

Local watershed needs volunteer keepers

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

A drop of water lands in a small stream in Hawes Township and begins its 45 day journey along the Pine River tributaries to Van Etten Lake in Oscoda.

Other drops join the journey from McGillis Creek, Roy Creek and Wallace Creek all making their way south. Passing through nine townships, these drops combine with others to make up the Pine River Van Etten Lake Watershed.

The watershed covers 187,000 acres (292 square miles) of land in Alcona and Iosco counties and includes approximately 372 miles of river and 10 recreational lakes including Sprinkler, Jewell, Brownlee, North, Vaughn, Hunters, Trask and Van Etten.

Daily watershed protection

All landowners in the PRVEL watershed can take action to improve local water quality. Whether it is changing lawn care practices or reducing the use of harsh chemicals indoors, individuals can make a difference.

The tips below may be used to reduce the amount of pollution entering the rivers and lakes and keep them clean and beautiful for years to come.

In a house

- Use environmentally friendly detergents and cleaning products, and use all chemicals sparingly.
- Unplug electrical devices when they're not being used.
- Have the septic system inspected every one to three years and pumped as recommended by the inspector.

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Fourteen years ago the Pine River Van Etten Lake Watershed Coalition (PRVEL) was formed to address water quality concerns like sediment, temperature, algae, invasive species, phosphorous and other nutrients which enter the stream system. Since its inception volunteers have been monitoring the water quality and recording their findings.

Carole Plunkey, chairperson of the PRVEL board said she and her husband, Joseph, who moved to the area in 2002 from Flint, Mich. had never lived on a lake. "We always loved nature and knew when we retired we wanted to be close to the water. We didn't know anything about watersheds. I'm a firm believer in volunteerism and figured if we sat on the board of the Van Etten Lake Associa-

tion we'd have a better idea of what was going on with the lake," Plunkey said.

The couple's interest in the watershed grew from concerns people were having about Van Etten Lake. "It seemed at the time the group was primarily people who lived on the lake and were concerned about the water quality. They wanted to blame the poor quality of the lake on the farmers who lived up

the stream, which was not true," she said.

She explained Van Etten Lake is considered an impoundment, part of a river system and not a spring fed lake. There is a small dam at the south end of the lake which was put in after the logging era. By court order, the lake has to be kept at a specific level so it doesn't cause flooding. As a result,

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Alcona schools reap benefits of housing AmeriCorps education coordinator

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Alcona schools is benefiting by being able to house an AmeriCorps education coordinator for a year.

The position, which is part of the Huron Pines AmeriCorps, is designed to provide northern Michigan conservation organizations with qualified individuals for a term of volunteer service.

The individual chosen for this year's term is Helen-Ann Prince, an AmeriCorps Member Education Coordinator, who is serving the Northeast Michigan Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative. Prince works with schools from Oscoda to Rogers City, Mich. and Inland Lakes in Indian River, Mich., but does a great deal of her work from the Lincoln location.

"Normally my position is housed at the marine sanctuary (in Alpena) but I live in Oscoda, so they were able to work with me and allow me to be housed at Alcona schools," Prince said noting the location had its advantages due

to its convenience in working with many of the teachers at Alcona Community Schools and as a graduate of Alcona High School.

Huron Pines is a nonprofit organization whose major focus is conservation of natural resources, in fact, it is the only AmeriCorps chapter which focuses on helping educate people on natural

resources, Prince explained. "There are all kinds of (national) AmeriCorps chapters, there is a good will chapter which focuses on social work and counseling, there are others which focus on reading, but Huron Pines is the only one which focuses on conserving natural resources," Prince said.

Prince is a volunteer work-

ing with educators and community partners to promote place based education. Place based education allows students to receive hands-on, feet-wet projects which gets them out into the community. Students become stewards in their own community, which benefits the students and the community environment, she said.

"By having students be the lead role and help conduct a project it allows the students a sense of ownership in that and helps create future stewards of the natural resources," Prince said.

Some of the projects Prince is involved with include working with Alcona Elementary educator Christie Thomas and Rogers City school educator Holly Wirgau in helping them conduct a threatened and endangered species project.

Both teachers are working at two coastal parks; Thomas' class is going to Negwegon State Park and Wirgau's class will be trekking the



Helen-Ann Prince helps Alcona FFA students make maple syrup. Courtesy photo.

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Six city positions open in November election

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Any City of Harrisville resident that has ever contemplated seeking public office has an opportunity to do so this year in the upcoming November election. However, they have to meet a deadline in May first.

Residents have until May 14 at 4 p.m. to file nominating petitions and affidavits of identity for the positions of mayor, clerk, treasurer and alderman in Ward I, Ward II and Ward III.

According to Barbara Pierce, clerk for the City of Harrisville, nominating petitions require a minimum of six signatures from city residents (if running for a ward position, the signatures must come from that ward). The affidavit of identity is required to ensure a person is who they say they are. Both are available at the city office Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon or at the Alcona County Clerk's office at the county building in Harrisville.

Anyone who does not want to collect signatures, may pay a \$100 filing fee in lieu of signatures, but must provide an identity affidavit. The filing fee is only done at the county clerk's office.

Completed petitions and affidavits may be turned in to either office when completed.

For more information about the process, contact the City of Harrisville at (989) 724-6666 or the county clerk's office at (989) 724-9410.

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Obituary

Katelynn L. Tennes

Katelynn Louise "Katie" Tennes, 18, of Charlotte, Mich. died on Sunday, April 14, 2013 at home.

She was born July 1, 1994 in Colorado Springs, Colo. to Michael and Diana (Huffine) Tennes.

She was a member of the Grand Ledge High School Cognitively Impaired Program and looked forward to graduation this May.

Miss Tennes always greeted anyone with unconditional love and a hug. She enjoyed coloring pictures for everyone she knew. It was not unusual for those who met her to walk away with their own custom creation from her.

She was a recipient of the Optimist Award, an award from the state of Michigan for students who exhibited constant optimism in the challenges of school life.

Miss Tennes is survived by her parents, Michael and Diana of Charlotte, Mich.; three sisters, Rebecca, Elizabeth and Anna Tennes; two brothers, Ryan and John Tennes; her grandparents, Bernard (Beverly) Tennes of Charlotte, Mich. and Patricia Huffine of Harrisville; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.



She was preceded in death by one grandfather, Robert Huffine; and one grandmother, Ann Tennes.

Visitation will be held Friday, April 19 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, Mich. A celebration of life ceremony will be held Saturday, April 20 at 11 a.m. at Mount Hope Church in Lansing, Mich. with pastors Ed and Keith Owen officiating. Interment will be in Benton Township Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to: Haiti Outreach c/o John and Dawn Ashford, 800 S. Huron, Harrisville, Mich. 48740.

Arrangements were made by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, Mich.

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Letter to the Editor

To The Editor,

Right-to-work is a good law? Not so fast. Next to my Sunday Mass offertory envelope, union dues are the best money I spend, with a ten-fold return.

With over 50 years active union involvement as a pro-life practicing Catholic and gun owner; it's my observation that the (April 3) writer's outlandish, unsubstantiated claims of an alleged unionized job experience, and praise of right-to-work laws, ring like that of a freerider justifying an anti-union bias.

Consider these fact-based statistics comparing right-to-work states to non right-to-work states: On average, workers in right-to-work states earn \$5,538 less annually than workers in non-right-to-work states. Right-

to-work states spend \$2,671 less per pupil (K-12) than free-bargaining states. Bureau of Labor Statistics data reports workplace fatality rates are 52.9 percent higher in right-to-work states.

Overall, union members earn 28 percent more weekly than non-union workers. Seventy-eight percent of union workers have access to health insurance compared to 51 percent of non-union workers. And, 77 percent of union workers enjoy guaranteed retirement benefits compared to just 20 percent of non-union workers. Only two percent of union workers are uninsured compared to 14 percent of non-union workers. And, that's just for starters.

Union workers enjoy a voice and vote on contractual

conditions under which they're required to work. Union negotiated contracts provide workers rights to redress grievances, termination appeals procedures, and prohibition of unilateral "at will" employment abuses. Right-to-work laws don't improve living standards. Unions improve living standards.

Unlike the writer's dubious claims; I can back up statements herein with facts. Let's be honest. Certainly, unions aren't perfect. Just as certainly, neither are employers. It's my considerable experience that all that stands between employees and an autocratic management is union representation. Solidarity forever.

Al LaBrecque
Spruce

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shoreline in Thompson's Harbor.

Students will conduct a writing project on the threatened and endangered species which can be found at that park. Then they will go on a field trip to the park where different stations will be set up to help educate them with a hands-on experience.

Another project Prince is working on is a student effort to help protect a hibernation habitat for local, rare bats. "A discovery was made that bats were hibernating in old quarry tunnels in the Rockport State Recreation Area, the tunnels were being filled in with gravel to keep the public out until they discovered the bats were using this critical habitat," Prince said.

"Now they are working to remove the gravel and instead place some sort of gate to keep the public out. I'm working very closely with the Alpena Industrial Arts program which is welding gates to insert in the tunnel that can be opened so the Department of Natural Resources can go in and conduct bat surveys when necessary, but keep the general public out due to unsafe conditions. We may

have other students work on interpretive signs for the area as well," Prince said.

Prince has also been working with Chuck Boyer at Alcona High School and Brandon Beltz at Inland Lakes School along with three or four other schools to form a regional industrial arts collaborative. The collaborative will be a network for industrial arts teachers to get involved with things like the welding of gates to protect threatened species. "The gates are the first project through the Great Lakes Stewardship initiative that an industrial arts teacher has been involved in. The collaboration will help support the industrial art teachers by giving them a network which they can communicate back and forth in. These teachers have committed to incorporating place based education within their curriculum," Prince said.

Prince graduated from Alcona High School in 2008 before attending Lake Superior State University where she graduated last year. "It's great to be back in the area. When I was in high school I was very involved in the FFA. I was a chapter officer and regional officer and was in-

volved in the 4-H Junior Livestock Club and all sorts of stuff so it's nice to be back and give back to the community that has helped me so much," Prince said. She will be stationed at the school until her term ends next October.

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Food Words Worth Savoring

1. Piquant
2. Ambrosial
3. Grub
4. Umami
5. Gustatory
6. Piehole
7. Balthazar
8. Gamy
9. Borborygmus
10. Postprandial

Source: Merriam-Webster



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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2012-2013

Weekly Report

Date	Temperature (F°)	Precipitation	Miles Per Hour
	High	Inches	Av. Wind Speed
April 7	50	0.00	4.6
April 8	39	0.69	7.3
April 9	40	0.44	2.6
April 10	38	0.90	8.8
April 11	37	0.28	15.2
April 12	38	0.61	5.1
April 13	40	0.01	2.1

Precipitation Summary (Inches) 2012-2013

	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	2.93	2.3	0.53
April to Date	2.95	2.5	0.95
Year/Season to Date	7.78	40.4	6.19

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, APRIL 17

Two computers and WiFi available for seniors over 60 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Walk inside from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Twenty-three times around the hall equals one mile.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. all items will be donated to local organizations. Bring your knitting needles, looms, yarn and patterns. Beginning crafters are welcome. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Alcona woodcarvers meet from 2 to 4 p.m. downstairs at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

Sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Road, Greenbush. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Foot clinic with Connie Cosbett R.N. Cost is \$25, bring your own towel. For an appointment, call (989) 736-8879.

American Red Cross blood drive from noon to 6 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

Food pantry from 1 to 3 p.m. at Spruce Lutheran Church, 1246 East Spruce Road, Spruce. Clients must be present to receive food and identification is required. For more information, call (989) 471-5013.

Hope family night will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church, 5462 West Nicholson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake. A light meal offered from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. followed by music, parenting sessions and lessons and crafts for youth of all age groups. Reservations requested for planning purposes by not required. For more information, call (989) 727-3206.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

"Dining with the Docs" at noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Torey Kirkpatrick, P.A. will discuss new trends in treating osteoporosis. Light lunch pro-

vided, no charge. To register, call (989) 724-6796.

Celebrate Earth Day with a free tree giveaway, while supplies last, at the Harrisville and Lincoln branches of the Alcona County Library, compliments of the Alcona Conservation District. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 Main Street. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 736-6045.

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Alcona retirees meet for a potluck lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Blood pressure readings at 3:30 p.m. at the Curtis Township Hall, 4932 F-30, Glenie by Erin from Compassionate Care.

Huron Shores Genealogical Society will meet at 5:30 p.m. at A Different Blend Coffee House, 513 West Bay Street (US-23), East Tawas. For more information, call Judy Sheldon at (989) 739-5497.

The Northeast Michigan Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. at the George N. Fletcher Alpena County Library, 211 North First Street, Alpena. For more information, visit www.nemgs.com or e-mail nemgs@charter.net.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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Popcorn and a movie at 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

The Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road will be having a barbecued dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. Carry out available. For more information, call (989) 736-3050.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

A free community dance workshop sponsored by Inspiration Alcona will be held at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall, 114 South Poor Farm Road. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (989) 335-0900 or visit www.inspirationalcona.org or e-mail dance-alcona@gmail.com.

Alcona County Amateur Radio Group is offering a one-day, no-cost, eight hour FCC technician level amateur radio class beginning at 9 a.m. at the Alcona County EMS building, 2600 East M-72. An FCC exam session for all amateur levels will be held starting at 5 p.m. immediately following the conclusion of the technician class. The standard FCC exam fee applies. For additional details and to register for the

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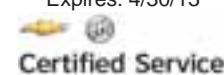
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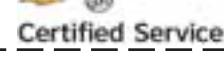
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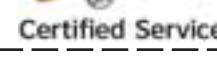
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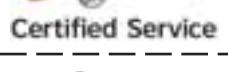
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New Arrival

Siiri Lilja Wellenkamp is the new daughter of William and Darlene Wellenkamp of Harrisville. She was born on Monday, April 8, 2013 at Tawas St. Joseph Hospital. She weighed eight pounds, 11 ounces.

Artist Reception

Dragonfly Art Gallery of Harrisville will host a reception for local artist Judith St. John, in its Artist of the Month Series on Saturday, April 20 from 1 to 3 p.m. St. John, a native Michigander, has been painting for more than 15 years. Before retiring to take up her brushes, she was a chemist and a banker, earning advanced degrees in both fields.

Since her early retirement in 1995 she has studied art at Oakland Community College, the Birmingham-Bloomfield Art Center and a num-

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Judy St. John

ber of workshops with nationally known artists. She shows her work regularly at the Lawrence Street Gallery in Ferndale, Mich., the Dragonfly Gallery in Harrisville and the Thunder Bay Art Council Gallery in Alpena, as well as occasionally in juried and invitational exhibits across Michigan.

St. John finds her inspiration in nature, often in her gardens and the woods around her home. She is especially interested in interplay of colors and manipulation of space. She and her husband moved after his retirement to Lost Lake Woods Club, where her family has held memberships since the 1920s. Her home there includes a 300 square foot studio, where she works on her paintings, monotypes and prints, all in water media. She also knits, crochets and weaves.

The Dragonfly Art Gallery is located at 116 E. Main Street, Harrisville.

Senior Menu

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

- Monday, April 22—Stuffed green peppers, broccoli cheese rice, cauliflower, pickled beets and fruit.

- Tuesday, April 23—Sausage gravy over biscuit, potato Lyonnais, cinnamon apples, variety of juices and fresh fruit.

- Wednesday, April 24—Chicken salad on greens with crackers, bean with ham soup, carrot sticks with dip, fruit and ice cream sundae.

- Thursday, April 25—Beef roast, mashed potatoes with gravy, green and wax beans, fruit salad and fruit.

- Friday, April 26—Herb chicken, party potatoes, roasted sweet potatoes, flavored applesauce and fruit.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

bon to further train volunteers who play a vital role in monitoring plover sites during the critical rearing period.

Volunteers are needed from the Tawases all the way to Harrisville. "That is a vast area to cover, but we want to zero in as much as we can to locate possible nest sites which may have been missed in the past," stated Peggy Ridgway, Michigan Audubon volunteer. "The Great Lakes piping plover population is slowly making a comeback, but species numbers are still critically low. We want to document as many successful fledglings as possible this year."

The monitoring workshop will take place Thursday, May 2, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Bay Inn on US-23 in Tawas City. Individuals who are planning to attend should contact Ridgway at (989) 739-5674 by April 30. There is no cost for the session.

Genealogical Speaker

The Huron Shores Genealogical Society will present "They Came in Ships and Stayed: Immigration and Naturalization" featuring Kris Rzepczynski from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on May 4 at the Robert Parks Library in Oscoda.



Kris Rzepczynski

Rzepczynski will share his expertise on the naturalization process and the records available at the Michigan State Archives from 10 a.m. to noon. He is a senior archivist at the Archives of Michigan and he previously worked for 12 years at the Library of Michigan as the Michigan genealogy coordinator. He works closely with the Abrams Foundation Historical Collection, as well as outreach and programming in support of the archives' outstanding holdings. He holds a master's degree in library and information science from Wayne State University, a Master of Arts in history from Western Michigan University, and a Bachelor of Arts in history from the University of Michigan.

To register, call the library at (989) 739-9581. The program is free, open to everyone, anyone planning to attend should bring their lunch. For more information, call Judy Sheldon at (989) 984-9305 or huronshoresgs@yahoo.com. This event is funded in part by the Iosco-Arenac District Library.

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Nesting success of the federally endangered piping plover is increasing along the Lake Huron shoreline. Therefore, during the 2013 season there is a concerted effort by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Michigan Audu-

Alcona FFA Alumni Association reorganizes

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

Whether making gallons of maple syrup, raising healthy ewes and lambs or working in the community garden, the work Alcona FFA students are doing transcends their education base by developing leadership skills, gaining personal insight and gaining valuable experiences for future careers.

No one knows this better than the members of the Alcona FFA Alumni Association, a group that is re-establishing its presence in the community.

The FFA Alumni Association is a national organization which supports and promotes the FFA organization, its activities and agricultural education on local, state and national levels. The Alcona FFA Alumni joined the national association in 2004, but over the years, interest in the group waned. Recently, Helen-Ann Prince, an Alcona High School graduate and former FFA member, rallied FFA alumni together again.

Prince is the AmeriCorps member education coordinator for the Northeast Michigan Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative and utilizes space at the Alcona High School to conduct business. When Prince looked into the history of the Alcona FFA Alumni she found that with

everyone's busy schedule the interest in the group diminished as years went by. "We were still considered active (nationally) because there were enough lifetime members. A group of us got together last November and decided we needed to reactivate the alumni and get things going so we can support the students," Prince said.

In January the alumni elected a board of directors and introduced the association's proposed constitution. Prince was nominated as secretary. Elected officers meet quarterly, members meet annually.

Joining the FFA Alumni Association is easy. "The only requirement is you have to be out of high school, you don't have to be a former FFA member to join," Prince said. There are membership dues and members have an option to pay \$20 annually or pay a lump sum of \$150 to be a lifetime member. The dues go towards national and state activities such as scholarships for attending the Washington Leadership Conference and the National FFA Convention as well as supporting FFA award programs.

She explained the FFA Alumni Association is active locally volunteering time and support for students' initiatives. Alumni may volunteer to serve as a guest speaker,

help promote and assist students with supervised agricultural experience projects, mentor FFA members, serve as a coach for career development events, assist with maple syrup collection and production, help to support student chapter development, aid with fundraising activities and more.

The Alcona FFA Alumni Association is actively seeking items for a silent auction which will be held at this spring's FFA banquet. The banquet is held annually in May to highlight the success and achievements of FFA members throughout the school year. This year's banquet will be held on May 10 at the high school.

"We're also recruiting new lifetime members. We had 16 members prior to 2013 and now we are up to 46, so just within the past four months we've increased threefold. Once an alumni chapter has 100 lifetime members they get a free Washington Leadership Conference Scholarship. It also makes your chapter stand out a little more nationally," Prince said.

For more information on becoming a member of the Alcona FFA Alumni Association or to donate a silent auction item, contact Helen-Ann Prince at AlconaFFAAAlumni@gmail.com or phone her at (989) 736-8534.

Watershed

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- Recycle
- Fix leaks and use low-flow faucets.
- Turn off the water while brushing teeth and shaving and use the washing machine and dishwasher only when they're full.

On a lake or river

- Inspect boats and trailers for invasive plants and animals.
- Do not transfer bait from one lake to another.
- Dispose trash properly – don't dump anything overboard.
- Do not dump bundles of wood into the lake. It does not create a good fish habitat; it provides anchor points for invasive mussels and weeds.
- Remove trash and human waste from the lake before the ice melts.
- Dispose of cigarette and cigar butts properly.
- Respect no-wake zones and noise restrictions.
- Do not disturb or agitate wildlife.

On a farm

- Restrict cattle access to lakes and streams. Provide them with a different water source (Natural Resources Conservation Service has programs to help with funding).
- Do not over-apply pesticides and fertilizers.
- Maintain a buffer strip of vegetation between crops and waterbodies.
- Dispose of animal waste properly, away from water sources.

In a yard

- Maintain native trees and vegetation.

INVITATION TO BID

Harrisville Township is accepting bids for spring clean-up and summer mowing of the Springport and the Westlawn Harrisville Township cemeteries for Y-2013 through Y-2015. The Cemetery Spring Clean-up and Summer Mowing Contract is for 3 years, to begin with the start of the contract in 2013 and end with the conclusion of the mowing season in 2015. This contract shall also be subject to annual review and appropriation.

All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked Cemetery Clean-Up and Mowing. Bids must be received by the Harrisville Township Clerk, Roger Jamieson, 1054 S. Poor Farm Rd., Harrisville, MI 48740, on or before April 30, 2013.

Bid Specification Details of work to be done are available by contacting Roger Jamieson at (989) 724-6388 or Jim Pyne at (989) 724-6967.

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sources available to answer questions and provide assistance.

(This information was provided courtesy of the Homeowners Guide to The Pine River Van Etten Lake Watershed book produced by Huron Pines. The full text of the Pine River Van Etten Lake Watershed Management Plan can be found online at www.huronpines.org/)



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The associated decision documentation is available upon request from Huron Shores Ranger Station, 5761 N. Skeel Ave., Oscoda, MI 48750, (989) 739-0728, TTY (989) 739-0806. For further information on the decision, contact Paul Thompson. This decision is not subject to appeal pursuant to Title 36 CFR 215.12(f). Implementation of this project may begin immediately.

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Alcona schools welcomes community input

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep

Special to the Review

A new community outreach program is underway at Alcona Community Schools.

Superintendent Shawn Thornton told the board of education about a new community outreach program at its April 8 meeting.

"Community Connections" sets aside time on Thornton's schedule each month, allowing parents and members of the community to stop in and

share ideas on how to make Alcona schools a better place to learn, she said.

The meetings, scheduled for the third Wednesday of each month from three to four p.m., will allow the community to make suggestions and offer advice on everything from school funding to curriculum or any subject which affects the education of Alcona students.

Thornton apprises the board of the suggestions and ideas she receives.

"We want to offer an opportunity for community members who have good ideas (to) come in and share those ideas," Thornton said. "We are looking for a proactive way for people to share their thoughts."

The meetings will be held year-round, she said, since administrative staff works throughout the summer break, adding, "Good ideas happen in the summertime, too."

Baseball season begins with win at Hillman

By Jared Steiner

Baseball Writer

It was a cold and rainy beginning to the 2013 Alcona varsity baseball season as the Tigers traveled to Hillman to kick things off after winning a district title at the end of last year over Mio.

The Alcona Tigers kept the winning going by defeating Hillman in a shortened five inning game with the score of 5-1.

Cody Franklin started on the mound for Alcona and threw for three innings. Trenton LaVergne and Carson Jamieson split the final two innings to finish the game

which was called early because of rain and cold conditions.

Joe Hudgins had a double that drove in two RBI and Chad Cole also had two RBI on a single that flew over the third baseman's head. Franklin and Austin Cole each added a hit for Alcona.

The Tigers are returning much of last year's team and are looking for even bigger things this year under the direction of Coach Terry Franklin and assistant coaches John Klinger and Darwin Ginder.

Alcona has had a few games and a tournament

canceled already in the season due to weather conditions.

Seniors on this year's team are Austin Cole, Joe Hudgins, Joe Carrasco, Jared Steiner, and Devin Higgins. Juniors are Austin Richardson, Cody Franklin, Chad Cole, Tony Dubay, Nathan Fettes, Adam Somers and Carson Jamieson. The lone sophomore on the team is Trenton LaVergne.

This week the Tigers play Wednesday, April 17 at home against Roscommon and Thursday, April 18 at Oscoda in a Huron Shores Conference match up.

Middle School Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Alcona Middle School Principal's List and Honor Roll for the third marking period.

Seventh Grade

Principal's Honor Roll

Courtney Church, Luke Loyer, Cody Schram, Alexander Stephenson.

Honor Roll

Alicia Bishop, Jonathan Hudgins, Timothy Hutchinson II, Jack Hutchinson,

Noah Hutchison, Christian Kamischke, Matthew MacMaster, Devon Mills, Ashley Panzica, Elizabeth Rowe, Jacob Schott, Caitlin Sorenson, Alexander Viau.

Eighth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll

Hannah Canute, Keilene Elmer, Zachery Faszczewski, Jake Gallagher, Erik Harmon-Davey, Krysta Indish, Kendra LaFave, Molly McKay, Brendan Nelson, Dresden

Parkinson, Jared Sager, Brooke Shultz, Rachel Warner.

Honor Roll

Raymond Betz III, Michael Bustamante, Brock Franklin, Douglas Gibson, Cory Hoffman, Jordan Joyce, Luke Krentz, McKenzie LaFave, Madison Lane, David Lindsay, Mindy Mandyka, Taylor Murray, Dakota Oke, Raymond Richardson, Taylor Sobeck, Riley Somers.

High School Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Alcona High School Principal's List and Honor Roll for the third marking period.

Ninth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll

Sara Blohm, Isaac Dubuque, Alexandra Lask, Sydney Pierce, Ashley Pyle, Kaitlin Schellie, Nathaniel Swinson, Alissa Terpstra, Elaina Thomas, Kyle Thum.

Honor Roll

Christian Antuma, Jewel Beveridge, Piet Botha, Amy Brandt, William Collins, Claire Feldhiser, Coda Gallagher, Jacob Gombos, Jessica Grove, Torie Harmon, Noah Kenworthy, Harlie LaFond, Austin Rayburn, Jeffery Schram, Isaak VonFintel, Lauren Yokom, Samantha Zerbst.

Tenth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll

Alexis Higgins, George Hirschfeld IV, Trenton LaVergne, Katelyn Nelson, Shannon Oliver, Hannah Riggs, Morgan Stewart, Nicole Walen.

Honor Roll

Mykala Basner, Alexis Bloomfield, Victoria Burns, Kendra Cole, Cassidy Cooper, Leigh Gibson, Kayla Hampton, Breanna Hutchinson, Martha Johnson, Maire MacMaster, Chase Matthews, Sage McDermott, Kailey Pagels, Cheyenne Parkinson, Brandon Ritchie, Samantha Schopfer, Jesse Schram, Jason Steiner, Kalie Zerbst.

Twelfth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll

Keturah Ashford, Natalie Goldstrom, Haley Gombos, Eric Hampton, Chad Hancock, Marisa Hirschfeld, Brittany Joyce, Victoria Keerl, Taylor Orefice, Caycee Ouitlet, Kelsey Sullivan.

Honor Roll

Miranda Ankner, Victoria Ankner, Nicholas Bouchard, Vanessa Bowman, Andrew Cammack, Tylar Campbell, Deven Higgins, Joseph Hudgins, Sydney Jerome, Jay Larson, Joshua Lickey, Corey McLaughlin, Catherine McNeill, Samantha Mier, Nicole Pawloski, Rose Powierski, Megann Ridgewell, Aaron Ritchie, Ashley Shutes, Zachary Stoner, Jennifer Tait, Allen Vandenboom.

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Retirement planning resources for women

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Dear Challenged,
When it comes to planning for retirement, most Americans could stand to brush up on their financial knowledge a bit, but it's especially important for unmarried women.

It's an unfortunate reality that most unmarried women – whether they're divorced, widowed or never married – face much greater financial challenges than men in retirement.

Why? Because women tend to make less money (about 78 cents for every dollar a man makes) and have shorter working careers (due to raising children and/or caring for aging parents) than men. And less money earned usually translates into less money

saved and a lower Social Security benefit when you retire.

In addition, women also live an average of five years longer than men which requires their retirement income to stretch farther. And, according to studies, women tend to be less knowledgeable and more intimidated about financial issues than men, which means they don't always handle their money as well as they should.

Because of these issues, it's very important that women educate themselves on financial matters. Listed below are some good resources that can help.

A good place to start is with the Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement, a nonprofit organization dedicated to financial education for women. At wiserwomen.org you can read and download for free a wide variety of easy-to-understand publications on retirement planning, money management, saving and investing, as well as So-

cial Security, health care, annuities and more.

If you don't have a computer or Internet access you can call (202) 393-5452 and order hard copies of their publications and have them mailed to you for a few dollars.

Another resource you should tap into is mymoney.gov, a U.S. government website dedicated to financial literacy and education that provides free information, resources, publications, financial calculators, checklists, budgeting worksheets and more, to help you make informed decisions. You can also call (888) 696-6639 and order a free "My Money" tool kit that includes a variety of publications on saving, investing and getting the most for your money.

The Employee Benefits Security Administration, part of the U.S. Department of Labor is another agency that offers a variety of publications including the 62-page booklet "Taking the Mystery

Out of Retirement Planning," and "Women and Retirement Savings" brochure. You can see them online at www.dol.gov/ebsa/publications, or call (866) 444-3272 and have them mailed to you for free.

Also visit choosetosave.org, a website developed by the Employee Benefit Research Institute that offers the Ballpark Estimate retirement planning worksheet, more than 100 online calculators, brochures, savings tips and links to resources to help you manage your finances.

You also need to get up to speed on Social Security. To help with this, the Social Security Administration has an online resource specifically designed for women that covers how marriage, divorce, widowhood, work, caregiving and other life or career events can affect your benefits. It also offers information on SSI, Medicare benefits and provides calculators to help you figure out your future earnings at different retirement ages. You can access this in-

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formation at ssa.gov/women, or call (800) 772-1213 and order their free pamphlet entitled "What Every Woman Should Know."

If you need some hands-on help, consider getting a financial assessment or tune-up with a fee-only financial advisor. Costs for these services will vary from around \$150 to \$300 per hour, but it can be very beneficial to help you set-up a retirement plan you can follow. See napfa.org or garrettplanningnetwork.com to locate an advisor in your area.

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Competition can be healthy

By Judy MacNeill

Health Writer

Is competition healthy? Since this is a "health" column, I suppose I should have a real appreciation for the benefits of competition.

After all, isn't that what catapulted the U of M basketball team into the playoffs? And where would the Detroit Tigers be without the competition of the other members in Major League Baseball?

I have even seen it at Alcona Elementary, where the students have started a walking contest (more about that later). I am sure competition makes you run harder or work smarter, but I wasn't convinced of this when I was younger.

As a kid I hated competition. You see, sibling rivalry was alive and well in the Graff household, and I was not very happy about it. As the eldest of four girls, I thought I should be better than my younger sisters at doing things because I am, after all, the *oldest*. Not the case. Instead, my sister Louise, 13 months my junior, could outdo me in just about anything she set her mind to. And without any effort. Very unfair.

Growing up, we played a lot together. I hated playing Monopoly with her. She always won. Ping pong was another failed attempt on my part to show my superiority through age. As one of our favorite "sports" in our household, we spent hours hosting ping pong challenges in our garage for anyone who dared to try. Sure, I knew how to put a nasty spin on my volley.

But Louise was unbeatable.

This competitive nature extended beyond our home for Louise and I. I liked high school...but mostly because of the social aspect; Louise excelled at school. I was the coeditor of the school yearbook. Louise was senior class president. I graduated and managed to get accepted to Central Michigan University; Louise received a full ride scholarship to Michigan Technological University. She drove me nuts.

Even in the one realm I thought I could call my own: Food, there was, or perhaps I should say, still is an undecurrent of sibling rivalry when it comes to cooking and all aspects related to food.

While away at college I discovered a real interest in nutrition and a love of food and I graduated with a degree in dietetics. I was fascinated by how different foods impact our health. I enjoy cooking. I'm fascinated by how food plays an important role in our culture. I love the psychology of eating.

Louise went in a completely different professional trek, yet recently circled back to the world of food. Somehow we now both work in the "food world." I'm still a registered dietitian; Louise, for the past few years, has been a certified personal chef in Ann Arbor, Mich., a veritable mecca for food devotees.

I can throw together a meal that is well-balanced, nutritious, and mostly consumable (depending on the day and how far I decide to deviate from a recipe). Louise creates dishes-to-die-for, heavenly works of gastro-art, poetry for the taste buds. Every bite is pretty to look at, and oh so verrrry yummy.

Which brings me to the present... We just spent the weekend together at her lovely home. For breakfast I brought my very favorite high fiber granola bars for her to try. She throws together the fluffiest chocolate chip pancakes I have ever had, drizzled with some ridiculously delicious red raspberry sauce that she just "made up."

Really? It's like playing Monopoly with her all over again. She wins. As far as I am concerned, we are still battling it out. At least in my mind. She probably doesn't even know I'm competing with her.

So, back to Alcona Elementary -- it is this same spirit of competition that has Alcona Elementary putting their best foot forward. The kids have begun a walking contest as part of their commitment to the Fuel Up to Play 60 (FUTP60) program.

This is an in-school nutrition and physical activity program that encourages students to eat well, be active and implement positive changes at their school. "Fuel Up" means to eat healthy: More fruits, vegetables, whole grains, low fat dairy, et cetera. The "60" part refers to how many minutes kids (and adults) should be physically active, as a minimum, daily.

Alcona Elementary has been involved with FUTP60 since the beginning of this school year. The program is

run by kids for kids: They choose what activities they want to implement that encourage better eating and more activity, and then put the wheels in motion to implement and run the activities they have selected. A FUTP60 wellness team, comprised of eight Alcona Elementary students, help coordinate the different events throughout the year.

For the past six weeks, the Alcona Elementary FUTP60 wellness team has been running a schoolwide walking contest. Called "Steps Up," the contest challenges students to walk/run/move for at least one hour per day, and record their activity on an activity log. So far, the kids have walked almost 6,000 miles in six weeks -- that's the equivalent of walking from Alcona Elementary to Tokyo, Japan.

In addition, as part of a grant awarded by the FUTP60 program, Alcona Elementary was able to purchase pedometers for each child at Alcona Elementary for this contest. The competition really started to heat up when the kids found out that the grade with the most miles recorded would win a trip to the local bowling alley at the end of the school year.

Here's the funny part: you would think it would be the oldest grades at the school that would far outdistance the rest. Not true. It's déjà vu all over again for me. The younger grades are surpassing the older students in the contest... but maybe that's what they need to kick them into higher gear. It worked for me in my on-going rivalry with Louise.

Stay tuned. We still have several weeks of the contest ahead of us.

Is competition helping the kids at Alcona Elementary get healthier? Absolutely. Could it help the rest of us? I believe so. Maybe the walking contest started by the kids at school will have a trickle-down effect at their home or in the community. Maybe Mom or Dad are getting out and moving more, or maybe brothers or sisters are starting their own friendly competition. Even if it is just drawing more attention to the importance of physical activity, the Steps Up Contest is winning by example.

Which brings me back to Louise. Because of our sibling competition, I know I have tried harder, pushed myself beyond my comfort level, and challenged myself even when I didn't feel like doing it. In short, our rivalry has made me a better person.

Competition does work. Just don't anyone tell Louise.

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NOTICE

There will be a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting at 10 a.m. on Monday, April 29th at the Caledonia Township Hall, Spruce, MI. A variance request has been made by Barry Perdue, 5961 Bayview Drive, Spruce, MI 48762, for a garage and storage building to be built 28 feet high, 3 feet over the existing ordinance, and maintain the 5½ foot lot line at the back of garage. Parcel # 021-013-100-025-00. The public is welcome to attend.

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High game and series: Flora Yingling, 207 and 576.
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He's & She's
April 5

Part Timers 145.5 94.5
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Wild Ones 141.5 98.5
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Bowler Up 82 158
Men's high game and series: Bob Goddard, 279 and 728.
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Women's high game and series: Flora Yingling, 252 and 566.

Women's high handicap game:

Flora Yingling, 292.
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Dava Abend, 702.

Early Bloomers
April 9

Daffodils 198.5 137.5
Marigolds 187 149
Rosebuds 178.5 157.5
Tigerlilys 172 164
Violets 167.5 168.5
Mums 158.5 177.5
Buttercups 147.5 188.5
Bluebells 134.5 201.5
High game and series: Carla Travis, 195 and 541.
High team game and series: Rosebuds, 438 and 1,213.

Atchison-Neuenfeldt plan wedding

Doug and Linda Atchison of Harrisville announce the engagement of their daughter, Chelsea Atchison, to Donald Neuenfeldt.

The bride-to-be is a 2005 graduate of Alcona High School. She obtained a teaching degree from Saginaw Valley State University in 2011. She is employed at the International Academy of Saginaw in Bridgeport, Mich.

The future groom is the son of Andrew and Susan Neuenfeldt of Hemlock, Mich. He is a 2000 graduate of Hemlock High School and is employed at Gander Mountain in Saginaw, Mich.

A March 29, 2014 wedding is planned at the Hellenic Center in Saginaw, Mich.



Chelsea Atchison and Donald Neuenfeldt.

Wanted: Light keepers at Tawas Point Lighthouse

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is seeking volunteers to spend a week or two between March 1 and December 20 acting as lighthouse keepers for the Tawas Point Lighthouse during the 2013 light-house keeper season.

The lighthouse is located on the grounds of Tawas Point State Park along the shores of Lake Huron in East Tawas.

Volunteers must be willing to study up on the lighthouse's maritime history in order to lead visitor tours, work in the museum's gift shop or perform other miscellaneous duties. In exchange for their work contribution, volunteers can stay in the newly renovated keeper's quarters for a cost of \$250 per person, per week. The living quarters include two bedrooms and a modern kitchen and bath.

"The lighthouse has been in operation since 1876 and is still an active aid to navigation," said Chuck Allen, unit supervisor for Tawas Point. "It's one of only nine lighthouses on the Great

Lakes with a working Fresnel lens."

The chance to enjoy spectacular views and the unique lodging has enticed vacationers to seek out the experience. According to Allen, 62 volunteer lighthouse keepers stayed in the lighthouse from April through Christmas in 2012.

The lighthouse keeper program is open to singles and couples 18 years and older. Allen suggested that volunteers should be physically able to lead tours through the lighthouse and tower and perform housekeeping duties such as light maintenance or lawn care. Applications can be obtained at www.michigan.gov/tawaslighthouse. Dates and prices are effective through 2013. For details, call (989) 362-5658.

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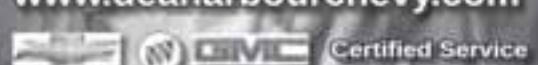
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Now it's time to say good-bye

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

We got our first television in 1954 and it came pre-packed with people - most of them grown-ups - who were willing to spend a lot of time entertaining me... Dave Garroway and his chimpanzee, J. Fred Muggs; Mr. Liberace with his candelabras and his capes; Sid Caesar and Imogene Coca, who made my mom and dad laugh and sometimes featured Kookla, Fran and Ollie; Loretta Young, swirling her skirts as she came through the door; George Burns and the lady whose name I thought was "Crazy Ellen."

And then, just about the time the big kids got home from school, the high point of my day: The Mickey Mouse Club. The three members I remember most (and the only names I can recall) were Jimmy (who I honestly thought was a grown-up who oversaw the other Mouseketeers), Cubby and, of course, Annette.

Annette Funicello, then 13, epitomized petite, poised and pretty. And, although it would be decades before color came to television, when I watched Annette, she came in a soft cloud of pink. In an era when cute and girly was the gold standard, she was the cutest and girly-est of them all. Even though I was just "going on four" at the time, I always considered Annette my friend. Why? Because she liked me.

Those televised friends were very, very important to me in 1954. I spent most of my waking hours in a bed Mama had made up on the couch my parents had moved into the dining room, propped up on a pile of pillows to assist my compromised breathing, recovering from polio. I'd lost a lot in that battle. My ability to walk for one thing, but also my upper body strength and coordination, leaving me unable to sit up unsupported or to bring my palms together. Watch-

ing Annette sing and dance allowed me, for an hour, to pretend that I could do those things, too. And since the fear of the disease I'd had was pretty earnest, my televised friends were pretty much the visitors I had each day. Of all of them, Annette was my favorite.

In a couple years, I'd be back outside playing after school and the Mickey Mouse Club would go off the air. Still, Annette remained a friend I didn't see very often - kind of like the pen pal you were assigned in fourth grade. Not a child much inclined to envy, I did covet my friend Cher's set of Mickey Mouse ears, though. My parents would probably have been happy to get me a set, but until Cher found hers under the Christmas tree, it simply never occurred to me that mere mortals could have them. I thought you really had to be a member of the club.

We caught back up when I was in high school. Annette took to the beach the same year that my friends and I did. Our beach was at the end of Huron Avenue, in the Harrisville State Park. Hers were in Malibu, Calif. and Hawaii, but it didn't matter. We were all beach girls just the same.

If we were going through the lumpy and broken-out stage, Annette remained perfect. In addition to looks and talent, she had Frankie Avalon, a series of convertibles and the ability to wear a head scarf without looking like the Irish washerwoman's daughter. By my calculations, she was probably 25 or so at the time, but we didn't realize that. We thought she was our age and just had a lot more freedom and money than we did.

Funny, the things you remember. One of the magic moments of my life came in the Alco Theater during one of Annette's beach movies. At the time, I had a pair of silky bell bottom pants, white

Puttin' On The Fritz

and striped in bright red, blue, yellow and green. Horizontally. I'm not certain if I was responsible for that burst of sartorial splendor or my mom was, but during one beach party scene, a group of giggling "girls" (that's what we called them then) entered and as they did, the friend sitting next to me gasped, "She's wearing your pants!" I have rarely been so thrilled by an item in my wardrobe.

Even as we watched those movies (and we watched them all) Frankie and Annette were becoming anachronisms. While the boys who escorted us to the films hair was beginning to curl over the neckline of their Grateful Dead T-shirts, Frankie's remained neatly trimmed, his madras shirt tucked neatly into his khakis. In a time of the Beatles and the Rolling Stones, we were beginning to realize that while Annette had an okay voice, it wasn't amazing. More like the girls we knew whose parents sometimes called them out to sing for visiting guests.

Annette and I parted company again as I went off to college and she married, had children, did a series of peanut butter commercials and cut a few semi-selling albums. But I did note the news in 1992 when she announced that she had been diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. The irony wasn't lost on me that the girl who had figuratively held my hand as I coped with the ravages of a neurological disease had contracted one of her own. It hurt my heart a few years later when I read that she had lost her ability to walk and eventually, to speak.

It hurt again when I heard this past weekend that she had passed away at the age of 70. I like to think she left in a pink, glittery convertible with a matching headscarf arranged artistically around her pretty face. From her side of the screen, Annette's big brown eyes never saw me. Nonetheless, she was special and she remains so.

She taught me that in addition to being petite, pretty and poised, it's important to be nice. For her entire life, Annette epitomized, as well, a nice girl. Forever, she held her banner high. And all things considered, that's not the worst eulogy anyone could have. M-I-C (see you real soon) K-E-Y (Why? Because we like you) M-O-U-S-E.

(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 30 years. She has published fiction, nonfiction and poetry in several venues. She and her husband, Art, live in Harrisville. The couple has one daughter, Katrina - "the Princess," two dogs, Lady and Henry, and granddog, Bastian, all of whom are frequent victims of her column.)



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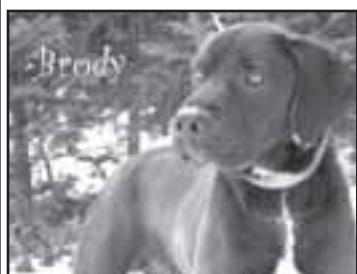


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Circuit Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 23rd Circuit Court by the Honorable William F. Myles and the Honorable Ronald M. Bergeron in January, February and March.

January

- Christopher Daniel Handy, 27, of Harrisville was sentenced to 24 to 180 months in state prison and fines and court costs of \$1,798 for criminal sexual conduct – second degree, person under age 13.

- Joshua Josephe Fields, 32, of Munger, Mich. was sentenced to one year in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,148 for operating while intoxicated, causing injury.

- Joseph Clemens Kukla Sr., 56, of Greenbush was sentenced to one year in jail, three years of probation, \$1,838 in fines and court costs and \$200 in restitution for the delivery/manufacture of a controlled substance – marijuana and possession of weapons – firearm.

- Joshua Chancey Dorning, 27, was sentenced to 34 to 204 months in state prison and fines and court costs of \$1,798 for breaking and entering with intent.

- David Leo Hunt, 20, of Barton City was sentenced to 28 to 72 months in state prison and \$1,666 in court costs and fines for assault with a weapon.

February

- Tim Matthew Reznick, 55, of Glennie was sentenced to 30 days in jail, two years of probation and court costs and fines of \$925 for stalking.

- Gordon Thomas Lobough, 50, of Lincoln was sentenced to 30 days in jail, two years of probation and \$1,748 in fines and court costs for the delivery/manufacture of a controlled substance – marijuana.

- Ronald Joseph Spencer Hill, 29, of Harrisville was sentenced to one year in jail, five years of probation and \$1,748 in fines and court costs for domestic violence – third offense.

- Ashley Ann Goodemoot, 25, of Ionia, Mich. was sentenced to six months in jail, two years of probation, \$2,100 in restitution and \$1,598 in fines and court costs for no checking account.

- Timothy James Edward Good, 25, of Lowell, Mich. was sentenced to six months in jail, two years of probation, \$2,100 in restitution and \$1,598 in court costs and fines for no checking account.

- Anthony Douglas Gonzalez, 25, of Harrisville was sentenced to 28 to 360 months in state prison and fines and court costs of \$1,948 for delivery of a controlled substance – less than 50 grams.

- Christopher Todd Taylor, 45, was sentenced to 12 to 30 years in state prison and fines and court costs of \$1,948 for home invasion, second degree.

- Gregory Lynn Dupuie, 54, of Glennie was sentenced to 210 days in jail, three years of probation and fines and court costs of \$2,148 for operating while intoxicated, third offense.

- Karl Bowen Hatton, 48, of Alger, Mich. was sentenced to two months in jail, two years of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,748 for possession of a controlled substance – non narcotic.

- Jason Michael Cooper, 42, of Fort Myers, Fla. was sentenced to five years of probation and \$1,098 in court costs and fines for attempted failure to pay child support.

March

- Robert Ronald Riso, 48, of Harrisville was sentenced to one year in jail, five years of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,248 for at-

- tempted criminal sexual conduct, third degree.

- Aaron Lee Fowler, 22, of Harrisville was sentenced to one day in jail and \$2,598 in court costs and fines for operating while intoxicated.

- Stephanie Kay Byce, 56, of Barton City was sentenced to one day in jail and \$598 in court costs and fines for possession of a controlled substance – marijuana.

- Garrett Joseph Deacons, 21, of Oscoda was sentenced to 210 days in jail, three years of probation and fines and costs of \$1,366 for identity theft.

District Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 81st District Court by the Honorable Allen C. Yenior and the Honorable Laura A. Frawley in March.

- David Christian Cook, 35, of Glennie was sentenced to three days in jail and fines and court costs of \$845 for permitting an unlicensed person to drive/violation of motor vehicle code.

- Garrett Joseph Deacons, 21, of Lincoln was sentenced to 29 days in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,025 for assault or assault and battery.

- Paul Vincent Consiglio, 22, of Milford, Mich. was sentenced to two days in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,490 for operating while visibly impaired.

- Brian Richard Hynek, 32, of Alpena was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and court costs of \$915 for operator's license suspended/revoked/denied.

- James Edmund Kieling, 50, of New Baltimore, Mich. was sentenced to 10 days in jail, one year of probation and court costs and fines of \$1,640 for operating while visibly impaired.

- Herbert Wayne Burley, 43, of Mikado was sentenced to 45 days in jail, two years of probation and court costs and fines of \$1,675 for domestic violence.

- Eric Newell Peasley, 62, of Harrisville was sentenced to one day in jail and court costs and fines of \$1,490 for operating while visibly impaired.

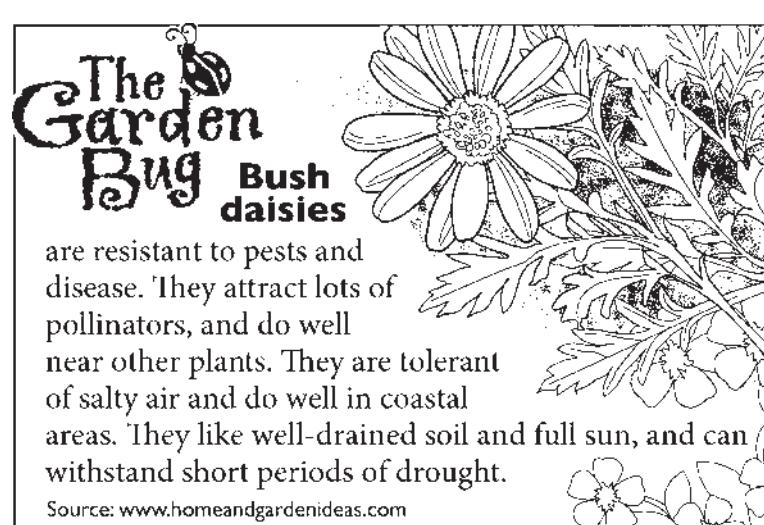
- Jennefer Rose Arkwood, 45, of Mikado was sentenced to two days in jail, six months of probation and fines and court costs of \$2,005 for operating while visibly impaired and driving while unlicensed.

- Ted Steven Harko, 42, of Washington, Mich. was sentenced to two days in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,140 for operating while visibly impaired.

- Kelsey Lou Hale, 19, of Lincoln was sentenced to fines and court costs of \$365 for allowing a suspended person to operate a motor vehicle.

- Fahed Bader Al-Duwaisan, 20, of Harrisville was sentenced to 30 days in jail, one year of probation and fines and court costs of \$715 for retail fraud – third degree – under \$200.

- Eligh Allan Larson, 27, of Glennie was sentenced to 30 days in jail, one year of probation and court costs and fines of \$565 for retail fraud – third degree – under \$200.



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As crews at the Alcona County Road Commission gear up for the construction season, they join with road agencies from across the country in recognizing the 2013 National Work Zone Awareness Week by reminding motorists to eliminate distractions when driving through work zones.

"With the construction season just around the corner," said Alcona County Road Commission Managing Director Jesse Campbell, "We are taking advantage of this time to remind motorists to be mindful when encountering work zones."

Campbell explained it is not just road workers at risk, but the motorists themselves. More than 85 percent of all people killed in highway work zone crashes are drivers and passengers, not highway workers. While distracted driving is always dangerous, the additional attention needed in work zones significantly intensifies the risk of mishaps for road workers, drivers, bicyclists, motorcycles, pedestrians, emergency responders, law enforcement, utility workers, or anyone else in the work zone.

"We place a big emphasis on safety in our work zones

from ensuring proper and adequate signing, making sure our employees wear high visibility clothing and are trained in traffic control techniques, to designing work zones so they have the least impact on traffic as possible," Campbell said.

"And with all that, we are still at the mercy of driver behavior. When encountering a work zone, we ask motorists to slow down, minimize distractions such as talking on a cell phone, and respect the work zone rules for their own safety, as well as for those working there."

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zones are posted at 45 m.p.h. where workers are present. Motorists speeding in work zones are subject to doubled fines and additional points against their driver license. Causing the injury of another person in a work zone is a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in prison and \$1,000 in fines, and causing the death of a person in a work zone is a felony punishable by up to 15 years in prison and \$7,500 in fines.

"When you see the signs that say work zone ahead, imagine the workers there and how they want to get home at the end of the day in

one piece just as you do. Then make a commitment to have your primary focus on your driving as you travel through the work zone," Campbell said. "The life you save may be your own."

The 2013 National Work Zone Awareness Week will be held April 15-19. In its 13th year, the 2013 theme is "Work Zone Safety: We're All In This Together." The National Work Zone Awareness Week campaign began in 2000 as an initiative of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), American Traffic Safety Ser-

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PRVEL members monitor the water for phosphorous, chlorophyll and water clarity as well as for macroinvertebrates (mayflies, insect larvae) and check the overall health of the water that flows into the lake a few times a year. When they aren't testing, members keep watch over the tributaries and adjacent land throughout the year.

The coalition is looking for more volunteers to act as river keepers. "Keeping an eye on the rivers, all 372 miles of it, is a daunting task unless there are many eyes willing to look for potential prob-

River keeping is done at an individual's convenience and all reporting of potential hazards are followed up by the appropriate PRVEL partner organization or PRVEL volunteers. Volunteer river keep-

"Keeping an eye on the rivers, all 372 miles of it, is a daunting task unless there are many eyes willing to look for potential problems. You don't have to actually live on the river to be a river keeper, but just be willing to be a good observer when you recreate within the watershed."

Carole Plunkey, chairperson
Pine River Van Etten Lake
Watershed Coalition

lems. You don't have to actually live on the river to be a river keeper, but just be willing to be a good observer when you recreate within the watershed. If you snowmobile, hike, take your dog for a walk, hunt, fish, bird watch or just enjoy being with nature, you can become involved as a river watcher and a member of PRVEL," Plunkey said.

ers monitor for river blockage from tree fall or large woody debris movement, excessive soil erosion or other contamination, location of failing or hazardous instream structures, invasive species such as purple loosestrife, phragmites and spawning sea lamprey, excessive trash or debris, abnormal water quality from

failing septic or animal waste, beaver activity, unusual fish kills, notation of navigation such as kayaking or tubing access site issues, unpermitted construction, dumping of contaminated agents and observed wildlife.

"We are not looking at getting anyone in trouble or trespass on private land. PRVEL is here to monitor, improve and protect the watershed while keeping its natural beauty. When you study about rivers you realize the river is going to carry some sediment with it. It's natural for that to happen.

"Years ago a man dammed the river to create Van Etten Lake, so naturally the sediment stops there creating problems in the lake. However, if most of the sediment is stopped before it reaches the lake, we could create a balance between man and nature. If there were no people here and we just left it alone it would be fine, but the reality is people have invaded on nature and now it's time we

take some responsibility and take care of what we've invaded," Plunkey said.

PRVEL would like to see more fish spawning and be able to bring back some of the recreation people once enjoyed on the rivers.

"If left undone, the watershed will deteriorate, eventually the rivers will dry up, fishing will be gone and the lakes will be overwhelmed with weeds," Plunkey said.

PRVEL meets quarterly at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Road, Greenbush. The next meeting will be at 10 a.m. on April 25. For more information on PRVEL or becoming a river keeper, contact Carole Plunkey at caroleplunkey@charter.net or phone her at (989) 739-8717.

A macroinvertebrate sampling will be held May 8 and May 11, those interested in volunteering on May 11 may contact Arnie Leriche at aleriche526@gmail.com or (989) 739-2758.

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Alcona County Chamber of Commerce

The Alcona County Chamber of Commerce held its general membership meeting on April 10 at the Alcona County Library in Harrisville. Present: Jeanne Meskus, trustee; Christy Holmes, treasurer; Karen Sanderson, secretary; Jim Pyne, trustee; Ed Toombs, trustee; Judie Labadie of Coming Attractions, Michelle Marcouiller of Dragonfly Art Gallery and Judy Pyne of the Harrisville Arts Council. Absent: None

Jeanne called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. The "Pledge of Allegiance" was said. The agenda was approved with the addition of "other," item from Judie Labadie. Motion by Ed Foster, support by Ed Toombs, to approve minutes of the March 13 general membership minutes. Motion approved (thank you to Judy Pyne for doing the minutes).

Motion by Ed Toombs, support by Ed Foster, to approve the minutes of the executive board meeting April 3. Motion carried. Christy Holmes presented the treasurer's report. Motion by Ed Foster, support by Judie Labadie, to

approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Calendar of Events is printed and ready for distribution. Volunteers will count, package and distribute. There are 75 paid members. Judie Labadie will contact Ron Rademacher and have Simple Pleasures removed from the website. The license for Texas Hold'em will be forthcoming as the application has been submitted to the state. The dates are September 12, 13, 14 and 15. Christy met with Richard and fireworks are on track. Wine and Food Festival committee is having meetings and again everything good to go at this point.

Judie Labadie brought a project idea that was sent to her by a member for the chamber to think about. It was a great idea but the chamber is having some difficulty manning present activities. She was requested to take the idea back to the member to see if that member could put the project together.

A Town Hall meeting with Representative Peter Pettalia has been confirmed and it will be Monday, May 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center in Lincoln. The chamber will provide cookies, coffee and hot water for tea. Jim and Karen will meet to cover food and coffee. Judy

St. John is having an art show at the Dragonfly Art Gallery Saturday, April 20 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Senator John Moolenaar is again heading up the US-23 Heritage Route tour from Standish, Mich. to Mackinaw City, Mich. This year they (legislators and department heads from the state of Michigan) have set a tentative date of July 18 and 19. Last year they stopped at Sturgeon Point Lighthouse.

Antique Show posters are ready to be distributed. Two vendors have been lost from last year. Motion to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of April 8-14, 2013

63 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 4 Arrests; 2 Warrants; 1 Driving While License Suspended; 1 Domestic.

Complaint Statistic

Car-Deer Accident	3	Property Damage Accident	8
Message/Well Being Check	3	Miscellaneous	4
Agency Assist	1	Dog/Animal	7
Traffic	5	Malicious Destruction of Property	1
Trespassing	1	Alarm	2
Drugs	1	Domestic	5
Harassment/Threats/Stalking	1	Power Lines Down	1
Warrant Arrest	2	Civil	1
Suspicious Vehicle/Person	1	Breaking and Entering	1
Personal Injury Accident	1	Assault and Battery	2
Drive While License Suspended	1	Suicide	1
Larceny	3	Fraud	3
Juvenile	1	Suspicious Events	2
Sex Offender Registry Violation	1	Be On The Lookout	2

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**NOTICE OF MAY 7th, 2013 ELECTION
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KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
OSCODA COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a May 7th, 2013 Election has been called to be held in the above named School Districts on the 7th day of May, 2013, for the purpose of voting on the following:

BONDING PROPOSAL

Shall Mio AuSable Schools, Oscoda County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Two Million Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$2,080,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

Remodeling, refurbishing and re-equipping school buildings; acquiring and installing security equipment for a school building; acquiring and installing educational technology for a school building; purchasing school buses; and developing and improving the site?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2013, under current law, is 1.35 mills (\$1.35 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is ten (10) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 1.34 mills (\$1.34 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

The school district currently has \$0 of qualified bonds outstanding and \$0 of qualified loans currently outstanding under the State School Bond Qualification and Loan Program. The school district does not expect to obtain loans from the program to repay these bonds. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

(Pursuant to State Law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

_____ YES _____ NO

**KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
CHARTER MILLAGE PROPOSITION**

Shall the charter tax rate limitation of 0.2 mill of Kirtland Community College, Michigan, be increased by 0.2 mill (\$0.20 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 18 years, 2015 to 2032, inclusive, to be used only for capital improvements and for paying the principal and interest on any outstanding bonded indebtedness of the community college district; if approved, the estimate of the revenue the community college district will collect in the first year of levy, 2015, is approximately \$581,917?

_____ YES _____ NO

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION OF VOTED INCREASES FOR A UNIT
I, WILLIAM KENDALL, TREASURER OF OSCODA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, hereby certify that as of March 20th, 2013, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Oscoda County is as follows:

By Oscoda County:	Sheriff Equipment	.2500 mills	12/13 expires
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	Council on Aging	.5500 mills	12/15 expires
	Drug Enforcement	.2500 mills	12/15 expires
By Big Creek Twp	Fire Operation	1 .0000 mills	12/14 expires
By Clinton Twp.	NONE		
By Comins Twp.	Fire Equipment	.5000 mills	12/15 expires
By Elmer Twp.	NONE		
By Greenwood Twp	Fire Operation	1.0000 mills	12/15 expires
By Mentor Twp	Fire Protection	1.0000 mills	12/16 expires
By the School Dist.			
Mio AuSable	Exempt PRE & QA & QF	18.0000 mills	12/22 expires
Fairview Area	Exempt PRE & QA & QF	18.0000 mills	12/14 expires
Sinking Fund		1.0000 mills	12/17 expires
Jo-Burg/Lewiston	Exempt PRE & QA & QF	18.0000 mills	12/13 expires
WB/Rose City	Exempt PRE & QA & QF	17.9208 mills	12/14 expires
Kirtland C. C.	Operate	2.1093 mills	No Expiration
C.O.O.R.	Operate	.2530 mills	No Expiration
	Spec. Ed.	.6329 mills	No Expiration
C.O.P.	Operate	.2597 mills	No Expiration
	Spec. Ed.	.8458 mills	No Expiration
	Spec. Ed.	.6418 mills	12/15 expires

Dated: March 20th, 2013: William Kendall, Oscoda County Treasurer
This Notice is given on behalf of the Board of Education and Kirtland Community College.

Jeri Winton,
Election Coordinator/Election Clerk for
Mio AuSable Schools
Dated: April 08th, 2013

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vices Association (ATSSA), and the Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (ASHTO) to build public awareness of work zone safety.

As part of the National Work Zone Awareness Week (NWZAW) road commission crews will be taking time to hone their safety skills with a series of refresher training classes on Friday, April 19.

"In addition to using NWZAW to raise the level of attention about work zone safety, we also use it as a time to reinforce safe work habits overall," Campbell said. "We set aside a specific time for crews to inspect their

safety gear, make sure the signs used for work zones are in good repair and ready, and generally review our safety program. This year, we will have experts on hand to provide training on chain saw use and safe truck operations in addition to training on workplace dynamics and labor laws."

Questions or concerns about the NWZAW, should be directed to the Alcona County Road Commission at 301 N. Lake Street, P.O. Box 40, Lincoln, Michigan 48742, by phone at (989) 736-8168 or by e-mail at roads@alcona-crc.com.

Organization Notes

VFW Post No. 6754 Ladies Auxiliary

The April meeting was held with nine members present. Mary Ann Seymour served as patriotic instructor in Norma Alstrom's absence. The minutes of the March meeting and the treasurer's report were read. Frances Ziesman reported that she delivered a dinner to Bill and Norma Alstrom which was very much appreciated.

The charter was draped for our dear departed sister, Mary McInerny, who went to her heavenly home on March 19, 2013. The following members held a memorial service at Gillies Funeral Home: Norma Alstrom, Donna Bushey, Arlene Lay, Sandy

Light, Verina Stevens, Kathy Vichunas and Frances Ziesman. Also present were post members: Don Bushey, Ray Lay and Dale Stevens. A donation was made to the family for the funeral luncheon.

The election of officers was held. Officers for 2013-2014 are: Kathleen E. Vichunas, president; Frances Ziesman, senior vice president; Arlene Lay, junior vice president; Emma Liske, secretary; Sandy Light, treasurer; Donna Bushey, chaplain; Sharon Jack, conductress; and Mary Ann Seymour, guard.

The next meeting will be held on May 7.

Michigan's 2012 hunting season safest in five years

The 2012 hunting season saw only one fatality in the 15 incidents reported to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), making it the safest season in the last five years.

While there were three fewer incidents reported in 2011, there were five fatalities in that year.

"We continue to emphasize the importance of the hunter orange law, knowing your target and safe firearm handling, and how they all are key factors in having a safe season," said DNR Law Enforcement Division Chief Gary Hagler. "We also continue to encourage mentors to work closely with youth hunters to teach them safe firearm handling skills. One incident this year involved a hunter under the age of 10."

The incident involving a fatality in 2012 occurred in St. Clair County Michigan on September 20 when a coyote hunter reportedly shot and killed another hunter in an apparent accident. There were no hunting incidents reported in the Upper Peninsula in 2012, compared to three in 2011, including one fatality.

A total of three hunting incidents involved minors as the shooter, with the youngest being six years old. The

six-year-old was unloading his firearm when it discharged and unintentionally struck his father causing a leg wound.

Michigan hunting incident statistics for the last six years are:

- 2012: 15 incidents with one fatality.
- 2011: 12 incidents with five fatalities.
- 2010: 14 incidents with three fatalities.
- 2009: 18 incidents with two fatalities.
- 2008: 22 incidents with two fatalities.
- 2007: 32 incidents with two fatalities.

Hagler credits Michigan's hunter education program with Michigan's low rates of incidents over the last few years.

"There is no question that hunter education saves lives and reduces injuries," Hagler said. "It is incumbent that anyone considering hunting as a recreational pursuit completes a hunter education course with one of our highly dedicated volunteer instructors."

For more information on Michigan's hunter education, visit www.michigan.gov/huntereducation. Summaries of Michigan's hunting incident reports can be found at www.michigan.gov/conservationofficers.

Calendar of Events

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class and/or exam, contact Stan Darmofal (989) 724-5550.

The Alcona Conservation District will hold its annual spring tree sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the garage behind the district building, 320 South State Street (US-23), Harrisville. For more information, call (989) 724-5272 or visit alconaconservation.org.

Dragonfly Art Gallery will host a reception for artist Judith St. John from 1 to 3 p.m. at 116 East Main Street, Harrisville.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

The Sunrise Ringers, an area-based handbell group with members from Alpena to Oscoda will perform a spring concert at 4 p.m. at the Ossineke United Methodist Church, 13095 US-23, one mile south of the light. A free will offering will be accepted. For more information, call Margaret Fox at (989) 736-3025.

MONDAY, APRIL 22

Two computers and WiFi available for seniors over 60 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Walk inside from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Twenty-three times around the hall equals one mile.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

Knitting Klub and Crochet from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. All levels welcome. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Weight loss support group will meet at the Lincoln United Methodist Church, 101 E. Main Street, at 4 p.m. Visitors are welcome and there is no membership fee. For more information, call (989) 736-8645 or (989) 736-8338.

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Sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

Alcona County Commission On Aging board meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

The Harrisville Lady Lions will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the Old Place Inn, 309 East Main Street, Harrisville. For more information, call Fran Bar-

ber at (989) 739-8735 or e-mail fbarber@charter.net.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

General Motors Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees will hold their regular monthly meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, 1000 US-23 North, Alpena. Guest speaker will be Anjie Bowen from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. 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.

The Alcona County Library board will meet at 6 p.m. at

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Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30

to 3:30 p.m. all items will be donated to local organizations. Bring your knitting needles, looms, yarn and patterns. Beginning crafters are welcome. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Alcona woodcarvers meet from 2 to 4 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

Sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Road, Greenbush. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Foot clinic with Connie

Cosbett R.N. Cost is \$25, bring your own towel. For an appointment, call (989) 736-8879.

Soup and pie dinner from 4:30 to 6:30 at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23). Free will offering accepted, with proceeds going to a new church roof.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 Main Street. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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Area Church Directory

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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Worship 9 a.m.
Thomas J. Wescott, Pastor Wednesday office hours 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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Pastor Edward Morrison • Full Gospel
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m. • Family Bible Study 7 p.m. Wednesday

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"Grace on the Base"
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Calendar of Events

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TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 736-6045.

Two computers and WiFi available for seniors over 60 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Walk inside from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

The Alcona County Amateur Radio Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the EMS building, 2600 M-72. Anyone interested in amateur radio, emergency and public service communications is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Stan Darmofal at (989) 724-5550 or visit www.alconaradio.org.

The Pine River Van Etten Lake Watershed Coalition will

meet at 10 a.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Street. For more information, call Carole Plunkey at (989) 739-8717 or e-mail caroleplunkey@charter.net.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

My Brother's Hope Potluck Café-Take 2 will serve a free meal and offer free haircuts for 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Raphael's Catholic Church, 2531 East F-30, Mikado. For more information, call Susan Armstrong at (989) 724-6365.

Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11

a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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Walk inside from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Twenty-three times around the hall equals one mile.

Popcorn and a movie at 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

A free workshop hosted by the Alcona Conservation District will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Alpena Community College Oscoda campus, 5800 North Skeel Street. This event will provide informational presentations concerning management techniques for private landowners. For more information or to register, call (989) 335-1056 or visit www.alconaconversation.org.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Food pantry from 1 to 3 p.m. at Spruce Lutheran Church, 1246 East Spruce Road, Spruce. Clients must be present to receive food and identification is required. For more information, call (989) 471-5013.

MONDAY, APRIL 29

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Walk inside from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Twenty-three times around the hall equals one mile.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

Weight loss support group will meet at the Lincoln United Methodist Church, 101 E. Main Street, at 4 p.m. Visitors are welcome and there is no membership fee. For more information, call (989) 736-8645 or (989) 736-8338.

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Sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

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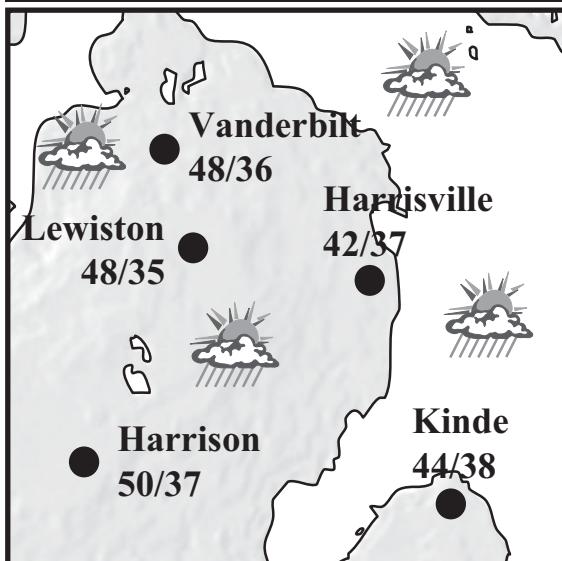
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Alcona Review Weather Report

Seven Day Forecast

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	Few Showers	Showers Likely	Showers Likely	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
	High: 42 Low: 37	High: 58 Low: 44	High: 49 Low: 29	High: 40 Low: 29	High: 44 Low: 32	High: 51 Low: 35	High: 55 Low: 34

Today's Regional Map

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a 30% chance of showers, high temperature of 42°, humidity of 53%. East wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 85° set in 1958. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an 80% chance of showers, overnight low of 37°. East wind 10 to 15 mph.

***Last Week's Almanac**

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	39	25	47/28	0.33"
Tuesday	43	34	47/28	0.36"
Wednesday	40	30	48/28	0.24"
Thursday	38	26	48/29	0.40"
Friday	33	29	49/29	0.58"
Saturday	38	31	49/29	0.05"
Sunday	42	27	50/30	0.00"

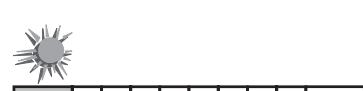
*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset		
First 4/18		Wednesday 6:43 a.m.	8:21 p.m.	11:53 a.m.	2:04 a.m.	
		Thursday 6:41 a.m.	8:22 p.m.	12:52 p.m.	2:40 a.m.	5/2
		Friday 6:40 a.m.	8:24 p.m.	1:52 p.m.	3:13 a.m.	
		Saturday 6:38 a.m.	8:25 p.m.	2:55 p.m.	3:43 a.m.	
		Sunday 6:36 a.m.	8:26 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	4:11 a.m.	
Full 4/25		Monday 6:35 a.m.	8:27 p.m.	5:07 p.m.	4:40 a.m.	
		Tuesday 6:33 a.m.	8:28 p.m.	6:17 p.m.	5:09 a.m.	5/9

National Weather Summary This Week


The Northeast will see partly cloudy to cloudy skies with a few thunderstorms today and Thursday, scattered showers and thunderstorms Friday, with the highest temperature of 80° in Harrisburg-Raleigh, Ill. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today and Thursday, scattered thunderstorms Friday, with the highest temperature of 90° in Punta Gorda, Fla. The Northwest will see isolated rain and snow, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 65° in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 89° in Carlsbad, N.M.

Local UV Index

UV Index

0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate,
6-7: High, 8-10: Very High,
11+: Extreme Exposure

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	6:11 a.m.	6:17 p.m.
Venus	7:03 a.m.	8:45 p.m.
Mars	6:49 a.m.	8:18 p.m.
Jupiter	9:05 a.m.	12:24 a.m.
Saturn	9:03 p.m.	7:35 a.m.
Uranus	6:11 a.m.	6:40 p.m.

Weather History

April 17, 1953 - A severe hailstorm accompanied by snow, sleet, glaze and rain pelted parts of Tulsa, Washington and Rogers Counties in northeastern Oklahoma late in the day. Nearly 10,000 insurance claims were filed.

Weather Trivia

What do meteorologists consider to be a trace of precipitation?



Answer: A trace of precipitation is less than .10 inches.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - More Than Meets the Eye

I'm just going to say it, "Spring is in the air," regardless of the cooler than normal weather that many of us have been experiencing. It is obvious that the higher sun angles are at least warming the ground and causing the buds and bulbs to stir. Despite the chilly conditions, the summer forecast from June through August calls for above average temperatures with normal precipitation. One aspect of spring, the sky, is always consistent. It is right on cue with the vernal patterns beginning to dominate in the east. An hour after sundown, look northeast, mid-sky, and you'll notice the Big Dipper, cup up and handle down, beginning its slow tilt into its late spring upside-down position. The Big Dipper is not an official constellation, but it is certainly American friendly. It was never recognized by the International Astronomical Union, when in 1928, the IAU partitioned the sky into the 88 modern star patterns that we use today. When you view the Dipper, you are actually looking at part of a much larger grouping of stars called the Ursa Major Moving Cluster. Only the two end stars of the Big Dipper are not included. Astronomers know that the inner five were born from the same nebular cloud because they all have a common motion in space. Look at the middle star in the Dipper's handle. That's Mizar. If your vision is 20/20 and you are viewing from a suburban locale, a fainter star, Alcor, should be visible just below and to its left. Mizar and Alcor are thought to be a true gravitationally bound double, separated by a distance of 1.1 light years or 6.5 trillion miles. Alcor has an invisible red dwarf companion orbiting it, but Mizar, through the eyepiece of a small telescope, splits into two stars of almost equal brightness, making it one of the easiest doubles to observe. Each of those luminaries in turn is a double, bringing the Mizar-Alcor system to six stars in all. www.astronomy.org

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For events, local info & much more!

Tax changes for 2013

Dollars And Sense

By David Uffington

Now that the 2012 tax season has wrapped up, it's time to take a look at the changes that have been made to income taxes for 2013.

--401(k): Individuals now can contribute up to \$17,500.

-Increased deduction for Social Security: For two years, taxpayers got a small reprieve when the deduction went from 6.2 percent down to 4.2 percent in a temporary tax cut. Now that additional 2 percent is back. Before too much more time goes by in 2013, be certain your calculations and deductions are correct.

If you had a child leave home and he or she is no longer a dependent, your overall figures will change. If you have multiple jobs, are getting married or divorced, buying a house, having a baby, or usually have a balance due or get a large refund, your tax situation will change and you might need to fill out a revised W-4 with

your employer.

- If you're in a high-income bracket (\$400,000 single or \$450,000 married filing jointly), your taxes are going up from 35 percent to 39.6 percent.

- Mileage rates have changed: Use of a car for business is now 56.5 cents per mile, medical miles are now 24 cents per mile and driving for charitable organizations stays the same at 14 cents per mile.

- Section 179: For assets acquired in 2013, the deduction is up to \$500,000.

- Home-office deduction: If you're self-employed, the home-office deduction changes for 2013 will impact you. In the past, taxpayers have had one choice in claiming the deduction: Do multiple calculations involving mortgage interest, utilities, property taxes paid, square feet of space used, insurance and so on. Now, beginning in 2013 and reportable in 2014, there is a simplified version.

All that will be required

now is to multiply the square footage used for business times \$5 per square foot, up to a maximum of 300 square feet. That space must still be used strictly for business -- regular and exclusive use, and as your principal place of business. The total of Schedule A home-related deductions will go on the Schedule A and not be divided with the home office deduction.

Additionally, there won't be any depreciation or recapture when you sell your home down the road. Consult the IRS website (www.irs.gov) for Home Office Deduction and navigate to the section about the changes for 2013.

Make any necessary adjustments now so you don't get caught short next April.

(*David Uffington regrets that he cannot personally answer reader questions, but will incorporate them into his column whenever possible. Send email to columnreply2@gmail.com.*)

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Furniture polish

Collecting

By Larry Cox

Q: I have several older pieces of furniture in my home. They are mostly darker woods. Can you recommend a good polish? I just moved to a dry region and am afraid the pieces might begin cracking. -- Art, Palm Desert, Calif.

A: My grandmother made her own furniture polish, and I recommend it highly -- if you can tolerate the turpentine smell. For her polish, take 1 cup of boiled linseed oil (which is how you buy it at the hardware store), add one cup of gum turpentine and one half cup of white vinegar. Shake well. Use liberally on your furniture, wipe clean, repeat. After several weeks of using this polish, you will discover a nice, protective coat.

Q: I have a set of "Anheuser Busch Budweiser Girls," which are limited to 1,500 sets. I have No. 144. Each

piece is hand-colored and finished. Can you give me a value for this set? -- Jean, Decatur, Ill.

A: I assume these are the "Budweiser Girls" steins. If so, I found three of the steins on eBay for about \$15 each. The complete set would be worth more. Incidentally, the first "Budweiser Girl" was introduced in 1883. The practice of using beautiful women to promote its beer has continued to this day.

Q: I have a ceramic Staffordshire dog figurine. The label on the bottom claims it is circa 1880. I would like an estimate of how much it is worth -- a formal appraisal is not required. -- Bill, Albuquerque, N.M.

A: I am not an appraiser and not qualified to provide you with this service. Since you live in Albuquerque, I suggest you hire the services of a good certified appraiser. There are generally two types

of appraisals, verbal and written. The verbal appraisal is less expensive.

Q: I recently inherited a set of sterling flatware. It is the Bridal Rose pattern by Alvin. Can you tell me when it was made? -- Susan, Sun City, Ariz.

A: Your flatware was made in 1903. It was one of the company's most ornate patterns. Prices include dinner fork, \$150; gravy ladle, \$280; teaspoon, \$150; and salad fork, \$170.

Write to Larry Cox in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mail to questionsforcox@aol.com. Due to the large volume of mail he receives, Mr. Cox is unable to personally answer all reader questions. Do not send any materials requiring return mail.

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Paint like a pro

By Samantha Mazzotta

Q: Hi, first-time painter here. My dad offered some advice to my roommate and I on painting our apartment, such as putting down dropcloths and stirring the paint really well. Is there any other key information we need so we do a good job? The landlord won't be happy if we mess it up! -- Keri C., Tallahassee, Fla.

A: Preparation is the biggest part of painting. It can be maddening getting everything ready to paint, but if you do it right, putting down each coat is really satisfying. You'll doubtless hear much more advice from friends and relatives on how to do the best job, but here are some key points:

- Get clearance from the landlord or building management before painting. Just as importantly, pay attention to and follow any specific in-

structions, such as which colors to use.

- Prepare the room(s): Remove as much furniture and stuff as possible. Move what remains to the center of the room and cover with dropcloths or old sheets. Cover the floor or carpets with overlapping dropcloths.

- Prepare the walls: Take down pictures and carefully remove nails and screws; fill the small holes with spackling compound and let dry for 24 hours before sanding smooth.

- Remove cover plates from wall switches and outlets; cover window and door hardware with plastic or remove the hardware (if it's easy to put back on). Cover light fixtures with plastic shopping bags and secure with masking tape.

- Brush away loose plaster, cobwebs, dirt and peeling paint. Sand bumpy areas

smooth using fine-grit sandpaper. Wash the walls with a sponge dampened in a light soap-and-water mix or wall-cleaning product, and let dry.

- Use blue painter's tape (which is less sticky than masking tape) to mask off window and door trim, and other areas where you don't want paint to go.

- Assemble all the stuff you need to paint: Not just an assortment of brushes and rollers, but paint trays, stirring sticks (usually available free with paint purchase) and old rags or towels for cleanup.

- Save money not by picking the cheapest paint, but by purchasing the exact amount you need. How to do that? Measure the square footage of each wall (length times height) and total the numbers.

- Use primer if you don't know what type of paint is currently on the walls, or if

Clinical trials for

Alzheimer's

Veterans Post

By Freddy Groves

If you're a Vietnam veteran, the Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study might need your help. It's been doing a clinical trial about Alzheimer's disease in Vietnam veterans who have traumatic brain injury (TBI) or post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), with or without any symptoms of Alzheimer's.

The purpose of the study is to learn how previous injuries affect veterans as they age, which will add to the information needed to help those injured in Afghanistan and Iraq. Researchers will be able to identify veterans who are at increased risk for Alzheimer's disease, and create preventive treatments. It sounds very worthwhile.

The study, called Brain Aging in Vietnam War Veterans by the Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative, will take place at ADNI locations at 19 universities and research centers in 11 states.

During the clinical trial, researchers will study changes in the brain scans, cognitive tests and cerebrospinal fluid. Three separate groups will be studied: Vietnam veterans with TBI but without PTSD, and hav-

ing mild cognitive impairment; Vietnam veterans with PTSD but no TBI or cognitive impairment; and control-group Vietnam veterans with no TBI or PTSD who are comparable in age.

Basic criteria:

- Men and women 50 to 90 years of age.
- Must live within 150 miles of testing site.
- If receiving VA disability payments, they must be for something other than TBI or PTSD, or no disability at all.
- There are specific criteria for TBI and PTSD, as well as medical condition exclusions, so refer to the information at www.clinical-trials.gov (see trial identifier NCT01687153).

For more information, you can send e-mail to Jacqueline.Hayes@va.gov, or call (415) 221-4810, extension 4593. To find out more about eligibility criteria and locations, call (800) 438-4380.

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Now Here's a tip

By JoAnn Derson

- To ripen a green tomato, wrap it in a sheet of newspaper or place it in a paper bag. It can then be left on the counter for several days to ripen.

- To keep ice crystals from forming on the top of your quart of ice cream, just cut a square of plastic wrap and push it down onto the surface of the ice cream each time you scoop a bowlful out. It peels off easily when you're

ready for another helping, but there's no ice! It works for me!" -- T.D. in Nebraska

- White vinegar will clean fruit or food-coloring stains from your hands -- and most other places, too!

- F.J. of Texas writes: "Keep a fresh roll of unscented toilet tissue in the kitchen to clean up the stove and countertop. It works well because of its absorbency, and it saves money on expensive paper towels."

- "If you add a teaspoon of sugar to your biscuit mix or to the dough for rolls, it will help them to brown well and they will come out of the oven with golden tops." -- Jan R. of Michigan

- "You can get five or six more uses out of a pump-top lotion bottle if you cut off the top to access the lotion inside that doesn't come out of the pump once the level is too low. You'd be surprised how much is still in there!"

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Super Crossword

Answers



Home Tip: To prevent tracking paint out of an area, wear a pair of old shoes while painting; step out of them and into clean shoes at the edge of the paint area when leaving.

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TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Who was Time magazine's first Man of the Year in 1927?
- 2. MOVIES:** Who was the male star in the film "Risky Business"?
- 3. LITERATURE:** In which novel does the character of Pip appear?
- 4. LANGUAGE:** What is the full name of the group known as OAS?
- 5. TELEVISION:** What was the name of the Dukes' car on the show "The Dukes of Hazzard"?
- 6. HOLIDAYS:** What did Veterans Day in the United States used to be called?
- 7. MEDICINE:** Dr. William Harvey is famous for what medical discovery?
- 8. AUTOMOBILES:** Who set up the first auto manufacturing company in the United States?
- 9. PERSONALITIES:** What is TV chef Emeril's last name?
- 10. MUSIC:** Which Billy Joel song contains the following line: "It's nine o'clock on a Saturday. The regular crowd shuffles in"?

Answers: 1. Charles Lindbergh; 2. Tom Cruise; 3. "Great Expectations"; 4. Organization of American States; 5. The General Lee; 6. Armistice Day; 7. Circulation of blood; 8. Charles and Frank Duryea; 9. Lagasse; 10. "Piano Man". (c) 2013 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword**SQUARE SHARE**

ACROSS	52 — nova (dance)	107 Former name of "PBS NewsHour,"	9 Cousin of crazy eights	55 Uttered appendages	93 Port in Papua New Guinea								
1 Non-PC computers	53 It recalls recent things	111 Writer Émile	10 Tailless meower	56 Some rodent	94 Verb ending								
5 Refuge	61 Fast Internet svc.	113 — Tse-tung	11 Genus of meowing mammals	57 Ear warmer	in the Bible								
11 Much more desirable	62 Subtle glows	114 12- to 14-year-old Girl Scout	12 Nibbled on	58 First-aid pro	59 Might								
20 Kauai, e.g. Easton	63 "Harold & — Go to White Castle" (2004 comedy)	115 Webster's lexicon first published in 1951	13 VCR brand	60 Tailless ape, for short	95 Sun. church oration								
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22 Additional unspecified things	66 Writer Wister	1951	15 Sewing cases	64 Dash gauge	98 Arousing intense feeling								
23 Speller's clarification	70 Strip of wood	122 Hoarfrost	16 12th grader, e.g.	65 Go for — (drive briefly)	99 Actress Natalie								
24 Mets' division	71 Sprint race	123 French novelist	17 Mine haulage tracks	67 Lush	100 Lustrous cloths								
26 Clock's ancestor	74 Cry "Uncle!"	75 Sentry's cry	18 1930s-'40s serial radio comedy	68 In a tie	104 With 39-								
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29 "— humble opinion ..."	78 Hash house	78 Skater Lysacek	25 Baba	72 Bit of cheer?	73 "True —!"								
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41 Greek letter X	89 11th mo.	128 Forest lairs	34 Frozen	83 Weep noisily	83 Yearn								
42 "The Hangover" co-star Galifianakis	90 Uncontrived illustrations	129 Poisons vapors	35 Resistance units	84 Persian Gulf borderer	84 N.Y. Giants' gp.								
43 Rushlike plants	96 Arm muscle	2 Relieve	36 Itty-bitty bite	85 Scoreless tie	85 Internet giggle								
45 20-hour-week worker, e.g.	101 Circle bits	3 Sounded like bumping glasses	38 Mets' former ballpark	86 The Pogues frontman	86 Shane								
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51 Soapy water	103 Writer Joyce Carol —	5 Hit — (get hung up)	44 Spot	88 Yoked pair	88 Particular mag. printing								
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		8 Luau favor	48 2.2 in a kg		101 Meth- or prop- ending								
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			53 Kimono tie										
			54 Oahu dance										
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MOMENTS IN TIME**The History Channel**

- On May 1, 1926, Ford Motor Company becomes one of the first companies in America to adopt a five-day, 40-hour week. In early 1914, Ford had announced it would pay workers a minimum wage of \$5 per eight-hour day, upped from a previous rate of \$2.34 for nine hours.

- On April 30, 1939, the New York World's Fair opens in New York City on a 1,200-acre site at Flushing Meadow Park in Queens. Among the new technology exhibited was FM radio, robotics, fluorescent lighting and a crude fax machine.

- On May 3, 1946, in Tokyo, the International Military Tribunals begins hearing the case against 28 Japanese military and government officials accused of committing war crimes during World War II. The trial ended with 25 of 28 Japanese defendants being found guilty. Of the three other defendants, two had died during the trial, and one was declared insane.

- On May 5, 1955, the Federal Republic of Germany (West Germany) becomes a sovereign state when the United States, France and Great Britain end their military occupation, which had begun in 1945. With this action, West Germany was given the right to rearm and become a full-fledged member of the western alliance against the Soviet Union.

- On May 2, 1964, an explosion of a charge assumed to have been placed by Viet Cong terrorists sinks the USNS Card at its dock in Saigon. No one was injured and the ship was eventually raised and repaired. The Card had arrived in Saigon two days earlier.

- On May 4, 1970, at Kent State University in Ohio, students protesting the Vietnam War torch the ROTC building on campus, and Ohio Gov. James Rhodes called in the National Guard to restore order. The Guardsmen fired into the crowd, killing four and wounding 11. They were later brought to trial for the shootings, but found not guilty.

- On April 29, 1986, in a game against the Seattle Mariners at Fenway Park, Roger Clemens of the Boston Red Sox becomes the first pitcher in Major League Baseball to strike out 20 batters in a nine-inning game. Ten years later, Clemens repeated the feat.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE**by Samantha Weaver**

- It was beloved American humorist Will Rogers who made the following sage observation: "Everything is funny as long as it's happening to somebody else."

- In 1952, in an otherwise rather uninteresting hockey game, Bill Mosienko, right wing for the Chicago Black Hawks, scored an amazing three goals against the New York Rangers in 21 seconds.

- You probably know that the phrase "rack your brain" means to think hard, but did you ever wonder where the term originated? The rack being referred to is the medieval torture device on which victims were stretched, sometimes until limbs were dislocated. The idea is that when you're thinking very hard, you're undergoing a sort of mental torture.

- The venerable diner saw its peak as a place for a casual meal in the late 1940s, when there were around 7,000 of them across the country. Today there are only about 2,000.

- A fully mature oak tree gives off 7 tons of water every day through its leaves.

- Farmers in Turkey marched on both the American and Soviet embassies in 1967, demanding reparations for crops that they lost to floods. Why were the Americans and Soviets to blame for floods in Turkey? The farmers claimed that the flights of spacecraft created "holes in the sky."

- The idea for the Tooth Fairy seems to have originated in Germany, but the tradition has changed over the years. Instead of putting the tooth under a pillow, Germans used to put the tooth in a rat hole in the hope that the new tooth would grow in to be as strong as the teeth of the rat.

Thought for the Day: "I must say I find television very educational. The minute somebody turns it on, I go into the library and read a good book." -- Groucho Marx
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by Linda Thistle

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GREENBUSH TWP. MINUTES

Greenbush Township Supervisor Ed Roddy called the meeting to order on Tuesday, April 9 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. One guest was present who joined in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call was taken. Present: Supervisor Ed Roddy, clerk David Dailey, treasurer Pat Dailey, trustee Sally Olin and trustee Gary Abraham. Motion Dailey/Dailey: To approve the agenda as amended to adjust seawall to miscellaneous reports instead of pending business. All ayes, motion passed. Minutes: Wait to adjust until clean-up is talked about. Financial report: ACCOA \$140, interest \$.73, restitution \$50, state revenue share \$17,748, fire fund \$54,701.64, general fund balance \$123,672.32, road fund \$164,062.55, fire fund \$102,944.39. Motion Dailey/Olin: To accept the financial report and place on file for audit. All ayes, motion carried. Presentation of bills: Switching payroll and discussed why multiple checks for some people, presented check numbers 14831-14880 for \$19,5591.98. Motion Dailey/Olin: To approve the bills as presented. All ayes, motion carried. Miscellaneous reports: Jim Rudel here to talk about the bid for the seawall, explained the different gauge walls and how that will affect the price, may also use wood that could last 25-30 years with maintenance to cap after approximately 15 years wood \$60 per foot instead of \$80, less maintenance for the steel. Olin questioned payment, explained. Motion Olin/Dailey: To approve installing approximately 151 feet of steel seawall using either seven gauge, eight gauge or galvanized steel. All ayes, motion carried. County commissioner Brummund: Region 3 discussed, Homeland Security grant and accepted AuSable Valley Emergency Management Services as agent and advisor for grants 2011-2012 and will not report until significant change, LAPC short report, 211 report, WAZB 15,500 foot addition pending, Sunrise family unit up and running, May 11 Alcona County Wide Clean-up, equalization report draft submitted, talked of the concerns of Barlow Road and how it is

HARRISVILLE TWP. MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held April 9 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and seven guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." From the floor: Pastor Ernie Ruemenapp, Faith Heritage Baptist Church, approached the board asking for a waiver of the fee for the application to the board of appeals. Pyne/Young: To waive the fee. Motion carried. Lawrence Brozowski expressed his desire to serve the township as a member of the planning commission. Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report accepted and reconciled with the clerk's office. Commissioner Thompson updated the meeting at the county level. Planning commission reported that at its last meeting the decision on the sign on M-72 was tied at three to three. Next step board of appeals. Pyne/Young: To appoint Chad

Spitznagel temporary ordinance enforcer and liquor inspector. Motion carried.

Johnston/Young: To renew three annual items as follows: To continue with David Cook P.C. as the Harrisville Township attorney for fiscal year 2013-2014; to continue with Huron Community Bank as Harrisville Township's primary depository; the township monthly board meetings will continue to be the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Motions carried.

The board, on behalf of the township, would like to express its appreciation for Ron Beyer's faithfulness to his duties as ordinance enforcer, liquor inspector and planning commission member. He will be sorely missed. Young/Johnston: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Roger D. Jamieson,
Township Clerk

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shared with Greenbush and Mi-kado, 911 radio problems are not just Greenbush it is the whole coastal area.

Fire chief Franks: Zero fire calls, six first responder calls, training done last weekend, new air packs will be ready by the end of the month, had to replace sink, faucets and toilets. Zoning Administrator Major: One complaint, one permit, three violation notices, revisited everyone and must talk to attorney Cook again. Holmes - 2705 Poor Farm Road is not responding like they have been asked. Supervisor Roddy: One request for hall rental. Assessor Schwickerert: Finished the March board of review, four tribunal claims in Greenbush, industrial facility paperwork is out and waiting on Lansing answer. G.R.A.C.: Seawall discussion done, parks look good after winter.

Planning commission first meeting May 2, chairman election on agenda. Constable Parent: No problems, Red Rooster closed, Lakewood Shores will be opening this weekend. Correspondence: Supervisor Roddy - invite to MTA on the Road in May in Tawas. Clerk Dailey - reminder MTA chapter meeting is being hosted by Greenbush Township, April 31 at 7 p.m. at Greenbush Township Hall. Miscellaneous: None.

Pending business: Sage Tax Abatement update done. Update on IRS situation: IRS sent a letter with requirements that have to be done back to 2006. Access to the W-2, W-3, 1028 information was granted by clerk Dailey but was not correct, no action can be taken until he receives the correct access. What the CPA did will not help the situation but only make worse according to IRS.

Budget amendment 2012-2013.3 - \$15,903.81 to the good. Motion Dailey/Olin: To adopt the budget amendment 2012-2013.3 as presented by clerk Dailey. All ayes, motion carried. Discuss seawall, done previously. Trash clean-up date and bids, trash day date printed in minutes was in error. It will be May 4 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Motion Olin/Dailey: To approve the county wide clean-up trash day to be May 4 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Looked at bids from Travis Sanitation and Sunrise Disposal. Motion Dailey/Olin: To approve Travis Sanitation to handle the

2013 township clean-up. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion Dailey/Olin: To accept the minutes as amended. All ayes, motion carried. Update on IRS: Done. Update on pension plan: Still trying to get into contact with the correct person. Update on F-65: Did receive money back for the finished and submitted paperwork. Update on grounds maintenance bids: Six replies but no bids yet, discussed what needs attention after the winter. Road commission - Jesse Campbell: Cedar Lake Road currently in Alcona County is considered an urban collector for state grant monies but may be changed to rural because of the last census, will report at next meeting with outcome of his meeting on April 10; Coville Road - 7,900 feet needs to be looked at for single seal coating; Barlow Road may have to be shut down to heavy loads due to deep frost this year; Timberlakes Estates roads discussion but what has been done is all that their board approved in past fiscal years.

No new business. From the floor: Major: Is Travis Sanitation available on May 4? Clerk Dailey will be checking April 10; much discussion about the problems with the IRS and clerk Dailey's responsibility and compensation to fix past problems; Brummund: questioned G.R.A.C. for painters check with trustees; volunteers time to help clerk Dailey, much discussion. Parent: Discussion over insurance bond to cover the expense of reconciling mission information.

Motion Dailey/Dailey: To adjourn at 9 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

David W. Dailey

Greenbush Township Clerk
Note: Published prior to board approval. Next regular scheduled meeting Tuesday, May 14 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbush Township hall.

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary Elizabeth Edwards, original mortgagor(s), to Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, a subsidiary of Lehman Brothers Bank, FSB, mortgagee, dated February 13, 2004, and recorded on September 27, 2005 in Liber 423 on Page 735, and assigned by said mortgagee to OneWest 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 three hundred one thousand three hundred one and 94/100 dollars (\$301,301.94).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the

place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County at 10 a.m. on April 24, 2013.

Said premises are situated in township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 451 of Huron-Cedar Lakes Subdivision No. 3, according to the recorded Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 page 104 of plats, 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. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: March 27, 2013

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The mortgage is dated February 4, 2011 and was recorded on February 8, 2011 Liber 476 on pages 932 to 938 of the Alcona County records. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now one hundred twenty-two thousand seven hundred eighty-nine and 48/100 (\$122,789.48) dollars. The mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on May 1, 2013 at 10 a.m., local time, at the west entrance

to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Mich. which is the location of the Alcona County circuit court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, including interest at the rate of 4.25 percent per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in Hawes Township, Alcona County, Michigan and is more specifically described in the mortgage as: Parcel 5 per certificate of survey, Northeast Land Surveys, Job No. B060167-312708 dated January 4, 2007 described as: Part of the west 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 31, Township 27 North, Range 8 East, described as: Commencing at the west 1/4 corner of Section 31, Township 27 North, Range 8 East; thence south 03°10'00" west along the west line of said section and Hubbard Lake Road 1,479.71 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 86°44'28" east 1,171.24 feet; thence south 03°39'20" west along the east line of west 1/2 of southwest 1/4, 372.46 feet; thence north 86°44'28" west, 1,168.06 feet; thence north 03°10'00" east along said west line and Hubbard Lake Road 372.45 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period will expire thirty (30) days from the date of the sale unless a notice is received pursuant to MCL 600.3241a(c) in which case the redemption period will expire six (6) months from the date of the sale. Please be advised that under MCL 600.3278, if the property is actually sold at a foreclosure sale pursuant to the procedures provided in MCL 600.3200 et seq., as is currently anticipated by this notice of mortgage date, then in such event, the borrower will be responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: March 20, 2013
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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by That Place, Inc. and Douglas D. Henry and Cheryl L. Henry, husband and wife, mortgagor, and Citizens First Savings Bank, mortgagee, dated July 22, 2005, and recorded August 26, 2005, in Liber 422, page 394, Alcona County records, which mortgage has been assigned and is now held by Talmer Bank and Trust, a Michigan banking corporation, whose address is 2301 W. Big Beaver Road, Ste. 500, Troy, Michigan 48084, pursuant to assignment of mortgage dated January 11, 2013, and recorded on January 18, 2013, in Liber 494, page 1,164, Alcona County records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of February 27, 2013 the sum of one million six hundred five thousand nine hundred sixty nine dollars and 14/100 (\$1,605,969.14), including interest at 6 percent per annum.

The Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems (MERS) is not a foreclosing party. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan, at 10 o'clock a.m., local time, on Wednesday, April 17, 2013.

Said premises are situated in the township of Mitchell, Alcona County, Michigan, and described as: Parcel 7: Land being a part of Section 31, Township 28 North, Range 5 East, described as: Commencing at the south one-quarter corner thence north 00 degrees 21 minutes 15 seconds east 2,656.40 feet along the north-south one-quarter line; thence north 89 degrees 14 minutes 54 seconds east 100 feet; thence north 00 degrees 21 minutes 15 seconds east 425.98 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 00 degrees 21 minutes 15 seconds east 180 feet; thence south 88 degrees 52 minutes 04 seconds west 100 feet; thence south 48 degrees 48 minutes 35 seconds west 2,650.21 feet to a meander line of the shore of McCollum Lake; thence continuing south 48 degrees 48 minutes 35 seconds west 742.26 feet beneath McCollum Lake; thence south 67 degrees 57 minutes 57 seconds east 135.00 feet beneath McCollum Lake; thence north 49 degrees 03 minutes 46 seconds east 665.74 feet beneath McCollum Lake to meander line of the shore of McCollum Lake; 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Wednesday, April 17, 2013.
Said premises are situated in the township of Mitchell, Alcona County and township of Clinton, Oscoda County, Michigan, and described as: See legal description attached. Commonly known as Vacant Lane off of Dollar Dr., McCollum Lake area **Tax ID No.: 112-031-200-010-21**

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale.
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Troy, Mich. 48084
Kus, Ryan & Associates, PLLC
Michael J. Ryan, Esq.
Attorney for Mortgagee
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Legal description: That part of the described property located in Alcona County: Parcel 3: Commencing at the corner common to Sections 30 and 31, Township 28 North, Range 5 East, Mitchell Township, Alcona County, Michigan and Sections 25 and 36, Township 28 North, Range 4 East, Clinton Township, Oscoda County, Michigan; thence north 87 degrees 32 minutes 52 seconds east along the north line of said Section 31, 12.48 feet; thence along the centerline of McCollum Lake Road so-called in the following two (2) courses; thence south 33 degrees 20 minutes 15 seconds west, 631.00 feet; thence 220.32 feet along a 1,432.39 foot radius tangent curve concave southeasterly, through a central angle of 08 degrees 48 minutes 46 seconds and a chord bearing and distance of south 28 degrees 55 minutes 52 seconds west, 220.10 feet; thence south 43 degrees 00 minutes 48 seconds east, 442.40 feet to the beginning; thence continuing south 43 degrees 00 minutes 46 seconds east along said line, 588.69 feet thence south 41 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds west, 243.28 feet; thence north 46 degrees 15 minutes 50 seconds west, 400.00 feet; thence north 08 degrees 17 minutes 04 seconds east, 339.42 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel being a part of the northeast one-quarter of said Section 36 and part of the northwest one-quarter of said Section 31, having and granting rights for ingress-egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities over a 66 foot wide easement described as commencing at the corner common to Sections 30 and 31, Town-

ship 28 North, Range 5 East, and Sections 25 and 36, Township 28 North, Range 4 East, thence north 87 degrees 32 minutes 52 seconds east along the north line of said Section 31, 12.48 feet; thence south 33 degrees 20 minutes 15 seconds west along the centerline of McCollum Lake Road so-called, 530.00 feet; thence south 40 degrees 23 minutes 13 seconds east, 997.95 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing south 43 degrees 00 minutes 46 seconds east along said line, 66.29 feet; thence south 41 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds west, 175.35 feet; thence south 46 degrees 15 minutes 50 seconds east, 204.59 feet; thence south 53 degrees 06 minutes 12 seconds west, 53.37 feet; thence south 67 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds west, 173.83 feet; thence south 82 degrees 52 minutes 43 seconds west, 106.07 feet; thence along the centerline of Dollar Lake Road so-called in the following two (2) courses; thence north 12 degrees 06 minutes 14 seconds west, 33.13 feet; thence north 21 degrees 54 minutes 40 seconds west, 34.13 feet; thence north 82 degrees 52 minutes 43 seconds east, 108.74 feet; thence north 67 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds east, 121.31 feet; thence north 46 degrees 15 minutes 50 seconds west, 181.50 feet; thence north 41 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds east, 245.16 feet to the point of beginning. Parcel 4: Commencing at the corner common to Sections 30 and 31, Township 28 North, Range 5 East, Mitchell Township, Alcona County, Michigan and Sections 25 and 36, Township 28 North, Range 4 East, Clinton Township, Oscoda County; thence north 87 degrees 32 minutes 52 seconds east along the north line of said Section 31, 12.48 feet; thence south 33 degrees 20 minutes 15 seconds west along the centerline of McCollum Lake Road so-called, 530.00 feet; thence south 40 degrees 23 minutes 13 seconds east, 500.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing south 40 degrees 23 minutes 13 seconds east along said line, 600.00 feet; thence south 41 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds west, 258.16 feet; thence north 43 degrees 00 minutes 46 seconds west, 588.69 feet; thence north 39 degrees 58 minutes 38 seconds east, 286.65 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the northeast one-quarter of said Section 36 and part of the northwest one-quarter of said Section 31, having and granting rights for ingress-egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities over a 66 foot wide easement described as commencing at the corner common to Sections 30 and 31, Township 28 North, Range 5 East, and Sections 25 and 36, Township 28 North, Range 4 East; thence north 87 degrees 32 minutes 62 seconds east along the north line of said Section 31, 12.48 feet; thence south 33 degrees 20 minutes 15 seconds west along the centerline of McCollum Lake Road so-called, 530.00 feet; thence south 40 degrees 23 minutes 13 seconds east, 997.95 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing south 43 degrees 00 minutes 46 seconds east along said line, 66.29 feet; thence south 41 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds west, 175.35 feet; thence south 46 degrees 15 minutes 50 seconds east, 204.59 feet; thence south 53 degrees 06 minutes 12 seconds west, 53.37 feet; thence south 67 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds west, 173.83 feet; thence south 82 degrees 52 minutes 43 seconds west, 106.07 feet; thence along the centerline of Dollar Lake Road so-called in the following two (2) courses; thence north 12 degrees 06 minutes 14 seconds west, 33.13 feet; thence north 21 degrees 54 minutes 40 seconds west, 34.13 feet; thence north 82 degrees 52 minutes 43 seconds east, 108.74 feet; thence north 67 degrees 28 minutes 34 seconds east, 121.31 feet; thence north 46 degrees 15 minutes 50 seconds west, 181.50 feet; thence north 41 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds east, 245.16 feet to the point of beginning.

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the described property located in Alcona County: Commencing at the south one-quarter corner of Section 31, Township 28 North, Range 5 East, thence north 00 degrees 29 minutes 17 seconds east,

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP

Also in attendance Nancy Beck, zoning administer and three citizens. Motion to approve the agenda. Motion to approve the minutes of March 13. Correspondence: Receipt of check from Consumers Incentive program, MTA Spring Regional meeting. Motion to pay the bills. Motion to place treasurer's report on file. Planning commission: Reviewed ordinance materials, received revised zoning map from Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, draft for revised and updated ordinance should be ready soon. In May they will schedule the public hearing date for the updated ordinance book.

Zoning administrator report: Burke clean-

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along the north-south one-quarter line of said section, 3,270.23 feet (recorded as 3,261.71 feet); thence south 89 degrees 00 minutes 06 seconds west 215.00 feet; thence south 48 degrees 30 minutes 50 seconds west 2,101.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 18 degrees 16 minutes 22 seconds east along the centerline of a 66 foot wide easement for ingress-egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities 66.49 feet; thence south 48 degrees 42 minutes 46 seconds west 360.72 feet to a point on the meander line on the shore of McCollum Lake so-called; thence along the bottom of said McCollum Lake in the following three (3) courses; thence south 50 degrees 26 minutes 50 seconds west, 781.33 feet; thence north 67 degrees 49 minutes 55 seconds west, 90.00 feet; thence north 51 degrees 48 minutes 21 seconds east, 821.16 feet to a point on the meander line on the shore of said McCollum Lake (recorded as 822.13 feet); thence north 48 degrees 30 minutes 50 seconds east, 387.95 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel being a part of Government Lot 1 of said Section 31 and part of the southeast one-quarter of Section 36 Township 28 North, Range 4 East, commonly known as: Vacant Land off of Dollar Dr., McCollum Lake area.

Tax ID No.: 112-031-200-035-02.
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CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The regular Caledonia Township Board meeting on April 10 was called to order by Supervisor Ott with pledge to the flag at 7 p.m. Board members present: Ott, Thornton, Timm, Scott and Hubbard. Also in attendance Nancy Beck, zoning administrator and three citizens. Motion to approve the agenda. Motion to approve

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Helen Timm, Clerk

Research values Great Lakes wetlands to blunt climate change

By Matthew Cimittile

Capital News Service

Long valued for biological diversity and flood control, Great Lakes coastal wetlands are now seen as a tool to suck up and store excess carbon dioxide.

It's an important function as researchers seek to blunt climate change caused by that greenhouse gas.

There are more than 535,000 acres of coastal wetlands in the Great Lakes basin, according to the Great Lakes Coastal Wetlands Consortium. Nutrients, water and light flowing through these systems fuel a tremendous amount of photosynthesis, a process that absorbs carbon dioxide to produce energy for plant growth, said Donald Uzarski, director of the Institute of Great Lakes Research at Central Michigan University.

Once absorbed, wetlands can store that carbon in soils for centuries, even thousands of years. "Wetlands are at the

top of the list of best systems for sequestering carbon on the landscape," said William Mitsch, a professor emeritus at Ohio State University and director of the Everglades Wetland Research Park at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Carbon sequestration is a natural process where wetlands and other ecosystems capture and store carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.

"The major benefit of wetlands over other environments is that they provide a long term solution for carbon storage where it is kept in the muck of the soil," said Mitsch, who studies wetlands around Lake Erie. "Trees above ground retain carbon for a shorter time in comparison."

Understanding how much carbon dioxide wetlands capture could help focus policy on preserving them to combat climate change.

Wetlands also emit greenhouse gases of their own, most notably methane, which

is 25 times more potent than carbon dioxide in terms of its warming effect. But Mitsch says because of how long wetlands can retain carbon, in the long run they act as sinks rather than sources of greenhouse gases.

"Their capability for sequestering carbon and especially storing it for long durations needs to be better recognized," Mitsch said.

Nationally, the U.S. Geological Survey is studying how well all ecosystems store carbon to counterbalance emissions from burning fossil fuels. This congressionally mandated assessment has produced reports on ecosystems in the Great Plains and western U.S. The latter report concludes that wetlands have the highest carbon capture rate of all ecosystems.

A final report due later this year will assess ecosystem sequestration rates throughout the eastern U.S., including the many coastal wetlands in the Great Lakes.



A wooded swamp in Michigan. Photo courtesy of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

The studies can help target protection and restoration efforts, said Kristin Bird, a physical scientist at the U.S. Geological Survey in California. "At a regional level, it can provide resource managers the ability to prioritize land in parks and forests for climate change mitigation."

Seeing coastal wetlands as a beneficial tool for society

would reflect a change in attitude because they were long regarded as mosquito-infested nuisances or as an obstruction to lake views. Typically they were dredged and filled, and Central Michigan's Uzarski said that in the Great Lakes, nearly half of coastal wetlands were destroyed in little more than a century for agriculture and development.

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