



Bob Schrade and his team of draft horses compete in the horse pull during the Alcona County Fair last week. For more photos of the fair, see the B Section. *Courtesy photo by Jim Lewis.*



Kelvin Travis, 6, of Lincoln enjoys a ride with his little sister, Gracie, 2. Addison Dumas, 5, of Lincoln is behind them in her own horse cart. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

Former student is new FFA advisor

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

What began as a teenager's passion with the Alcona High School FFA program, has flourished into a new career at the same school.

Helen-Ann Prince is delighted to have been named the new FFA advisor for the school and is well prepared for the challenge. Prince, who grew up in Alcona County and graduated from Alcona High School, has not been a stranger to the school or the community.

Last year she was a volunteer education coordinator for Huron Pines AmeriCorps and was based at the school where many students saw her on a near daily basis and called her Helen-Ann. This year students will be addressing her as Miss Prince while she is acting in the advisory capacity. The new use of a formal name will be something stu-

dents and Prince are trying to get used to.

Prince served the Great Lake Stewardship Initiative well in her duties as an AmeriCorps volunteer last year. She was also extremely instrumental during the season as a FFA Alumni member who worked to help rekindle the almost nonexistent alumni membership from 16 to nearly 50 members.

Prince began her appointment as FFA advisor in June after the departure of Brian Matchett. He vacated the dual position he held for 10 years as FFA advisor and agri-science instructor to begin a new career as the coordinator for the Institute of Agriculture Technology with Michigan State University.

Prince will oversee all aspects of the FFA program while instructor, Beth Read, will teach agri-science classes. Prince believes she



Helen-Ann Prince

is the first female FFA advisor at the school and is proud to follow in Matchett's footsteps.

She has been quite busy already in her part-time, year-round position as FFA advisor. She helped supervise and take kids to the Region 6 FFA Camp at Lost Lake Woods in

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Library offers new digital access to Alcona history

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Alcona County history just got a little easier to research with the help of the Alcona County Library's newest digital software.

Alcona Digital Historical Research software offers genealogists, family historians and research enthusiasts an easy way to search through Alcona County Review newspapers dating from 1877 through 2011. The program will also allow users to search photographs supplied by the Alcona Historical Society as well as historical documents the library had filed for years in vertical files.

In time the library plans to add more historical photos and articles from the Alcona County Herald. The \$5,700 software program was purchased with grant funds available through Northland Library Co-op.

With a click of a button on one of three computers at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library users will be able to view and search through documents in two ways -- either by decade or by name search -- through the entire data base. A search by name for instance will bring up a list of every newspaper which contains that name since 1877 and users can click on what paper they want, or they may take a more leisurely browse by decade, year, month and day to view past issues.

"It's a great tool and a great resource for researchers or anyone interested in browsing to see what was happening and when," library director Carol Luck said as she easily zipped from one search to another. Luck said it was fun to show off her "new baby" when speaking about the digital program.

"We had viewable papers on microfilm, but it's not used much and is the way of the past. It's difficult to find anyone who can transfer things to microfilm, so the practice of preserving to microfilm will be discontinued," Luck added.

One of the computers which will carry the software is located in the Harrisville branches' Michigan/genealogy room, the other two computers are located along the north wall of the library.

"We are hoping to have a computer with the same Alcona Digital program set up at the Lincoln branch before the end of the month," Luck said, "It's very exciting."

Luck noted some of the scanned documents from the old vertical files had yellowed

with age, so when scanned into the program they are a bit harder to read, however, with a click of the mouse, Luck was able to magnify the document enough to read almost every letter. She said overall, the material transferred from microfilm to the software will be easier to read because it has been digitally enhanced.

"We are trying to keep current with changing trends," Luck said, explaining not only the new program but also the remodeling inside the library and the new Michigan/genealogy room.

Luck was almost as proud of the new lighting installed in the room as she was of the new research software. "It's LED lighting and not only is it brighter than the old fluorescents, it's also cheaper to run. Look at how brighter the new room is compared to the other rooms in the library," Luck said as she pointed to another room which had old lighting and a much dimmer yellow fluorescent glow.

Plans are underway to eventually have the new LED lighting installed throughout the library.

The new Michigan/genealogy room also has a separate room within a room which is being used as a proctoring station. Last year the library proctored 40 tests, which online college and dually enrolled college/high school students used to take exams. This quiet room has a computer for the downloaded tests and a large window facing the circulation desk of the library so library personnel can view the student taking the exam without noise or interruption from normal library duties.

Luck said most of the students who are proctored at the Harrisville branch are

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Obituaries

Boyden I. MacDonald

Boyden Ivan MacDonald, 89, of Thornton, Colo., formerly of Lincoln, died on Saturday, Aug. 3, 2013.

He was born May 2, 1924 to Glenn D. MacDonald and Inez M. Roe in Spruce.

He graduated from Mio High School, Mio, Mich. and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II as a signalman.

On February 25, 1952 he married Roberta Jean Radford in Detroit, Mich.

Mr. MacDonald was a business owner in the west end of Duluth, Minn. prior to retirement and previously worked in sales and carpentry. He was a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He enjoyed playing golf and spending time with his family and grandchildren.

Mr. MacDonald is survived by his wife, Roberta MacDonald of Thornton, Colo.; two daughters, Darby L. Wilcox of Thornton, Colo. and Dawn R. MacDonald of Bloomington, Minn.; one son, Samuel S. MacDonald of Minnetonka, Minn.; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one step-sister, Doreen Schultz of Alpena; one former daughter-in-law, Cindy MacDonald; and one former son-in-law, Mark Weinberg.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Diane S. Middleton; and one brother, Glen MacDonald.

A memorial service will be held at a later date and interment will take place at Spruce Presbyterian Church Cemetery, 6230 Gillard Road, Spruce. Arrangements were handled by All Veterans Funeral & Cremation, Westminster, Colo. Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.

Marjorie A. Armstrong

Marjorie A. Armstrong, 73, of Lincoln died on Thursday, August 22, 2013 at Lincoln Haven Nursing Home.

She was born January 7, 1940 to John and Helen (Pinder) Sharboneau of Lincoln.

Mrs. Armstrong is survived by one son, Michael Armstrong of Jackson, Mich.; three daughters, Nancy Stoops of Harrisville, Rita Hartwig and Laura (Art) Thomas both of Lincoln; six grandchildren, Jason (Jennifer) Prince, Matthew Prince, Nathan Prince, Helen-Ann Prince, Bradford VanEffen and Lorenda Thomas; eight great-grandchildren; two brothers, Dale (Karen) Sharboneau and Keith (Darlene) Sharboneau; three sisters, Bertha Marshall, Dolores Schlicker and Dorthy Robere; and many nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held August 26 at Gillies Funeral Home. The Rev. Dr. Arie Van Brenk officiated. Interment was in Twin Lakes Cemetery, Lincoln.

Carole E. Ashley

Carole E. Ashley, 72, of South Branch, Mich. died on Friday, Aug. 16, 2013 at Cartwright Care Center, Saginaw, Mich.

She was born November 6, 1940 to Casimer R. and Theresa E. (Keehl) Sementkowski in Romulus Township, Mich.

On November 5, 1960 she married Edgar Leroy "Lee" Ashley in Romulus, Mich.

Mrs. Ashley is survived by her husband, Lee, of South Branch; two daughters; two sons; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A prayer service and interment will take place on Friday, Aug. 30 at 2:30 p.m. at Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Road, Holly, Mich. Arrangements were handled by the Temrowski Family Funeral Home.

Memorial Service

Paul Suhy Jr.

There will be a memorial service for Paul Suhy Jr. on Saturday, Aug. 31 at 1 p.m. at his home, 1550 Whippoorwill, Glennie. Mr. Suhy died July 31, 2013.

Letters to the Editor

Writing Letters to the Editor

The Alcona County Review welcomes Letters to the Editor so readers can express their opinion or draw attention to issues.

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Letters must address the editor -- not government, the community, organizations or the authors of previously published letters.

Letters should be no longer than 300 words. Inappropriate content will be deleted and letters will run on a space available basis.

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Drop off letters to the Alcona County Review office at 111 Lake Street, Harrisville; mail to P.O. Box 548, Harrisville, Mich. 48740; or e-mail using plain text format to editor@alconareview.com.

To the Editor,

Over 100 people attended Equalityfest in Harrisville on Saturday, Aug. 17, including Congressman Gary Peters, State Sen. Rebekah Warren and keynote speaker Mel White, who has appeared in the New York Times, the Washington Post and on 60 Minutes.

But the Alcona County

Review didn't report on this event that was so important to the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people of northeast Michigan.

Why not talk to the LGBT people who live in Alcona County and learn about the terrible discriminatory laws that exist in Michigan and let them share what it feels like

to live as second class citizens?

"Liberty and justice for all" is what we pledge to our flag. Hopefully, the Alcona County Review will remember that pledge and begin to pay attention to our LGBT community.

Wendy Peterson
Harrisville

To the Editor,

Last week on the opening day of the Alcona County Fair, the governor visited as part of his Pure Michigan tour. He came without prior announcement to the public, so the economic boost his visit might have given to concessions at the fair and the opportunity for people to let him know about their concerns didn't happen.

It's strange to me that the state would spend 25 million taxpayer dollars on the Pure Michigan campaign this year but not realize the potential economic value of his high profile visit.

I am also puzzled about why the governor refused to sign the petition I was circulating at the fair to put the issue of a ban on horizontal fracking for natural gas in Michigan on the ballot. I happened to be at the fair and offered the governor the opportunity to help us let the people decide if they think the new horizontal fracking is a safe process.

When I asked if he would sign, his reply was, "No." When I asked if he didn't think the people should get to decide, he said he, "liked it the way it is." Since this issue is at the heart of what

Pure Michigan, is all about, I was disappointed that he wasn't interested in hearing my concerns or letting the people decide if permanently polluting hundreds of millions of gallons of Pure Michigan water to make the toxic brine for horizontal fracking makes economic or environmental sense to them.

The chemicals used in this process have been exempted from the Federal Clean Air and Clean Drinking Water standards. How can this be safe for the waters of Pure Michigan?

Patty Thomas
Harrisville

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2012-2013

Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	Aug. 18	75		57	0.00	3.9
Aug. 19	81	57	0.00	3.2	24	W
Aug. 20	84	60	0.00	3.0	16	SW
Aug. 21	88	63	0.00	3.9	24	WSW
Aug. 22	80	64	0.00	2.5	19	NNE
Aug. 23	71	55	0.00	3.5	12	ENE
Aug. 24	75	53	0.00	4.7	16	ENE

Precipitation Summary (Inches)		2012-2013	
	2013	2012	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.00	0.00	0.77
August to Date	0.50	2.61	2.73
Year to Date	21.65	15.93	18.59

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, AUGUST 28

Drop in craft and Wii for children from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

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 with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush site, 3029 Campbell Road.

The Alcona County Library Board will meet at 6 p.m. at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library, 330 Traverse Bay Road.

General Motors Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees of Northeast Michigan will hold their monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. at Sanctuary Inn, 1000 US-23 North, Alpena. Pamela Pfeifer, financial advisor for Edward Jones will be the guest speaker. Reservations and payment in advance. Contact Chuck Griffin (989) 727-3350, Frank Baranski (989) 595-2789 or Don Cantleberry (989) 354-5504, for more information.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

Red Cross blood drive from

noon to 5:45 p.m. at the Curtis Township Hall, 4932 F-31, Glennie. Bring your Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive identification. For more information, call (800) 733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org.

Community Walking Club for everyone, meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

Storytime and craft for children from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library, 330 Traverse Bay Road. For more information, call (989) 736-3388.

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) 739-4483.

Free Zumba class with Paula at noon at the Lincoln

Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Family movie matinee at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Enjoy a newly released DVD and theater-style popcorn. Call, (989) 724-6796 for details.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

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

Special Ants and Friends storytime picnic at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Storytime from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., picnic from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Everyone is invited!

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31
The 10th Annual Black River Bridge Walk will begin at noon. Gather south of the bridge on Lake Shore Road, just south of Black River Road. A co-ed ball game will be held at 1 p.m. at the township park and a bake sale at St. Gabriel Church.

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

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.

Harrisville State Park will have a Monarch butterfly tagging event at 5 p.m. Meet at hostess campsite number two. Everyone is welcome.

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Ants & Friends Picnic

It's Bug Day at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Celebrate the end of summer with the annual "Ants and Friends" storytime and family picnic on Friday, Aug. 30 starting at 10:30 a.m. Attendees will go on a bug walk, make a buggy craft, and enjoy a free picnic lunch (without bugs) for all library visitors between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., provided by the Friends of the Library. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

ARA Farm Market

The ARA Farm Market will be held Saturday, Aug. 31 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA Site in Lincoln. Available this week: Peaches, onions, radishes, beets, beet greens, carrots, potatoes, cabbage, rutabagas, zucchini, summer squash, slicing and pickling cucumbers, tomatoes, hot peppers, sweet peppers, garlic, Swiss chard, lettuce, arugula, cilantro, farm-fresh eggs, scones, assorted regular and quick breads, coffee cakes, muffins, monkey bread, regular and sugar free pies, cookies, cookie sandwiches, all cuts of hormone and antibiotic free grass and grain fed beef, brats, and beef sticks, dried herbs, jams, jellies, perennials, houseplants, homemade laundry detergent, handmade cards, jewelry, dish cloths, dish towels, market bags, candles and more. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

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, Sept. 2—All sites closed.
- Tuesday, Sept. 3—Spaghetti with meat sauce, peas, coleslaw and fruit cobbler.
- Wednesday, Sept. 4—Baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, squash, cranberry sauce and fruit.
- Thursday, Sept. 5—Pork roast, garlic red potatoes, corn, applesauce and fruit.

- Friday, Sept. 6—Chili cheese dogs on a bun, spudsters, green beans, coleslaw and fruit.

Papercraft Collage Class

Create a three-dimensional papercraft collage at the adult "Get Crafty" class with local artist Armando Calles on Monday, Sept. 9 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. All materials and a light lunch are supplied for \$3 per person. There is a sample on display at the library. To register, call (989) 724-6796.

Friends of Negwegon Meeting

The Friends of Negwegon State Park will have a general membership meeting on Thursday, Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Alcona Township Hall on US-23, just north of Black River Road. The agenda for the meeting is to elect officers and discuss current and future activities of Friends of Negwegon State Park. Anyone participating in the election must be a paid member in good standing. The Friends of Negwegon Board officers are chairman, vice chairman, secretary, treasurer and member-at-large. Anyone wishing to run for an office or has an agenda item for the board to consider, contact Sue Keller (989) 724-6653.

The public is encouraged to participate and is needed to help make a successful organization. Success is dependent on the help and input of community members.

Iosco County Road Project

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will be resurfacing the roadway and replacing concrete curb, gutter and sidewalks on US-23 from the Tawas River

bridge to Evans Street, and M-55 from US-23 to German Street in Tawas City and East Tawas. The project will begin Tuesday, Sept. 3 with an estimated completion date of October 7 - weather permitting. This work will require daytime lane closures under flag control. Access to homes and businesses will be maintained at all times. The project map is at <http://goo.gl/maps/qC5Fj>

Online ORV Safety Course

Operators of off-road vehicles (ORVs) in Michigan will be able to obtain their required Safety Training Certificate by taking a Michigan-endorsed and approved course at www.ATVcourse.com. "The online ORV safety education course offered by ATVcourse.com is another option for students to obtain their ORV safety certificate," said Cpl. John Morey of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Law Enforcement Division. "The online content is modeled after our existing program and specifically tailored to Michigan."

In Michigan, operators of ORVs under the age of 16 are required to have a Safety Training Certificate and be under the supervision of an adult to legally operate an ORV. While the training is not required for those 16 years of age and older, the DNR recommends all riders get the safety training.

Students who are unable to attend a traditional ORV classroom course may take this course as an option. To register for the online course (which is free to sign up and study for, and costs \$29.95 upon completion), go to www.atvcourse.com/usa/michigan/. For more information on ORV riding in Michigan — including trail maps, laws and regulations — go to www.michigan.gov/orvtrails.

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from Alpena Community College, but she did have one student who was proctored while taking a test from a school in Las Vegas, Nev.

Another change within the Harrisville branch includes moving the periodicals from the front entrance to the west wall of the library near the fireplace and the Friends of the Alcona County Library have said it will purchase new shelving for the periodicals. There are also plans to purchase new furniture for the fireplace reading area.

Luck said there were additional improvements within the Alcona County Library system. The library helped with the installation of wireless Internet near the north

end of Hubbard Lake close to the Hubbard Lake Community Center and a number of people have been using that service. She said they were not able to have the wireless capabilities installed inside the Caledonia branch of the library, but plans are to have it installed in the Mikado branch of library (located inside the Mikado Township Hall) sometime within the next few months.

Anyone wishing to access the new Alcona Digital Historical Research software may do so during regular Harrisville branch hours: Monday through Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Former employee owns Mikado Market

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

For years the small market on F-41 in Mikado has been known for its fresh meats, particularly its famous double smoked bacon.

That won't be changing according to the new owner of Mikado Market, Nicki Stuit.

Stuit took ownership of the market in April and has made a number of changes, but isn't about to change what has worked for years, particularly with meats such as its slab, custom cut double smoked bacon. The market smokes the bacon in house and sells about 200 pounds of it per week.

Stuit is not a new addition to the business, she grew up in Mikado and frequented the store as a kid. Several years ago she began working at the market and for the past few years prepared all the meat. "I like everything about the market and the area," Stuit said. "The people are the best; everybody knows everybody. I'm related to 90 percent of the people."

Stuit has spruced up the business which is sporting a new sign out front and is clean, bright and well organized inside -- without losing that old fashioned country feel. "We've expanded our menu quite a bit, we do pizzas which are excellent every day now starting at 4 p.m.



Sole owner of Mikado Market, Nicki Stuit. Photo by Mary Weber.

which we will continue through the winter. We also make subs, one third pound burgers, chicken sandwiches, strips, wings, fries, jalapeno poppers, onion rings, mozzarella sticks and fresh salads," Stuit said. The market also makes all its own sausage, jerky, breads, and cinnamon rolls as well.

The Mikado Market has been the market of choice for the meat purchased for the Alcona County Fair Board's steak fry dinners for years. Stuit said a typical order for the fair board steak fry is 200 steaks, but this year it also ordered a hundred pounds of beef and a hundred pounds of pork for the fair. "I don't make a lot of money on the big fair orders, because it's

for the fair," Stuit said. She added that it takes her about a week to process orders that large.

Stuit complemented her staff for much of the market's success noting that it takes good, trustworthy and devoted people to pick up where someone else left off.

The market has a little bit of everything from lottery tickets to fish bait, hand-dipped ice cream and T-shirts and, of course, milk, pop, beer, wine and tobacco. Stuit will have items for hunters in the fall and hopes to acquire bridge card capability any day now.

Stuit is proud of her store and said the one thing that will remain consistent is good food, friendly service and the hours which are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week.

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On a perfect Labor Day, nobody would have to work, and even the "associates" in the big box stores could quit stocking shelves. Well, it doesn't happen that way, does it? But here's a poem about a Labor Day that's really at rest, by Joseph Millar, from North Carolina.

Labor Day

Even the bosses are sleeping late
in the dusty light of September.

The parking lot's empty and no one cares.
No one unloads a ladder, steps on the gas

or starts up the big machines in the shop,
sanding and grinding, cutting and binding.

No one lays a flat bead of flux
over a metal seam
or lowers the steel forks from a tailgate.

Shadows gather inside the sleeve
of the empty thermos beside the sink,

the bells go still by the channel buoy,
the wind lies down in the west,

the tuna boats rest on their tie-up lines
turning a little, this way and that.

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Answers

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The Alcona High School Class of 1973 celebrated its 40th reunion on August 17. Classmates met for brunch at the high school and got a tour of the building to see all of the changes in the last 40 years. In the afternoon 24 classmates and 11 guests met at the home of Kristin Benghauser for a picnic and time to get reacquainted. Those attending (Front row, from left) Julie Matuzak, Barbara Conklin, Jennifer (Sefernick) Skuse, Sherry (Kleeve) Reberg, Danny McCurdy, Barbara (Nosko) Matteson, Dennis McMaster, (middle row) Susan (Peters) Lindsay, Sandra (Kimberlin) Cholewa, Kristin Benghauser, Daryll Kauffman, Billy Skiba, Louis Campbell, Ed McKinnon, Dave Shemke, Gary Leesberg, (back row) Terry Neff, Tony Ankner, Frank Klein, Chris Daroczy, David Gauthier, Louis Campbell, Thomas McIntyre and Craig MacNeill. *Courtesy photo.*

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Tips for back to school nutrition

For parents the start of a new school year means juggling work with their children's school, homework and after school activities once again and for children the change from the lazy days of summer to the structured and demanding days of the school year.

Adequate nutrition and a little planning can make these days more productive and less frazzled.

A healthy breakfast really is the most important meal of the day. The staying power of breakfast can make the difference between a 10:30 a.m. wiggle in their seat, not able to focus in math class to a focused "I can do this" math class.

The reason behind this wiggly and unfocused behavior is often contributed to a blood sugar drop, which can be identified by lack of focus, tiredness, and irritability. The best way to prevent a low blood sugar is to eat a nutrient dense breakfast that includes some fiber (whole wheat toast, whole grain cereal), protein (egg, yogurt) or healthy fat (peanut butter, almonds).

To make it through the day with brain power and focus, children need to refuel at lunch. Use these tips to provide children with a healthy day.

- Switch from white bread to whole grain. If children's lunches include sandwiches, this is one of the easiest ways to increase the nutrients they receive. Fiber, vitamins B6 and E, magnesium, zinc, folic acid and chromium percentages are much higher in brown breads than in the refined white bread.

- Choose lean meats. Pick lunch meats like chicken, turkey, lean ham and tuna for sandwiches. These meats are healthy choices packed with protein.

- Pack a rainbow of color. Fruits and vegetables from green to orange and everything in between are a great source of nutrition for kids. Because many children aren't very fond of some fruits and vegetables, try to make them more interesting. Pack different colored fruit together. Include dipping sauces like yogurt or fat free veggie dip.

- Quench their thirst with water. Though juices may be made from fruits and even some vegetables, think about sending water with children's lunches. Juice adds unnecessary sugar, especially when it is used daily for multiple meals. Choosing water will eliminate this extra sugar while keeping children hydrated throughout the day. If juices are included, choose those that are made of 100 percent juice or blends of 100

percent juice instead of juice drinks.

- Limit snack foods and baked treats. Cookies, cakes and chips may seem like a quick and easy addition to children's lunch boxes, but they are high in sugar, saturated fat and salt. Healthier choices include unbuttered or low buttered popcorn, pretzels or crackers.

- Offer variety. Show kids eating healthy doesn't always have to be a peanut butter and jelly sandwich on whole wheat bread with pretzels and an apple. Make turkey or chicken wraps with lettuce, tomato and a fat free dressing. Carrots or sweet pepper slices can add crunch and color. Finish the meal off with yogurt, granola and strawberries for a homemade parfait. If possible, use a meal calendar to plan out lunches for the whole month ahead of time. This will allow enough variety without having to struggle with ideas each morning. Make lunches the night before and store them in the fridge to make the mornings less hectic.

- Give children options. If parents want their children to eat healthier, they should allow them to have some say in what they do eat. While shopping for lunch items, ask children which fruits and vegetables they like best. Do the same for sandwich choices and sides.

When making the lunches (or planning them out) narrow down the options. Choose two items from what was purchased and give children an either or option. Instead of feeling like they were forced to eat healthy choices they don't like, children will feel like they chose what their lunches include and will be happier about eating healthy.

- Include a treat. Children love sugary sweet foods. No matter what is packed in their lunches, they will always try to include some sort of cook-

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Health exchange shopping tips for uninsured boomers, early retirees

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Dear Almost,
The new health insurance exchanges – also known as Obamacare – that begin in 2014 will have a significant impact on millions of Americans who need health insurance, especially pre-Medicare retirees and uninsured baby boomers who often have a difficult time finding affordable coverage.

To help ensure you get the best health insurance coverage that fits your needs, here are some things you should know.

Health Exchange Overview Starting October 1, you will be able to shop for health insurance policies, and enroll in one directly through your state's Health Insurance

Marketplace website, over the phone, via mail or in person at a designated center. The coverage will go into effect on January 1, 2014.

You can also be reassured to know that federal law prohibits Marketplace insurers from denying you coverage or charging you higher rates if you have a pre-existing health condition. But they are permitted to set premiums up to three times higher for applicants over the age of 50, and smokers may be charged up to 50 percent more than nonsmokers.

To help make coverage affordable, sliding scale tax-credits will be available if you earn less than 400 percent of the poverty level – that's \$45,960 for a single person and \$62,040 for couples. These tax-credit subsidies will provide immediate savings off your monthly premiums. See the Kaiser Family Foundation online calculator (kff.org/interactive/subsidy-calculator) for a pre-

mium estimate.

Every state will have a Marketplace, but each state can choose how it will operate. Seventeen states and the District of Columbia will run their own state-based Marketplace, seven states will partner with the federal government, and 26 states will offer federal Marketplaces. The differences between federal and state programs will be subtle. You will be able to access your state's marketplace at Healthcare.gov.

To make shopping and comparing a little easier, the health plans will be divided into four different levels – bronze, silver, gold and platinum. The bronze plan will have the lowest monthly premiums but the highest out-of-pocket costs when you need care, while the platinum plans will have the highest premiums with the lowest out-of-pocket costs.

You will also have a variety of health insurance companies to select from. To help

you evaluate insurers, the nonprofit National Committee for Quality Assurance offers online "report cards" at ncqa.org that can help you narrow your choices.

Because most plans will be managed-care policies such as HMOs or PPOs that require you to get your care within a network of providers, you'll want to make sure that the doctors and hospitals you typically use are covered in the plans you're considering. The new Marketplace plans are expected to offer fewer choices of health-care providers, and who's included may vary quite a bit.

You also need to find out what happens if you want to use a doctor or hospital outside a plan's network. Will you have to get a referral or pay more to get these services, or will it even be covered at all?

Also check the plan's formulary, which is the list of prescription drugs they cover, to be sure all the medi-

Savvy Senior

cations you take are covered without excessive co-pays or requirements that you try less expensive drugs first.

If you need some help with all this, the Marketplace Help Center offers a toll-free helpline at (800) 318-2596. Or, if you'd rather get face-to-face assistance, there will be designated centers set up with trained and certified navigators, counselors and application assistants to help you, along with insurance agents and brokers. To find help in your area, call the Marketplace Help Center after October 1 for a referral.


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Tips

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ies or cake. In moderation, everything is okay.

Instead of including a baggie with five cookies, give children one or two or include homemade baked goods. Homemade cakes and cookies don't include the unpronounceable additives processed sugary foods do. Let children help make the foods. They will feel accomplished when they open their lunch box and find a piece of banana bread, a chocolate chip cookie or one Rice Krispies treat that they helped to make.

Melissa Tolan-Halleck, ARMC Community Health Education, recommends, "Incorporating the 5210 message into your family's life, which may improve school day behaviors, enhance family time and overall improve your family's health."

The 5210 program provides information to help kids and families eat healthy and be active. The key message includes: 5 - fruits and veggies per day; 2 - hours of recreational screen time; 1 - hour of physical activity; 0 - sugared beverages.

For more information on growing and being a healthy family, visit myarmc.org, click on the Patients & Visitors link to Health Education.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of August 19 - 25, 2013

84 complaints were handled during the week and resulted in the following: 8 Arrests; 6 Warrants; 1 Driving While License Suspended/Revoked; 1 Drunk & Disorderly.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	4	Property Damage Accident	3
Message/Well Being Check	1	Miscellaneous	10
Dog/Animal	7	Traffic	9
Malicious Destruction of Property	1	Trespassing	2
Alarm	4	Domestic	1
Harassment/Threats/Stalking	6	Warrant Arrest	6
Civil	2	Neighbor Trouble	1
Breaking and Entering	3	Drunk and Disorderly	1
Personal Injury Accident	2	Assault and Battery	1
Driving While License Susp./Rev.	1	Larceny	5
Animal Neglect/Cruelty	2	Lost/Found Property	3
Fire	1	Suspicious Events	4
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1	Conservation Violation	1
Gunshots Heard	2		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	7	Caledonia	6	Curtis	6
Greenbush	10	Gustin	4	Harrisville	19
Hawes	7	Haynes	7	Mikado	4
Millen	3	Mitchell	2		
Harrisville City	5	Village of Lincoln	4		

Organization Notes

East Shore Art Guild

The general monthly meeting of the East Shore Art Guild began on August 13 with president Bernie Blaszak welcoming the seven members who showed up to the meeting. Secretary Rose

Blaszak read the minutes from the June 11 general monthly meeting. There was one correction to the June minutes. Minutes were voted on first and seconded.

Judy St. John was not present to give the treasurer's report.

Marilyn Koenigbauer was not present to give a report on membership. Vice president Mary Alice Comar was not present. Terry Lipscomb was not present to report on public relations. Correspondence secretary Sisty Behmer was not present.

A total of 25 children took advantage of the summer art program, I.C.E. Challenge Program. Their art was shown at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, at the Dragonfly Art Gallery and the Alcona County Fair.

It was a beautiful day and a lot of people enjoyed our

art at the Summer Impromptu VI Art Show. The Sunrise Side Wine & Food Festival art show offered another beautiful day and quite a few people enjoyed walking through our art tent.

In new business, the election of officers will be held at our next meeting on September 10 at 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

The Alcona County Art Retreat is September 5 and 6. Christmas in the Village is December 7. Barbara Wasserman is offering art classes at the EMS Building, Lincoln. Contact her if you are interested.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bernie Blaszak, first and seconded. The next meeting will be held September 10 at 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

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By Warren MacNeill
DNR Conservation Officer

A couple of things happened recently that made me think about freedom and its cost. One was the recent passing of my Uncle Bud. In conversations with him over the years, I came to realize that freedom had a special meaning to him. Freedom was something that he fought for and was willing to die for. Freedom is what his generation stood for.

I have found that freedom means different things to different people.

On Friday morning Judy and I took a walk through the Harrisville State Park. As we walked, we observed people making breakfast. We heard clanging of cast iron pans; we smelled the cook fires and bacon frying. While walking, we reminisced about camping trips with our children. Camping is where several boys became potty trained, or at least pinecone trained. Camping was where we practiced boundaries and responsibilities, and where privileges can be earned and lost. Our kids learned to ride their bikes while they were camping one summer. At the moment of that shared memory we saw a pack of four boys, about six to eight years old, break loose from a campsite on their bicycles. The leader yelled to no one in particular "freedom!" And off they went, crossing two occupied sites, down the bathhouse sidewalk, onto the path that said, "Foot traffic only" and off to the beach, or wherever that moment decided to take them.

We glanced back at the campsite the boys had just left and saw the look on the mother's face - it was worth a thousand words and a hundred memories for us. She stood there staring at the carnage the four little tornadoes left at the picnic table. She looked like a prisoner shackled by responsibilities. The little boys' freedom was being paid for by her lack of it. I wanted to tell her that at that moment I would gladly trade my freedom to have a moment like that back. The memory of that moment will be more precious to her than she can imagine.

The next evening I was working in the west part of Alcona County about sunset and stopped at the Curran BP for fuel. While I was there I saw a van park in the center of the parking lot. An elderly gentleman got out and walked around like he was trying to get his bearings. Even though I was running out of time to finish the task at hand and I was impatient to get back to it, I decided I could give him two minutes to point him in the right direction. When I asked him if he needed any help, he mentioned five different dams and streams that I was not familiar with. Since it is my job to know these things, I felt a little embarrassed that I didn't know where they were. When I asked him what town they were close to, I was surprised, he said, "White Cloud" which is near Muskegon.

I had a feeling that some-

thing was not right about this, so I asked, "Why are you going to White Cloud?" He said that's where he lived. I asked where he was coming from and he said, "Home." At this point the conversation turned into an interview. He had left home in the morning to hit some garage sales and got "a little turned around." When I explained - using my hand as the Michigan map - where he was, a range of emotions crossed over his face - shock, disappointment, fear and embarrassment. I asked if there was someone I could call. He didn't want me to call anyone. I took him into the BP station and asked the clerk and a local fire fighter to show him a map and give him directions while I tried to find some information about this man.

Using his driver's license I

He described the photograph of her in uniform, on her way to war, hanging from the back of a caboose waving good bye. "She was so pretty, she was my high school sweetheart you know," he said.

found out that he was 94 years old and should not be 200 miles from home without someone with him. His 70 year old son is responsible for him, but was unable to locate him.

Armed with this new information I was in a dilemma. Legally, I had no reason to hold this gentleman; however, morally I could not just point him west and let him go. His eyes looked clouded and with nightfall rapidly approaching, I was concerned for his safety on the trip back. I decided to get him to Mio to buy some time to locate his son.

When I got back inside I find my new friend holding court. He was telling stories to the people in the gas station. The story he was telling was about his wife, who died last year. "She was one of those WACs (Woman's Army Corps), in World War II," he said. He received a letter from the president after she died thanking him for her service. He put a photograph of his wife in the corner of the framed letter. He described the photograph of her in uniform, on her way to war, hanging from the back of a caboose waving good bye. "She was so pretty, she was my high school sweetheart you know," he said. In my mind's eye I could see this perfectly.

Interrupting him, I suggested that since I was going to Mio he was welcome to follow me to get him pointed toward home. On the way to Mio, I was frantically trying to find someone to take responsibility for him. I called my local counterpart in Oscoda County, Conservation Officer Bobby Lively. I was very happy to find that she was on duty and at the sheriff's office in Mio. Bobby is a veteran conservation officer that I have worked with for years. She has the ability to think through this type of situation and balancing what is proper with what is right. Plus, she is soft inside, like me.

We met up with Bobby at

Eastside Outside

the sheriff's office. Out of his earshot, I gave her a quick rundown on the situation. When I go into the building to make some contacts, Bobby spoke to the gentleman and got his son's telephone number. When we called him, the son's answers to our questions quickly escalated from the routine, "yes, he is my father" and "I think he is at home." To a mildly concerned "where is he?" to the more anxious "where is Curran?... How did he get there? ... Sheriff's office? ... What did he do?" to a frustrated, "No I

can't come right now, I'm in cancer treatment."

When I went back outside I found my new friend holding court again. He had a couple of county deputies, a U.S. Forest Service officer, Bobby and, eventually, myself, spell bound with the stories of a life well lived. He told us stories of love, stories of war, stories of family and friends, stories of work and stories of motorcycles. He was an Army mechanic with the Seventh United States Army under Gen. George S. Patton. He met Patton once in a graveyard. They were being shelled and he saw "The Old Man" taking cover behind a grave monument. "If it was good enough for him it was good enough for me," he said.

By the time he was winding down, it was well after dark now and something had to be done. We had a 94 year old man, confused in the present, 200 miles from home and unable to see at night. I was not going to be responsible for putting him back on the road; I did not want to hear a news report of some tragedy regarding this elderly, lost man.

The Mio dispatcher, who is

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June and in July she attended the FFA State Leadership Conference for chapter and regional officers. Prince said there was a lot of training involved to prepare advisors and officers for the upcoming year.

Last week Prince was busy with the FFA's involvement at the Alcona County Fair where the FFA members held a pancake supper, a pie eating contest, an obstacle course for kids and a child identification program.

Prince has also been busy working on a mentoring program with FFA alumni members and chapter officers which she said will be a nice resource in the coming year because she will not be able to be at the school every day due to the part-time hours she is working.

Her goals for the coming year will be to focus on award

syrup production facility where we have an FFA member who manages production throughout the year.

"We have a lot of hard working students who could apply for proficiency awards because of their awesome SAE projects. It would be nice to see if they could get recognition on a state level and perhaps even a national level," Prince said noting the awards not only look good on job and college applications, but they also do a lot to boost the students' self-esteem.

Some of the programs which former FFA advisor, Brian Matchett worked on with students will not change. "We will keep the sheep production project and ewe-tube," Prince said. Ewe-tube is a live stream Internet video feed which allows the public, students and staff the ability to view the sheep, become

time; there was a two hour block to do that in the morning. This year there is only a 50 minute block and it's not first thing in the morning, it's going to be after lunch.

"We are definitely going to need volunteers to help students collect the syrup, setting tube lines and evaporating after school," Prince said, explaining it would be a great opportunity for students to have FFA alumni members helping them.

"I remember how exciting it was to be an FFA member in school, how much the program taught me and what a leg up it gave me when I went to college. I'm excited to continue the program and ensure the promise of FFA," Prince said. "Kids wonder why they should be an FFA member or participate in a leadership conference. I've been in their shoes and can show



FFA members keep busy at the Alcona County Fair. The FFA held a child identification program, a pancake dinner, a pie eating contest and a children's obstacle course. FFA obstacle course volunteers and participants are (from left, front row) Nathan Nardi, Kaitlin Nardie, Makayla Prince, Samuel Prince, (back row) Schuyler Bates, Shannon Oliver, Jeremy Lickey, FFA Advisor Helen-Ann Prince, Morgan Stewart and Rebekah Maturen. *Photo by Mary Weber.*

applications with individual students so more FFA members will be able to gain recognition for their work. "To go along with that I'd like to get more students involved in supervised agricultural experiences (SAEs). Every FFA member is required to have an SAE. Currently, we have students who show sheep, goats, steers and calves, so there is a lot of livestock SAEs at the school. Some other examples of an SAE would be the maple

educated on their care and even observe lamb births.

Prince said the sheep program will be altered a bit as it will become a student's SAE project as well as an advanced agri-science project. "We are very excited to be able to keep it (sheep project) going as we were a bit nervous on whether we would be able to do that or not," Prince said.

The maple syrup production will also continue. "The class schedule has shifted a lot so maple syrup season will be a lot different this year. Last year, 80 to 90 percent of the maple syrup tapping was done during class

them how the public speaking and other experiences they receive will help their future. I'm excited to hopefully inspire kids to love the program as much as I do."

Prince will remain a volunteer AmeriCorps member until the end of her service commitment in October. She was recently recognized as Michigan's AmeriCorps member of the month for her devotion to echo-tourism and schools outreach programs which involved hands-on, feet-wet educational experiences for a wide geographical area of students from Oscoda to Rogers City, Mich.

The Garden Bug

Poppies can be grown for their flowers, for food and to make opium, a medicinal and recreational drug used since ancient times.

Following the trench warfare of WWI which took place in the poppy fields of Flanders, red poppies have become a symbol of remembrance of soldiers who died during wartime.

- Brenda Weaver
 Source: wikipedia.org

Poppies

Run with the Rising Sun 5K results

The Alcona Volleyball Program hosted its 2nd annual 5K, Run with the Rising Sun, on Saturday, Aug. 17 in downtown Harrisville.

According to Alcona High School Varsity Volleyball Coach Kristie Arnold, "the day was a great success. It was exciting to see so many community members, tourists, and people from neighboring towns come out for the event. We would like to thank our sponsors and those who spent time organizing and helping during the race. We

24:44.8; Sarah Szymanski - 24:47.1; Elliot Dubuque - 24:53.9; Ben Dubuque - 24:54.2.

Nick Walton - 24:58.4; Kayla Hampton - 25:08.1; KC Hampton - 25:12.9; Paul Kramer - 25:19.1; Nathaniel Failla - 25:48.3; Torie Harmon - 26:10.7; Teresa Bellows - 26:21.4; Jordan Steiner - 26:27.8; Joe Carrasco - 26:28.1; Sam Zerbst - 26:29.4; Mandy Canute - 26:33.5; Kalie Zerbst - 26:38.9; Randy Tudor - 26:39.7; Stacey Mork -

Bridget Forbes - 40:26.1; Don Clay - 41:06.3; Tina Smigelski - 42:24.2; Cheryl Layton - 42:26.3; Jessica Layton - 43:47.9; Warren MacNeill - 43:48.6; Steve Yokom - 44:21.8; Teri Yokom - 44:35.1; Ralph Diamond - 44:37.0; Staci Dubuque - 45:08.9; Kay Diamond - 45:10.0; Laurel Fingerle - 50:25.6; Connie Stacito - 50:26.0; Brenda Cordes - 51:27.5; Sandy Ritchie - 51:27.8; Lexi Cook - 51:51.3; Holly Fulsher - 51:51.6; Brandon Ritchie - 52:00.7; Ruth



Runners of all ages cross the starting line in the Run with the Rising Sun 5K event. *Courtesy photo.*

greatly appreciate your support and look forward to next year."

Proceeds from the event will be used for volleyball equipment and uniforms.

The following individuals, with their times, participated in the 5K event.

Bradley Bates - 16:56.6; Edward Roginski - 17:13.7; William Saiz - 17:51.5; Ian Demrose - 17:55.5; Jacob Bonacorsi - 17:56.1; Brennan Buckner - 17:58.3; Travis Artman - 18:05.0; Jimmy Hoefler - 18:40.8; Nick Brooks - 18:53.7; Calvin Suida - 18:55.3; Brandon Gibson - 19:17.7; Brendan Koch - 19:21.6; Jacob Kalahar - 19:31.5; Thomas Szymanski - 19:40.1; Grant Hampton - 19:51.8; Brandon Smigelski - 20:02.0; Tony Apigo - 20:05.8; Brett Roginski - 20:10.5; Jeremy Kilbourn - 20:12.7; Jared Steiner - 20:31.5.

Adam Frost - 20:32.2; Noah Vallee - 20:57.6; Mitchel Havercroft - 21:13.8; Bryan Layton Jr. - 21:15.9; Aaron Ritchie - 21:22.7; Jason Steiner - 21:26.2; Karina Cole - 21:26.9; Megan Quick - 21:27.1; Shannon McNichols - 21:32.6; Robert Gracin - 21:33.0; Anthony Barbera - 21:37.4; Kayla Dobies - 21:40.1; Marisa Welter - 21:43.8; Monica Micale - 21:46.0; Mitchell Krisan - 21:58.6; Eric Green - 22:08.3; Matthew Krisan - 22:34.7; Joshua Kilbourn - 22:36.3; Trenton LaVergne - 22:46.0; Kaitna LaFleure - 22:49.1.

Lauren Valente - 22:49.9; Tyler Chaffin - 22:50.2; Sawyer Kisha - 23:14.2; Margaret Negro - 23:20.0; Isaac Dubuque - 23:23.0; Dave Dubuque - 23:24.2; David Almendarez - 23:44.0; Brendan Nelson - 23:44.5; Kyle Allor - 23:46.9; Emily Hunter - 23:47.3; Cameron Gray - 23:50.2; Katelyn Nelson - 23:55.5; Albert Mozug - 24:01.4; Katie Boyer - 24:05.0; Brett Nelson - 24:21.7; Madalyne Ridella - 24:44.1; Jillian Flint -

26:45.9; Nikki Smith - 26:54.4; Mike Timpa - 26:56.1; Tara Metcalfe - 27:03.2; Jeremiah Maturen - 27:28.9; Amy Nowak - 27:29.4; Emily Nowak - 27:29.7.

Matt Petrovich - 28:22.5; Judy MacNeill - 28:33.9; Andy Petrovich - 28:43.4; Sierra Forsythe - 28:56.2; Cheyenne Parkinson - 28:57.0; Kristy Twite - 29:39.3; Kelsey Girardoh - 29:48.8; Ali Kramer - 29:54.1; Sydney Pierce - 29:55.0; Brooke Schultz - 29:55.3; Maddie Lane - 29:56.3; Nicki Bloom - 30:01.6; Cassie Carpenter - 30:03; Joshua Brooks - 30:08.4; Lindsay Teets - 30:11.6; Val Spry - 30:28.2; Krystin Brooks - 30:28.5; Donald Bunker - 30:57.3; Lana Amatangelo - 31:04.1; Renee LaVergne - 31:08.0.

Emily Dubuque - 31:16.6; Melissa Timpa - 31:46.4; Alicia Ulrich - 31:50.8; Skyla Krcmarik - 31:56.8; Edward LaVergne - 32:12.6; Corrina Newman - 32:31.9; Jordan Joyce - 32:38.1; Ava Budreau - 32:58.9; Anne Mills - 33:06.6; Rachel Randazzo - 33:30.4; Haley Nadolski - 33:43.2; Alec Newman - 34:03.4; John Ratey - 34:40.3; Mitchell Agius - 34:41.2; Pam Agius - 34:41.8; Keonna Belyue - 34:45.4; Colleen Higgins - 35:16.0; Clare Light - 35:19.1; Mykala Basner - 35:21.2; Hunter Canute - 35:26.9.

Mark Newman - 35:47.6; Bryan Layton Sr. - 36:10.0; Caitlin Sorenson - 36:10.3; Taylor Agius - 36:13.3; Phil Agius - 36:15.9; Nicole Walen - 36:47.0; Rachel Layton - 36:48.9; Bob Lane - 37:15.8; Kendra Cole - 37:36.4; Justin Smigelski - 38:01.0; Alexa LeCureux - 38:25.5; Tylar Campbell - 38:26.0; Jamie Beatty - 38:34.0; Robert Forbes - 38:54.8; Ashley Pyle - 39:12.0; Ali Lask - 39:12.5; Janine Kauffman - 39:38.6; Jenna Peterson - 39:58.0; Sara Blohm - 39:58.7; Lauren Yokom - 39:59.1.

Shelby Failla - 40:22.3;

Norman - 53:22.6; Lucy Cole - 53:23.3.

Tina Kentorthy - 53:29.3; Dawn Havercroft - 53:29.8; Connie Petrovich - 54:26.3; Marge French - 54:26.8; Jan Arnold - 1:01:18.6; Karen Arnold - 1:01:19.0; Shannon Cholewa - 1:01:42; Barbara Luenberger - 1:01:43.1; Gail Leeseberg - 1:01:44.

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also a former Marine, accompanied me to discuss with our elderly friend what the options were. I said to him, "Sir, we are talking veteran to veteran right now, you have had our backs and now we have yours. To be straight up, you are lost a couple hundred miles from home. It sounds like you have been on the road for over 12 hours and you are tired. We want you to stay in town tonight, and then tomorrow we can look at getting you home." He looked at us with the most amazingly clear, steely blue eyes and, for that moment I saw a strong, confident warrior. Those eyes were of a man who has faced and slain many dragons. He looked at me like I was his next dragon. He stared at me to the point where I almost flinched. Then his eyes softened and I could see the frosted-over look of an old man again. He smiled and said, "That would be nice."

It took some doing to find him a room in Mio on a busy Saturday night. But a last minute cancellation worked in our favor. On the way to the motel, he talked some about where he went during World War II. I asked him if he would do it again. He looked at me and asked, "Did I have a choice?" When we left the old guy, we told him that we were finally able to reach his son and his family would get him home in the morning. He lost his square-shouldered stance, looked down and simply said, "This is not going to go well." The

last I saw of him, he was standing in the lobby of the motel, holding court with several bikers. In that moment I felt good about the evening.

Driving home that night I thought about my week and my new friend. I thought about the young boys at the state park who yelled, "Freedom," in what may have been their first real taste of spreading their wings.

I thought about that old man who was probably on this life's last adventure, and how I may have played a part in taking some of his freedom away. He was one of a very few left in that generation who selflessly gave everything for the freedom of others. At one time, a long time ago, my new friend had been a little boy running free. Now, he is an old man, losing his freedom.

I pulled my truck to the side of the road and put my head in my hands. This was not a good day. This was a bad day. I did not do a good thing. I did a bad thing.

What I learned this week is that freedom isn't free — but memories are. And good memories are the most important.

That being said, I am going to ask that we help make good memories. The simplest experience can make unforgettable memories. I suggest this weekend taking a kid out and making a memory... It can be something as simple as camping, hiking, fishing, sitting around a fire or just watching the waves roll in. Most of what we have here is

free. Why not use it to make memories for that future older person?

When we do this, remember the experience will be a story they tell about you, when they get old. Dirt washes, wet clothes dry and skinned knees heal. Sand in the camper is (nothing). They

are not going to starve if they don't finish their breakfast; they are not going to explode if they eat s'mores. The freedoms that we have are bought and paid for.

Someone somewhere has paid for our freedom. We honor them by enjoying what we have and sharing it with

others and what they take away with it will become part their story.

(A native of Alcona County, Warren MacNeill has been a conservation officer with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for more than 20 years. He lives in Harrisville.)

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Asian carp survey for Kalamazoo River produces negative findings

In the 200 water samples collected from the Kalamazoo River none of them contained traces of genetic material from Asian carp, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

The samples were tested to identify the presence of environmental DNA (eDNA) from bighead carp or silver carp and were collected and analyzed as part of an extensive monitoring effort in Great Lakes tributaries by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS).

Results from these eDNA sampling efforts can be viewed at www.fws.gov/midwest/fisheries/eDNA.html.

Earlier this year, biologists with the DNR and other Great Lakes agencies met with the USFWS to strategize and coordinate priority river locations to collect water samples to test for genetic material, or eDNA, of bighead carp or silver carp. Fish eDNA can be left in the environment in the form of scales, cells, feces or mucus. Asian carp pose a significant threat to the Great Lakes ecosystem.

As part of a larger monitoring program, tributaries of Lake Michigan (Muskegon River, St. Joseph River and

Grand River), Lake St. Clair/Detroit River and tributaries of western Lake Erie (Belle River, Black River and Swan River) were also sampled. Test results for these locations will be available later this year.

"We appreciate the coordination and resources made available by the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in this early monitoring and detection effort," said DNR Fisheries Division Chief Jim Dexter. "Traditional fish sampling that uses electrofishing or netting is inefficient at collecting fish that are in low numbers. These eDNA efforts allow us to be strategic about collecting information and focusing further monitoring or control efforts if needed."

While monitoring for live Asian carp in Michigan's waters of the Great Lakes and tributaries is part of ongoing effort by various agencies and commercial anglers, there is a large role for observant boaters and recreational anglers to play as well.

"We need the people who are on the water and the anglers who fish Michigan's waters to be our eyes and ears across the landscape."

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- LINCOLN** - Three bedroom, 2 bath with full finished basement, 30 x 40 pole barn on 6 acres. 11-0134 **\$144,900**
CEDAR LAKE - Three bedroom, 1½ bath home with 3 garages to hold all your toys. 12-0054 **\$189,900**
40 ACRES - Well wooded and all set for hunting with 3 deer blinds. 12-0135 **\$59,900**
BIG JOE'S - 8 unit 3 season motel across the street from state campground. 12-0132 **\$89,900**
LAKE HURON ACCESS - Cute 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo perfect up north get-away. 12-0136 **\$38,900**
LAKEWOOD SHORES - Three bedroom, 2 bath, spacious kitchen and sun room. 13-0021 **\$117,900**
BUNGALOW - Three bedroom, 1½ bath, sun room, complete with a hot tub. 13-0034 **\$129,000**
FOUR ACRES - Plus 3 bedroom home with full unfinished basement, hot tub and sauna. 11-0068 **\$72,000**
HUBBARD LAKE ACCESS - Three bedroom, 1½ bath home with a fireplace, central air and many more updates. 13-0046 **\$74,900**
40 ACRES - 100% wooded with a mixture of trees and great spots to build. 12-0115 **\$89,900**
80 ACRES - Two bedroom, 1½ bath farm 2 car detached garage and a 30 x 40 pole barn that borders federal land. 12-0032 **\$179,900**
RED ROOSTER RESTAURANT - Own a piece of history. Seating capacity 76 and decorated tastefully. Full Class C Resort Liquor License avail. 13-0027 **\$250,000**
IN TOWN - Three bedroom, 2 bath home with many updates and within walking distance to town. Possible land contract available. 11-0140 **\$89,900**
MULTI-PURPOSE - Originally set up as a hair salon. Perfect opportunity to start your own business. 13-0039 **\$35,000**
IN TOWN - Three bedroom, 1½ bath home with many quality updates. A MUST SEE! 12-0068 **\$79,900**
LAKE HURON - Three bedroom, 1 bath cottage with gas log fireplace, air and sun porch. 13-0043 **\$159,900**
LAKE HURON - Two bedroom, 1 bath cozy cottage a quiet peaceful setting. 13-0037 **\$215,000**
LAKE HURON ACCESS - Two bedroom, 1 bath cottage with new siding, windows and roof. 10-0028 **\$39,900**
40 ACRES - With mature hardwood trees and electricity running to the middle. 12-0076 **\$69,900**
81 ACRES - Adjoining federal land, great hunting and possible building site. 11-0040 **\$99,900**
40 ACRES - Three bedroom, 2 bath ranch with full finished walk out basement. 11-0084 **\$249,900**
DELUXE RANCH - Four bedroom, 1¾ bath with large garage for all your toys. 11-0155 **\$124,900**
LAKE HURON - Three bedroom, 2 bath with pole barn on pristine Lake Huron beachfront 12-0043 **\$299,000**
SIX ACRES - Great building site with well and septic on F-30, Mikado 12-0063 **\$15,000**
10 ACRES - Beautiful building site for those folks desiring privacy. 12-0106 **\$18,900**
GREENBUSH - Two bedroom, 1 bath on 1 acre surrounded by woods and lots of wildlife 12-0117 **\$29,900**
LAKE HURON - Two bedroom, 1 bath sugar sand beach walk for miles close to Harrisville 12-0130 **\$199,900**
IN TOWN - Nice buildable lot on Main St., Harrisville 12-0131 **\$29,900**
PINE RIVER ESTATES - 2.9 acres on the river with well and septic 12-0144 **\$19,900**
LAKE HURON - Has 2 car garage that is just waiting for the perfect home to be built. 13-0010 **\$149,000**
LAKE HURON - Four bedroom, 3 bath home sugar sand beach and close to Oscoda 13-0013 **\$269,900**
LAKE HURON - Three bedroom, 1 bath A-frame on a small bluff 2 sliders for the great view of the lake. 13-0030 **\$169,900**
LAKE HURON - Two bedroom, 1 bath log cabin sugar sand beach and a creek. 13-0038 **\$219,900**
EAST TAWAS - Three bedroom, 1 bath cottage just down the street from Tawas Lake. 13-0048 **\$29,900**
GREENBUSH - Two bedroom, 1 bath up-north getaway large living room, kitchen and dining room. 13-0049 **\$49,900**
BARTON CITY - 28 x 36 basement with well & septic just waiting for a house to be built. 13-0053 **\$29,900**
JEWELL LAKE - Two bedroom, 1½ bath with open concept living/dining, finished sunroom facing Jewell Lake. 13-0055 **\$199,900**
LAKE HURON - 15 wooded acres plus 2 lots overlooking Lake Huron. 13-0056 **\$275,000**
160 ACRES - The outdoor sportsman's dream, rolling, hilly land, perfect for a hunt group. 13-0057 **\$199,900**
LAKE HURON ACCESS - Diamond in the ruff needs completing, finish it to your liking. 13-0058 **\$34,900**
WHISPERING PINES CONDOMINIUMS - Two bedroom, 2½ bath condo, first floor open living room with fireplace. 13-0061 **\$239,900**
10 ACRES - Three bedroom, 2 bath raised ranch with full-finished walk-out basement and many extras. 13-0063 **\$239,900**
12 ACRES - Three bedroom, 1½ bath, 2 storage buildings (26 x 36) (24 x 40) and close to town for shopping. 13-0064 **\$65,000**
HARRISVILLE - Three bedroom, 1 bath a work in progress that needs finishing, with open floor plan. 13-0065 **\$47,900**
JEWELL LAKE - Two bedroom, 1 bath with Jewell Lake access across the street, upstairs loft for extra guests. 13-0066 **\$59,900**
HARRISVILLE - Five bedroom, 2 bath in town remodeled 2 story, enclosed porch, 2½ car garage a must see. 13-0067 **\$89,900**
LONG RAPIDS - Three bedroom, 2 bath home in country setting, large living room and galley style kitchen. 13-0069 **\$44,900**
JEWELL LAKE - Three bedroom, 2 bath with finished walk-out basement, 3 car garage with plenty of storage. 13-0070 **\$225,000**
LAKES IN THE GREEN - Three bedroom, 2½ bath home with 494 feet of Lake front and 12.98 acres. 13-0071 **\$224,900**
JEWELL LAKE - Two bedroom, 1 bath home with 336 feet of lake front, plus extra bunkhouse. 13-0077 **\$219,000**
GREENBUSH - One acre nicely wooded corner parcel on Stevens Rd. and Sanford Lane 13-0068 **\$3,500**
LAKE HURON - One acre wonderful sand beach, sandy bottom with no rocks heavily wooded. 13-0072 **\$125,000**
LAKE HURON - One acre mature pines, sugar sand beach shallow sandy water great for children. 13-0073 **\$119,000**
LAKE HURON - 100 foot of sandy beach very quiet would make excellent getaway, additional frontage available. 13-0074 **\$149,000**
LAKE HURON - 1.14 acres Sugar sand beach sandy bottom additional frontage available. 13-0075 **\$149,000**
LAKE HURON - Prime Lake Huron property sandy beach and bottom with add. frontage available. 13-0076 **\$149,000**



Bringing People and Places Together!

Calendar of Events

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Weight loss support group will meet at the Lincoln United Methodist Church, 101 East 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.

Computers and WiFi available for seniors from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will hold their monthly meeting at 11 a.m. at the VFW Hall, 2900 Connon, Alpena at the corner of Brooke and Connon near Diamonds Pointe. Bring a can of food for the needy. For more information, call (989) 356-4959.

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.

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 woodcar-

vers including beginners are welcome.

Sing-a-long with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush site, 3029 Campbell Road.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Veterans join your fellow comrades for coffee hour from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 Second Street, Harrisville.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mi-

kado. 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) 739-4483.

Free Zumba class with Paula at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Retirees will meet for a potluck lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring a dish to pass.

Blood pressure clinic at 3:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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

The Alpena County Republican Party Reagan Day dinner will be held at the Apex in Alpena. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for social hour, dinner to begin at 6:30 p.m. Guest speakers include Dave Agema, Senator John Moolenaar, Representative Peter Pettelia nad state youth vice chair Blake Edmonds. For tickets and information, contact Susanne Christensen at (989) 464-9626 or e-mail christensenfarms@speednetllc.com.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
Senior commodities will be distributed from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Create a three dimensional paper craft collage at the adult "Get Crafty" class with local artist Armando Calles from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. All materials and light lunch supplied for \$3 per person. Sample on display at the library. To register, call (989) 724-6796.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

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

Area Church Directory


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church


 Corner of US-23 & Medor Rd.,
 Harrisville • 724-5160
www.standrewschurhharrisville.org
9:30 A.M. SUNDAY SERVICE

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

Family Heritage Baptist Church
 4260 M-72 Harrisville (2.5 miles west of the light)
 Pastor Ernest Ruemenapp (989) 724-6728 • www.church72.org
 Sunday worship services 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
 Sunday school 10 a.m. Wednesday 6 p.m. Patch the Pirate Club, children's ministry. Wednesday 6 p.m. midweek service (preaching and prayer service).

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New Life Lutheran Church (ELCA)

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


First Baptist Church of Lincoln

 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. - Worship 11 a.m.
 Bible Study/Prayer, Wed. 7 p.m.
Pastor Dr. Arie VanBrenk • 202 Main Street • 736-8796


Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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

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

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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


Spruce Presbyterian Church

 Induction Loop equipped for tele-coil hearing aids
 6230 Gillard Road (P.O. Box 37), Spruce, MI 48762 • 471-5464
 Worship 9 a.m.
 Thomas J. Welscott, Pastor Wednesday office hours 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.


Our Savior Lutheran Church

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

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

ALCONA COUNTY CATHOLIC CHURCHES
 ST. RAPHAEL, Mikado, Saturday 4:30 p.m.
 ST. GABRIEL, Black River Saturday 6:30 p.m.
 ST. CATHERINE (Ossineke) Sunday 9 a.m.
 ST. ANNE, Harrisville Sunday 11 a.m.
 Pastor: Fr. Robert Bissot • (989) 724-6713

GRACE COMMUNITY EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 6012 Skeel Ave. (next to the library on the old air base) "Grace on the Base"
www.grace-epc.org, email: pastordaleroberatson@yahoo.com
 Pastor Dale Robertson: 739-3424
 Wednesday Bible Study at noon • Thursday Bible Study at 6 p.m. except 4th wk.
 Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. • Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church U.S.A.

 201 N. Second at Jefferson, Harrisville
 Induction Loop equipped for tele-coil hearing aids
 9:45 a.m. Adult Class • Worship & Sunday School ~ 11 a.m.
 Thursday office hours 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
 Thomas J. Welscott, Pastor ~ 724-6734

United Methodist Church

 Glennie at 8:30 am (3170 M-65)
 Lincoln at 9:45 am (101 E. Main St.)
 Harrisville at 11:15 am (217 N. State St.)
 Handicap accessible • Everyone is welcome
 Rev. Linda Jo Powers • (989) 724-3033 (h) • E-mail: pastorlindajo@charter.net

Spruce Lutheran Church (ELCA)
 Sunday Worship Service 9 a.m.
1246 E. Spruce Road, Spruce • 471-5013
 (3 miles west of F-41 & US-23) • Handicap Assessible

LOTT BAPTIST CHURCH
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. **4257 State Rd. Glennie**
 Sunday morning service 11 a.m. **(989)735-3771.**
 Sunday evening service 6 p.m. **Pastor Elmer Ash.**
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.

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

CHAPEL IN THE PINES FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
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Service: Sunday 11 a.m. ~ Reverend Paul Grabstanowicz
 4545 Alcona St., South Branch, MI 48761 • Phone: (989) 735-2059
 Website: www.ChapelInThePinesFellowshipChurch.com
 E-mail: Pastor@ChapelInThePinesFellowshipChurch.com

August is time to raise awareness and support for breast feeding

Governor Rick Snyder has declared the month of August to be Breastfeeding Awareness Month in Michigan. To highlight the commitment Michigan has made to ensuring the long-term health of all mothers, infants, and children in the state, the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is encouraging men, fathers, family, and friends to support new mothers as they begin to breastfeed.

Studies have shown that when a mother has support, she's more likely to

breastfeed so that both she and baby get the maximum health and developmental benefits. This year's theme, "Breastfeeding Support: Close to Mothers," highlights the importance of peer support.

Researchers have found that with support, women breastfeed longer. This is important considering the well documented evidence that breast milk is important for the health and well-being of both mother and infant.

"Breastfeeding is about babies' healthy nutrition, and

so much more," said Dr. Matthew Davis, chief medical executive with the MDCH. "We know that babies who breastfeed have less chance of childhood obesity, and better protection against illnesses than babies who do not breastfeed. Plus, breastfeeding helps build a close bond between mothers and babies, and fathers can be part of that bond too. Raising awareness about the benefits of breastfeeding not only with moms, but with men as well, is key to supporting the overall health of moms and

their children."

Michigan has made the reduction of infant mortality and the improvement of overall health for women and children a priority. Breastfeeding is a proven prevention strategy, protecting both infants and mothers from a host of chronic and acute disease and conditions. Research shows that breastfed babies have fewer colds and ear infections. In addition, the nutrients in breast milk help build the baby's brain and immune system.

The MDCH, Michigan

Breastfeeding Network, and the United States Breastfeeding Committee, along with many more community breastfeeding coalitions across Michigan are working throughout the month of August to raise awareness about the benefits of breastfeeding in an effort to make Michigan a more 'breastfeeding friendly' state.

For more information about the benefits of breastfeeding, visit http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,4612,7-132-2942_4910_4919--,00.html.

Carp

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said DNR Water Policy Advisor Tammy Newcomb. "These individuals should be observant and report fish they believe are Asian carp."

A video demonstrating how to identify adult bighead carp and silver carp can be viewed on the USFWS YouTube channel at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B49OWrCRs38&feature=youtu.be>.

Asian carp Identification guides, frequently asked questions, management plans and an online reporting form are available at www.michigan.gov/asian-carp.



Birdseed Tips

1. Freeze seed for a full 24 hours to kill bugs, moths and other creepy-crawly things and their eggs.
2. Use hulled sunflower hearts or chips to avoid messy hulls and sprouts under your feeders.
3. Don't stockpile. Seed that sits around for long periods of time can attract bugs, moths, even rats. Keep it fresh!

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MOST-VISITED COUNTRIES

1. France
2. United States
3. China
4. Spain
5. Italy
6. Turkey
7. United Kingdom
8. Germany
9. Malaysia
10. Mexico

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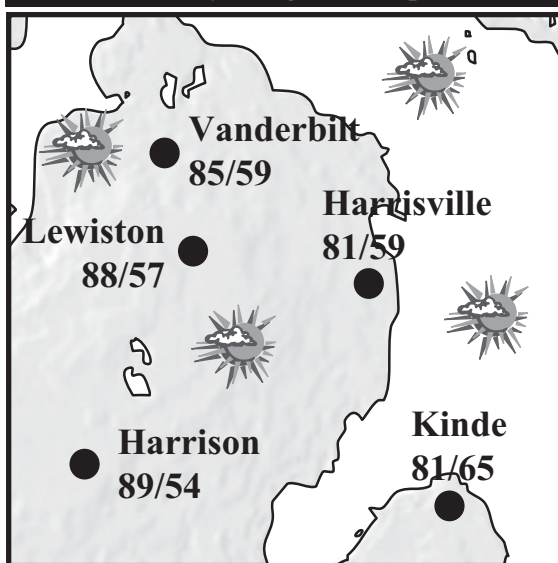
Alcona Review Weather Report

Aug. 28, 2013

Seven Day Forecast

- WEDNESDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 81 Low: 59
- THURSDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 84 Low: 64
- FRIDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 78 Low: 62
- SATURDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 78 Low: 64
- SUNDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 82 Low: 65
- MONDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 75 Low: 61
- TUESDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 80 Low: 62

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 81°, humidity of 69%. Light winds. The record high temperature for today is 96° set in 1953. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 59°. North wind 5 mph. The record low for tonight is 36° set in 1982. Thursday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 84°.

*Last Week's Almanac

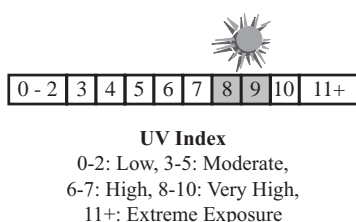
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	86	51	76/53	0.00"
Tuesday	89	62	75/52	0.00"
Wednesday	91	63	75/52	0.00"
Thursday	85	59	75/52	0.00"
Friday	75	51	75/52	0.00"
Saturday	78	45	74/52	0.00"
Sunday	93	58	74/51	0.25"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	6:52 a.m.	8:15 p.m.	No Rise	3:01 p.m.
Thursday	6:53 a.m.	8:14 p.m.	12:36 a.m.	3:51 p.m.
Friday	6:54 a.m.	8:12 p.m.	1:24 a.m.	4:36 p.m.
Saturday	6:55 a.m.	8:10 p.m.	2:16 a.m.	5:16 p.m.
Sunday	6:56 a.m.	8:08 p.m.	3:11 a.m.	5:52 p.m.
Monday	6:58 a.m.	8:06 p.m.	4:09 a.m.	6:24 p.m.
Tuesday	6:59 a.m.	8:05 p.m.	5:09 a.m.	6:54 p.m.

Local UV Index



National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see widespread thunderstorms, with the highest temperature of 98° in Quincy, Ill. The Southeast will experience mostly clear skies, with the highest temperature of 99° in Smyrna, Tenn. The central United States will see mostly clear skies and a few thunderstorms, with the highest temperature of 101° in Chadron, Neb. In the Northwest, there will be mostly clear skies, with the highest temperature of 101° in Glasgow, Mont. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies and isolated thunderstorms, with the highest temperature of 107° in Blythe, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	7:08 a.m.	8:33 p.m.
Venus	10:16 a.m.	9:38 p.m.
Mars	3:43 a.m.	6:49 p.m.
Jupiter	2:23 a.m.	5:44 p.m.
Saturn	12:10 p.m.	10:41 p.m.
Uranus	9:29 p.m.	10:09 a.m.

Weather History

Aug. 28, 1959 - Lieutenant Colonel William Rankin bailed out of his plane at a height of 46,000 feet into a violent thunderstorm and lived to write about the 45-minute journey. He said it was one of the most bizarre and painful experiences he could imagine.

Weather Trivia

Has there ever been a year without an Atlantic hurricane?

Answer: In 1907, four tropical storms formed, but none became hurricanes.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - How Dark are your Clouds?

Clouds can tell you a lot about your observing location, whether it's pristine, salvageable, or downright urban. One of my favorite stories regarding clouds occurred on the morning of July 11, 1991. It was barely dawn, and I was off the coast of Hawaii's Big Island on the Independence, a cruise ship positioned on the centerline of a solar eclipse that was to take place some three hours later. I was out scouting a location on deck where the group I was hosting would be able to view the event as a unit and not be scattered all around the vessel. When I emerged on deck, the sky appeared nearly clear with a few slightly brighter insignificant patches where clouds were located. I was ecstatic because the forecast that I had seen the previous evening was grim with mostly cloudy conditions predicted for the Big Island. I was judging the sky like a "city slicker"—city lights cause clouds to appear brighter! That lasted about five minutes, until my eyes adjusted to the dimness, and features became more plainly visible. To my dismay, those few brighter patches that I had conjectured were flimsy cirrus, were actually little patches of clear sky against an almost overcast firmament. We saw the eclipse because the ship had a certain amount of maneuverability, and we were able to steer away from our nemesis; but over 50,000 eclipse chasers, stuck on the Big Island with no place to go, saw nothing except the clouds get even darker when the moon covered the sun completely around 7:30 a.m. The sky has a natural fluorescence, bright enough to allow clouds to appear darker against it from rural settings. In urban and suburban locales, this effect is unobservable because light pollution is reflected back from the clouds, causing them to appear brighter than the backdrop of the glowing sky. It is an easy enough observation to make to allow anyone to measure qualitatively the darkness of the nighttime sky. www.astronomy.org

Home and auto winter prep

Dollars And Sense
By David Uffington

If you've felt even the slightest chill in the air, especially at night, you know what's coming: fall and winter. Homeowners and vehicle owners can use the checklist below to prepare.

Homeowners:

- Once the last of the garden is cleaned up, take a look around your home and yard, and make note of any depressions that could collect water (especially up against the foundation and under stairs). Turn off outside faucets and drain hoses. Clean the gutters to avoid ice dams that can damage your roof and walls, and check brackets to make sure they haven't come loose.

- Check for cracked roofing shingles (use binoculars to spot them). If you have an attic, use a flashlight inside to check for signs of water damage on the roofing plywood.

- If you never got around to caulking the windows last year, do it before the weather gets cold. If you plan to use the clear plastic sheeting on windows, buy before the stores run out. Look at windowsills: Do they need a coat of paint?

- If you planned to buy a snow blower, shop early for best bargains and choices. Don't wait until the first snow.

- Repair cracks in drive-

ways to keep out water and ice. Coat with a commercial sealer.

- Schedule a furnace inspection. Inquire about a 24/7 emergency repair contract.

- Schedule a chimney cleaning and inspection. Include your wood stove, if you have one.

- Consider investing in more attic insulation and a programmable timer on your furnace.

Vehicle owners:

- Schedule oil changes and general maintenance for vehicles, to include filters, brake check, wiper blades, belt inspection and fluids. Ask if your tires will make it through another winter and check tire pressure. Have a check run on your battery strength.

- If there are any dings in the vehicle's finish, buy a small tube of manufacturer color from the dealer and fix any scratches on a sunny day when the exterior is warm.

- Check your emergency kit for flares, flashlight, jumper cables and insulated blanket, and if you live in cold-weather states, a bag of sand for traction and an ice scraper.

- Your best bet: Don't wait. Once winter arrives, you'll be lost in the crowd of others trying to arrange services and buy equipment.

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Deceptive loans investigated

Veterans Post
By Freddy Groves

If you've heard of Sallie Mae, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, you've likely had a loan through one of them, perhaps a mortgage or student loan. Did you have any problems?

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has plans to accuse Sallie Mae of discriminatory lending and violating deceptive practices laws in the area of student loans to veterans and active military. Not only that, but part of the complaints concern Sallie Mae violating the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. Even better, the Department of Justice is doing a probe.

Among the problems de-

tailed in congressional testimony by a member of the Office of Servicemember Affairs: Debt collectors weren't monitored, complaints weren't tracked, interest rates weren't lowered to the required six percent when a member of the family went on active duty, service-members were told they must get a letter from their commanding officer when they go on active duty, officers who wrote those letters were told to provide an "end date" to the active duty service, and lenders automatically canceled the 6 percent interest at the end of one year.

Sallie Mae had to fess up in its recent quarterly earnings report that the FDIC was about to take formal action.

Sallie Mae must have known the August reprimand was coming, because on June 27, it reported the launch of online resources for active duty and veterans families with student loans. The site, SallieMae.com/military, has information on special repayment options, options to defer, forms and FAQs.

If you are a servicemember, veteran, retiree or military spouse and are having financial problems with consumer products such as mortgage, credit card or student loan, help is available. Go online to Consumerfinance.gov to file a complaint. You also can get help by calling (855) 411-2372.

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Sterling Flatware

Collecting
By Larry Cox

Q: I have inherited a set of sterling flatware in the Acorn pattern. When was it made, and should I keep it? -- Lorene, Lavaca, Ark.

A: Your flatware was crafted by Georg Jensen, who opened his first silver shop in Copenhagen, Denmark, in about 1904. A later company opened in the United States in 1941 and ceased operations about a decade later. Your particular pattern was introduced in 1915. Typical prices per piece include a table fork, \$180; a fruit spoon, \$130; a teaspoon, \$80; and a luncheon knife, \$140.

Q: I recently purchased a 2-gallon crock marked "Union Stoneware Co." and "Minnesota Stoneware Co." What do you think it is worth? -- Charlie, Mason City, Iowa

A: I think your crock might be worth in the \$50 to \$150 range, assuming there are no chips, cracks or other problems. Crocks have become extremely popular with collectors in recent years, which has caused prices to soar. For example, recent auction prices include a N. Clark, Jr. jug from Athens, N.Y., from about 1850, \$220; a two-gallon Monmouth pottery crock with molded rim, \$175; and a chicken feeder made by the Western Stoneware Company, \$75.

Q: I have several World War II-era editions of the Cherry Ames Student Nurse series. Do they have any value? -- Joan, Pueblo West, Colo.

A: I contacted several book collectors, and they seem to agree that your books should be worth about \$20 each, assuming they are in good con-

dition and have their original covers. The first three titles in the series are "Cherry Ames, Student Nurse"; "Cherry Ames, Senior Nurse"; and "Cherry Ames, Army Nurse." All three were written by Helen Ward, originally from Danville, Ill., where many of her stories are based.

Q: I have a complete run of National Geographic magazines from 1983 through the present. I would like to sell them, but have no idea of what they're worth. -- Charlie, Stigler, Okla.

A: In two words, not much. The National Geographic magazine was a handsome publication, but it has never been popular with collectors. I suspect your back issues are worth in the \$1 to \$3 range each.

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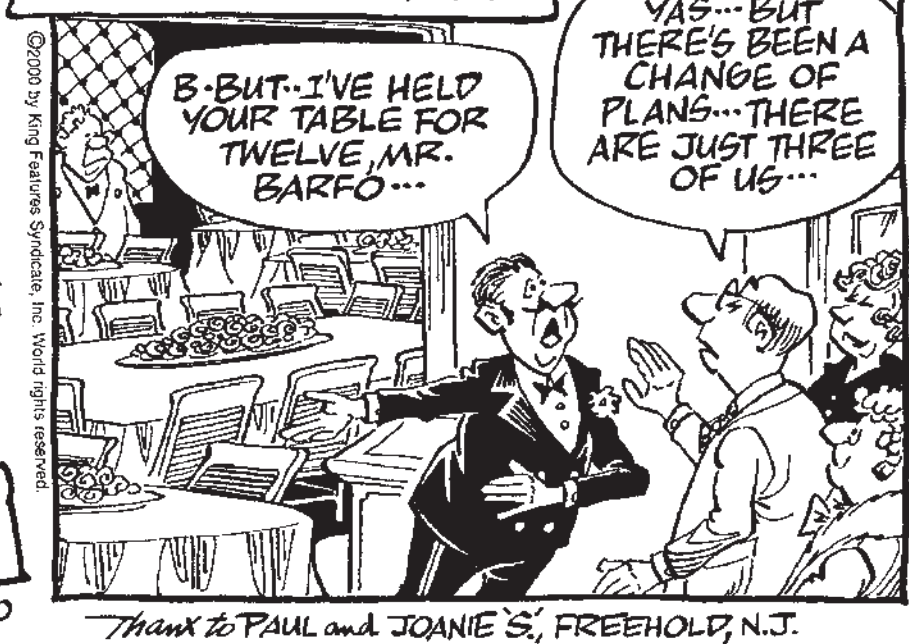
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BY AL SCADUTO

WHY MAITRE D'S GO WACKY-



AMONG THOSE WHO SHOULD BE POSTED ON AMERICA'S MOST WANTED LIST-- IS THE APARTMENT-HOUSE SNEAK WHO LEAVES HIS GARBAGE FOR OTHERS TO PUSH DOWN THE INCINERATOR...



TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GEOGRAPHY:** Where are the Maldivian islands located?
2. **COMICS:** What is Superman's dog named?
3. **TELEVISION:** When did MTV go on the air?
4. **MOVIES:** What movie features a character named Popeye Doyle?
5. **ENTERTAINERS:** Which comedian came up with the character called "the hippy dippy weatherman."
6. **SCIENCE:** What is the softest known mineral in the world?
7. **ADVERTISING:** What company used Elsie the Cow to promote its products?
8. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president pledged a "New Deal" for the United States?
9. **LITERATURE:** Who wrote the novel "Dr. Zhivago"?
10. **ANATOMY:** What is a sarcoma?

Answers: 1. Indian Ocean; 2. Krypto; 3. Aug. 1, 1981; 4. "The French Connection"; 5. George Carlin; 6. Talc; 7. Borden; 8. Franklin Roosevelt; 9. Boris Pasternak; 10. A malignant tumor in connective tissue, bone or muscle. (c) 2013 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Watch chain</p> <p>4 Two or three</p> <p>8 Narcotic drug</p> <p>14 Gave rise to</p> <p>18 Body of beliefs</p> <p>20 Distortion</p> <p>22 Do-fa links</p> <p>23 Making of file cabinet inserts?</p> <p>25 "Believe — Not!"</p> <p>26 More than infatuated</p> <p>27 Groom's vow</p> <p>28 New edition</p> <p>30 Act in opposition to</p> <p>33 Emerald Isle when it's very snowy?</p> <p>38 Seed case</p> <p>41 Fire remnant</p> <p>42 Actor Oskar</p> <p>43 Vigilant</p> <p>44 Let someone else have your warding-off job?</p> <p>48 Money in virtual retail</p> <p>49 What some readings get reset to</p> | <p>50 Amped up</p> <p>54 Thermostat component</p> <p>56 Ghastly proprietor?</p> <p>62 "Correct!"</p> <p>64 Rod attachments</p> <p>65 Film director</p> <p>66 — -portrait</p> <p>70 Arsonist's alibi?</p> <p>75 Put with the luggage</p> <p>76 Trendy berry</p> <p>77 In — (stacked up)</p> <p>78 No-goodnik</p> <p>80 Cat's playing activities?</p> <p>86 Baseball's "Georgia Peach"</p> <p>91 Card game like écarté</p> <p>92 Dog in Oz</p> <p>94 Majestic</p> <p>95 Like terrain cultivated to grow poison mushrooms?</p> <p>102 2005 horror film sequel</p> <p>105 Old Olds models</p> <p>106 Lang. of Austria</p> <p>107 Low marks</p> | <p>108 At a ferris wheel's pinnacle?</p> <p>110 Next to</p> <p>112 With 3-Down, seems familiar</p> <p>113 Suffix with krypton</p> <p>115 One of the B vitamins</p> <p>119 Head, in Nice</p> <p>120 Wright brothers' command?</p> <p>127 Computer brand</p> <p>128 What attics are used for</p> <p>129 Square meter, e.g.</p> <p>130 Boomers' kids</p> <p>131 Golden age</p> <p>132 Itches</p> <p>133 Alternative to gmail</p> | <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Name for a poodle</p> <p>2 Ingest way too much of, for short</p> <p>3 See 112-Across</p> <p>4 Brand of pain reliever</p> <p>5 Prophesied</p> <p>6 Yolked thing</p> <p>7 Letter following ex</p> <p>8 Outstanding</p> <p>9 Many an ex-con</p> <p>10 Gershwin or Aldridge</p> <p>11 Liable</p> <p>12 Mai —</p> <p>13 Big head</p> <p>14 Dresses with trains</p> <p>15 Film do-over</p> <p>16 Gushy actor</p> <p>17 Most terrible</p> <p>19 Scent-free</p> <p>21 Adequate, in dialect</p> <p>24 Tiny peeve</p> <p>29 Believe that one will</p> <p>31 Golfer Aoki</p> <p>32 Below, as a goal</p> <p>34 Kin of "ruff!"</p> <p>35 Opposite of SSW</p> <p>36 Hyena's lair</p> <p>37 Munic. statute</p> <p>38 "Rock of —"</p> <p>39 Starchy food</p> <p>40 Nobel winner</p> <p>42 "Do you know — am?"</p> | <p>45 Skipper's cry</p> <p>46 Rocky crag</p> <p>47 Aruba, e.g.: Abbr.</p> <p>51 Lace snarl</p> <p>52 Architect</p> <p>53 Do a sketch</p> <p>55 KO counter</p> <p>57 See 89-Down</p> <p>58 Whammy</p> <p>59 Sleuth, in slang</p> <p>60 Viral malady</p> <p>61 KGB's land</p> <p>63 Thick slice</p> <p>66 Guarded</p> <p>67 Light beige</p> <p>68 Nonclerical</p> <p>69 British seafood</p> <p>71 Cartoon storekeeper</p> <p>72 Prefix with calculate</p> <p>73 Horror film director</p> <p>74 Munch</p> <p>79 Tony-winning actress</p> <p>81 Asian cobras</p> <p>82 "So's — old man!"</p> <p>83 Takeoff guesses, briefly</p> | <p>84 Lawn layer</p> <p>85 Theater part</p> <p>87 "King Lear" daughter</p> <p>88 Melancholy instrument</p> <p>89 With 57-Down, teal or aqua</p> <p>90 Mrs. Harry Truman</p> <p>93 Tip jar items</p> <p>96 Sallie —</p> <p>97 Fairy</p> <p>98 Narcs' org.</p> <p>99 Fleischer or Onassis</p> <p>100 Deposed dictator</p> <p>101 TV's Merv</p> <p>102 Extra levy</p> <p>103 Individually</p> <p>104 Cold season</p> <p>109 Linden and Sparks</p> <p>110 Apiary insect</p> <p>111 Blockheads</p> <p>114 Deuce taker</p> <p>116 Home to the Taj Mahal</p> <p>117 "The Cosby Show" boy</p> <p>118 List abbr.</p> <p>121 Afr. nation</p> <p>122 Foot part</p> <p>123 Sample</p> <p>124 Possessed</p> <p>125 Pay for</p> <p>126 Ethyl ending</p> |
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STRANGE BUT TRUE by Samantha Weaver

• It was noted American author Ambrose Bierce (sometimes known as "Bitter Bierce" for his acerbic wit) who made the following sage observation: "It is by the goodness of God that we have in our country three unspeakably precious things: freedom of speech, freedom of conscience and the prudence never to practice either."

• Did you ever wonder why pirates often had pierced ears? It seems that the belief at the time was that wearing an earring improved eyesight.

• You might be surprised to learn that there is a world record for the tallest recorded hairdo. Even more surprising is the fact that the record-holder's beehive measured a whopping 6 feet, 6 inches tall.

• Food trucks are rapidly gaining popularity all over the country, both at fairs and at stand-alone food-truck bazaars. You might be surprised to learn that the origin of the food truck goes all the way back to 1872. At that time, in Providence, R.I., all the restaurants closed at 8 every night, leaving factory workers who got off late without a place to eat. At the time, a man named Walter Scott (obviously not *Sir* Walter Scott) was working as a pushcart peddler, selling odds and ends out of a glorified wheelbarrow. Like a true American entrepreneur, Scott saw a need and moved to fill it. He put a small stove in a horse-drawn wagon and began roaming the streets late at night, selling sandwiches, hard-boiled eggs and coffee. His success spurred imitators, and soon the city was teeming with the "after-hours lunchwagons."

MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel

• On Sept. 14, 1901, U.S. President William McKinley dies after being shot twice by a deranged anarchist. One bullet deflected off a suit button, but the other entered his stomach, passed through the kidneys and lodged in his back. When he was operated on, doctors failed to find the bullet, and gangrene soon spread throughout his body.

• On Sept. 15, 1935, German Jews are stripped of their citizenship, reducing them to mere "subjects" of the state. German Jews were excluded from a host of high-profile vocations, from public office to journalism, radio, theater, film and teaching - even farming. Jews found it difficult to buy food, as stores would not admit Jewish customers.

• On Sept. 9, 1942, in the first and only air attack on the U.S. mainland in the war, a Japanese floatplane drops incendiary bombs on Oregon's Mount Emily, setting fire to a state forest. The president immediately called for a news blackout for the sake of morale.

• On Sept. 12, 1951, former middleweight champion Sugar Ray Robinson defeats Randy Turpin to win back the belt at the Polo Grounds in New York City. Robinson, a New York City native, had lost the belt to Turpin two months prior in Turpin's native London.

• On Sept. 10, 1977, at Baumettes Prison in Marseille, France, Hamida Djandoubi, a Tunisian immigrant convicted of murder, becomes the last person executed by guillotine. In 1981, France abandoned the guillotine forever.

• On Sept. 13, 1989, Hurricane Hugo approaches the Leeward Islands. Over the next 12 days, the category 4 storm would kill 75 people from the island of Guadeloupe to South Carolina. The environmental toll in the Carolinas was severe, and one national forest lost about 70 percent of its trees.

• On Sept. 11, 1991, a Continental Express commuter plane crashes near Houston as it prepares to land, killing 14 people. Short of workers, an inspector had been drafted to assist the afternoon maintenance crew. The inspector worked on putting the screws on the plane's horizontal stabilizer, but did not finish the job.

Thought for the Day: "I have come to believe that the whole world is an enigma, a harmless enigma that is made terrible by our own mad attempt to interpret it as though it had an underlying truth." - Umberto Eco

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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LEGAL NOTICE

Mortgage Sale Notice

Default has been made in the terms and conditions of the open-end mortgage dated September 24, 2007 (mortgage), made by DAACA, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, as mortgagor (mortgagor) to Fifth Third Bank, an Ohio banking corporation, successor by merger with Fifth Third Bank, a Michigan banking corporation with its main office in Cincinnati, Ohio (mortgagee), which mortgage was recorded on October 2, 2007, in Alcona County Register of Deeds, Liber 446, page 820, which mortgage was amended by first amendment to open-end mortgage dated June 28, 2012, made by mortgagor in favor of mortgagee and recorded on July 10, 2012 in Alcona County Register of Deeds, Liber 489, page 204.

As of the date of this mortgage sale notice, there is due a total of three hundred sixty-eight thousand eight hundred twenty-three and 68/100 (\$368,823.68) dollars, with interest continuing to accrue at the regular and additional default rates of interest as set forth in the notes secured by the mortgage (indebtedness).

No suit or proceedings at law have been instituted to recover the indebtedness secured by the mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and pursuant to the applicable statutes of the state of Michigan, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 18th day of September, 2013 at 10 a.m., local time, the distinct parcel described in the mortgage as: That property located in Town 27 North, Range 7 East, Section 2 and more fully described as entire Lots 6, 7, 8 and 9 of First Addition to Backus Beach Tax I.D. Numbers 072-201-000-006-00 will be foreclosed by sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the indebtedness together with interest and default interest, fees, all charges and expenses, including attorneys' fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums that may be paid by mortgagee necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Please be advised that this is a sale of distinct parcels under the mortgage pursuant to MCL § 600.3224. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the foreclosure sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL § 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale. Pursuant to MCL § 600.3278, if the premises is sold at foreclosure, mortgagor will be held responsible to the person who buys the premises at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to mortgagee for damaging the premises during the redemption period.

Dated: August 12, 2013.
Fifth Third Bank, Mortgagee
By: Wolfson Bolton PLLC
Anthony J. Kochis, Esq. (P72020)
Attorneys for Mortgagee
3150 Livernois,
Ste. 275
Troy, Mich. 48083
(248) 247-7105
8-14, 8-21, 8-28, 9-4, 9-11

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. is attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at (248) 539-7400 if you are in active military duty. Sale – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Norma Frindt, a single woman, to Amera Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated March 4, 2008, and recorded on March 19, 2008, in Document No. 200800000753, Liber 450, on Page 1, 207, and assigned by said mortgagee to Michigan State Housing Development Authority, as assigned, Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-three thousand sixty-three dollars and fifty-one cents (\$53,063.51), including interest at 5.375 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. o'clock, on September 25, 2013.

Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: Lot (s) 1 and 2, "the first addition to Willert's Pine Grove Subdivision," according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 116, Alcona County records.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under 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.

Michigan State Housing Development Authority
Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938
Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
USBW.002480 FHA
8-28, 9-4, 9-11, 9-18

Notice of Foreclosure

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

Notice under MCL 600.3278: Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under MCL 600.3201 et. seq., the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Attention potential purchasers at foreclosure sale: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior/Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 1999-5, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents, may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by Duane M. Wilson and Ann Marie M. Wilson, husband and wife, (mortgagor) to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation), dated April 16, 1999, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for the county of Alcona in the state of Michigan on April

22, 1999, in Liber 330, Page(s) 661, et. seq., said mortgage being last assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior/Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 1999-5, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents (Green Tree), by mortgage assignment dated August 18, 2011, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for the county of Alcona in the state of Michigan on August 26, 2011, in Liber 481, page(s) 206, et. seq., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice the sum of \$38,239.72, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Debtors to Green Tree together with interest at 7.75 percent per annum.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on September 11, 2013 at 10 a.m., at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan, that being the place for holding the circuit court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the county of Alcona, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said mortgage as follows, to-wit: Land situated in the township of Mikado, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, is described as follows: Lot 30 of Pine River Trail Subdivision No. 1, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 18 Alcona

County records. Which also includes any interest Green Tree may have in the 1999 Patriot Mobile Home, Serial Number PAT23573IN.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months unless the property is established to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed, or unless under MCL 600.3240(17), prior to the foreclosure sale the borrower follows the procedure set forth in that section to establish the presumption that the property is used for Agricultural purposes, in which case the redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of the sale.

Dated: July 31, 2013
U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior/Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 1999-5, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents
By: Donald A. Brandt (P30183)
Brandt, Fisher, Alward & Pezzetti, P.C.
Attorneys for Green Tree
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Traverse City, Michigan
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(231) 941-9660
File No.: 6140.1024
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Mortgage sale—Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mark A. Johnson and Ruth A. Johnson, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for GMAC Mortgage, LLC DBA Ditech.Com, mortgagee, dated November 6, 2006, and recorded May 14, 2007, in Liber 441, page 1,074, of Alcona County records, Michigan, which mortgage was assigned by mesne assignments to Gregory Boulevard Investments, LLC, mortgagee assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice \$23,738.36, including interest at 3.25 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the state of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 10 o'clock in the

forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan.

Said premises are situated in the township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The north 339.76 feet of the south 1,360 feet of the NE 1/4 of Section 11, T25N, R6E, lying east of the county road; c/k/a 2627 Cole Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737.

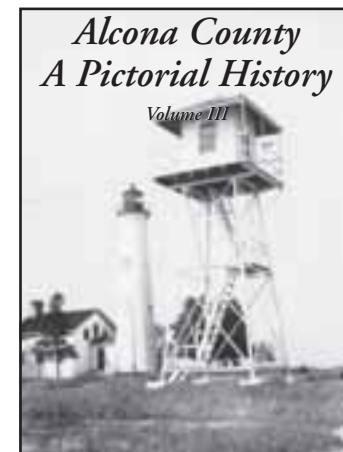
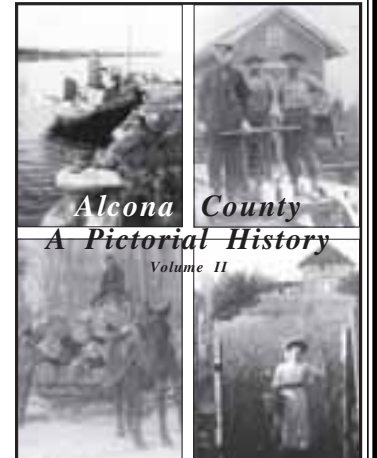
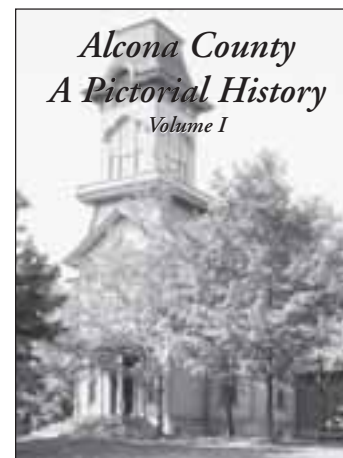
The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale, unless the premises are determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days. Please be advised that if the mortgaged property is sold at a foreclosure sale by advertisement, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 you 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: August 14, 2013
LeVasseur Dyer & Associates, PC Attorneys for Mortgagee Assignee P.O. Box 721400 Berkley, MI 48072 (248) 586-1200
8-14, 8-21, 8-28, 9-4

ALCONA ROAD COMMISSION SYNOPSIS

A regular meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission was held on August 14 in Lincoln. Motions were passed to: Approve the minutes of the July 10 meeting; authorize payment of open accounts in the amount of \$149,113.80 paid July 24 and \$164,891.95 currently due; to accept bids for roofing the garage; lease two new loaders and two new motor graders from MichiganCat; approve road improvement agreements with Greenbush Township and Haynes Township; designate chairman Scully as the voting delegate at the Northern Association of Road Commissions Conference. This synopsis of the minutes published prior to board review and approval. Complete minutes are available upon request via e-mail at roads@alconacrc.com or by calling (989) 736-8168. The next regularly-scheduled meeting is August 28 at 4 p.m.

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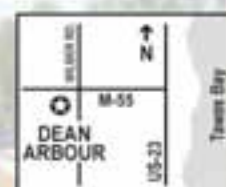
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If you feed them, they will eat ... night crawlers?

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Moving quietly to the edge of his pond, Marshall Stevens stands still waiting. Mid-summer vegetation and algae cloud the water, making it difficult to see the bottom.

Almost imperceptible, a small form slips into the water at the south side. Then, another form dips under the surface... and then another.

These forms are moving toward Stevens.

His hand disappears into a plastic container and reappears with a night crawler. He crouches at the water's edge and dangles the wriggling worm near the ground at the edge of the water. A small reptilian head emerges

and a retriever that he and his wife, Amy, have had for about eight years. He is a service dog from Paws with a Cause, and is trained not to bark or chase other animals, so he sits quietly watching the feeding frenzy that occurs each afternoon.

The Stevens' pond, in the front yard of their Spruce home, has been a release refuge for a few turtles over the years, however, many just show up for the atmosphere. "The most I've seen all at one time while they sun themselves is 15," Stevens said. "But that's rare... It's not always that many."

That afternoon six or seven move in to collect night crawlers. Two fought over a night

crawler each tugging on an end until it split. They swam away to opposite sides of the pond with their prize. "They do fight... pretty aggressively at times. I can hear their shells 'clunk' underwater," Stevens said as he dug for another worm.

Because he and Amy enjoy watching the wildlife wander in and out of their yard, Stevens had been feeding the turtles with dry aquatic food to supplement the natural food supply. However, hand feeding them night crawlers is something that happened as an experiment... "One day I was just sitting here and there were a bunch of turtles sitting on a log... I started waving them in and one came in. So, I gave him a night crawler and it started from there. I just assumed they'd eat night crawlers," he said.

That little experiment has expanded to the steady purchase of night crawlers by the flat - 60 dozen flats as of mid-July.

And, it's not just the turtles who are benefiting from the night crawler diet - frogs are in on the action as well.

One afternoon a couple of summers ago, Stevens explained, a big bull frog was perched on a rock next to the pond watching the turtles gobble night crawlers. Almost on a whim, Stevens walked over to the bull frog to see what it would do - it opened its mouth. So, he dropped a night crawler in. The bull frog ate several worms that evening.

The pond is a favorite place of relaxation for Stevens who routinely wanders around the



Marshall Stevens waits for turtles to come to him for night crawlers.

slowly revealing a round shell. Stevens coaches the turtle to come closer and when it does, the worm is the reward. Snatching it from Stevens, the turtle scoots back under water and disappears.

As he feeds other turtles - primarily painted turtles that have been released by friends and relatives over the years - Stevens said wryly, "I have to sit out here at the end of each day and fee my turtles."

In the summer this is how he unwinds. Often he is joined by a four-legged companion, Hassie Jo, the black Labra-



Frogs are hungry too.



A sunny spot.

edge and unwinds in his chair each evening. Feeding the turtles isn't the only way Stevens connects to them; he talks to them in a quiet, steady rhythm as well.

Stevens, who enjoys being in the woods and is an avid hunter, finds it easier to talk to animals than people much of the time.

His wife, Amy, is not shy when it comes to talking about their love for all animals. "It is my hope that this story will raise awareness about the intelligence of turtles and inspire more compassion for them."

"I don't want people to think we are collecting them... The ones in our



pond have either been rescued or released from aquariums as pets to an environment where they can be safe and free.

"I hope people will take the time to stop and give them a boost to the other side of the road in the direction they are going. Chances are (that turtle) is a mama turtle traveling to find a dry, sandy spot in the sun to lay her eggs so we can continue to enjoy turtles for generations to come," Amy Stevens said. Photos by Cheryl Peterson.



Hassie enjoys feeding time.



What I didn't do this summer

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Thanks to the first responders and ambulance crew and to family and friends for all of their help the day I fell and broke my hip.
Fran Brown

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

"I know you're going, what I can't believe is the way that you're leaving..."

Phil Collins

Okay, I'm ready. Beach towel rolled up. Got a brand new bottle of sun block and my sunglasses. The elastic's still hanging in there in my old bathing suit and...oh, look -- it's Labor Day. What? Really? How did we get here? Dang.

Every year at this time, the song above (and especially the lines above) starts to play in my head. From the first time I heard it, I've thought of it as an end of summer song, not an end of romance song. And this year is no different.

I haven't been in the big lake once. The cherry tomato plants I'd planned for the patio have presumably withered at the greenhouse. (Although I like to think someone else bought them and gave them a good home). I still haven't found the Russian sage I want for the front garden.

Every year, it seems, summer goes by a little faster. This year, she whisked in and out in record time. June was taken up with plans for a wedding. July, with recovering from a wedding. The first half of August, I did something to put my neck/back/shoulder out and had to deal with that. And now here we are, at the unofficial finish line of the season.

It's okay, though. I don't mourn the end of summer the way I used to. In part, that's because I'm learning to love autumn. In part, it's due to my "to-don't" list.

The to-don't list is one of the means I've learned to use to cope with the changes in my life. I wish I could say I invented it, but I didn't. It was passed along by another post-polio patient.

One of the universal truths about us former polio kids is that we tend to be Type-A personalities. That's not surprising, when you consider that we were guided, instructed, encouraged and

chided by well-meaning parents, doctors and physical therapists to achieve as much as possible. To get back to "normal" and, to shore up any physical losses we might have had with our brains and our hard work. To paraphrase "Alice In Wonderland," polio kids like to do at least six impossible things before breakfast.

But the to-don't list isn't limited to those of us with chronic pain issues. It could be useful to anyone who finds it hard to sit back and let life happen to them.

It works like this: After years of Type-A-ing, I still wake up each morning mentally reviewing what I need to accomplish that day. "Let's see, I need to clean the bathroom and the dining room, clip Henri's toe nails, plan dinner and make a trip to the grocery store, start the column and the church newsletter, water the plants on the deck, do a couple loads of laundry..."

It goes on and on, before I even descend the stairs.

And then I pour myself a cup of coffee, and begin on my to-don't list. I will tidy the dining room and give the bathroom a (yuck) lick and a promise. People still come to visit, after all, the house can't be that bad. We'll have something easy for dinner, pulled together from things already on the pantry shelves. I'll begin the column today and start the newsletter tomorrow.

Then, since my brain is still in planning mode, I draw myself up a little mental timeline. I'll do the bath and dining room this morning, while my energy level is still high. I'll build in a brief after-lunch nap, then work on the column and put dinner together...

If you're a Type-A personality, I know exactly what you're thinking right now. "Well, it must be nice, buuuut..." It is nice. And more than that, it allows me to visit some of my wants along with my have-tos. So that I can

Puttin' On
The Fritz

take a shower and wash my hair (a remarkably exhausting activity). So that I can take Henri for a short walk after dinner, unclipped toenails clicking on the sidewalk all the way. And most importantly, so I have the time and energy to appreciate the beauty and wonder and joy around me.

So, while I didn't make it to the beach this summer, or rehab the kitchen, either, I was able to sit on the couch with my feet up and have several remarkable conversations with the Princess. I was able to step outside in the evening and soak up some rays from the full moon. I was able to sit still and just hold an aging poodle who doesn't see or hear so well anymore, but still appreciates the benefits of a good cuddle. As do I. It gives me the time and mental acuity required to doodle in my water color notebook. Any of those activities, or similar ones that matter to you, will enrich the soul of anyone - with or without physical limitations -- far more than a series of checks on a to-do list. Really.

Based on the things I've learned over the past couple of years, I have two small signs on the wall across from my writing area. One says "If it does not bring you joy, why are you doing it?" The other says, "Time wasted doing something you love...isn't wasted."

So yes, this summer went by far too quickly. But because of my to-don't list, it was richer and fuller than many summers past. Sometimes, less really is more. Besides, my list helps to reassure me that I'll likely get another one.

And I'm learning to love autumn, too.

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Pediatricians answer questions about childhood immunizations

Dr. Leah Conboy, Dr. Tina Hahn and Dr. Jonathon Nicholson of Alpena Regional Medical Center Medical Group Pediatric Associates (formerly Long Rapids Family Care) answer common questions about immunization for children.

Q: Why do we immunize?

A: Vaccines are the best way to prevent disease. Children are given vaccines at a young age because this is when they are most likely to get the disease. Before vaccines, many children died from diseases that vaccines now prevent.

Immunizations also help to protect the health of the community, especially for people who cannot be vaccinated. These include those too young to receive vaccines, like newborn babies, those who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons, like a child with leukemia or people who do not respond to vaccines.

Q: Are vaccines safe?

A: A parent might have questions and concerns about vaccine safety. With so much incorrect information on the Internet and in the media, it is often hard to find trustworthy information. The truth is vaccines are safe and effective and have protected and saved millions of lives from vaccine preventable disease.

The Federal Drug Administration (FDA) tests every new vaccine for up to 10 years before issuing the vaccine a license and once they are being used they are continually monitored by both the FDA and Center for Disease Control (CDC) through a vaccine adverse event reporting system.

Q: Are some vaccines not needed because some diseases are not around anymore?

A: No. While immuniza-

tions have reduced most of these diseases to very low levels in the United States these diseases are still common in other parts of the world. Over the past few years we have also seen an increase in cases of whooping cough and measles here in the U.S. and abroad. If we keep vaccinating now, parents in the future may be able to trust that diseases like polio and meningitis won't infect, cripple or kill children.

Q: Do vaccines like the measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine cause autism?

A: No. Scientific data do not show a link between the MMR vaccine and autism. Children receive the first dose of MMR vaccine at 12-15 months. Signs of autism often appear when a child is 15-18 months. Because children get the MMR vaccine before the signs of autism appear, some people were concerned about a link.

In 1998 a study was published in a respectable journal stating that there was a link between the MMR vaccine and autism. Later the results were rejected because the study was seriously flawed. The paper was then rejected by the journal and the lead publisher lost his medical license. However, as a result of the study many parents in Great Britain refused the MMR vaccine and a number of outbreaks of measles and mumps have occurred. Subsequent studies and reviews have concluded that there is no link between the MMR vaccine and autism.

Q: What about alternative vaccine schedules? Why can't I follow that schedule and spread shots out over a longer period of time?

A: There is no scientific basis for alternative vaccine schedules. No one knows how

well it will work to protect your child from disease. Spreading vaccines out over time leaves your child vulnerable to diseases at a time when they are most at risk. The current vaccine schedule is designed to work best with a child's immune system at certain ages and at specific times. The vaccine schedule that most doctors recommend is evaluated each year by top disease experts and is based on the most recent scientific data available.

Q: What is the mercury ingredient thimerosal? Is it safe?

A: Thimerosal is a preservative used in some vaccines and medicines. It is used to stop bacteria and fungi from getting into multi-dose vaccine containers. Some parents worry that there is a link between neurologic disorders and vaccines that contain thimerosal. There is no evidence that the thimerosal in vaccines is harmful.

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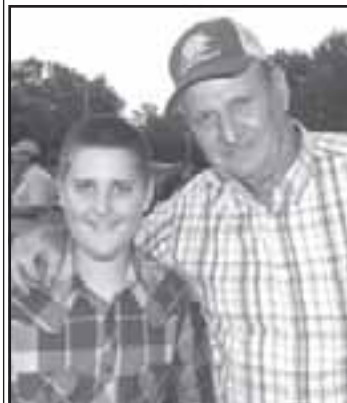
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Hunter Douglas, 3, pets sheep as Jennifer Tait of Harrisville shows her six-month old sheep, Beevis, to Seth Kennedy, 5.



(From left) Persephone Whelan, fair volunteer, Danica Manning, 7, Sean Whelan, fair volunteer and Josh Giroux helps his sister, Rylee Manning, 5, saw a wood cookie at the logging demonstration and displays.



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Spencer Kingstead, 3, Grand Blanc, Mich. has fun riding on a mini motorcycle. *Photo by Mary Weber.*



Feeding hay into an old fashioned baling machine.



One of the many competitors in the truck pull.



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Commercial fishery still flourishes in Michigan

When most people think about fishing, they think about rods, reels and recreation on the state's lakes and streams. But there's an entirely different type of fishing in Michigan, commercial fishing, that flies under most folks' radar.

At one time, commercial fishing was far bigger than recreational fishing in Michigan. It was a huge industry with thousands of licensed fishermen employing tens of thousands of people.

"Those days are almost forgotten," said Tom Goniea, the fisheries biologist who oversees commercial fishing for the Michigan Department of

Natural Resources (DNR). "The modern commercial fishery is very different; it has been consolidated and streamlined."

Actually, there are two different commercial fisheries in Michigan -- made up of tribal fishermen and state-licensed fishermen. Tribal commercial fishermen operate under the authority of treaties signed by indigenous people with the federal government. All non-tribal fishermen are licensed by the DNR.

"Since 1968, the state-licensed commercial fishery has operated under a limited-entry policy, which simply states that the number of commercial fishing licenses is limited to those that have been issued in the preceding year and only those individuals who held their licenses that year are eligible for the new one," Goniea explained.

"Currently, there are 50 commercial fishing licenses in Michigan. They're spread out over all four of the Great Lakes, though not all 50 licenses are actually fished in a given year. Roughly 35 of the 50 licenses actually harvest fish. The others maintain their licenses because the limited-entry system

makes them valuable.

"Of the 35 that actually harvest fish, there are roughly 25 businesses," Goniea continued. "Some businesses own and utilize more than one license. Each business probably employs somewhere between five to 10 people."

Commercial fishermen are heavily regulated as to where they can fish, what they can catch and what equipment they can use. Each license specifies the types and amounts of gear to be used. Commercial fishermen, as authorized by their licenses, can use set hooks, impound-

ment nets, deep-water small-mesh gill nets and seines. Trap nets are "by far and away, the most popular gear," Goniea said. "We're talking 95 percent of all commercial fishing harvest."

Trap nets gather and hold fish alive, so when they are lifted, fishermen not only collect the fish at their freshest, but can release noncommercial species or undersized specimens back into the water alive.

Commercial fishermen target a wide variety of species. "It's dependent largely on

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Turning pine cones into profit: Helping to reforest state land

Want to play a part in the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' mission of keeping state forests healthy and sustainable and maybe even make a few bucks in the process?

This fall, as cones are ripening, people can collect red and jack pine cones and sell them to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) by visiting offices in Cadillac, Gaylord, Manistique and Marquette. The seeds are placed in cold storage at the DNR-operated

Wyman State Nursery until needed.

Each bushel of pine cones can net between \$30 and \$35 for the person willing to put in some sweat equity.

"The annual pine cone buying program provides an opportunity for residents to contribute to the DNR's rejuvenation efforts and help produce millions of seedlings that will help sustain Michigan's state forest land," said Bill O'Neill, chief of the DNR's Forest Resources Division. "The DNR's regeneration ef-

forts have been successful for more than 30 years. With help from folks collecting pine cones, the outcomes of this program can be enjoyed for years to come."

Michigan's forests are known for their breathtaking beauty, sheer size and inviting spaces. These forest lands are carefully managed for timber, wildlife, recreation, aesthetic and ecological values - all of which play an important role in the state's economy through forest-based industry and tourism.

Collaboration is important when it comes to successfully managing Michigan's state forest land to meet these needs. "It is no small job," added O'Neill, who also serves as Michigan's state forester. "Last spring alone, Forest Resources Division staff planted more than seven million seedlings on state forest land - reforesting around 7,500 acres."

Many of the seedlings used in the DNR's planting efforts come from Wyman. The Manistique-based facility produces five million to 7.5 million seedlings annually to help replenish Michigan's forest land. If pine cones aren't collected yearly, those seedlings won't be produced.

The pine cones sold to the DNR can help produce seed and seedlings that will reforest habitats crucial to the



These jack pine cones will provide the seeds needed to produce seedlings for state forests. DNR offices in Cadillac, Gaylord, Manistique and Marquette will be accepting cones from the public this fall. *Photos courtesy of the Michigan DNR.*

survival of many species like deer, turkey and many other game and non-game species, including the federally endangered Kirtland's warbler.

In addition to the Kirtland's warbler habitat, the DNR also focuses its reforestation efforts on sites that have been harmed by natural disasters like wildfire. "When natural circumstances - like last year's Duck Lake fire - destroy large areas of forest land, the DNR works to plant seedlings that will help areas regenerate faster than they would on their own," said David Neumann, Forest Resources Division silviculturist. "Last spring, we planted

about 1,200 acres in Newberry at the Duck Lake site; we have plans to plant an additional 3,000 acres over the next three to five years to help the area recover from the fire.

"We leave some of the regeneration to nature, but will continue monitoring the site for the next few years," he added.

While the pine cones collected have traditionally come from the eastern Upper Peninsula and northern Lower Peninsula, the DNR is looking to push cone collection in the western U.P. this fall.

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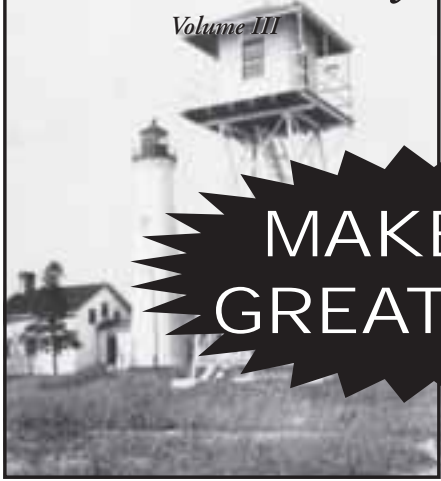
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Workers at the DNR-operated Wyman State Nursery in Manistique, Mich. load jack pine seedlings that will be used in reforestation efforts on state forest land. Last spring, the DNR's Forest Resources Division planted more than seven million seedlings on state forest land.

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fishing location," Goniea said. "Saginaw Bay and Lake Erie, for instance, have a diverse commercial harvest including carp, catfish, quillback, buffalo, gizzard shad, bullhead, gold fish and some whitefish. In Saginaw Bay there's also a yellow perch fishery. But outside of those areas, the state-licensed commercial fishery on the Great Lakes is essentially for a single species - lake whitefish."

"Whitefish make up about 85 percent of the commercial fishery by volume and more than 90 percent by value," Goniea said. "Remove Saginaw Bay and Lake Erie and those numbers approach 100 percent. The commercial fishery is really whitefish-driven." As the Great Lakes have changed, the commercial fishery has, too. A once-flourishing fishery for chubs has practically disappeared.

"Ten years ago, commercial fishermen harvested a million pounds of whitefish and 125,000 pounds of

chubs," Goniea said. "In the last few years they've been harvesting a million pounds of whitefish and 5,000 pounds of chubs. The chubs aren't there, and they're not there for the same reason the alewife populations have declined - invasive species."

The yellow perch fishery in Saginaw Bay produces between 35,000 and 80,000 pounds a year, Goniea said.

"It has the potential to be larger, but the perch population isn't there," he said. "As with all types of fishing, if there are more fish in the water, there will be more fish caught."

The restrictions on the amount of gear commercial fishermen can use guarantees that the fish stocks are not overexploited, Goniea said.

"If fish populations go up, the catch goes up," he explained. "If the amount of gear wasn't fixed, guys could use more gear and continue to fish the stocks harder. That isn't what happens now.

"The commercial fishery in the Great Lakes is small enough and well-regulated enough that it no longer drives population dynamics as it did many, many years ago," Goniea continued. "The driving force behind fish populations in the Great Lakes today is invasive species. They're the determining factor as to what fish populations look like."

Despite the limited-entry nature of the fishery, part of the DNR's role in managing commercial fisheries is assessing the stocks and determining appropriate harvest levels, Goniea said.

"In waters where state-licensed and tribal fishermen share the resources, lake whitefish harvest is managed by annual quota," he said.

Where marketing is concerned, commercial fishermen range from folks who simply harvest the fish and wholesale them to distributors, to those who operate their own fresh fish markets.

"Fishermen who operate retail fish markets can make four to five times on their catch what they would simply selling fish wholesale," Goniea said.

Gross dockside value, based on average price per pound, of Michigan commercial fishing operations is conservatively estimated at between \$10 million and \$12 million annually, Goniea said.

"Obviously, once all that fish moves through the retail outlets, there's a much greater impact on Michigan's economy."

Michigan's commercial fishery is almost entirely de-



Commercial fishermen haul in a trap net on Lake Huron. Photos courtesy of Michigan DNR.

voted to table fare for humans, though there is a small market for gizzard shad on the East Coast, where they are used as bait for commercial crab fishermen.

"That's the exception, not the rule," Goniea concluded.

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"The western U.P. has some of the highest-quality jack pine stands in the state," said Tom Seablom, Forest Resources Division timber management specialist in Marquette, Mich. "The DNR would like to start an annual collection program from this area so other areas can benefit."

September and October are generally the best months to collect pine cones. For residents who are new to collecting pine cones in Michigan's forests, the DNR offers the following tips to get started:

- Look for squirrel caches.
- Pick cones off the tops of trees from recent timber sales.
- Remember that only cones that are tight (unopened) and clean (free of sticks, debris, rot, decay and fungus) will be accepted.
- Keep the cones cool to ensure that they do not begin to compost; the seeds will die at high temperatures.

After the DNR purchases the pine cones, they are dried and the seeds are extracted and cleaned.

Collected seeds can be stored several years, so your contribution will help the DNR grow jack and red pine seedlings now and well into the future," O'Neill said.

People interested in picking and selling cones to the DNR this fall can contact the Forest Resources Division staff person in their area for more information and to find out the dates each office will buy cones from the public.

- Cadillac: Sue Sobieski, (231) 775-9727, ext. 6904
- Gaylord: Tim Greco, (989) 732-3541, ext. 5041

For more information about the DNR's reforestation efforts and state forest planning, visit www.michigan.gov/forestplan.

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