



Tiger Andrew Chamberlain (52) banks a shot for Alcona against the Vikings. Photo by Kathy Steiner.

## Tigers fall to Vikings on the road

By Ron Yokom  
Basketball Writer

Two weeks after trouncing Fairview the Alcona boys varsity basketball team resumed play, traveling to Posen to face the Vikings who had four games under their belts.

Maybe you can put some of the blame on the long lay-off and some of it on the fact that Posen had played four games. But, something went wrong as the Tigers were run off the floor by the smaller Vikings by the score of 69-50.

A very successful coach at Alcona once told me that if you make your free throws, rebound and play tough defense you will win most of your games. Posen did those things and added speed and ball handling to the mix. Posen constantly broke Alcona's press for easy baskets, usually needing two passes to get down the court.

The game was tied three times to start the game. Then Alcona's two tallest players, Brock LaVergne and Braden Yokom, had to sit out with foul trouble and Posen went on a 15-6 run to lead 22-13 after one quarter.

With LaVergne and Yokom

continuing to sit on the bench much of the second quarter, with three fouls each, Posen out scored the Tigers 19-11 and led at halftime 41-24.

The Tigers played better on offense in the third quarter and trailed 54-40 with three minutes left, but Posen went on an 8-2 run to close out the period and led by 20 points, 62-42. A low scoring final period resulted in the 69-50 Viking victory. The shorter Posen team was more aggressive and out rebounded the taller Alcona squad.

For the second game in a row LaVergne led the Tigers in scoring with 16 points. Alex Cole added 11, Andrew Chamberlain (who played well off the bench) scored nine points, Yokom had seven, Jared Steiner scored six points and Nick Garner had two points.

Alcona is off until Monday, Jan. 3 when they will host Hillman. The schedule shows the Hillman as a road game, but due to the postponement of the first scheduled Hillman game the January 3 game will be at home. They host Whittemore Friday, Jan. 7 in the Tiger's first league game.

## DNRE prepares for Asian carp invasion

By now, there probably isn't anyone in Michigan who hasn't heard about Asian carp. The exotic imports, which have dramatically altered ecosystems wherever they've been allowed to become established, are mere miles from Lake Michigan and fisheries managers are worried about drastic environmental consequences should they find their way into the Great Lakes.

Michigan is concerned about four species of Asian carp - bighead, silver, grass and black carp. Of those, the silver and bighead present the biggest immediate threats.

Both species grow to be large fish that feed on plankton, the underpinnings to the aquatic food chain. Fisheries officials believe they could drastically alter the food chain in the Great Lakes and, because both species are capable of spawning several times a year, ultimately out-compete native species for habitat.

Bigheads are capable of reaching 80 pounds and can consume up to 40 percent of their body weight per day. Silver carp, which can reach 40 pounds, regularly jump out of the water when disturbed by vibrations from boat wakes or jet skis and are capable of causing significant injury to recreational boaters. In areas where these species have become established, recreational fishing has suffered significantly. Where silver carp have become established, recreational boating has declined drastically as well.

Asian carp were imported into the southern United States by the aquaculture industry to help control algae in ponds. Because of flooding, the fish escaped their ponds and became es-



The most distinguishing features of the worrisome species of Asian carp are the position of their eyes below their mouths. Photo courtesy of the Michigan DNRE.

established in the Mississippi River drainage.

Asian carp have spread into the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal, a man-made canal that links the Great Lakes to the Mississippi River. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has built electrical barriers in the canal, designed to stop the progress of the carp into the Great Lakes. However, recent environmental DNA testing indicated that the carp might have breached the electrical barriers. (Environmental DNA shows evidence that the carp have been present because fish leave their genetic markers behind when they lose scales or slime or they defecate.)

In addition, at least one bighead carp has been collected in Lake Calumet, which is beyond the electric barrier, about five miles from Lake Michigan.

Great Lakes states attorneys general have filed lawsuits in federal courts, demanding that the locks on the Chicago waterway be closed to prevent further migration of the carp. Those

suits, so far, have not been successful. The federal government has appointed a carp czar who is studying the situation, though a final determination of what is to be done to prevent further spread of the fish will not be made for at least a couple of years.

Michigan's DNRE has been

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## Preliminary firearm harvest estimates similar to last year

Initial estimates suggest Michigan firearm deer hunters killed about the same number of deer statewide this year as in 2009, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE). Reports regarding deer harvest ranged widely, from significant increases in some locations to declines in others, potentially a result of concentration of deer around the excellent mast crops available this fall.

DNRE biologists estimate the harvest compared to 2009 was unchanged to up perhaps as much as 10 percent in both the Upper Peninsula and the southern Lower Peninsula and down five to 15 percent in the northern Lower Peninsula. Deer from throughout the state were reported to be in good condition, as indicated by improvements in antler development in all regions compared to last year.

As expected, with the mild conditions experienced in the winter of 2009-2010, deer numbers in both northern regions look to be recovering from the effects of prior winters. But hunter numbers appeared down - particularly on public land statewide - likely due to the

opening day of the firearm season falling on a Monday this year.

"Most deer hunters support maintaining the traditional season dates of November 15 through 30, but we consistently see a drop in hunter numbers in those years that the season opens on a Monday," said DNRE Wildlife Division Chief Russ Mason. "This may need to be a topic for discussion as we move to form regional deer advisory teams and engage our conservation partners to discuss long-range management goals."

"Antlerless quotas were set the same or lower in the Upper Peninsula and western portion of the northern Lower Peninsula, but we emphasized the need for hunters to take does in the eastern portion of the northern Lower Peninsula and much of the southern Lower Peninsula," said DNRE Deer Program Leader Brent Rudolph. "Efforts to control bovine tuberculosis in deer continue in the northeastern Lower Peninsula. Although deer numbers appear stable over the last few years in much of the southern Lower Penin-

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## Death Notice

### Donald D. McLellan

The Rev. Donald D. McLellan died on Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2010.

He is survived by his wife Ginny; and seven children and their families.

Visitation is at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln on Wednesday, Dec. 29 from 4 to 8 p.m.

The funeral is at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 30 at the Lincoln United Methodist Church. Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. The Rev. Tracy Brooks and the Rev. G. John MacDonald will officiate.

Memorials may be made to the St. Bernard Friendship Room in Alpena, or to the local food bank of the donor's choice.

## Harvest

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sula, they're still higher than we'd like to see in many places."

Rudolph emphasized that the preliminary estimates will be replaced by final figures of harvest and participation generated by the annual mail survey completed once all deer seasons are concluded. Preliminary estimates last year suggested a decline of 10 to 20 percent from the prior season harvest, and the final mail survey results reflected a drop of 19.8 percent in the firearm kill.

For more information about hunting opportunities in Michigan, go online to [www.michigan.gov/hunting](http://www.michigan.gov/hunting) or for additional information about deer go to [www.michigan.gov/deer](http://www.michigan.gov/deer).

## Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

On the late night of December 21 or early morning December 22, someone took my driveway reflector markers and they also stole my three foot by five foot American flag from my mailbox pole. I hope they'll fly it as I did, with pride to honor past and present veterans.

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## Obituaries

### Phyllis B. Raynak

Phyllis B. Raynak, 89, of Greenbush, died on Saturday, December 25, 2010 at Alpena Regional Medical Center.

She was born July 4, 1921 to Albert and Grace (Harrison) Browne in Clayton Township, Mich., where she was raised.

On October 12, 1940 she married Frank Raynak in Midland, Mich. They were residents of Hamtramck, Mich. before moving to Greenbush in 1944.

She was an active member of St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Mrs. Raynak enjoyed bowling, golfing and gardening. She had a busy social life, which included card clubs, playing bingo and the Birthday Club. She was also a member of the Greenbush Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Raynak is survived by two sons, Ronald Raynak of Oscoda and Jerome (Dody) Raynak of Flint, Mich.; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Barb (Louie) Nagy of Brown City, Mich. and Donna Hartwick of Flint, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank, on September 3, 1973; one son, Gary Raynak; and three brothers.

Visitation is at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln on Wednesday, Dec. 29 from 2 to 6 p.m. Visitation will continue on Thursday, Dec. 30 at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville from 10 a.m. until the funeral Mass at 11 a.m. The Rev. Father Bob Bissot will officiate.

### Robert C. Minegar

Robert Charles Minegar, 80, of Mikado died on Saturday, Dec. 25, 2010.

He was born September 21, 1930, to Charles and Della Minegar and grew up in Otsego, Mich.

He joined the U.S. Air Force at age 18 and spent 26 years in active duty, during which time he served in both the Korean War and Vietnam Conflict.

He married Jean Marie Hurlburt in Denver, Colo. in March 1951. They spent three years in Anchorage, Alaska and seven years in Oscoda prior to his retirement from the Air Force as a master sergeant on October 1, 1974.

After retiring Mr. Minegar worked briefly at Ace Hardware and Aldersgate apartment complex in Oscoda, Mich. He was a school bus driver for Oscoda Area Schools for 17 years. He retired from the Oscoda Area Schools in December 1992.

The Minegars spent many winters after retirement in Texas. Mr. Minegar enjoyed golf, hunting and fishing. The couple also enjoyed camping and traveling extensively.

He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oscoda. He also volunteered with a hospice pro-



gram.

Mr. Minegar is survived by three daughters, Roberta Hoppes of Billings, Mont., Anita (Michael) Scott of Pleasanton, Calif., and Nancy (John) Rolph of Ypsilanti, Mich.; one son, Doug (Michelle) Minegar of Mikado; 15 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one sister, Barbara Cornhill of Cheboygan, Mich; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Beth Moody, who died of cancer.

The funeral will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 5300 North US-23, Oscoda, on Wednesday, Dec. 29 at 11 a.m. Memorial donations may be made to St. Joseph Hospice in Tawas. The Buresh-Bennett Funeral Home, Oscoda handled the arrangements.

### Ceo J. Liichow

Ceo Jay Liichow, 91, of Essexville, Mich. died on Sunday, Dec. 26, 2010 at Bay Special Care Hospital.

He was born in Coral, Mich. on June 5, 1919 to Emerson and Sarah L. (Jones) Liichow.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II and the Korean War.

Mr. Liichow retired from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. He had a summer home in Lincoln.

He was a member of the American Legion in Sebewaing, Mich. He was a member of Bethel Ev. Lutheran Church and a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association (NRA).

Mr. Liichow is survived by his wife, Ruth J. Liichow; four daughters, Pamela (Gerald) Schulz, Connie (Charles) Bootz, Cecily (David Hurlbert) Bailey and Elizabeth (Donald) Llewellyn; seven step children, Louis (Wilma) Martin, Robert (Linda) Martin, Gail Martin, Loretta Armbruster, Harold (Sharon) Hempel, Robert Hempel and Mary Hishon; five grandchildren, Rob Cooley, Jennifer (Josh) Deegan, Aaron Bailey and Ian and Katelyn Llewellyn; several step grandchildren; and one sister, Donna (Don) Hurlbert.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Genevieve; and one daughter, Susan Smith.

The funeral will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Bethel Ev. Lutheran Church, 749 N. Pine Rd., Bay City, Mich. The Rev. Mark Luetzow will officiate. Private entombment will be at Elm Lawn Mausoleum. Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army. A memorial service in Lincoln is planned, but no date has been set. The Penzien-Steele Funeral Home of Bay City, Mich. handled the arrangements.

### Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2000/2010

Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
Dec. 19	27	19	0.00	0.1	8	W
Dec. 20	34	24	0.00	0.5	16	NW
Dec. 21	32	27	0.03	2.9	16	SSW
Dec. 22	30	27	0.00	3.4	22	N
Dec. 23	29	24	0.00	2.1	21	N
Dec. 24	28	22	0.00	0.1	10	N
Dec. 25	28	24	0.00	7.0	31	NNE

#### Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	2010		Normal
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Water Content
Weekly Total	0.03	0.4	0.39
December to Date	0.45	11.1	1.47
Year/Season to Date	26.46	11.1	28.04

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.)

# 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, DECEMBER 29**

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

A make-and-take chocolate treats workshop will be offered for teenagers at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 1 to 3 p.m. This is a free program sponsored in part by the United Way. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information and to register.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30**

Tops No. MI 1502 Mikado will meet 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.

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held at St. Mary's Education Center, 500 N. Second Ave., Alpena, from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Visit [www.RedCrossBlood.org](http://www.RedCrossBlood.org) for donation requirements. Call (800) 733-2767 to schedule an appointment.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31**

The Barton City Eagles 4141 will have a New Year's Eve party including dinner, dancing, prizes, champagne and breakfast for members and their guests. Tickets are \$25 per person and are being sold at the Barton City Eagles.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 3**

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.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 4**

Alcona High School girls home basketball games will be played at 6 p.m., junior varsity, and at 7:30 p.m., varsity, against Hale High School.

Anyone interested in the planning of Mikado's 125<sup>th</sup> birthday is welcome to attend a meeting at the Mikado Civic Center at 7 p.m. For more information, call Yogi at (989) 736-7721.

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held at the LaFarge Corporation's conference room, 1435 Ford Ave., Alpena, from 8:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visit [www.RedCrossBlood.org](http://www.RedCrossBlood.org) for donation requirements. Call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule an appointment.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5**

Spruce Lutheran Church, 1265 E. Spruce Rd., will have a food pantry from 1 to 3 p.m. There is no qualification requirements but you must show I.D., be present to receive food and can only pick up food once a month.

A basic computer class will be offered 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 Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will meet at 11 a.m. at the VFW hall, 2900 Connon, Alpena. Lunch will be served, call (989) 356-4959 for reservations. Bring a can of food for the less fortunate.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 6**

The Community Walking Club begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Everyone is welcome, walk at your own pace.

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Prescott High School.

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St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will celebrate Twelfth Night beginning at 6 p.m. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Bunko will be played and then there will be a Feast of Lights service. Event should end about 8 p.m. All are welcome.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 7**

Alcona High School boys home basketball games will be played at 6 p.m., junior varsity, and at 7:30 p.m., varsity, against Whittemore-Prescott High School.

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



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Trees will be collected and chipped to provide mulch for a two mile stretch of Harrisville State Park's hiking paths.

A donation of \$3 per tree is requested. Please make sure trees are free of all decorative materials.

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If you are disabled or otherwise unable to drop off your tree, call (989) 724-5077 to have it picked up.

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## Local Notes

### Christmas Lighting Contest

The Barton City Improvement Association judged the annual Christmas light contest on December 22 and appreciates everyone's participation in the holiday lighting contest. The winners are: Best theme — Rodney Cordes; Best yard — George and Tina Schrader and Best house — Daniel Parker. There were several holiday displays that made honorable mention — Roy Summers, Bud and Mae Johnson, Larry and Arlene Cirillo and Frank Giglio. The community of Barton City appreciates all the volunteers who installed the holiday decorations in town.

### Away at School

• Megan McKee of South Branch was named to the dean's list for the fall 2010 semester at Kirkland Community College. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.4 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

• Danielle Dellar of Lincoln was named to the president's list for the fall 2010 semester at Kirkland Community College. To achieve president's list recognition students must earn a 3.8 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

### Civil War Ancestors

Do you have a Civil War ancestor? Want to find out how to find him? Once an ancestor is identified, what then? If you missed the presentation last November, be sure to join the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Huron Shores Genealogical Society for an encore of great information and an opportunity to start your search. The program will be Saturday, Jan. 8, 2011 in the Curtis Township Library, 488 Bamfield Road, Glennie at 1 p.m. Basic genealogy forms will be available. Uniforms will be on display. Questions can be directed to Judy Sheldon, (989) 984-9305 or to Marcia Simmons, cwalcona@gmail.com.

Bring family names, dates and places to start your search.

### 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, Jan. 3—All centers closed.
- Tuesday, Jan. 4—Bourbon pork chops, rice pilaf, green beans, pickled beets and fruit.
- Wednesday, Jan. 5—Beef and gravy over noodles, cauliflower, tossed salad and fruit.
- Thursday, Jan. 6—Ham, baked beans, mixed vegetables, coleslaw and fruit crisp.
- Friday, Jan. 7—Baked fish, sweet potato puffs, broccoli, applesauce and fruit. (Friday meal served in Lincoln only.)

### Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

8	4	3	1	9	7	5	6	2
7	6	2	4	3	5	9	1	8
9	5	1	2	8	6	4	3	7
4	8	6	3	7	1	2	5	9
2	3	9	5	6	8	7	4	1
5	1	7	9	4	2	3	8	6
3	7	5	8	1	9	6	2	4
1	9	4	6	2	3	8	7	5
6	2	8	7	5	4	1	9	3

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# Bowling

### Early Bloomers

December 21

Tigerlilys	222.5	137.5
Rosebuds	189.5	170.5
Violets	186	174
Buttercups	183.5	176.5
Daffodils	179.5	180.5
Mums	172	188
Marigolds	160.5	199.5
Bluebells	146.5	213.5
High game: Gina Broadwood,	191.	

High series: Anne Hogan, 485.  
High team game and series: Violets, 507 and 1,337.

### Huron

December 21

Gary Oil	15	148.5
Back Alley Bar	15	131
Big Joe's Motel	17.5	127.5
Haglund's	26	122.5
B & D Sales	12.5	121
Carpet One	21	107

Lincoln Preci. 9 103  
Rob's Repair 4 99.5  
High game: Rod Travis, 257.  
High series: Josh Brueggeman, 659.  
High handicap game and series: Josh Brueggeman, 295 and 806.

### Wednesday Nite Women's

December 22

Cole's Appl.	159.5	80.5
Other Team	145	95
Alcona Tool	137	103
Ark Plumbing	129.5	110.5
Stoney Acres	129	111
Back Alley Bar	122	118
Animal Clinic	115	125
JB's Auto	109	131
Alcona Abstract	100	140
High game: Kathy Goddard,	212.	
High series: Sue Weichel,	552.	
High handicap game: Lydia Lucas,	257.	
High handicap series: Pat Evans,	659.	

### Sportsmans

December 23

Top o' Mich.	24	133
Baymoor	26	129.5
Phil's Barber	21	119.5
L.L.W. Club	15	105
Morgan Elec.	9	138
Balls On Ya	15	135.5
Cole's Appl.	6	120.5
Ghost Busters	4	79
High game: Larry Elmer,	267.	
High series: Ray Medore,	687.	
High handicap game: Larry Elmer,	313.	
High handicap series: Ray Medore,	741.	



Mikado Township Fire Chief Wayne Odell stands by the two Pelican remote area lighting systems that were recently purchased with grant funds. Mikado Township Supervisor Jesus "Yogi" Yruegas submitted grants to Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) and to Alpena Wal-Mart for funding to purchase a remote area lighting system. Grant approvals received from CFNEM for \$700, Wal-Mart for \$250 and a downed line payment from Consumers Energy provided sufficient funding for the purchase of two Pelican remote area lighting systems. One system will be in the medical first responders vehicle and the other one will be in the fire truck. The systems will provide lighting during emergency calls at night and in remote, dark areas. *Courtesy photo.*

*My parents raised me to believe that home is where you hang your hat and develop true friendships. After our tragic loss on Sunday, December 19 I am very thankful to God for bringing me here to Alcona County where I chose to hang my hat and raise my family. Jason, Kimberly, Samantha, Kaden, Derek, Linda and I would like to thank the volunteer fire departments that worked tirelessly to save our home and personal belongings, all of our friends and community members who have donated a home, food, clothing and money just minutes after hearing about our tragic loss. May God continue to bless you all. Thank you for making our home in Alcona County the best place in the world.*

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proactive on the Asian carp threat, joining the Illinois Department of Natural Resources in a large-scale rotenone treatment of the Chicago waterway, sending three fisheries crews with boats and the department's inventory of rotenone – a chemical that kills fish by causing them to suffocate – to Illinois in 2009. The action turned up one dead Asian carp, though fisheries officials say more may have sunk and not been recovered.

In addition to participating in the rotenone treatment, the DNRE has begun sampling for Asian carp DNA in the rivers in the southern part of the state flowing into Lake Michigan. So far those samples have not detected the presence of Asian carp.

In October, the DNRE unveiled an initial new plan for dealing with Asian carp in the Michigan waters of the Great Lakes. Neither a rapid-response plan nor a long-term management strategy, the plan maps out what steps the DNRE should take to address the potential environmental nightmare should Asian carp find their way into Great Lakes waters.

The plan seeks to answer the most obvious, immediate questions such as:

- What does the department need to do to adequately address the threat of Asian

carp species invading Michigan waters?

- What sampling strategies are appropriate in addressing this threat?

- What should our response be if Asian carp, either isolated individuals or abundant populations, are detected in Michigan waters?

- What are the pros and cons of various possible management strategies?

- What types of resources (both financial and human) are necessary to adequately address this threat?

The plan has been posted on the DNRE website at [www.michigan.gov/asiancarp](http://www.michigan.gov/asiancarp).

In addition, the DNRE hosted a workshop on Asian carp prevention in November, which brought in experts from the Great Lakes states, the federal government and Canada, to compare notes of prevention strategies.

No one is certain what might happen should Asian Carp find their way into the Lake Michigan basin. Although some are optimistic that the big lake would prove too cold to allow the fish to become established, they exist along the same latitudinal gradients in Asia. And some of the river systems in which they have become established are similar to rivers in southern Michigan.

But fisheries officials don't

want to gamble on what might happen, preferring to do whatever is necessary to prevent them from entering Lake Michigan.

Congress has appropriated funds to study control methods. But meaningful action appears to be years away.

Meanwhile, the DNRE is asking anyone who captures or observes what they think are Asian carp to report the incident by calling the Fisheries Division at (517) 337-1280 or filling out a report form online.

Asian carp are just one example of the potential problems caused by the unintentional translocation of aquatic species. Recreational boaters and anglers should take all precautions to prevent transferring organisms from one body of water to another. Live wells and bilges should be drained every time a boat is removed from a body of water and disinfected before the boat is returned to the water. And leftover bait should be disposed of on land, not dumped into the lake or river.

*(Editor's Note: This feature story was provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment as an aspect of "Showcasing the DNRE" program, which promotes the importance of conservation in Michigan.)*



Silver carp have a habit of jumping out of water when disturbed by a wake, creating a dangerous situation for boaters.

**THINKING OF YOU**

*One day in December, God called you home. But not a single day goes by that we don't think of you. Though you aren't here, the memories remain of all the good laughs we shared and the fun we had together. We know you are up in heaven with Mom and Dad and that someday we will see you again. Until that day comes, you will remain in our hearts, speaking to us with every beat. We love and miss you.*

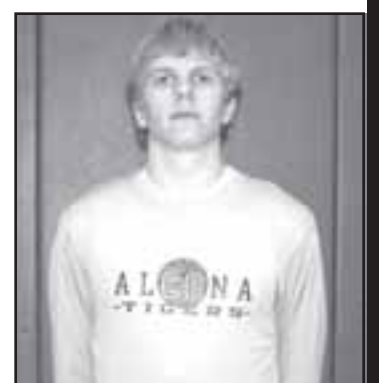
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Andrew Chamberlain is this week's Alcona boys varsity basketball player of the week. Andrew came in off the bench against Posen and provided quality minutes and strength in the paint. Andrew finished with nine points and six rebounds. Andrew is an extremely hard worker and continues to improve his game.



**Andrew Chamberlain**

# The magic slipper

**By Kathryn Fritz Kniep**  
*Columnist*

"And in despair, I hung my head,

There is no peace on earth, I said..."

~ Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Among my lovely Christmas gifts this year, I received a beautiful, hand-knit slipper, meticulously constructed, with a well-turned heel. I don't knit, but I know from the Princess's efforts that the heel is the hard part, and this slipper has a magnificent heel. It was my favorite present.

As the holiday approached, in between bouts of frantic

preparations, I'd been thinking about what I would write for my end-of-year column (as I am inclined to do on Friday and Saturday- no matter how chaotic life around me may be). And that particular gift just coalesced my scattered thoughts.

As I grow more aware of the frailty of the human spirit, I'm inclined toward developing a philosophy of the new year - a theme, if you will - rather than resolutions. Resolutions are broken and fall by the wayside. I prefer to have a basic concept in mind of how I intend to live the next year. And this year, in particular, I needed one.

If you'd caught me a few

weeks before Christmas, my attitude would have reflected Mr. Longfellow's lines above. I had a post-Thanksgiving bout of the Alcona County crud that lasted forever and in the midst of it, I had a small emotional meltdown.

"Maybe it's because I'm not feeling well," I snuffled to Art, who'd come home from the post office to find me having a little weep. "But I'm having a hard time getting into the spirit this year. My Main Street looks like a nightmare amusement park. The people in a group I belong to are battling among themselves, and I just got an e-mail from a friend who thinks I deliberately misrepresented her in a

column that I thought was about the gentle humor of a situation. I'm starting to feel like my hometown is gone."

Art, who's been married for more than three decades now and knows that I rarely cry, said the right thing, "There, there, there. It will get better."

And, of course, it did. Our dear friend, Jack, stopped by to gift us with a beautiful collection of photos of the Main Street of my memories. I heard a wonderful story about a stranger who insisted on buying a friend's son's gift at Wal-Mart, just days before Christmas. I witnessed the outpouring of gifts and food for a family of strangers, "adopted" for the holiday by my church.

## Puttin' On The Fritz

My nose finally stopped dripping. By Christmas Eve, I was feeling pretty spirited, actually. And then I got the slipper.

And yes, I said slipper. As in the singular. One. One lovely, perfectly knit slipper, presented without wrappings or ribbons. "I wanted to make you something," The Princess said with a Christmas morning smile lighting

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# SENIOR LIFESTYLES

## Help for seniors facing foreclosure

Dear Savvy Senior,  
What kind of help is available to seniors who are facing foreclosure? My 76-year-old mother has fallen behind on her house payments and is very concerned about losing her home.

Worried Daughter

Dear Worried,  
With more and more Americans carrying mortgage debt into their retirement years, the foreclosure rates among financially strapped seniors has become a big problem. Here are some things you can do to help your mom.

If your mom has fallen be-

hind on her mortgage payments, or if she has already received a letter or phone call about missed payments, your first step is to contact the lender immediately to explain her situation and see if she can work out a payment plan. Be prepared to provide her financial information, such as her monthly income and expenses.

You also need to talk to a foreclosure avoidance counselor. These are HUD-approved, trained counselors that provide free advice and will help you and your mom understand the law and her options, and organize her finances. They can also repre-

sent her in negotiations with her lender if you need them to. To find a government-approved housing counseling agency in your area visit [findaforeclosurecounselor.org](http://findaforeclosurecounselor.org), or call the Homeownership Preservation Foundation's HOPE Hotline at (888) 995-4673.

Another helpful resource you should know about, and one your counselor can help you explore, is the Making Home Affordable program. Created by the Obama Administration in 2009, this program offers struggling homeowners the opportunity to modify or refinance their mortgage to make their monthly payments more affordable.

It also includes the Home Affordable Foreclosure Alternatives Program for those who are interested in a short sale or deed-in-lieu of foreclosure. To learn more about these programs and their eligibility requirements see [makinghomeaffordable.gov](http://makinghomeaffordable.gov).

If your mom has some equity built up in her house, another option worth considering is a reverse mortgage. This lets seniors (age 62 and

older) borrow money against their home which can be used to eliminate their mortgage payments, and it doesn't have to be paid back as long as they live there. Reverse mortgages have also gotten better in recent months as many lenders have reduced or waived upfront origination or servicing fees making them a much better deal for borrowers.

But, be aware that reverse mortgages are complex and they aren't right for everyone. To learn more, or to contact a reverse mortgage counselor visit [hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hecm/hecmhome.cfm](http://hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hecm/hecmhome.cfm) or call (800) 569-4287.

You and your mom also need to be aware of the many foreclosure and loan modification scams that are out there today. These are con artists that reach out to foreclosure victims via letter, phone call or e-mail, or they may advertise their services on television, radio or in the newspaper, claiming they can stop your mom's foreclosure or can negotiate a loan modification for her - if she pays them a fee first.

Or, they may try to get her

## Savvy Senior

to sign documents for a rescue loan that actually surrenders the title of her house. Never sign anything or hand over any money unless you run it by your HUD counselor first. You can learn more about foreclosure scams at [loanscamalert.org](http://loanscamalert.org).

Savvy Tip: Make sure your mom is not missing out on any financial assistance programs. The National Council on Aging's [benefitscheckup.org](http://benefitscheckup.org) website contains a database of more than 2,000 federal, state and local programs that can help seniors in need. The site will help you locate programs that your mom may be eligible for and will show you how to apply.

(Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [www.savvysenior.org](http://www.savvysenior.org).)

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her face. "And I promise, you'll get the other one, too."

"Maybe next Christmas." I said, trying the slipper on. "Oh no," she promised. "Sooner than that."

But it didn't really matter. Because I was holding the slipper she made for me, each row of knits and purls representing her time and effort and love. If it came to that, on chilly mornings I could alternate it from one foot to another. Or stretch it out and wear it on my head. I purely love it.

And sitting there in a sea of Christmas morning wrapping paper, I realized what my philosophy for the coming new year would be.

For the past couple of years, we as a nation have concentrated on what we have lost. Jobs, the faltering economy, our faith in the caring and kindness of our fellow man. In 2011, dear readers, I'm going to focus instead on how very much we have.

We have a warm, comfortable home - mortgaged, but not "under water." We don't live -- as too many do -- in a car, or a flood plain, or a cardboard box. If our current bank balance is seven dollars, and our income is not large, it's steady.

We have, this week at least, more food than we could possibly eat. If our health is not

one hundred percent well, this week at least, we're not stricken with any horrible illnesses or injuries. And unlike many in this country, we have the blessing of health insurance.

We have our two precious pups and a visiting granddog and grandcat who think I'm all that and a bag of chips, thanks to my ability to reach the handle of the refrigerator and my penchant for stroking soft fur. And even in that menagerie, we have a kid who came in from a run to the store on Christmas day to raid the pantry and feed the feral kitty who had taken shelter beneath the deck of the empty house next door.

We have a million memories of Main Street and now a folder of photographs to show future generations. And I have to admit, I rather like the new streetlights.

Most of all, I have a husband who -- for whatever strange reasons -- still loves me after all these years and remains my best friend. I have a daughter I love more than life, who loves me back, and likes me, to boot. We have wonderful friends, without whose warmth and caring the world would be a bleak and cold place, indeed.

And we have a whole new year.

Even if all we had - even if all we'd ever had - was what's

mentioned in those last two paragraphs, we would be rich beyond description: Love and a future.

Love and a future.

In 2011, I promise to try to be grateful, ever single day, for the simple abundance in those three words. I promise that I will try to continue to use any small talents I might possess to do all that I can to assure that every one of my fellow human beings has the same.

Those two goals and that philosophy, along with the usual commitments to lose weight and quit smoking, ought to be enough to keep

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# Alcona County Sheriff's Report

## For the Week of December 19-25, 2010

**52 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 2 Operate While Intoxicated; 1 Warrant; 1 Home Invasion.**

### Complaint Statistics

Traffic	2	Car/Deer	14
Property Damage Accident	4	General Assistance	2
Burglary	1	Domestic	1
Animal	9	Partol Check	1
Malicious Dest. of Property	1	Operate While Intoxicated	2
Fraud	1	Suspicious Vehicle	2
Possible Larceny	1	Miscellaneous	2
Harassment	1	Threats	1
Home Invasion	1	Warrant Arrest	1
Suspicious Situation	1	Juvenile	1
Well Being Check	3		

### Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	3	Caledonia	1	Curtis	5
Greenbush	4	Gustin	4	Harrisville	5
Hawes	6	Haynes	4	Mikado	6
Millen	4	Mitchell	1		
City of Harrisville 6		Village of Lincoln 3			

# Kirtland's warbler continues to exceed recovery goal

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) has released annual survey information indicating the state's population of the endangered Kirtland's warbler remains steady.

Biologists, researchers and volunteers in Michigan observed 1,733 singing males during the official 2010 survey period. The population has not increased or decreased by more than five percent since 2007. The lowest numbers were recorded in 1974 and 1987, when only 167 singing males were found. The highest numbers were in 2009 when 1,813 males were observed.

The Kirtland's warbler survey is conducted each year during the second and third weeks of June when the birds are establishing their nesting territories. Warblers are detected by listening for their songs. The songs can be

heard at distances up to one-quarter mile, providing an excellent way to detect the birds with minimum disturbance. Only the males sing, so estimates of breeding population size are obtained by doubling the number of singing males recorded, based on the assumption that each male has a mate in its territory.

The 2010 survey was a joint effort by the DNRE, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Michigan Department of Veterans and Military Affairs, Michigan Audubon Society and citizen volunteers.

This year, singing males (numbers in parentheses) were found in 11 northern Lower Peninsula counties: Alcona (178), Clare (99), Crawford (288), Iosco (167), Kalkaska (60), Montmorency (28), Ogemaw (552), Oscoda (256), Otsego (24), Presque Isle (6), and Roscommon (41). Surveyors identified 29 singing males in five Upper Peninsula counties: Baraga (3), Chippewa (15), Delta (7), Marquette (5), and Schoolcraft (4). Twenty-six additional singing males were observed outside Michigan: 23 in Wisconsin and three in Ontario.

As the amount of habitat has stabilized, the population of warblers has stabilized in the core of the range: Northern Michigan's jack pine barrens ecosystem. The warblers nest on the ground and typically select nesting sites in stands of jack pine between four and 20 years old. Historically, these stands of young jack pine were created by natural wildfires that frequently swept through northern Michigan. Modern

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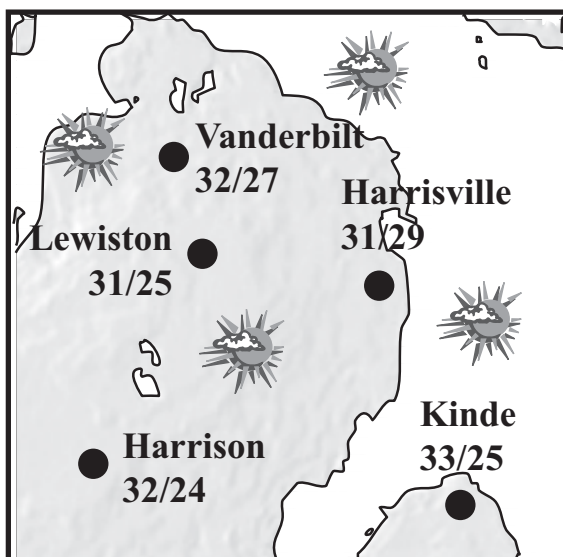
# Alcona Review Weather Report

Dec. 29, 2010

### Seven Day Forecast

	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 31 Low: 29
	<b>THURSDAY</b> Isolated Rain High: 36 Low: 34
	<b>FRIDAY</b> Cloudy High: 44 Low: 41
	<b>SATURDAY</b> Cloudy High: 42 Low: 22
	<b>SUNDAY</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 27 Low: 20
	<b>MONDAY</b> Snow Possible High: 30 Low: 21
	<b>TUESDAY</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 34 Low: 25

### Today's Regional Map



### In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 31°, humidity of 86%. West wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 57° set in 1984. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 29°. The record low for tonight is -10° set in 1968. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of rain, high temperature of 36°.

### \*Last Week's Almanac

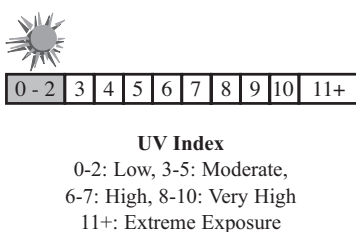
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	32	17	30/16	0.00"
Tuesday	31	21	30/15	0.00"
Wednesday	30	26	29/15	0.00"
Thursday	29	23	29/15	0.00"
Friday	26	22	29/14	0.00"
Saturday	27	23	29/14	0.00"
Sunday	23	19	29/14	0.00"

\*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

### Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
<b>New 1/4</b>	Wednesday 8:09 a.m.	5:01 p.m.	2:11 a.m.	12:35 p.m.	Full 1/19
	Thursday 8:10 a.m.	5:02 p.m.	3:25 a.m.	1:09 p.m.	
	Friday 8:10 a.m.	5:03 p.m.	4:37 a.m.	1:49 p.m.	
	Saturday 8:10 a.m.	5:04 p.m.	5:44 a.m.	2:37 p.m.	
<b>First 1/12</b>	Sunday 8:10 a.m.	5:05 p.m.	6:45 a.m.	3:33 p.m.	Last 1/26
	Monday 8:10 a.m.	5:06 p.m.	7:35 a.m.	4:35 p.m.	
	Tuesday 8:10 a.m.	5:07 p.m.	8:17 a.m.	5:40 p.m.	

### Local UV Index



### National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated rain and snow today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 58° in Metropolis, Ill. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 72° in Naples, Fla. The Northwest will see partly cloudy to cloudy skies with scattered snow today and Thursday, mostly clear skies Friday, with the highest temperature of 39° in Seattle, Wash. The Southwest will see scattered showers today and Thursday, mostly clear skies Friday, with the highest temperature of 69° in Carlsbad, N.M.

### Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	6:39 a.m.	3:55 p.m.
Venus	4:17 a.m.	2:24 p.m.
Mars	8:51 a.m.	5:36 p.m.
Jupiter	11:57 a.m.	11:40 p.m.
Saturn	1:21 a.m.	12:52 p.m.
Uranus	11:55 a.m.	11:45 p.m.

### Weather History

**Dec. 29, 1830** - A very heavy snowstorm ushered in the "winter of the deep snow". The storm produced 30 inches of snow at Peoria, Ill. and 36 inches at Kansas City, Mo. The snow continued until the middle of February, causing great suffering among pioneers.

### Weather Trivia

How many years is the sun's solar cycle?



Answer: Eleven years.

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### StarWatch By Gary Becker - Cold, Cold Quadrantids

In the Mid-Atlantic States we missed the Geminid Meteor Shower on the morning of December 14, but some managed to see the last total lunar eclipse until 2014. If I had to pick one over the other, I think the weather cooperated wisely. It was, however, unseasonably cold for both observations. Now that the excitement of these two events has passed, including the Holidays, we can brace ourselves for three more months of cold, blustery observing conditions, in my mind, the most difficult time of the year to view the heavens. The first cold event of the year is the Quadrantid Meteor Shower which culminates during the evening and morning of January 3-4. I wouldn't even mention it if the moon were not incredibly cooperative. It is new on the 4th at 4:04 a.m. If four was a lucky number, I'd say that we would be in for quite a treat. Unfortunately, the Quadrantids are a little fickle, with maximum numbers occurring over a rather narrow time frame of several hours and predicted for the East Coast in 2011 to happen between 4 p.m. on January 3 through 1 a.m. on January 4. The later the better for us, because the radiant, the area in the sky from which these meteors diverge, gets higher in the sky throughout the night. If maximum occurs just a few hours later, observers along the East Coast could witness as many one to two meteors for every two minutes that pass. These rates could persist for several hours. Otherwise rates of 10 or so meteors each hour is the norm for a maximum night. During the early evening, Quadrantid meteors will seem to diverge from low in the NE. By dawn the radiant will be higher in the NE, below the handle of the Big Dipper. Most Quadrantids are faint, so a darker, rural site will be helpful for success. An online map showing the radiant is posted at [www.astronomy.org](http://www.astronomy.org) below the StarWatch article for this date.

# Puttin'

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me out of trouble (or in it) for at least 365 days.

It's what I wish for you, dear readers, as this year of losses draws to a close.

Love and a future.  
And maybe your own personal singular slipper, in whatever form it takes at your house, to remind you of just how much we truly have.

Happy New Year.  
Seek joy.

"Till ringing, singing, on its way, the world revolved from night to day,

A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,

of peace on earth, good will to men."

~ Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

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# Warbler Continued from page 10

fire suppression programs altered this natural process, reducing Kirtland's warbler habitat. The result was that the population of Kirtland's warblers declined to the point that they were listed as endangered.

To mimic the effects of wildfire and ensure the future Kirtland's warblers, the DNRE and its partners manage the forests through a combination of clear-cutting, burning, seeding, and replanting that promotes habi-

tat for many species, including deer, snowshoe hare, other warbler species, and rare plants, in addition to Kirtland warblers.

Because large prescribed fires are neither safe nor economical in northern Michigan, approximately 3,000 acres of jack pine trees are harvested and then planted annually on state and federal lands. This use of public lands creates jobs, provides habitat wildlife, and brings to northern Michigan birders

and hunters from across the state and around the world.

"The recovery goal for Kirtland's warblers is 1,000 singing males, and the population has stabilized at nearly twice that number," said DNRE Endangered Species Coordinator Chris Hoving. "We are working with our federal partners to secure habitat plans for the future and remove the species from state and federal endangered species lists."

Elaine Carlson, DNRE wildlife biologist, emphasized how the habitat management program has produced benefits that extend well beyond the recovery of a single species. "In addition to generating habitat for the Kirtland's warbler, the jack pine forests that we plant provide valuable timber products as well as habitat for a variety of plants, songbirds, game animals and other wildlife," Carlson said.

For more information on the Kirtland's warbler, contact the DNRE Wildlife Division, Natural Heritage Program, Box 30444, Lansing, Mich. 48909, or visit the DNRE website: [www.michigan.gov/dnre](http://www.michigan.gov/dnre).

# Winter BOW program set for Upper Peninsula in February

Women seeking the opportunity to improve their outdoor skills are invited to register for the 11th annual Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) winter program, set for February 25-27 in Big Bay, Mich., 30 miles north of Marquette, Mich.

The program will be held at Bay Cliff Health Camp, a universally accessible facility, located in a picturesque wooded setting overlooking Lake Superior.

Sponsored by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE), this program offers instruction in more than a dozen kinds of indoor and outdoor activities, including cross-country skiing, dog sledding, ice fishing, fly tying, wilderness first aid and wood burning. Instructors provide basic and advanced instruction that is tailored to the participant's individual ability.

The \$175 registration fee includes all food and lodging, as well as most equipment and supplies (except as noted in the registration materials). Participants will be housed in a dorm-style facility with many amenities, including a sauna and hiking trails with access to Lake Superior.

Becoming an Outdoors-Woman workshops are for women, 18 and older, who wish to learn outdoor skills in a relaxed, noncompetitive atmosphere. The U.P. BOW program also includes special evening programs during the weekend event.

Registration deadline is February 4, but early registration is recommended as space is limited and the program fills quickly each year. Class information and registration materials are avail-

able online at [www.michigan.gov/bow](http://www.michigan.gov/bow). For more information, contact Sharon Pitz at the DNRE office in Marquette at (906) 228-6561 or e-mail [pitzs@michigan.gov](mailto:pitzs@michigan.gov).

Many other outdoors programs for women are scheduled across Michigan. To learn more about these additional opportunities, check the BOW website or contact Sue Tabor at (517) 241-2225 or DNR-OutdoorsWoman@michigan.gov.

## MEETING NOTICE

Caledonia Township Planning Commission 2011 Meeting Schedule

January 3	July 11
February 7	August 1
March 7	September 12
April 4	October 3
May 2	November 7
June 6	December 5

Meetings begin at 7 p.m. at the Caledonia Township Hall, Spruce, MI. Any change in date or time, or any special meetings will be advertised or posted separately.

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**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**  

 Corner of US-23 & Medor Rd.,  
 Harrisville • 724-5160  
 9:30 a.m. Sunday service


**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](http://haynescommunitychurch.org)


**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.


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 Pastor Ernest Ruemenapp (989) 724-6728 • [www.church72.org](http://www.church72.org)  
 Sunday Worship Services 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.  
 • Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Wed. 6:30 p.m. Patch the Pirate Club  
 Wed. 7 p.m. Midweek Service (Bible Study & Prayer Service)


**Harrisville United Methodist Church**  

 217 North State Street  
**(1 block N. of light on US-23)**  
 Pastor Tracy Brooks  
 Worship 10:45 a.m. ~ Church ~ 724-5450

**New Life Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  

**Sunday Worship & Sunday School 9:30 a.m.**  
 Hubbard Lake Rd.,  
 3/4 mile south of White Pine National Golf Course  
 Pastor Christina Bright Office 736-7816

**Lincoln United Methodist Church**  

**101 E. Main Street**  
 Church School 9 a.m. ~ Worship 9 a.m.  
 Pastor Tracy Brooks  
 Parsonage 724-6266 ~ Church 736-6910


**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)**  

**Church Street at Traverse Bay Road**  
 Lincoln, Mich. 48742 ~ 736-1227  
 Pastor Michael Sheppard ~ Service, Sunday 9 a.m.


**First Baptist Church of Lincoln**  

 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. - Worship 11 a.m.  
 Bible Study/Prayer, Wed. 7 p.m.  
 AWANA Program Monday at 3:30 p.m.  
**Pastor Dr. Rev. Arie VanBrenk • 202 Main Street • 736-8796**

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  

 6891 Nicholson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747  
 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class at 11 a.m.  
 Pastor Robert L. Mikkelsen • (989) 727-2496

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  

 2902 E. F-30, Mikado, MI 48745 • (989) 736-8345  
 Pastor Tim Steiner, Pastor Emeritus Larry Richmond  
 Sunday School: 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship Services: 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.  
 Monday: 6:30 p.m. \*Teen Program (Grades 7-12)  
 Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Adult Prayer & Bible Study & Youth Programs (Grades K-6th)  
 \*Fall-Spring programs • Website: [www.cbcmikado.com](http://www.cbcmikado.com)

**Our Savior Lutheran Church**  

 3639 South M-65, Glennie, Michigan  
**Sunday Morning 10:30 a.m. Worship Service**  
**Rev. Carlo Sgambelluri, Pastor**

**Spruce Presbyterian Church**  

 Induction Loop equipped for tele-coil hearing aids  
 6230 Gillard Road (P.O. Box 37), Spruce, MI 48762 • 471-5464  
**Worship 9 a.m.**  
 Thomas J. Welscott, Pastor Wednesday office hours 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 Harrisville, MI ~ Rectory Phone: 724-6713  
**Pastor Father Robert Bissot**  
**Sunday Mass:** 11 a.m. Starting Jan. 2 ~ Weekday Masses at 8:30 a.m.  
 Mon. & Fri. except 2nd Fri. at Jamieson Nursing Home  
**Confessions:** Saturday, 2:30 - 3 p.m.

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH OF GOD**  
 158 N. Barlow Road., Harrisville • (989) 736-6350  
**Pastor Edward Morrison • Full Gospel**  
**Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.**  
**Evening Service 6 p.m. • Family Bible Study 7 p.m. Wednesday**

**Birding BITS** BY Cindy Brook



**Magic Moment**  
 By far, my most memorable moment of 2010 was glancing outside and seeing a dozen red birds in my yard. Some were perched on feeders. Some were on the ground. Some were sitting on the fence. My yard was filled ... and so was my heart. Here's to more memorable moments in the new year!  
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## TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. GEOGRAPHY:** Of 10 countries that have only four letters in their names, which are the only two that begin with the letter "C"?
- 2. ART:** Which sculptor created the work titled "The Kiss"?
- 3. ROYALS:** The Hohenzollern dynasty ruled which country until 1918?
- 4. TELEVISION:** On "The X-Files," what was Mulder's nickname?
- 5. LITERATURE:** Who wrote the novel "Babbitt"?
- 6. MUSIC:** Who composed the show tune "Puttin' on the Ritz"?
- 7. ACRONYMS:** What does the acronym WAN stand for?
- 8. MOVIES:** What famous actor played a cameo scene as the school principal on "E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial" — a part that was cut by director Steven Spielberg?
- 9. SCIENCE:** The field of paleobotany is the study of what?
- 10. MATH:** What does the formula  $2L + 2W = P$  yield?

Answers: 1. Cuba and Chad; 2. Auguste Rodin; 3. Germany; 4. Spooky; 5. Sinclair Lewis; 6. Irving Berlin; 7. Wide Area Network; 8. Harrison Ford; 9. Fossil plants; 10. The perimeter of a rectangle (c) 2010 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Super Crossword PAGEANTRY

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                    | start                   | pageant                         | 5 Resident                  | Mex.                          | far better                              |
| 1 Tiffany treasure               | 54 Shade of green       | 97 French pointillist           | 6 Diplomacy                 | 45 That is                    | 89 Teen title                           |
| 6 Zoom                           | 55 Spigot               | 99 Lose one's tail?             | 7 Aussie walker             | 46 Sonny & Cher song, e.g.    | 92 Toby, for one                        |
| 10 Likely                        | 56 The ___ Brothers     | 100 Cooking fat                 | 8 Feel awful                | 47 Mother Judd                | 93 Rips to shreds                       |
| 13 Send the money                | 57 Trudge               | 101 Play ground?                | 9 Nutritional abbr.         | 49 Commotion                  | 94 Slangy suffix                        |
| 18 Novelist Lurie                | 59 Teach on the side    | 102 Congenital                  | 10 Clerical vestment        | 50 Part of MPH                | 95 Squirrel's snack                     |
| 20 In the thick of               | 60 He gave us a lift    | 104 Coalition                   | 11 Went on                  | 54 Biblical region            | 96 RN's specialty                       |
| 21 Med. test                     | 62 Homeric character    | 107 "Oh, woe!"                  | 13 Singer Chris             | 57 Oater extras               | 98 Art supporters?                      |
| 22 Leave out                     | 63 Pound piece          | 108 Scored, to Sampras          | 14 Weather factor           | 58 Departed                   | 101 Playground feature                  |
| 23 Injudicious pageant winner?   | 64 Chic, in the '60s    | 109 Impartial                   | 15 Abusive pageant winner?  | 59 Hen's hubby                | 103 Homes on high                       |
| 26 Williams of "Happy Days"      | 65 Bean's brother       | 110 Exec's deg.                 | 16 Sacred cows              | 61 Remove varnish             | 104 Candy quantity                      |
| 27 Crank's comment               | 67 Nonconformist        | 113 Ditka and Douglas           | 17 Shoe size                | 63 HS exam                    | 105 Ohio city                           |
| 28 Facilitate a felony           | 69 pageant winner?      | 115 Deceptive                   | 19 Collars a crook          | 64 Florentine family name     | 106 Declaim                             |
| 29 "___ homo"                    | 70 Come up              | 120 "Die Fledermaus" maid       | 24 Where goats gambol       | 66 Holm of "Brazil"           | 107 "Diary of ___ Housewife" ('70 film) |
| 30 Tropical spot                 | 74 Liotta of 127 Across | 121 PA hours                    | 25 See 122 Across           | 68 Freeze                     | 108 NYSE rival                          |
| 31 Literary lioness              | 75 Start fishing        | 122 With 25 Down, aquarium fish | 31 Marmaduke has two        | 69 Actor Power                | 109 Baptism site                        |
| 32 Couch kin                     | 76 Accounting abbr.     | 123 Expiated                    | 32 Positive                 | 71 Zhiwago's country          | 110 Make money                          |
| 35 Mobile homes?                 | 78 "___ Lang Syne"      | 124 Thick                       | 33 Hesitator's sounds       | 72 Star quality               | 111 Transvaal resident                  |
| 37 Leading man?                  | 79 Aromatic spice       | 125 Crosses (out)               | 34 Little one               | 73 Halley or Hillary          | 112 He's Devine                         |
| 40 One of twelve                 | 82 Rocker Townshend     | 126 Casanova's cry?             | 35 Baseball's Martinez      | 77 Soft mineral               | 114 Diocese                             |
| 41 Musical key                   | 83 Unwelcome visit?     | 127 "Unlawful ___" ('92 film)   | 36 Chang's sib              | 79 LP replacements            | 116 Hostelry                            |
| 43 Argumentative pageant winner? | 85 TV's "My Sister ___" | <b>DOWN</b>                     | 37 Explosive mixture        | 80 Psychic Geller             | 117 Society column word                 |
| 48 "The Raven" monogram          | 86 Wet blanket          | 1 Window part                   | 38 Expand                   | 81 Inaccurate pageant winner? | 118 Crafty critter                      |
| 51 Cookbook phrase               | 87 Stead                | 2 Director Kazan                | 39 Neat ___                 | 82 DDT, for instance          | 119 Heavy weight                        |
| 52 Pan-fry                       | 89 Sweetly, to Solti    | 3 Desire                        | 40 Shore sight              | 84 Narcos' org.               |   |
| 53 Dynamic                       | 90 Dallas coll.         | 4 Slalom curve                  | 42 Bach's "Bist du bei ___" | 87 Italian bread?             |   |
|                                  | 92 Inarticulate         |                                 | 44 Neighbor of              | 88 "It ___ far,               |   |

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### MOMENTS IN TIME

#### The History Channel

• On Jan. 13, 1128, Pope Honorius II grants a papal sanction to the military order known as the Knights Templar, declaring it to be an army of God. The Knights Templar mission was to protect Christian pilgrims on their way to the Holy Land during the Crusades, the series of military expeditions aimed at defeating Muslims in Palestine.

• On Jan. 11, 1908, President Theodore Roosevelt designates the mighty Grand Canyon a national monument. Congress increased the protection of the canyon in 1932 by making it a national park, ensuring that private development would never despoil the Grand Canyon.

• On Jan. 12, 1926, the two-man comedy series "Sam 'n' Henry" debuts on Chicago's WGN radio station. Two years later, after changing its name to "Amos 'n' Andy," the show became one of the most popular radio programs in American history.

• On Jan. 16, 1938, "King of Swing" jazz great Benny Goodman brings his revolutionary music to Carnegie Hall for the first time. The concert sold out weeks in advance, with the best seats fetching \$2.75. All recordings of the show were presumed lost until Goodman's sister-in-law came across a set of acetates in 1950.

• On Jan. 14, 1943, Franklin Roosevelt becomes the first president to travel on official business by airplane. Crossing the Atlantic by air, Roosevelt flew in a Boeing 314 Flying Boat dubbed the Dixie Clipper to a World War II strategy meeting with Winston Churchill at Casablanca in North Africa.

• On Jan. 10, 1967, President Lyndon Johnson, in his annual State of the Union message to Congress, asks for enactment of a 6 percent surcharge on personal and corporate income taxes to help support the Vietnam War for two years, or "for as long as the unusual expenditures associated with our efforts continue."

• On Jan. 15, 1972, "American Pie," Don McLean's epic poem in musical form that has long been etched in the American popular consciousness, hits No. 1 on the Billboard charts. When asked to explain what exactly he was trying to say with some of his more ambiguous lyrics, McLean has generally declined.

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### STRANGE BUT TRUE

#### By Samantha Weaver

• It was British novelist and essayist Arthur Koestler who made the following sage observation: "The more original a discovery, the more obvious it seems afterwards."

• One might think that famed model and businesswoman Tyra Banks would rely on a plethora of pricey cosmetics and other aids — and she doubtless does. But she claims that the most important beauty product she uses is Vaseline.

• According to a 2010 study conducted in the Netherlands, symptoms of asthma can be successfully treated by riding a roller coaster.

• Singles, take note: The dating website Match.com recently conducted a survey of its members regarding their opinions on kissing, and the top turnoff (perhaps unsurprisingly) was bad breath.

• As in America, at Russian wedding receptions it's traditional for a close friend or relative to toast the new couple. In Russia, however, it's also traditional for all the guests to throw their champagne glasses on the floor after the toast; the more glasses that break, the luckier the couple will be. There's no report of the cleanup protocol afterward.

• In 1981, a German collector of World War II memorabilia paid about \$4 million for Hitler's diaries. Unfortunately for him (and his wallet), the diaries turned out to be faked.

• Many might consider it odd that the State Legislature of Oklahoma has declared the watermelon to be the official state vegetable. Yes, the watermelon. As justification for the classification, lawmakers released the following statement: "Most of us would think of it as a fruit, but it can also be considered a vegetable because it's in the same family as cucumbers and gourds."

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Thought for the Day: "Whatever women do they must do twice as well as men to be thought half as good. Luckily this is not difficult."

— Charlotte Whitton  
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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★**

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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## GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP MINUTES

Greenbush Township Supervisor Ed Roddy called the regular board meeting to order on Tuesday, Dec., 7 at 7 p.m., at the township hall. Four guests were present who joined in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call was taken. Present: Supervisor Ed Roddy, clerk Art Winter, treasurer Tracie Beatty, trustee Sally Olin and trustee Gary Abraham. Supervisor Roddy okayed the agenda as written; board agreed. Motion Olin/Beatty: To accept the November minutes as written. Motion carried. Motion Winter/Olin: To approve the financial report and place on file for audit. Motion carried. Motion Olin/Beatty: To pay November bills as presented - check numbers 13,920-13,955 - grand total \$16,321.06; fire - \$1,132.10; remainder \$15,188.96 being general fund. Roll call vote: All ayes. Carried. Miscellaneous reports: Carolyn Brummund, county commissioner, brought the board up to speed on what is happening at the county level. She stated the county budget is ready, that the new boilers are in and the new generators are in at the jail and sheriff's area. Some discussion. Fire chief Franks stated seven first responder calls for the month of October and four fire calls. For the month of November there were seven first responder calls and one fire call. He stated that

the state of Michigan is requiring a new form for all first responder calls. Chief stated to ask the new custodian if she would clean the conference room at the fire hall. Much discussion. Pete Langlois, zoning administrator (ZA), is enjoying the cool weather in Florida for the winter. Between supervisor Roddy and clerk Winter we have the ZA position covered. Some discussion. Supervisor Roddy stated one hall rental this month. Assessor Schwickert stated things are quiet at this time. December 14 will be board of review. Some discussion. Sally Olin, GRAC chairperson, stated they had their last meeting until March, 2011. She stated her involvement a year ago with the Greenbush Tavern property and stated she would be happy to assist with grant for purchasing the property. Much discussion. The planning commission is hibernating until May of 2011. During the first part of the year the committee members that are here for the winter will meet and put together a game plan for a few projects for 2011. Some discussion. Supervisor Roddy had no correspondence to share. Clerk Winter had correspondence from the humane society. Some discussion. Motion Olin/Beatty: To donate \$500 to the Alcona Humane Society. Roll call vote: All ayes.

Per Greenbush Township Board of Trustees, a letter from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission stating we (Greenbush Township Board of Trustees) could regulate Sunday liquor sales. As a consensus we decided to let the new regulation go on as is, and if a store wants to sell liquor between 7 a.m. - noon on Sunday morning they can purchase the additional license that is required. Pending business: F-30 is scheduled to be resurfaced in 2011. Motion Olin/Beatty: To pay new custodian double pay for first month to cover additional work done for the month of November. Discussion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Clerk asked fire chief he would get his crew together again and change the fluorescent bulbs at the township hall; township to buy the bulbs. He stated yes. Motion Abraham/Winter: To have a six month moratorium on no medical marijuana dispensaries in Greenbush Township. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion Abraham/Olin: To adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Art Winter Greenbush Township Clerk Note: Published prior to board approval. Next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2011. Next regular scheduled planning commission meeting is Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 7 p.m. at the township hall.

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Mortgage sale – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jonathan Bumgardner and Brenda L. Bumgardner, his wife, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated April 21, 2004, and recorded on August 27, 2004, in Liber 405, on page 1,329, and assigned by said mortgagee to First American Funding, LLC, as assigned, Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred fifty-six thousand seventy-eight dollars and six cents (\$156,078.06), including interest at 7.375 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 fore-

closed 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 January 5, 2011. Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: Commencing at the northwest corner of Section 22 thence south 840 feet to the point of beginning thence south 840 feet east 311 feet thence north 840 feet thence west 311 feet 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: December 1, 2010  
First American Funding, LLC  
Mortgagee/Assignee  
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.  
23938 Research Drive,  
Suite 300  
Farmington Hills, MI 48335  
12-8-12-15, 12-22, 12-29

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Mortgage sale – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Heather Jean Dunn Phinney and Michael D. Phinney, wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, mortgagee, dated January 23, 2004, and recorded on January 30, 2004, in Liber 396, on page 784, and assigned by said mortgagee to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as trustee, as assigned, Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred fifty-nine thousand three hundred twenty-three dollars and twenty-one cents (\$159,323.21), including interest at 6.625 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 January 5, 2011. Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: Commencing at the northeast corner of Section 14, Town 26 North, Range 9 East, Harrisville Township, Alcona County, Michigan; thence south 89 degrees 11 minutes 16 seconds west along the north line of said section and the centerline of M-72 highway, 1,325.90 feet; thence south 00 degrees 34 minutes 32 seconds east along the west line of the west 1/2 of the east 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section, 1,311.83 feet; thence north 89 degrees 21 minutes 47 seconds east along the north 1/8 line of said section 238.26 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 89 degrees 21 minutes 47 seconds east along said 1/8 line 424.26 feet; thence south 00 degrees 33 minutes 39 seconds east

along the east line of the west 1/2 of the east 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section, 653.85 feet; thence south 89 degrees 32 minutes 19 seconds west along the north line of the south 40 rods, of the west 1/2 of the east 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section 473.11 feet; thence north 03 degrees 42 minutes 48 seconds east, 654.28 feet to the point of beginning. Having rights for ingress and egress over an easement shown on a survey recorded in Liber 277, pages 708-709, Alcona County records.  
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: December 6, 2010  
Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as Trustee  
Mortgagee/Assignee  
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.  
23938 Research Drive,  
Suite 300  
Farmington Hills, MI 48335  
12-8, 12-15, 12-22, 12-29

#### Mortgage Sale

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Notice is hereby given that default has occurred in a mortgage given by Roger S. Perkins and Carolyn Perkins, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Independent Bank, mortgagee. The mortgage is dated May 25, 2006, and was recorded on June 6, 2006, in Liber 431 on page 766 of the Alcona County records. The balance owing on the mortgage as of the date of this notice is \$85,606.93, including interest at 24 percent per year variable. The mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.  
The mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on January 12, 2011, at 10 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Alcona County Court Facility, 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Michigan, that being the place of holding circuit court for Alcona County, Michigan.  
The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees

and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.  
The property to be sold is located in the township of Curtis, county of Alcona, Michigan and is described as: Lot 7, Block 2 of Rainbow Crest Subdivision, Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof. Commonly known as 5010 Pine Street, Glennie, MI 48737. Tax I.D. 032-195-002-007-00  
The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later.  
Smith, Martin, Powers & Knier, P.C.  
Dated: December 3, 2010  
By: Henry L. Knier Jr. (P46393)  
Attorney for Independent Bank,  
Mortgagee  
900 Washington Ave.,  
P.O. Box 219  
Bay City, MI 48707  
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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Katrina K. Kohl, an unmarried woman and Michael J. Richardson, an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Long Beach Mortgage Company, mortgagee, dated September 16, 2004, and recorded on December 7, 2004 in Liber 410 on page 598, in Alcona County records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust

Company, as trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-two thousand six hundred twenty-three and 48/100 dollars (\$52,623.48), including interest at 8.35 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 January 5, 2011.  
Said premises are situated in township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: Town 25 North, Range 6 East, Section 33, commencing at the northwest corner of the

northeast 1/4 of the northwest 1/4, thence south 450 feet, thence east 230 feet, thence northwesterly to the point on the north line, 175 feet east to the point of beginning, west 175 to the point of beginning, Alcona County records.  
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: December 8, 2010  
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1300  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway,  
Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan  
48334-2525  
File No. 350010F01  
12-8, 12-15, 12-22, 12-29

#### Foreclosure Notice (All Counties)

As a debt collector we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify (248) 362-6100 if you are in active military duty.  
Mortgage sale – Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Richard J. Porkarski Jr., a single man of Alcona County, Michigan, mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated the 27th day of October, A.D. 2008, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 7th day of November, A.D. 2008, as book 456, page 1,357 of Alcona records, which said mortgage was assigned to GMAC Mortgage, LLC, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$95,107.74 (ninety-five thousand

one hundred seven and 74/100) plus accrued interest at 6.500 percent (six point five zero zero) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the 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, the 12th day of January, A.D., 2011, at 10 a.m. said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, MI, Alcona County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.  
Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the township of Curtis, in the county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the state of Michigan, county

of Alcona, township of Curtis and described as: Lots 64 and 65, Bryant Acres Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of plats pages 62-63 of Alcona County records.  
Commonly known as: 4894 Quick Road. Parcel Number 032-125-000-064-00.  
The redemption period shall be six 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: December 15, 2010  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.  
By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.  
2155 Butterfield Drive  
Suite 200-S  
Troy, MI 48084  
WWR No. 10046799  
12-15, 12-22, 12-29, 1-5, 2011

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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 Henry Stickney and Sharon Stickney, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, mortgagee, dated May 17, 2005, and recorded on May 18, 2005 in Liber 416 on page 1,082, in Alcona County records,

Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee for structured asset investment loan trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-7 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty-three thousand eight hundred seventy-four and 92/100 dollars (\$43,874.92), including interest at 7.7 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 January 12, 2011.  
Said premises are situated in township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michi-

gan, and are described as: Lots 1 and 2 of Block 2 of Burton's Addition to Village of Greenbush, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 9, Alcona County records.  
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: December 15, 2010  
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
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ship 25 North, Range 8 East, described and commencing at the southwest corner of said Section 16, thence east along the south section line 360.0 feet to the point of beginning, thence continuing east 619.60 feet, thence north 0 degrees 07 minutes 36 seconds west 1,301.63 feet, thence north 89 degrees 44 minutes 22 seconds west 243.29 feet, thence south 0 degrees 05 minutes east 900.00 feet, thence north 89 degrees 44 minutes 22 seconds west 370.0 feet, thence south 0 degrees 05 minutes east 403.94 feet to the point of beginning, less and excepting that part of the southwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Township 25 North, Range 8 East, described as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner of Section 16, Township 25 North, Range 8 East, thence due east along the south line of said section and the centerline of Vandercook Road, 360.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 00 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds west 213.00 feet; thence due east 204.51 feet; thence south 00 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds east 213.00 feet; thence due west 204.51 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 12 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: December 15, 2010 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File No. 319898F02 12-15, 12-22, 12-29, 1-5, 2011

#### Foreclosure Notice

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Thomas L. Jenks, a married man and Jill C. Jenks, a married woman, as husband and wife to Franklin Mortgage Funding, Inc., mortgagee, dated December 18, 2000, and recorded on December 20, 2000, in Liber 345, page 1,110, Alcona County records, said mortgage was assigned to BBJD Ventures, LLC by an assignment of mortgage dated March 04, 2009 and recorded April 20, 2009 in Liber 460, page 1,296, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty-eight thousand nine hundred thirteen and 19/100 (\$48,913.19) including interest at the rate of 12.99000 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 in said Alcona County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 12 p.m. on January 19, 2011. Said premises are situated in the township of Mikado, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the northeast corner of Section 28, Township 25 North, Range 8 East, thence south 00 degrees 12 minutes 51 seconds west, along east line of said section and centerline of Cruzen Road, 435.60 feet; thence south 89 degrees 52 minutes 57 seconds west, 500.00 feet; thence north 00 degrees 12 minutes 51 seconds east, 435.60 feet; thence north 89 degrees 52 minutes 57 seconds east, along north line of said section and

centerline of Goddard Road, 500.00 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel being a part of the northeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of said section. Commonly known as: 1470 Goddard. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. Dated: December 22, 2010 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for BBJD Ventures, LLC 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 (248) 335-9200 Case No. 10MI02821-1 12-22, 12-29, 1-5, 1-12

#### Notice of Judicial Sale

Judicial Sale pursuant to, and by virtue of, stipulated order of judgment and foreclosure of real and personal property entered by the Alcona County Circuit Court, Harrisville, Michigan on September 2, 2010, and recorded on September 9, 2010 at Liber 473, page 111-118, Alcona County records, in a certain action pending in that court in which Rose Acceptance, Inc. is the plaintiff and Family Circle, Inc., Carl Boyd and Patricia Boyd are the defendants. Take notice that a deputy sheriff of the county of Alcona shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder inside the main entrance to the courthouse building in Harrisville, Michigan (that being the building in which the circuit court for Alcona County is held) on Wednesday, Febru-

ary 9, 2011 at 10 a.m., local time, the following described property: Real estate located in the township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan described more particularly as: That part of the northwest 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of Section 8, T25N, R6E, lying westerly of the west right of way of highway M-65, except the westerly 250 feet thereof. Also except: Commencing at the southwest corner of the northwest 1/4 of the northwest 1/4; thence south 89 degrees east 250 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 89 degrees east 1,070.3 feet; thence north 457.7 feet to the southwest right of way of M-65; thence north 50 degrees west 187.24 feet along said right of way; thence north 89 degrees west 925.76 feet; thence south 575 feet to the point of beginning. Com-

monly known as: 2520 State Road, Glennie, MI 48737. Permanent Parcel Number: 031-008-200-033-00. The sale is for the purpose of foreclosing a mortgage contract. The redemption period is six (6) months from the date of sale. Rose Acceptance, Inc. Dated: December 15, 2010 Matthew Perkins Undersheriff Plunket Clooney Peter D. Cronk (P60172) Attorneys for Plaintiff 325 E. Grand River Avenue, Suite 250 East Lansing, Michigan 48823 (517) 324-5611 12-22, 12-29, 1-5, 1-12, 1-19, 1-26, 2-2

Federal law requires us to advise you that communication with our office could be interpreted as an attempt to collect a debt and 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: William J. Miller and Judy L. Miller, 4529 Evergreen Drive, Greenbush, MI 48737; 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 modifica-

tion 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) website or by calling MSHDA. The website 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 designee 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 designee

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: December 29, 2010 Orlans Associates P.C Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 File No.: 671.1619 ASAP No. 3860916 12-29

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