

One year later - canine trooper still missing

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

One year after Bane, the Michigan State Police dog was lost in the woods of Presque Isle County, his handler and investigators are still trying to find out what happened to him.

Despite a month-long active search by the Michigan State Police (MSP) and other law enforcement agencies and an active investigation which lasted for several months, no leads have led to the recovery of the four-year-old German shepherd who was lost on November 13, 2010.

Bane was last seen by his handler, Michigan State Police Trooper Jamie Bullis, in a thick tag alder swamp in Ocqueoc Township in Presque Isle County. They were conducting a missing person search. After the two-hour search and a rest, Bullis had Bane out on his lead in the thick cover when "a deer jumped out literally under his nose," he said. Bane followed the deer and hasn't been seen since.

Even though it's been a year and the police investigation has gone from active to inactive there is still a reward of \$5,000 for infor-

mation leading to Bane's recovery. According to Sgt. Gale Owen, acting commander of the Alpena MSP post, investigators are still responding to any tips coming in on the case.

"Hunting season is the time of year where a lot of people are in the woods and it is the time when someone could find something," said Bullis, who works out of the Lincoln detachment. "We are asking anyone who finds a canine skull - even if you think it is a coyote skull - a check chain or a nylon lead; grab it or mark where it is and let us know so we can check it out."

"It just takes one person to make the call and end this whole thing," Bullis said. "If he's been killed, there is a special place in Lansing for him. I'd like to get that for him if we can - and, I'd like to know what happened to him."

Bullis, who had been partnered with Bane for 17 months, spent months searching for his partner after he went missing. He was assisted and supported by his family, friends, MSP canine officers and law enforcement officers. When Bane's disappearance became statewide news and, eventually

went "viral" on Facebook, thousands of people started following the story.

And, that support hasn't lagged in the last year - something that Bullis continues to find amazing. He explained there are at least 12,000 people following this story on the Internet. "The response has been overwhelming," Bullis said. "It's hard to explain the impact that it has made... These folks invested themselves a year ago and they also want to see some sort of conclusion. There are a ton of people that are emotionally involved in this."

This public support, along with the love and support of his wife, three sons and other family members and friends has helped Bullis look toward the future. One year later, Bullis has another canine partner - Vadas, a nine-year-old German shepherd that is a veteran canine trooper.

Vadas was in the State Police Canine Unit for seven years, stationed at the post in Monroe, Mich. prior to being retired in July 2010 because of a soft tissue injury on a hind leg. The injury even-

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Michigan State Police Trooper Jamie Bullis and his canine partner Vadas. Photo by Cheryl Peterson.

Allband coming to Mikado

The public is invited to a groundbreaking ceremony for a company that began from a basic need for telephone and Internet service.

On Friday, Nov. 18, AllBand's broadband expansion in Mikado will begin. The event will begin at 10 a.m. at the Mikado Civic Center with complimentary donuts and coffee and a chance to talk with representatives from the company and officials who have worked to see the expansion come to fruition.

At 11 a.m. the groundbreaking will take place, which will begin the construction phase of the project.

Allband's expansion of broadband access in Mikado is made possible through a grant from the USDA-Rural Utilities Service (a department of the U.S. Department of Agriculture) as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Allband Communications Cooperative is Michigan's first telephone cooperative and the state's first telephone provider to utilize Fiber to the Home (FTTH) technology that is capable of providing advanced telecommunications services which include, but are not limited to telephone, high-speed Internet and video services.

Over the last several years, Allband has installed over 254 miles of fiber in its service territory.

The company began out of necessity. In the late 1990s, John Reigle, founder and president of Allband Communications Cooperative, de-

cided to build a home and relocate his consulting business to northeastern Michigan. In need of a dependable telephone for his business, he first called GTE (now Frontier) to confirm that it could provide a new telephone line. He was told it wouldn't be a problem. He was given a date and cost of installation (approximately \$34), and a confirmation number.

Several months later, as construction of his home was drawing to a close, Reigle called GTE to confirm his hookup date. He was told it would actually cost him approximately \$27,000, because they were going to charge him a per-foot fee to run the lines from highway M-65 to his home.

After much consideration

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The Lincoln Lions, along with other members of the community, came together to line Lincoln's Second Street with non-bearing pear trees last Thursday. The trees were specifically chosen for their color, shape and growth. Photos by Mary Weber.

LaBar wins Miss Sunrise Side title

The Miss Sunrise Side Scholarship Pageant awarded over \$7,000 of scholarships to young women of northeast Michigan on Saturday night following two competitions.

Julie LaBar, 19, of Rogers City was crowned Miss Sunrise Side 2011. She received a \$2,000 cash scholarship and a \$4,000 Alpena Community College Scholarship sponsored by the ACC Foundation. She is the daughter

of Dana and Michelle LaBar. She will compete for the title of Miss Michigan in June of 2012, as Miss Sunrise Side is a local preliminary competition to Miss America. She was also awarded the Spirit Award.

Alexandra Kramer, 17, of Lincoln was the first runner-up and received a \$750 cash scholarship. She is the daughter of Paul and Ann Kramer. She received the

Community Service Award and the Talent Award for her flute solo, each a \$100 cash scholarship. Kramer also received the People's Choice Award.

Kailey Pagels, 15, of Lincoln was crowned Miss Sunrise Side Teen 2011. She is the daughter of Randy and Jamie Pagels. She received a \$150 educational savings bond.

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Obituaries

Robert C. High

Robert C. High, 53, of Lincoln, died on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2011 at his home.

He was born September 13, 1958 to Maurice and Mary Jo (Hanchett) High in Tawas City. He was a longtime resident of Lincoln.

He worked for over 30 years at Alcona Tool, but his passion had always been cooking. He learned to cook as a young child by spending time in the kitchen with his grandmother, Sarah Tacia. He owned and operated Bob's Catering and his food was a staple at numerous local events.

Mr. High is survived by his parents Maurice and Mary High of Lincoln; one sister, Linda Burke of Omaha, Neb.; and two nephews Warren Burke and Brian Burke of Omaha, Neb.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Lyle and Sarah Tacia and Gladys Tripp.

Private services have been held. Cremation arrangements were handled through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorial donations may be made to the Alcona Humane Society and the Alcona Athletic Association.

Russell S. McCullough

Russell Scott McCullough, 55, of Roscommon, Mich. died on Friday, Nov. 11, 2011.

He was born January 19, 1956 in Toledo, Ohio, the son of Richard Joseph "Zeke" and Junene Marilyn (Mickelson) McCullough.

He graduated in 1974 from Lansing Waverly High School, and lived in Lansing, Mich. and Harrisville before moving to Roscommon 15 years ago.

He was a plumber for Redmon Plumbing in Houghton Lake, Mich. for 10 years. Prior to his plumbing career he was an auto body painter at University Oldsmobile in Lansing, Mich. for 10 years, Cooper Auto Body in Lansing, Mich. and Gaylord Collision.

He was a member of Grayling Moose Lodge and Grayling Country Club and loved to golf, fish and hunt. He enjoyed music and also made rustic furniture.

Mr. McCullough is survived by one son, Travis McCullough of Lansing, Mich.; two brothers, Richard (Mary McClanahan) McCullough of Holt, Mich. and Daniel (fiancé, Julie Morency) McCullough of Higgins Lake, Mich.; one sister, Diane (Chris) Falkner of Bradenton, Fla.; two nephews, Danny McCullough and Chris Falkner; three nieces, April (Heiko) Ihle, Jessica Falkner and Renay Falkner; and one brother-in-law, David "Abby" Abendroth of Harrison, Mich.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one sister, Linda Abendroth.

Visitation will be from 3-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17. The funeral will be at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 18. Father Bernard Tyler will officiate all at Walsh Funeral Home in Roscommon, Mich.

Memorial donations may be made to his son, Travis McCullough, c/o Walsh Funeral Home, 143 Lake Stree, Roscommon, Mich. 48653.

Wm. L.

Broadwood

Wm. Leonard Broadwood, 94, of Harrisville, died on Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011 at Jamieson Nursing Home.

He was born August 4, 1917 to Albert and Mary (Emerick) Broadwood, in Flint, Mich. He was a lifelong resident of Alcona County.

On October 5, 1946, he married Mary Vukovich. They owned and operated a farm.

Mr. Broadwood was a baseball player in the county leagues. He loved the Detroit Tigers and Pistons, University of Michigan Wolverines and Michigan State University Spartans, and he was an avid deer hunter.

He was a member of St. Raphael Catholic Church and participated in county and township affairs.

Mr. Broadwood is survived by one son, Albert (Gina) Broadwood of Harrisville; several grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren; one sister, Alexina Jack of Lincoln; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary, on March 14, 2003; two brothers, George and Lloyd Broadwood; one sister, Eugene Collins; and by one brother-in-law, Bud Jack.

A funeral Mass will be on Thursday, Nov. 17 at 1 p.m. at St. Raphael Catholic Church in Mikado. Father Bob Bissot will officiate. Burial will be in St. Raphael Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

I'm writing to express my appreciation to all of the community members, VFW and American Legion members who turned out, on a chilly and threatening morning, to pay tribute to veterans, both past and present.

A special thanks goes to our soloist, bugler, chaplain and guest speaker along with the color guards in attendance. Their contributions lent dignity to the ceremony's pageantry and solace to those present.

I was delighted to see so many sing along during the "National Anthem." I was honored to have been a part of this traditional service this year and was deeply moved

by the response of all who were asked to participate or invited to attend. It was a pleasure to serve all of our luncheon guests the humble fare we provided for them after the ceremony, at our post. It was a subdued but warm atmosphere as guests, many of them friends and acquaintances shared a special time together.

Those post members assisting in the preparation of the luncheon were gratified at its reception by our guests.

Again, thanks to all who in any way were a part of that special day.

Clayton Jolley,
Commander
American Legion
Post No. 254

To the Editor,

In response to Janice MacNeill's letter in the November 9 issue asking where Robin Job is and why.

I am here, still struggling with the why I am not at the library. I miss the library. I miss the patrons I saw on a day to day basis. I miss the staff, my good friends. I miss the work. I miss the paycheck. I believe it all comes down to choices.

When I was hired at the library, I chose to do the best job that I could do. I chose to put my heart into my job and work hard and learn every day. I chose to smile, be kind and considerate to all. I chose to help the patrons to the best of my ability. I have six years of excellent reviews to back these choices.

They chose to fire me for no reason. They chose to let my future be decided by one person. They chose to ignore people that attended board meetings. They chose not to talk with me. They chose to ignore the letters written in support of me. They chose to

ignore the other staff's feelings/thoughts. They chose to accept that one should make \$54,000 a year and one shouldn't be allowed to have a job.

None of us are perfect. We all make mistakes, but we should do the best we can in life. Reach out a hand to all in need, try to make things better if we can. Work together, solve problems don't create more.

When it comes to choices, we make our own. When it came to my dismissal, I didn't have a choice, but those in charge did. Did they make the right choice? A year later, it still hurts.

Robin S. Job
Harrisville

(Editor's Note: The Review will not accept any further Letters to the Editor regarding the termination of Ms. Job as an at will employee for the Alcona County Library. This forum is not to be used to rehash issues or to campaign at length for issues. This happened over one year ago. It is time for everyone to move on.)

To the Editor,

Regarding the Huron Undercover Narcotics Team, supported by Alcona County voter approved millage, according to its commander Detective Lt. Del Putnam, "there is plenty of work to do, we have to evaluate what cases we take on... There are drugs that pose a certain public

safety threat." and lists: Meth, heroin, cocaine, and prescription drug abuse.

He said HUNT's focus is on dangerous felons and immediate public safety issues including meth labs and drug trafficking. But in the Review's November 9 issue

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Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	Nov. 6	57		35	0.00	8.4
Nov. 7	60	37	0.00	1.7	19	SW
Nov. 8	48	37	0.51	9.1	29	NE
Nov. 9	53	41	0.53	11.6	39	SW
Nov. 10	48	30	0.00	3.1	27	SW
Nov. 11	42	28	0.00	1.8	17	WNW
Nov. 12	52	32	0.00	4.6	20	SW

Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	2011	2010	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	1.04	0.00	0.49
November to Date	1.21	0.05	0.84
Year/Season to Date	32.02	25.19	25.44

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, NOVEMBER 16

The Alcona County Board of Commissioners will meet at the lower level of the county building in Harrisville at 10 a.m.

Sewing with Jennie Anderson from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Music with Roseanne Armstrong at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Rd. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Microsoft Office Word mail merge class from 9:15 to 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

The Alcona County Library board will meet at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch.

GM Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees will hold their monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, 1000 US-23 North, Alpena. Jeremy Evans, a representative of Schwan's Fine Foods will be the guest speaker. Reservations and payment in advance. Contact, Chuck Griffin, (989) 727-3350, Frank Baranski, (989) 595-2789 or Don Cantleberry, (989) 354-5504, for more information.

Spruce Lutheran Church will offer an emergency food pantry from 1 to 3 p.m. No qualifying ID required. Volunteers needed at the pantry, call Donna at (989) 727-2521.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Bible study at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Harrisville from 3 to 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Call (989) 335-4054 for more information.

Alcona retirees meet for lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Community Walking Club for everyone meets at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 8:30 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m., meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. Call, (989) 278-9674

for more information.

Alcona County Amateur Radio Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the EMS building, 2600 E. M-72. Anyone interested in emergency and public service communications

is invited to attend. Free refreshments will be served. For more information, call Stan Darmofal (989) 724-5550 or visit their website at: www.alconaradio.org

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Police Report

On Sunday, Nov. 13 at approximately 10:30 a.m. the Alcona County Sheriff's Department was contacted by a hunter who discovered what he believed were human remains on private property in Alcona Township. Sheriff's deputies determined the remains were human. Initial investigation has led officers to a possible identity of the victim who appears to be an adult male. Further information is being withheld until a positive identification can be made and family members are contacted. A forensic examination of the remains is scheduled to be conducted at Michigan State University later this week.

Letters to the Editor

Continued from page 2 listing HUNT's activities, most prominent are marijuana arrests. Yet Putnam never names marijuana as a threat or priority.

In 2009, 858,408 Americans were arrested for marijuana offenses; 88 percent charged with only possession, most of them young. In Michigan, possession of the smallest amount of marijuana can result in one year imprisonment. Growing a single plant can get you into Jackson State Prison for four years and cost you \$20,000. The arrests, prosecutions, and imprisonment of marijuana users cost taxpayers billions of dollars each year.

Some claim that marijuana leads to hard drugs but there is no conclusive evidence of this. Some 40 percent of Americans,

1000,000,000 of us, have used marijuana yet only a tiny fraction have gone on to hard drugs. Are we all criminals?

Marijuana is not benign. Especially in adolescents - it can be harmful. But the most harmful aspect of marijuana may be arrest and imprisonment which can lead to exposure to real criminals, prison violence and chronic unemployment because of a police record.

It is past time to look at our "justice" system's marijuana practices. Our millage and state taxes would be much better spent in education and counseling efforts and going after real criminals rather than making so many of our citizens, especially the young "criminals."

Michael Johnson and Karen Briggs Harrisville

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Local Notes

New Pastor

Lott Baptist Church of Glennie welcomes new pastor Dr. Elmer Ash whose last pastorate was at Aloha Baptist Church in Honokaa, Hawaii. He spent five years on mission status and the last 14 months as a supported pastor. Pastor Ash received his undergraduate degree from William Carey University of Hattiesburg, Miss. He has a master's degree in theology and doctorate of pastoral theology from Andersonville Baptist Seminary. He and his wife, Melanie, and their youngest daughter, Megan, are settling into the community. They have two daughters which are married and living in Mississippi. Lott Baptist Church welcomes everyone to attend services and meet Pastor Ash. Sunday school is held at 9:45 a.m., worship is at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., and Wednesday prayer and Bible study at 7 p.m.



Pastor Elmer Ash

Bottle Drive

On Sunday, Nov. 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the new Alcona High School Cheer and Dance team will be holding a bottle drive at Kris Mart in Lincoln and Mr. Ed's IGA in Harrisville. Bottles and cans will be accepted along with cash donations. All money goes towards uniforms and equipment needed to get started. For more information, call coach Adrienne Boyd at (989) 370-2079.

Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at various times during the week at senior cen-

ters in Glennie, Greenbush and Lincoln. Anyone planning to attend a meal is asked to reserve a place by calling (989) 736-8879 or (989) 735-5191 by 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

- Monday, Nov. 21—Bourbon chicken, baked potato, cauliflower, orange pineapple fluff salad and fruit.

- Tuesday, Nov. 22—Ham, sweet potato puffs, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, cookie and fruit.

- Wednesday, Nov. 23—Cabbage rolls, red parsley potatoes, wax beans, tossed salad and fruit.

- Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24 and 25—All sites closed, no services.

ARA Farm Market

The ARA Farm Market, where everything is locally grown, locally created, and locally produced in Alcona County, is in the Campbell Building at the ARA site across from Kris Mart in Lincoln. (The market will be closed Saturday, Nov. 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday weekend). This Saturday, Nov. 19 the market is open from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. market-goers will find: Lettuce, spinach, Swiss chard, radishes, some tomatoes, grave blankets, wreaths and other evergreen decorations, all cuts of grass-fed and grain-fed beef, beefsticks, summer sausage, hot German food, eggs, garlic, onions, kale, parsley, possibly apples, winter squash, various homemade breads, scones, cookies, muffins, sugar-free muffins, a variety of jams and jellies, flours, soup mixes, salsa mixes, bread and pancake mixes, dried herbs, salt-free dip and dressing mixes and seasonings, dried fruit, cocoa mix, handmade soaps, homemade laundry detergent, felted bomber hats, rag and potholder rugs, burlap

bags, catnip toys, gel pot-pourri, handmade greeting cards, tatted jewelry, bookmarks, lace by the yard, origami, zippered and draw-string bags and wooden items, including decorative items, Adirondack chairs, benches and more. Stop by the information booth for free coffee, hot cider, hot chocolate, hot tea and doughnuts. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

Flute and Friends Concert

The annual event "A Flute and Friends" concert is back by popular demand as part of the Village Church Concert Series at Trinity Episcopal Church in Alpena. Several area musicians will take the stage with WindSong Flute Quartet and MaryAnn Hubbard on Sunday, Nov. 20 at 2 p.m. A variety of music presented ranges from classical to sacred, popular to Broadway musical numbers. Also presented are a variety of medium including ensembles, instrumentalists and vocalists. Admission to the concert is \$5 at the door.

The Alpena ensemble, WindSong (Betsy Adamus, Judith Case, Joanne Root and Hubbard), will perform as one of the mainstays of the event. They will be joined by over a dozen local flutists, forming an Alcona-Alpena Area Flute Choir. Another ensemble, Quintetto Sonare, (Brian Carter, Jennifer Dean, Kim Gordon, Fay Wojtkowiak and Hubbard) will also perform. Other musicians performing with Hubbard will be vocalists Karen Thompson, Chip Lavelly, Marie Williams, Owen Williams and Bruce Michaud. Instrumentalists include Jennifer Dean, Brian Carter, Bill Kaltrider, Gregory Adamus and Eric Lawson. The accompanists are Andrea Arbuckle, Suelyn Bartz and Berniece Lyon.

Leadership class presents improvement projects

On Tuesday, Nov. 22, participants from the Alcona Regional Leadership Program will present a synopsis of their projects, chosen as part of a new educational program being piloted in Alcona County by Michigan State University Extension (MSUE).

The framework for this new curriculum is designed by the statewide MSU Extension Community Engagement and Leadership Development Team, with an emphasis on New Economic strategies.

Dave Ivan, MSUE specialist, launched the 2011 Leadership series at a public forum in September. Ivan challenged potential leadership participants to establish their own regional ventures, focusing on sustainability in the New Economy.

Program participants were provided tools and techniques to build a basic outline for accomplishing any project. The group was also charged with brainstorming

and flushing out ideas for projects within the northeast Michigan regional community.

Their projects will be unveiled at a public session held at the Alcona Middle School conference room from 7 to 8:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 22. In addition, manager of the Boyne City Main Street Program, Hugh Conklin, will share how his city has built success during difficult economic times. Boyne City was named Main Street City of the year in 2010.

"We encourage you to join us for this public presentation," said Marlena MacNeill, member of the Alcona Leadership planning committee. "It is exciting to see dynamic local leaders, such as those who have participated in this program, leverage community assets to plan and likely implement, positive endeavors within our northern region."

For more information contact MSU Extension Educator Bonnie W-Zoia at (989) 724-6478 or zoia@msu.edu.

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tually healed and after being cleared by a veterinarian, he was considered "employable" again. However, his handler had begun training another canine partner.

Sgt. David Yount, canine unit commander, explained the unit had never had a canine trooper go missing and not be recovered. Deciding to partner Bullis with a retired canine trooper was unprecedented. "By January Trooper Bullis was up and running with Vadas," Yount said. He considers the pairing successful and it has continued to provide the community and region with the services canine units are specialized in — All Michigan State canine troopers are trained in a variety of areas that include: Narcotics detection, tracking, article searches, listening post-observation post (LPOP), aggression, handler protection and crowd control.

Canine handlers must spend a minimum of 10 weeks of training with new dogs and become certified before they are assigned to a post. In this case, Bullis and Vadas spent two weeks training to become certified. Bullis said that time was more like an orientation rather than training. They got to know each other, how they executed maneuvers and learned to read each other. They also had a lot of time to bond.

"That two weeks gave Vadas an opportunity to train Trooper Bullis," Yount said. "It was really a matter of Trooper Bullis being able to keep up with Vadas."

Bullis will be the first to admit that he's learned quite a bit from Vadas and has become a better handler by working with an experienced dog. "With Bane — that was the first time I'd trained a dog under this system. I had only been exposed to one dog that was green. To go to a dog that was completely different — in personality, drive, how to correct him, experience level and how he'd been trained...that transition has made me better. I'm very confident going on to another dog that I will be a better trainer and handler because of this experience with Vadas after Bane," Bullis said.

Bullis' bond with Vadas is as strong as it was with Bane and he is happy to continue working as a canine handler — something he has always wanted to do. "I can't look at the past; I have to look at tomorrow and next year. That has to be my focus. Our bond is very strong. I hope he will be able to work for three more years..."

When it is time for Vadas to retire a second time, he will have a permanent home with Bullis and his family — even when Bullis begins training a new canine partner. "He's as much a part of me as Bane was," he said.

Looking forward and trying to find a positive aspect from the sorrow, sense of loss and frustration of not knowing what happened to Bane, has kept Bullis focused on the future. "Anytime you go through something difficult like this — if you don't allow it



Bane has been missing since November 13, 2010. *Courtesy photo.*

to crush you — it makes you stronger. I've never gone through anything like this before. But, I've come through the storm and have grown from it," Bullis said.

While the public support and scrutiny has been, at times, unnerving and uncomfortable because he is a private person, Bullis said it has helped in many ways — including the way state police canine handlers can track their partners.

According to Bullis and Yount, a fundraising effort by friends of the canine unit and the Riverview Fire Fighters Union, \$8,000 was donated to the Michigan State Police Canine Unit this summer for the purchase of GPS tracking systems for each of the 29 canine units with two extra. The cost of the 31 GPS collars was about \$5,000 and the additional \$3,000 was left to the unit's discretion for other needs.

"The loss of Bane was tragic," Yount said. "But, out of that tragedy, the community came together and helped us purchase these collars (which) was totally unexpected and so awesome."

Yount explained that prior to Bane's disappearance the unit did not have any tracking devices for the dogs. While several had gone missing, they were usually recovered in a day or two at the latest. Much research and extensive in-field testing was done before settling on the collars that would work best for the unit.

In addition to being able to track any dog that is separated from its handler the tracking collars will also "help us on multi-team searches and also helps expand our capabilities," Yount said.

Both Bullis and Yount expressed their continued appreciation for all of the support that has been shown to Trooper Bullis and the canine unit regarding Bane's disappearance. "Our department (MSP) has supported everything we've done, other police agencies like the Presque Isle County Sheriff's Department (and) the community of Onaway was awesome, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), professional organi-

zations that pitched in...we appreciate everyone who helped. Unfortunately, we still haven't found (Bane)," Yount said.

Anyone with information about Bane's disappearance and/or location is asked to call the Michigan State Police post in Alpena at (989) 354-4101 or the Crime-Stoppers Hotline at (800) 422-5245. The \$5,000 reward that is available has been donated by Friends of Find Bane (\$2,200 in donations), the Michigan State Police Troopers Association (\$1,800) and CrimeStoppers (\$1,000).

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However, when Reigle called back to request the exorbitantly priced service, GTE then told him they would not provide him service, at any cost. In fact, they wouldn't even give him service if he ran the lines to M-65 himself.

When Reigle called the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) to file a complaint, he discovered that his property was located in an "unassigned" area, or an area in which there was no Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC). He also was told that no phone company in Michigan had ever been forced to provide phone service to an area it didn't want to serve.

Reigle was given advice no one else had ever taken literally -- "if you want telephone service, start your own phone company."

And he did. With guidance from Michigan State University faculty and students, Reigle founded Michigan's first nonprofit telephone cooperative. Allband Communications Cooperative was born, with the express aim of providing affordable and advanced telephone, 911 and broadband services to residents in northeastern Michigan.

Allband activated its first member in November 2006, and it now serves approximately 150 customers in its Robbs Creek Exchange, with more to come over the next three years as they continue to expand the current network with approximately \$10 million in federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Stimulus funds.



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Complaint Statistics

Traffic	6	Car/Deer Accidents	27
Property Damage Accidents	4	Mal. Destruction of Property	2
False Alarm	4	Burglary	1
Domestic	1	Dog/Animal	4
Animal Bite	1	911 Hang Up	1
Larceny	3	Drive While Lic. Suspended	1
Well Being Check	1	Miscellaneous	15
Fire	1	Suspicious Events	1
Suspicious Person	1	Medical	3
Patrol Check	3	Littering	1
Fraud	1	Threats/Harassment	1
Civil Assist/Assist	2	Assault & Battery	1
Open Door	1	Trespassing	1

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	10	Caledonia	6	Curtis	10
Greenbush	5	Gustin	8	Harrisville	10
Hawes	5	Haynes	3	Mikado	5
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Harrisville City	12	Village of Lincoln	3		

NRC lifts deer baiting restrictions in Presque Isle, part of Iosco counties

The ban on deer baiting in Presque Isle County and the southern part of Iosco County was lifted during the November 10 meeting of the Natural Resources Commission (NRC).

"This is great news and hopefully the start of lifting more baiting restrictions in the northeast Michigan region over the next few years," said Peter Pettalia, (R-Presque Isle). "The baiting ban now isn't just about hunting; it's about leveling the playing field. Before Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD), and the TB issue, hunting was a huge contributor to the states' economy. It is important to fight for northeastern Lower Michigan so there is an economic balance throughout the entire state."

The U.S. Department of Agriculture recently changed the status regarding tuberculosis in the cattle herds of Presque Isle and Iosco counties. As a result, only the four core counties of DMU 487 - Montmorency, Alpena, Alcona and Oscoda - remain in the Modified Accredited Zone, which require additional tuberculosis testing for cattle shipped from the area. DMU

487 is the area where biologists are most concerned about bovine tuberculosis in the deer herd.

"It's important that we protect the agriculture industry because that is a big component of Michigan's economy. I am going to keep working to try to eliminate the baiting ban entirely because hunting is also a big component of our local economy," Pettalia said. "If studies show that an area is clear of bovine tuberculosis, or bovine TB isn't coming from where it was originally thought, then this must be addressed as soon as possible. We have many jobs and businesses that rely on hunting and outdoor recreation in northeast Michigan. This is why the baiting ban remains a high priority during my legislative tenure."

The NRC - which has authority for determining acceptable means and methods for hunting in Michigan - had previously reversed a three-year ban on baiting deer in the Lower Peninsula, but maintained the prohibition in the six-county DMU 487 in the northeastern Lower Peninsula.

At the beginning of sum-

mer Pettalia sponsored a House resolution that requested lifting the deer baiting ban in northeast Michigan for a two-year trial period and testified before the NRC in October.

Effective immediately, hunters may use up to two gallons of bait in Presque Isle County and in southern Iosco County. Baiting remains illegal in Montmorency, Alpena, Alcona and Oscoda counties as well as the northern tier of townships of Iosco County - Oscoda, Plainfield, Wilber, AuSable and Baldwin.

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Answers



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Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund celebrates 35th anniversary

What do a boardwalk in an Alger County township park, a marsh in St. Clair County, a beach restoration in the city of Frankfort and a state park on the Detroit River have in common?

All were at least partially paid for by Michigan's Natural Resources Trust Fund.

Established in 1976 (albeit, with a different name) the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) is celebrating 35 years of strategically acquiring property and improving recreational facilities for the benefit and enjoyment of Michigan's residents and visitors.

The MNRTF was established, following a spirited

debate, after oil was discovered in the Pigeon River Country State Forest in the north-eastern Lower Peninsula, a pristine wilderness that serves as the home range of Michigan's elk herd. At the time of the discovery, some people believed that Pigeon River Country was too important a resource to jeopardize by allowing energy development. Others thought the oil was too valuable an asset to sit underground unutilized.

The MNRTF was the result of the compromise agreed upon by both sides: It allowed the development of energy resources, but dedicated the revenues and royalties derived from mineral development to the acquisition of additional land to compensate the public for the disruption energy development caused.

And it embodied an important principle for the management of Michigan's non-renewable natural resources: The resources belonged to all generations of Michigan residents - not just those who were around when the minerals were exploited. So instead of just funneling the money into the general fund, as had long been the practice, the Kammer Recreational Land Acquisition Fund (named for then Sen. Kerry Kammer, Oakland County) was established.

By 1978, the trust fund - which was set up with a \$100 million cap to generate interest - was funding the acquisition of public land, not just for ownership by the state of Michigan, but for other governmental bodies as well: cities, townships, counties.

The trust fund was so successful that it became a target for legislators who sought to use some of the money it brought in to solve Michigan's other financial problems. By 1983, more than \$100 million had been diverted to other purposes.

Then in 1984, the voters of Michigan approved a constitutional amendment that created the MNRTF, increased the cap to \$200 million and protected the fund from raids. In addition, it allowed for up to one-third of the revenue to be used to purchase land for environment protection and recreation and the development of recreation facilities. But there was also a provision that allowed the diversion of \$20 million annually to the state's economic development fund - something that many believed was not in the spirit of the fund's original intent.

So a decade later, the question was brought before the voters once again. The public overwhelmingly approved Proposal P, which removed the diversion provision, raised the cap to \$400 million and created the State Parks Endowment Fund, which receives \$10 million annually for the maintenance and capital improvement of state parks.

But the public wasn't finished improving the MNRTF.

In 2002, the voters raised the cap to \$500 million - which was reached earlier this year - and where it remains today. Since the cap has been reached, oil and gas revenues now go to the Parks Endowment Fund to pay for a portion of the numerous, much-needed infrastructure repairs at Michigan's state parks and recreation areas.

Since its inception, the Trust Fund has granted close to \$1 billion to local units of governments and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to acquire land and develop recreational facilities. Roughly 80 percent of those grants has been spent on land acquisition, the rest on recreational project development. The spending has been split almost 50-50 between projects nominated by local governmental bodies and DNR initiatives.

"The Natural Resources Trust Fund has, without question, improved the lives of Michigan's citizens," said Steve DeBrabander, who oversees the DNR's Grants Management section. "I believe you would be hard pressed to find a Michigan citizen who has not enjoyed a park or trail that was acquired or developed by this fund."

Projects funded range from small (restroom improvements at a local park, for instance) to grand, such as the purchase of development rights of Kamehameha Schools lands - \$16 million spent on a conservation easement that allows timbering and public access to nearly a quarter-million acres of Upper Peninsula land spread across several counties.

Projects have been funded in every county of the state, from launch ramps on local lakes to expansions of state wildlife areas.

The trust fund is overseen by a five-member board, which includes the DNR director or a member of the Natural Resources Commission and four state residents appointed by the governor to four-year terms.

The Grants Management section of the DNR administers the fund. It accepts and scores applications for grants and passes them along to the MNRTF board for its consideration. Specific criteria - ranging from the resource protection and recreational opportunities a project affords to where the project is located (urban area recreational opportunities get a priority) to the availability of matching funds for a particular project - help guide the review process. The board makes recommendations for funding to the legislature, which approves all expenditures.

Currently, the board is chaired by Bob Garner of Cadillac, Mich. who, interestingly enough, was a legislative aide in the 1970s (to Sen. Kerry Kammer) and attended the first meeting to develop the trust Fund.

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An offer of cataclysmic proportions

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

"One cat just leads to another."

~ Ernest Hemingway

Quick - name the least effective marketing slogan ever written. "Free kittens," of course.

So I chuckled, during a visit downstate, to see a pet shelter with a sign, "Adopt one kitten, get one free." Parents, experienced parents in particular, tend to be struck illiterate when faced with such advertising and I didn't think two for the price of one would up the odds much.

But then, there are extenuating circumstances. In our case, it was cold and it was almost Christmas when the Princess returned from a trip to the store to announce, "There's a kitten out by the house next door! She's shivering and she's so skinny Mom. I think she's hungry."

The Princess knows that I'm a sucker for anything that's hungry. While I processed this information, she grabbed a can of Chapter's cat food from the cupboard, a carton of milk and a pie pan and headed back out the door. From inside my head, my father's voice floated up "If you feed them," he said ominously, "they'll hang around." But it was cold...and it was Christmas.

The kitty settled in happily. She showed up on the doorstep twice a day, reliable as a Swiss clock, and the Princess ferried out a meal. While I regularly suggested we should take her to the shelter, we couldn't get close enough to catch her, try as we might. Still, she wasn't much trouble. Since the indoor cat is Chapters, we took to calling her Paige.

By spring, Paige was filling out nicely. A little too nicely, actually. "Kate," I said, "I think that cat is in a family way." And in the fullness of time, Paige proudly led five little kittens out from under the garden shed. If Art and I groaned at the prospect, we also spent a fair amount of time standing on the deck, watching the little family romp in the grass, tackling each other and pouncing on bugs and learning to climb trees.

They were, you had to admit, awfully cute. "We'll round them all up and take them to the shelter," I said firmly. "As soon as we can catch them."

And then the boyfriend showed up. A big, blue-grey fellow, confirming the slinking shadow I'd seen from time to time under the deck of the summer home next door. The first night he showed up, the Princess mistook him for a raccoon, grabbed the broom and headed out the back door to defend the kittens. When I got up to investigate the yelling and thwacking, she described the scene to me. "I came running with the broom," she said, "and Paige looked up and said, 'run Frank!' And so he became Frank, the Cat."

At first, in the way of dubious boyfriends everywhere, he slunk around the corner when we stepped outside. After a while, though, he showed up

to meals as though it was his due. And we had to admit, while he wasn't any world burner, (he only brought home the occasional mouse,) he was great with the kittens.

And so the summer passed, and the kittens (now dubbed Madeline, Romulus and Remus, Braveheart and Zazzy) grew. Slowly, slowly, we were able to get a hand on each of them, petting them gently as they lapped up their dinner, although they still scattered when we approached. Even Frank tolerated the occasional pat in a "if that's the price of dinner" kind of way.

Braveheart, so named because he was the first to approach us, took to coming to the back screen from time to time, where he and Chapters carried on a conversation and sometimes batted paws from their respective sides of the door. The cuddliest of the crew, he liked being patted and eventually held in a lap. One late summer afternoon the Princess opened the door and he walked right in. So now, it seemed, we had two indoor cats, six outdoor ones and three disgruntled dogs.

It was getting to be a problem. For one thing, the once tiny kitties were growing into cats and eating us out of house and home. For another, the neighbors were starting to ask subtle questions. "How many cats do you have in your yard?" and "I notice your cats are hanging out by my bird feeder." My first inclination was to respond "They're not our cats." But the fact was, at this point, they were.

As we got closer and closer, we were able to determine that Madeline was really Max, Romulus and Remus were correctly named -- gender wise, Zazzy was a girl, and Braveheart, fortunately, was a boy. We began to devise a plan for getting them somewhere before winter set in.

Paige, in the meantime, had for the most part left, leaving the adolescent kitties in Frank's care and custody and only showing up once in a while for dinner with no interest whatsoever in the offspring.

But this weekend, she'd been hanging around the fringe of things. And Sunday morning, she stepped out from under the shed proudly leading three new eight-week-ish kittens behind her.

This, we decided, was it. At the rate we were going we would be inundated in another six months. (Who were we kidding? We were inun-

Puttin' On The Fritz

dated now). This week, we're making a trip to the shelter, or wherever else takes kitties.

But first, the Princess asked, would I please mention them in the column in a last ditch effort to find good homes for them? So here goes, folks. Lookit there - what a deal - free kittens! Cats, actually, about six months old now.

Max is a beautiful black and white tuxedo cat who sits with his feet tidily together and appears to be going to be a biggun'. Romulus and Remus are grey tiger-striped, so close in appearance that we can't really tell which is which. We'd love to see them stay together. Zazzy, the lone female, is a fluffy long hair with gold highlights on grey fur. And Frank, with regular meals and some love has turned out to be, I'm certain, a striking Russian Blue longhair. He's become my favorite, for his loyalty and care of the kittens. If I wasn't convinced it would leave me divorced, I'd keep him. Paige, still the shyest of them all, is going to the shelter since she can't seem to stop procreating.

After this summer, I understand those crazy cat ladies you see on the evening news from time to time, sobbing softly as Animal Control carries her 29 cats to their van a little better. It gets out of hand so quickly. I knew that. But it was Christmas and it was cold, if you'll remember.

They've got a week before we chase 'em down and pack 'em up. If you'd like to adopt, you should know that these cats will take a little more patience than most. Braveheart has proven to be remarkably well-behaved and ridiculously easy to house train, but he's still extremely wary of people, in general.

If you've been thinking that a cat would make a nice addition to your home (and they do, they truly do) give us a call or stop by. It's kind of like the trout farm, actually. We'll catch 'em, you keep 'em.

And toward the end of the week, I'm pretty sure we'll be upping the ante. Hey, it's approaching Christmas. Watch for the sign: Take one kitty, get one free!

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Caitlin Borke, 15, of Alpena was the first runner-up and received a \$75 educational savings bond. Caitlin was also the winner of the Talent Award for her vocal solo. She is the daughter of Ron and Lynn Borke.

Emilee Madison, 15, of Onaway, Mich. was the second runner-up and received a \$50 savings bond. She also received the People's Choice Award. She is the daughter Bryan Madison. Emily Hansen of Alpena received the Spirit Award.

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From the staff of the Alcona County Review



Julie LaBar (right) was crowned Miss Sunrise Side 2011 and First Runner-up was Alexandra Kramer. Photograph courtesy of Sandy VonFintel.



Miss Sunrise Side Teen 2011 and runners-up (from left) Emilee Madison, Kailey Pagels, Caitlin Borke. Photograph courtesy of Sandy VonFintel.

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How seniors can guard against identity theft

Dear Savvy Senior,
What tips and resources can you recommend to help seniors guard against identity theft? My next door neighbor, who's 79, recently had her identity stolen and I want to make sure it doesn't happen to me.

Cautious Connie

Dear Connie,
Identity theft continues to be a big problem in the U.S., affecting around nine million people every year – many of whom are seniors. Identity theft occurs when someone gets access to your Social Security number (SSN), bank or credit card account number, or other identifying information and uses it to steal from you.

While there's no ironclad protection against ID theft, here are some things you can do to minimize your risks.

- **Guard your Social Security number:** Treat you SSN like your most prized possession. Never carry your Social Security card around in your wallet or purse, don't write your SSN on checks (except those you send to the IRS), and never give your SSN, credit card number, checking or savings account numbers to strangers who call, visit, text, or send e-mail messages to you even if they seem legitimate. And, don't carry around your Medicare card either unless you're going to the doctor. Your Medicare card contains your SSN.
- **Be wary of e-mails:** If you

use the Internet, don't trust e-mails that claim to be from the Social Security Administration, the IRS or other government agencies. Also be leery of e-mails that look like they're from your bank, telephone company or credit card company. Remember that only phony e-mails will ask for your credit card number or Social Security number. For more Internet fraud tips including a list of common online scams see onguard-online.gov.

- **Secure your mail:** Empty your mailbox quickly, or consider getting a P.O. box or buy a locked mailbox to deter thieves. Also, don't leave outgoing mail in your mailbox. To put a stop to prescreened credit-card offers that thieves look to intercept, use the consumer credit reporting industry opt-out service at optoutprescreen.com or call (888) 567-8688 – they will ask for your Social Security number and date of birth.

- **Destroy your trash:** Buy a crosscut paper shredder and shred all records, receipts, statements, preapproved credit offers, mail solicitations or other papers you throw out that has your financial or personal information.

- **Monitor your accounts:** Review your monthly bank and credit card statements carefully, and see if your bank or credit card issuer offers free alerts that will warn you of suspicious activity as soon as it's detected. If they do,



sign up for them.

- **Watch your credit:** Check your credit report at annualcreditreport.com or call (877) 322-8228. You can receive one free report a year from each of the three major credit bureaus (Equifax, Experian and TransUnion), so consider staggering your request so you can get one free copy every four months.

- **Set up security freezes:** You can help protect yourself by setting up a security freeze on your credit reports at all three credit bureaus – Equifax (equifax.com, (800) 685-1111), Experian (experian.com, (888) 397-3742) and TransUnion (transunion.com, (877) 322-8228). With a freeze in place, no one, including you, can open new lines of credit in your name. This typically costs \$5 to \$10 per person per credit bureau each time you freeze or thaw your credit report. Some states offer free freezes for ID-theft victims.

- **Take action:** If you ever think your identity's been stolen, immediately contact your creditors and financial institutions to report unauthorized charges or debts, and close any compromised ac-

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Avoiding falls at home

Senior News Line
By Matilda Charles

Have you fallen at home and not told your doctor? According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one in three of us age 65 and older fall each year — but only half of us tell our doctors about it. In 20 percent to 30 percent of us, falls can lead to hip fractures, head trauma and lacerations.

Since we spend most of our time at home, the best way to reduce the number of falls is to make sure our living environment is safe, especially with the darker days of winter. Here are some steps you can take:

- **Reduce clutter.** Magazines and newspapers stacked by the recliner are especially dangerous because of the slick pages. Don't allow anything to remain in walking paths through rooms.
- **In the bathroom,** have grab bars installed next to the tub and toilet.
- **Make sure the lamp** next to your bed is easy to reach. Keep a flashlight there in case the power goes out.
- **If you have stairs,** make sure the railings are secure.
- **Turn on more lights.** If

you don't have an overhead light in each room, plug in a lamp that can be turned on as you enter a room.

- **Never have an electrical cord** stretched across an area where you walk.
- **Put a night-light** in the bathroom and at the top of stairs.
- **Make sure rugs** have a non-skid backing and aren't placed in traffic areas.

For more information, visit the Home Safety Council website at www.homesafetycouncil.org. Click on Older Adults. You'll find a number of topics, including fire safety, stairs and ideas for making your home safe. Also check www.ces.ncsu.edu and put "Housing Safety Checklist" in the search box.

Matilda Charles regrets that she cannot personally answer reader questions, but will incorporate them into her column whenever possible. Write to her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mail to columnreply@gmail.com.

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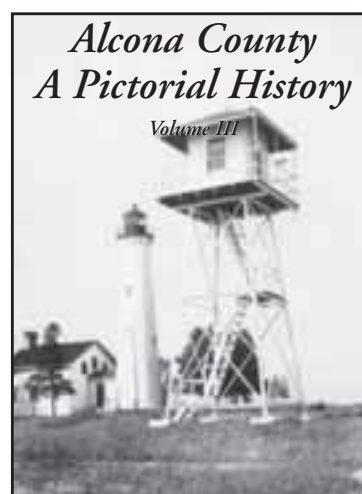
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Periodically, the board identifies priorities. Current priorities include trails and greenways, wildlife corridors and deer wintering yards, and projects in urban areas.

Development grants range from \$15,000 to \$300,000. There is no limit to acquisition grants.

DNR Director Rodney

Stokes said he believes the MNRTF program is "one of the most important pieces of natural resources legislation of the last 35 years. Citizens all over the state, as well as our many visitors, have benefited from this amazing program."

To learn more about the Natural Resources Trust Fund, visit www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants.

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



The boardwalk at Porcupine Mountains State Park allows an overview of Lake of the Clouds. Photos by David Kenyon, Michigan DNR.

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counts. Then place fraud alerts and security freezes with the three credit reporting agencies, and file a report with your local police and with the Federal Trade Commission at ftccomplaint-assistant.gov or (877) 438-4338.

Savvy tips: For more tips on preventing identity theft visit idtheftinfo.org and idtheftcenter.org. You can also hire an identity theft protection service like Protect-MyID, LifeLock or TrustedID to keep tabs on your identity for you. These companies typically charge around \$10 to \$20 per month, but the services they provide are typically no better than what you can do yourself by following the previously listed tips.

(Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org.)

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Alcona Women's November 10

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Mikado Tavern	41
Oasis	33
Back Alley	33
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2. Wife Carrying
3. Bog Snorkelling
4. Toe Wrestling
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10. Full Beard Freestyle

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Calendar of Events

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The Northeast Michigan Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. at the Besser Museum, 491 Johnson St., Alpena. Linda Pletcher will present a program on her recent trip to Lier, Norway. Everyone is invited to this free presentation. For more information, visit their website at www.nemgs.com or e-mail nemgs@charter.net.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Alcona Masonic Lodge No. 292, 316 Traverse Bay State Rd., Lincoln is having a Swiss steak dinner from 4:30 to 7

p.m. or until sold out. Cost is \$9 for adults and \$4.50 for children age 12 and under.

Video exercising at 1 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Storytime and craft for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 10:15 to 11 a.m. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

There will be a meet and greet at 10 a.m. followed by a ground breaking ceremony at 11 a.m. at the Mikado Civic

Center, 2291 F-41 to celebrate the USDA-Rural Utilities Service and Allband's investment in rural Michigan. Complimentary donuts and coffee will be served at the civic center.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Alcona County Baby Pantry spaghetti dinner fundraiser from 4:30 to 8 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center.

ARA Farm Market, where everything is locally grown, created and produced in Alcona County is open rain, snow or shine from 10 a.m. to

2 p.m. at the Campbell Building at the ARA site on Barlow Rd. in Lincoln. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Trinity Episcopal Church, 124 E. Washington, Alpena will present flutist MaryAnn Hubbard in "Flute and Friends III" from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Featured will be a variety of musicians playing many different instruments, vocalists singing popular and classical music, as well as many different styles and mediums of music including Alcona area flutists Abbie Ferris,

Renee Lavergne, Desiree Lipski, Ali Kramer and Lois Marshall. Admission is \$5 at the door.

Community tree lighting at 5 p.m. and carol singing at 4:30 p.m. on the corner of M-72 and US-23, Harrisville. Free hot chocolate and cookies, everyone is welcome.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

White Pine Quilt Guild meets at Hollyhock Quilt Shoppe, 310 E. Main St., Harrisville at 6:30 p.m. For information, call C. Pizer (989) 724-6403.

All ladies are invited to play Bunco at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Rd., at 2:30 p.m. Bunco is an easy game to learn, first timers are always welcome.

Foot clinic with Connie Cosbett R.N. at the Lincoln Senior Center from 1 to 5 p.m. Cost is \$25. Call for an appointment at (989) 736-8879.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

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.

Music with Roseanne Armstrong at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Alcona County Commission On Aging (ACCOA) board of directors meet at 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Knitting Klub and Crochet will meet from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. All levels welcome, call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

MSU Extension public presentation of "Facing a New Economy," a project designed by Alcona Regional leadership teams, will be held from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at the Alcona Middle School on Barlow Rd., Lincoln. Special guest speaker will be Hugh Conklin, Boyne City Main Street manager. For more information, call (989) 724-6478.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Music with Roseanne Armstrong at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Rd. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Laptop, Wifi and personalization class from 9:15 to 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

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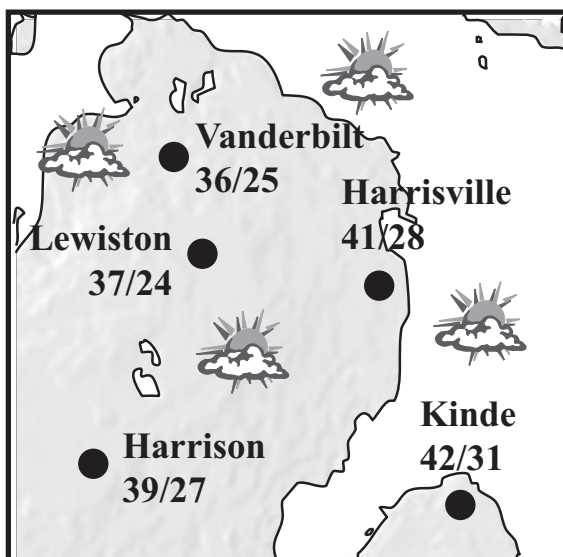
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Nov. 16, 2011

Seven Day Forecast

- WEDNESDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 41 Low: 28
- THURSDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 38 Low: 31
- FRIDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 46 Low: 39
- SATURDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 48 Low: 39
- SUNDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 50 Low: 42
- MONDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 45 Low: 34
- TUESDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 38 Low: 29

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of snow, high temperature of 41°, humidity of 64%. West wind 15 to 20 mph. The record high temperature for today is 62° set in 1953. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 28°. West wind 10 to 15 mph. The record low for tonight is 6° set in 1967.

***Last Week's Almanac**

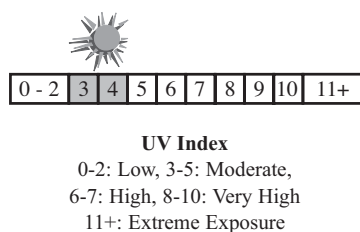
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	59	41	46/30	0.00"
Tuesday	45	34	45/29	0.75"
Wednesday	56	39	45/29	0.54"
Thursday	45	32	44/29	0.00"
Friday	39	28	44/29	0.00"
Saturday	58	34	44/28	0.00"
Sunday	58	49	43/28	0.01"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
Last 11/18	Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	5:05 p.m.	10:19 p.m.	12:06 p.m.	First 12/2
	Thursday	7:32 a.m.	5:04 p.m.	11:28 p.m.	12:37 p.m.	
	Friday	7:33 a.m.	5:03 p.m.	No Rise	1:05 p.m.	
	Saturday	7:34 a.m.	5:02 p.m.	12:38 a.m.	1:33 p.m.	
	Sunday	7:36 a.m.	5:01 p.m.	1:51 a.m.	2:00 p.m.	
New 11/25	Monday	7:37 a.m.	5:01 p.m.	3:06 a.m.	2:29 p.m.	Full 12/10
	Tuesday	7:38 a.m.	5:00 p.m.	4:23 a.m.	3:02 p.m.	

Local UV Index



National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see scattered showers today, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 72° in Patuxent River, Md. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with a few showers today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 87° in Ft. Myers, Fla. The Northwest will see partly cloudy to cloudy skies with a few showers today and Thursday, scattered rain and snow Friday, with the highest temperature of 62° in Colville, Wash. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 80° in Palm Springs, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	9:39 a.m.	6:04 p.m.
Venus	9:37 a.m.	6:19 p.m.
Mars	12:21 a.m.	2:06 p.m.
Jupiter	4:07 p.m.	5:45 a.m.
Saturn	4:51 a.m.	3:58 p.m.
Uranus	2:54 p.m.	2:59 a.m.

Weather History

Nov. 16, 1988 - A powerful low pressure system in the north central United States produced high winds across the Great Lakes region, with wind gusts to 60 mph reported at Chicago. Heavy snow blanketed much of Minnesota, with 11 inches reported at International Falls.

Weather Trivia

Rainfall that appears on radar but doesn't hit the ground is called? **?**
Answer: Virga.

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StarWatch By Gary Becker - White Halloween

I don't think I have ever seen a day quite like today. There will be no stars shining in Coopersburg this evening, just the silent beat of star-shaped snowflakes falling among semi-skeletal trees and some fully leafed ones. After a hot and humid summer where rainfall amounts broke all records, here we are at the end of October with Mother Nature dropping a blanket of white across a landscape deeply enmeshed in autumn. Our garden, albeit struggling yesterday, but still pretty in the delicately warm afternoon air, collapsed this morning under the increasing weight of a torrent of wet snowflakes. But that is not all that is collapsing. Walking outside about an hour ago to take some pictures, I could hear branches snapping all around me. Our street is blocked by fallen debris about 200 feet north of our property, and every neighbor has suffered downed tree limbs except us. That will change shortly, I am sure. Needless to say, power outages are everywhere. The conflict that is raging outside my window this afternoon is one that occurs every year as the sun moves farther south, and we receive less and less of its bountiful energy. The mid-latitudes become a weather battle zone as colder, denser Arctic air builds in the north, spills southward, and clashes with warmer more tropical air from the south. The highs and lows that form as part of this energy exchange, rotate in directions which on the East Coast can drive warmer, moist ocean air inland (low pressure) forcing it up and over a wedge of Arctic air reinforced from the north by a high pressure. Usually this results in a chilled rain in October, but today, the cold air was more entrenched and it snowed, the earliest nor'easter of any fall season that I can remember. It certainly took our neighborhood jack-o-lanterns by surprise, their gaped-tooth smiles and oval eyes now buried by winter's (fall's) first snowfall. Trick or Treat! www.astronomy.org

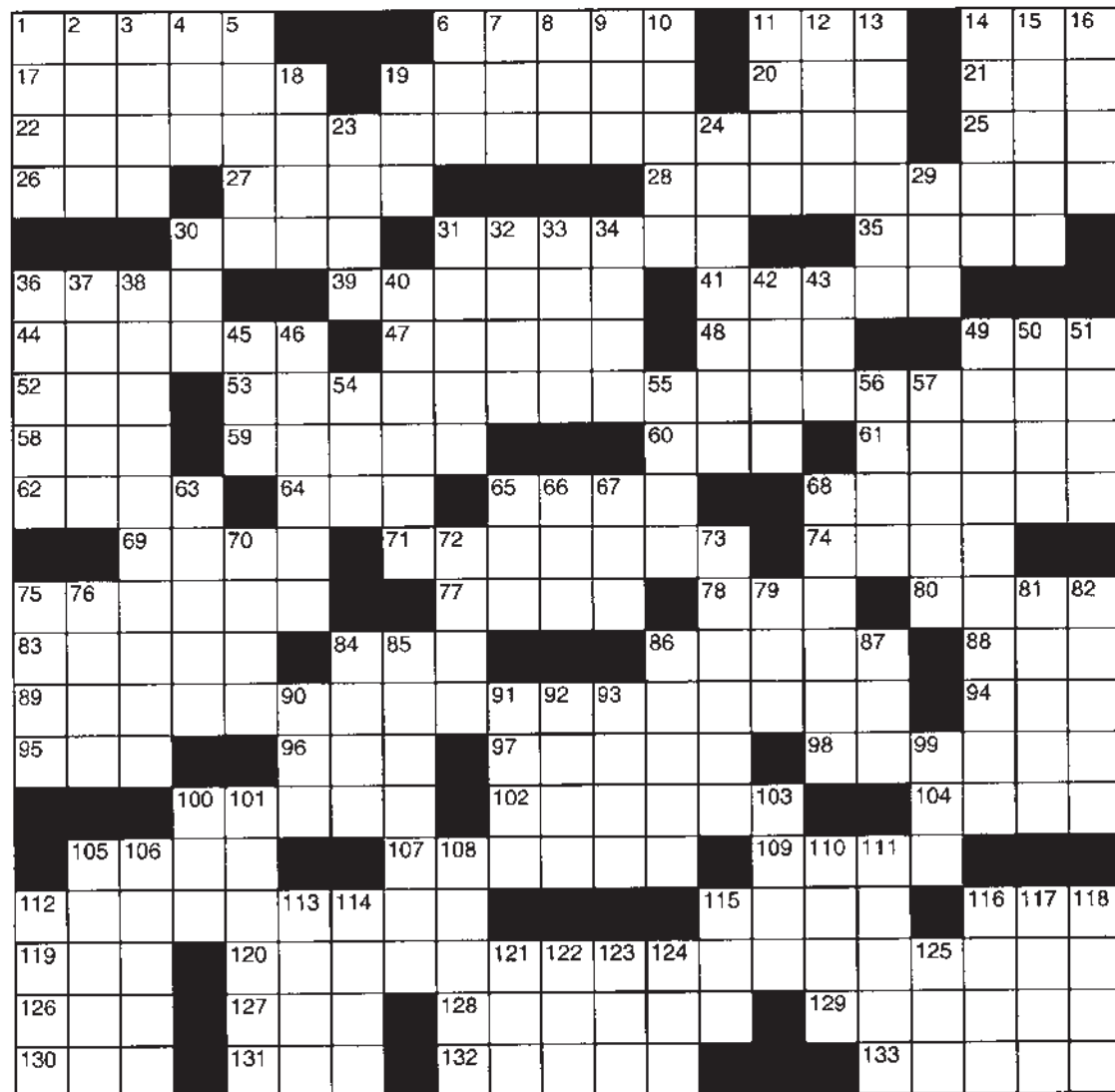
TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- MUSIC:** Who had a hit single in 1972 with a song called "First Time Ever I Saw Your Face"?
- ADVERTISEMENTS:** What was the name of the pudgy Michelin tire character?
- ANATOMY:** What's the more common name for the patella?
- LITERATURE:** What was the name of Tom Sawyer's aunt in the Mark Twain novel?
- RELIGION:** When does Ramadan take place?
- ANCIENT WORLD:** What animal was once worshipped by the ancient Egyptians?
- THEATER:** How many years did the show "A Chorus Line" run on Broadway?
- TELEVISION:** Which state was the main setting for the series "Knot's Landing"?
- MATH:** What is the Arabic equivalent of the Roman numerals DIV?
- HISTORY:** When was Prohibition imposed in the United States?

Answers: 1. Roberta Flack; 2. Bibendum, or the Michelin Man; 3. Kneecap; 4. Polly; 5. Ninth month of the Islamic calendar; 6. Kaffir cat; 7. 15 years (1975-90 for 6,137 shows); 8. California; 9. 504; 10. 1920. (c) 2011 King Features Synd., Inc.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE by Samantha Weaver

• It was 18th-century German scientist Georg Christoph Lichtenberg who made the following sage observation: "Everyone is a genius at least once a year. The real geniuses simply have their bright ideas closer together."

• "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" (popularly known by a line from the chorus, "Glory, glory hallelujah") was written by Julia Ward Howe in November of 1861 after the author made a trip to Washington, D.C., and reviewed Union troops near the city. The song was published the following February in The Atlantic Monthly magazine, earning Howe a grand total of \$4 for what was destined to become one of the most popular songs of the Civil War and a perennial American classic.

• When cartoon icon Bugs Bunny first appeared, in 1935, he was called "Happy Rabbit."

• If you're a cat owner, it probably will come as no surprise that cats spend approximately 80 percent of their time sleeping.

• Becoming a sports star is the dream of many young people, so you might think that someone who is signed to a professional baseball contract has it made. You'd be wrong, though; only one out of every 10 athletes who sign such a contract ever becomes a major-league ballplayer.

• You've certainly heard the old adage "lightning never strikes twice" but, strictly speaking, it's not true. Technically, lightning *always* strikes twice. Each lightning bolt is made up of multiple bolts that travel the same path and strike the same spot in swift succession.

Thought for the Day: "I've noticed that men generally leave married women alone and treat them with respect. It's too bad for married women. Men are always ready to respect someone who bores them. And if most married women, even the pretty ones, look so dull, it's because they're getting too much respect." — Marilyn Monroe (c) 2011 King Features Synd., Inc.

MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel

• On Nov. 28, 1582, William Shakespeare, 18, and Anne Hathaway, 26, pay a 40-pound bond for their marriage license in Stratford-upon-Avon. Six months later, Anne gave birth to their daughter, Susanna, and two years later, to twins. Shakespeare's plays were not published until after his death, when two members of his troupe collected copies of his plays and printed the First Folio (1623).

• On Dec. 4, 1928, "Dapper Dan" Hogan, a St. Paul, Minn., saloonkeeper and mob boss, is killed when someone plants a car bomb under the floorboards of his new Paige coupe. The first car bomb was a horse-drawn-wagon bomb that exploded in 1920 outside the J.P. Morgan Company's offices in New York City.

• On Nov. 29, 1942, coffee joins the list of items rationed in the United States. Rationing was generally employed to guarantee a fair distribution to all citizens and to give priority to military use in World War II.

• On Dec. 2, 1959, the Malpasset Dam in France collapses after a week-long rain storm, and the resulting flood kills more than 400 people. The city of Frejus, built by Roman Emperor Julius Caesar as a port city on the French Riviera, was devastated by the massive flood.

• On Dec. 3, 1979, 11 people are killed in a stampede outside a Who concert in Cincinnati when a crowd of general-admission ticket-holders surges forward through shattered doors in an attempt to secure prime unreserved seats inside. After the crowd cleared, 11 concert-goers were found on the ground, dead from asphyxiation.

• On Nov. 30, 1989, Aileen Wuornos, America's first female serial killer, picks up her first victim in Palm Harbor, Fla. She would kill a total of seven men in the next year. When caught, Wuornos confessed but claimed that they had all been killed in self-defense.

• On Dec. 1, 1990, workers 132 feet below the English Channel drill through a final wall of rock, opening the "Chunnel" and connecting the two ends of an underwater tunnel linking Folkestone, England, and Calais, France. (c) 2011 King Features Synd., Inc.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call was taken. Present: President Jordan, treasurer Kossa, clerk Somers, deputy clerk/treasurer Stutzman and council members Gauthier, Healy, Naylor and Stutzman. Members Somers and Lask were absent.

The minutes of the October 3 meeting were approved on a motion from Gauthier, with support from Stutzman. The treasurer's report was approved subject to audit on a motion from Gauthier, with support from Healy. Leroy Hall, fire chief and assistant fire chief Scott DuBay gave a report on recent activity within the department. DuBay stated that they are implementing a maintenance program for the vehicles. With the current repairs he feels things are now up to date. Hall stated that they are continuing to work on resolving the siren issue. Both stated there has been some progress on the brush rig but it still has not been able to be turned into the village's name.

Rich Gillies, representing the Lincoln Lions, requested funding for the Festival of Lights contest coming up on December 2. Gauthier made a motion to give \$200 to the Lincoln Lions, Stutzman offered support. Motion carried. Ed Buelow, part-time resident, thanked the council for its work on the streetscape. He congratulated the entire board. President Jordan offered his thanks to the beautification committee for all its help in getting the holes ready for tree planting this week. Debbie Shaneour stated that she has information on the benches that can be ordered in memory of or in honor of someone. Anyone interested in purchasing a bench may contact

her at (989) 736-8346.

Connie Stutzman talked about the joint meeting that was held with members of the Gustin Township board and Denise Cline for the planning commission. The next meeting will be held on January 12, 2012.

In old business, John Stutzman asked about a dip in the driveway of the Lutheran parsonage area that has occurred since the streetscape. Jordan stated that they will look at it tomorrow. Stutzman stated that he is happy to see the tree decorated near the village hall. Bonny Gauthier asked about the cameras at the Flights of Imagination, Jordan stated that they will stay up the entire year. Sara Healy stated that the Trick or Trunk and the chili/soup cook off went very well. Candy was distributed to approximately 300 children. Thanks go to Theresa Hart and Naomi Potter for their efforts in putting this together.

The winners of the chili cook-off were: First place - Lincoln Pharmacy; second place - Bob High Catering; and third place - Huron Community Bank. For soups it was: First place - Backwoods Bistro; second place - Lincoln Lock & Storage; and third place - Teresa's Daycare. The best decorated business was Garden Delight Nursery. Sandra and Nick Williams were the winners of the decorated car; they were dressed as scarecrows and the car was decorated as a pumpkin patch.

In new business Gauthier spoke about the lights for the new trees for Christmas this year. President Jordan stated that he has received monetary donations towards purchasing lights from residents and members of the village council. Gauthier offered to purchase lights and get a group together to put them on the newly planted trees in time for the Festival of Lights celebration.

President Jordan wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving. In the spirit of Thanksgiving he then stated that he is thankful to the Lincoln Lions for purchasing the trees for the streetscape in memory of past Lions. He thanked the DDA for its help and work on the streetscape - for endless hours of work. Thanks to the beautification committee for everything it does on a regular basis - it is an all volunteer group. He thanked the Brownlee Lake Association for getting the aeration system up and running for the lake. Thanks to Don Read for overseeing the Streetscape Project. Thanks to Mary Kossa, Joan Gonyea and Leroy Hall for their work on the FEMA grant and their efforts to close it out. Thanks to Connie Stutzman and members of the planning commission as well as members of Gustin Townships Planning Commission for working together to get our ordinances in place. Thanks to Sara Healy for getting the lights for the light poles downtown - she will be ordering more so that the remaining poles will be wrapped in time for the Festival of Lights.

Jordan stated that he is extremely proud of the community. He asked about hiring someone to do some filing work at the hall. He asked about hiring Connie Stutzman to do the job. A motion was made by Gauthier to hire her for up to eight hours per month for the next four months. Naylor offered support. John Stutzman abstained. Motion carried.

A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Gauthier, with support from Stutzman. Carried. A motion to adjourn was made by Gauthier, with support from Stutzman. Carried.

Linda K. Somers
 Village Clerk

HARRISVILLE TWP. MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly meeting was held November 8 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and five guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." From the floor, the concern in the straightening of the railroad tracks next to the Springport Subdivision and the condition of some township roads, mainly south Everett Road, between Wallace and Holmes. A long discussion followed.

Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report accepted and reconciled with the clerk's office. Zoning administration issued four land use permits. Ordinance enforcer with an ordinance violation. City and township fire department committees working on a new updated contract agreement. Johnston/Pyne: To allow the Alcona County Master Gardeners to use the township hall on the second Wednesday of each month from 5 to 7 p.m. if it doesn't conflict with another township board activity. Motion carried. Pyne/Young: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Roger D. Jamieson,
 Township Clerk

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Two mobile homes, two bedrooms each in Hubbard Lake and Mikado (989) 354-6867.

Three bedroom, 1.5 bath house in Barton City, single car attached garage, large lot, \$500 plus utilities and security deposit, (813) 649-0293.

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FOR SALE

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BIDS WANTED

Alcona County EMS is accepting bids for snow plowing of both Station One in Harrisville and Station Two in Glennie for the 2011-2012 season. Written bids may be submitted to the main office at 2600 East M-72, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 by mail or in person no later than November 18, 2011. Liability insurance is required. Any questions may be directed to Pat in the billing office at (989) 736-3955.

TIMBER FOR SALE

Sealed bids will be received up until 6 p.m. on December 1, 2011 for the McCabe Brothers 2011 Timber Sale, located in the W 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 12 of T28N R8E of Caledonia Township, Alcona Co. Estimated volumes include: 18.5 MBF northern red oak grade sawlogs, 25.5 MBF white pine sawlogs, 26.2 MBF red pine sawlogs, 17.8 MBF aspen sawlogs, 2.5 MBF mixed hardwood sawlogs, 87 cords aspen pulpwood, 16 cord mixed hardwood pulpwood, 18 cord of mixed pine pulpwood, and 11 cord red oak pulpwood. The access for this timber sale is from Spruce Road. Interested bidders should contact Don Krejcarek, Sunrise Forestry Consultants, at (989) 724-6165.

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HELP WANTED

Jamieson Nursing Home is accepting applications for full time CNA, LPN and housekeeping. Call for interview (989) 724-6889.

Alpena Regional Medical Center has a current opening for a full time community education and training center coordinator, 32-40 flexible hours per week in the Organizational Development department. This position is primarily responsible for the following: 1) assessing health needs of community, 2) planning activities based on assessment, 3) implementing activities in collaboration with other members of health care team and community, 4) evaluating activities, contract staff and program functioning. The ideal candidate must possess the following qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Community Health Education or other related field (master's degree preferred); community health education experience preferred; demonstrated interpersonal relationship and group dynamic skills along with knowledge in health promotion; awareness of community and regional resources; experience with grant administration; demonstrated ability to perform in an independent work setting; ability to supervise volunteers and contract instructors along with excellent skills in writing, presentation and communication; experience with team work and collaboration. ARMC offers a competitive salary and benefit package. Interested applicants should send completed employment application, resume and cover letter to: ARMC, Attn: Annie Wilk, 1501 West Chisholm St., Alpena, Mich. 49707, fax to (989) 356-7523 or e-mail to awilk@agh.org. Applications may also be picked up at the ARMC HR Department or online at alpenaregionalmedicalcenter.org.

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Mikado Goodfellows Bingo every Monday 6:30 p.m. at Mikado Civic Center. Winner take all game and cookie jar. All proceeds to charity.

Bingo - Every Wednesday in Mikado Civic Center. Early bird at 6:30 p.m., air conditioned. Mikado Area Development.

A.C.C.O.A. Bingo - Tuesday 6:30 p.m., Lincoln Senior Center. All paper games, Michigan Progressive, two jackpots, cookie jar. Non-smoking area provided. New players are always welcome. Proceeds to ACCOA senior programs. A239401C.

CLASSES

CPL class NRA instructors, sponsored by the Glennie Sportsman Club. For information, call (989) 735-2231.

VILLAGE OF LINCOLN DDA

Village of Lincoln Downtown Development Authority Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2011

Balance as of August 31, 2011	
Revenue	\$131,606.67
2 nd St. Grant Revenue	\$ 15,011.83
	\$551,278.00
	\$697,896.50
Disbursements:	
DDA Consultant	\$ 2,000.00
Activity	\$ 407.00
Second St. Streetscape	\$556,605.05
Traverse Bay Streetscape	\$ 77,934.02
Per Diem	\$ 45.00
	\$636,991.07

Balance as of September 30, 2011 **\$60,905.43**

Village of Lincoln Downtown Development Authority Treasurer's Report a of October 31, 2011

Balance as of September 30, 2011	\$ 60,905.43
Revenue	\$ 9.71
2 nd St. Grant Revenue	\$170,000.00
Traverse Bay Grant Revenue	\$160,000.00
	\$390,915.14
Disbursements:	
DDA Consultant	\$ 2,000.00
Activity	\$ 92.51
Second St. Streetscape	\$166,058.86
Traverse Bay Streetscape	\$121,932.50
Per Diem	\$ 45.00
Administrative	\$ 17.60
	\$290,146.47

Balance as of October 31, 2011 **\$100,768.67**

ALCONA CO. ROAD COMMISSION SYNOPSIS

A regular meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission was held on November 9 in Lincoln. Motions were passed to approve the October 26, 2011, meeting

minutes; pay \$153,385.76 on accounts; approve road improvement agreement HY1105 for replacement of a culvert on Beaton Road at Haynes Creek; to purchase a screening plant based on an adjusted purchase price. This synopsis of the minutes published prior to board review and approval.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Borrowers' Rights Under MCL § 600.3205A

The Law Offices of Wenzloff & Wenzloff P.L.C.
903 North Jackson Street
Bay City, Michigan 48708-5953
This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.
Notice of Borrowers' Rights Under MCL § 600.3205A. This Notice of Borrowers' Rights Under MCL § 600.3205A is given to James S. Duetsch and Betty J. Duetsch, borrowers and mortgagors, pursuant to a mortgage dated April 24, 2007, regarding property commonly known as 7625 McCollum Lake Road, Curran, Mich. 48728. A separate notice is also being sent to each of you by mail, as required by MCL 600.3205A.
You are hereby notified that you have the right to request a meeting with Northland Area Federal Credit Union, the holder of the above mortgage to attempt to work out a modification of this mortgage. The person to contact at Northland Area Federal Credit Union that has the authority to make agreements for loan modifications with you pursuant to MCL 600.3205B and MCL 600.3205C is Helen Obremski at (800) 336-2328.

Notice Pursuant to MCL 600.3205a(4)

Notice is hereby provided to Penny L. Clayton and Anthony W. Clayton, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter borrower) regarding the property located at: 8440 Bamfield Road, South Branch, Mich. 48761-9715.
The borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the mortgage servicer and/or mortgage holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1302.
The borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshda or at (866) 946-7432.
If the borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contact-

Notice to Creditors

The Earl B. Smith Jr. and Velma M. Smith Living Trust dated October 7, 1999 To all creditors:
Notice to creditors: The decedent/grantor, Earl B. Smith Jr. and Velma M. Smith, lived at 2061 London Road, Mikoado, MI 48745. Earl B. Smith Jr. died September 15, 2011 and Velma M. Smith died June 13, 2000. There is no estate to whom Letters of Administration/Authority have been issued.
Earl B. Smith Jr. was the Grantor and Acting Trustee of the Revocable Living Trust of Earl B. Smith Jr. and Velma M. Smith dated October 7, 1999 will be forever barred unless presented to the current, acting Successor Trustee, Geraldine Ann Buttorff, c/o Dylan Wallace, Attorney, 114 S. Second Ave., Alpena, Michigan 49707, within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.
Notice is further given that the Trust assets will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the person entitled to them.
Date: November 8, 2011
Isackson, Wallace & Pfeifer, P.C.
by Dylan Wallace
Attorney for the Successor Trustee P73783
114 S. Second Ave.
Alpena, MI 49707 (989) 354-8242
Geraldine Ann Buttorff, Successor Trustee
c/o 114 S. Second Ave.
Alpena, MI 49707
(989) 354-8242

You may contact a Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) approved housing counselor by visiting the MSHDA website at www.michigan.gov/mshda or by calling (517) 373-8370. If you request a meeting with Helen Obremski during the fourteen (14) day period that begins on the date the notice is mailed to you, foreclosure proceedings on the property will not begin until 90 days after the date on which the notice is mailed to you. If you and Helen Obremski reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if you abide by the terms of the modification agreement.
You have the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.
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(989) 893-9511
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ing an approved housing counselor within 14 days from November 10, 2011, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after November 10, 2011.
If the borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.
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Date: November 16, 2011
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State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 11-4993-DE

Estate of Joseph Perry Cuty Sr.
Date of birth: April 19, 1953
To all creditors:
Notice to creditors: The decedent, Joseph Perry Cuty Sr., who lived at 3341 E. Wissmiller, Greenbush, Mich. died September 4, 2011.
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Joan Older, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 106 Fifth St., Harrisville, MI 48740 and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.
Date: November 10, 2011
Mark L. Feinberg P31608
30300 Northwestern Hwy., 3rd Floor
Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334
(248) 932-3500
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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David C. Lumley, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns, mortgagee, dated November 25, 2002, and recorded on December 3, 2002 in Liber 373 on page 711,

merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ninety thousand one hundred four and 58/100 dollars (\$90,104.58), including interest at 6.5 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 venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on November 30, 2011.
Said premises are situated in township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and

sum of sixty-six thousand one hundred thirty-five and 50/100 (\$66,135.50) including interest at the rate of 9.87500 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 venue, 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 December 7, 2011. Said premises are situated in the township of Haynes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 30, Township 27 North, Range 9 East, Haynes Township, Alcona County, Michigan. Commonly known as: 1760 North

gaged to Flagstar Bank, FSB as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred thirteen thousand three hundred forty-six and 67/100 dollars (\$113,346.67), including interest at 6.875 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 venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on December 14, 2011.
Said premises are situated in township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 19 and 20 of Block

and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of twenty-eight thousand five hundred fifty-seven and 69/100 dollars (\$28,557.69), including interest at 6.375 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 foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on December 14, 2011.
Said premises are situated in township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michi-

are described as: Lot(s) 9 and 10, Chippewa Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 73 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: November 2, 2011
For more information, please call:
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11-2, 11-9, 11-16, 11-23

Barlow Road .
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: November 9, 2011
Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For The Bank of New York Mellon FKA The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the certificateholders, CWABS, Inc. Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-10
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9-9, 11-16, 11-23, 11-30

16 of Lost Lake Woods Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 59, 61 and 63, 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: November 16, 2011
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1311
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11-16, 11-23, 11-30, 12-7

gan, and are described as: Lot 27 of Huron Pines, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 187, 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: November 16, 2011
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James Watts (center), former principal at Alcona High School, was the guest speaker at the Veterans Day service on Friday, Nov. 11 in Harrisville. The ceremony was sponsored by the American Legion Post in Mikado and commander Clayton Jolley (right) presided over the service. Tom Zurcher, chaplain of the Alcona VFW Post also spoke. Vocalist Theresa Somers sang and George Redlawsk played the bugle. Photo by Cheryl Peterson.

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