seconds west 226.26 feet; thence north 19 degrees 36 minutes 19 seconds west along said centerline of Cedar Lake Road, 434.39 feet; thence north 01 degree 16 minutes 00 seconds west along said west section line, 404.97 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel being part of Government Lot 1 and said Section 2.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 9, 2010

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northwest quarter (NW-1/4); thence south 32 rods; thence east 20 rods; thence north 32 rods; thence west 20 rods to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 26, 2010

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns,

Mortgagee/Assignee

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of the south 1,360 feet to the northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of Section 11, Township 25 North, Range 6 East, lying east of county road.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 7, 2010

For more information, please call: (248) 593-1309

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The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 7, 2010

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