

Harrisville council will hear road abandonment request

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

The Harrisville City Council will hear a request Monday evening from a resident to abandon several city streets to accommodate a housing development to be built within the city limits.

According to City of Harrisville Mayor John Dobis, the request has been made to the council by Rick J. Pender and "the principals of Harbor Town Development, LLC" which intends to provide on the property it owns - four city blocks and 13 lots in two other blocks - a development of "single family homes that meet or exceed all city, state and county requirements,"

according to a letter of request submitted to the city by Pender.

In this letter, Pender asks the council to consider "eliminating Fourth Street from Jackson south to Spring Street," "Grant Street east of Third Street to Second Street" and "Spring Street east of Third Street to Second Street" and vacating to Harbor Town Development, LLC which "intends to provide adequate lot sizes that will provide future residences more flexibility than the current minimum lot requirements."

Dobis explained the request to essentially abandon city streets can be an initial step in planning a develop-

ment project. When the request came to the city several weeks ago Dobis said he began looking into other areas to be considered including water flow and wetlands in that area.

"What we have is a platted and undeveloped (portion of the city)... The street right-of-ways were probably platted, about 100 years ago, for future development," Dobis said. "He would like the city to vacate certain portions of those platted roads to go with his vision and what he wants to do."

In preparation for the council's review of Pender's request and the upcoming council meeting Dobis sent

letters to six property owners directly involved in this request asking for their input. All six responded with two unconcerned and four against. Dobis said Pender is planning to attend the meeting and will have an opportunity to talk about the request.

Dobis said as mayor he does not vote on this request and does not have an opinion about it. However, he does see a benefit to the city in regard to having taxes collected from the development and the city not having the expense of the roads and being responsible for utility installation - primarily water and sewer. A possible negative aspect could be the city

agreeing to the request and the development not being completed.

"This is a community decision and we have to make the right decision - no matter what the outcome, I will support that decision," Dobis said. "It isn't uncommon for a request like this to come to the council initially and not the planning commission... in regard to vacating city streets. But I did let him know that he will have to deal with all new zoning ordinances and with the planning commission in regard to submitting site plans, et cetera."

The city council will meet on September 9 at 7 p.m. at the city hall.



Harmony Weeked Parade Grand Marshal is Mary Lu Webb of Harrisville. Photo by Mary Weber.

Negwegon park is protected by friends

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

One of the area's gems lies nestled between the northeast corner of Alcona County and the southeast corner of Alpena County. It is a quiet place where the wind whispers off the sugar sand shores through thousands of jack pine and aspen.

It is a place where nature flourishes and the darkness of the night sky feels all encompassing with too many stars for one to take in. This oasis is Negwegon.

Negwegon State Park has 39,600 feet of shoreline, 10 miles of hiking trails and 3,069 acres of natural habitat. It also has another feature -- friends. The Friends of Negwegon members work together to preserve, protect and promote the park through stewardship, education and research.

The Friends group first began when a number of individuals including Sue Keller, Jim Larson and Dan Mullen got together in 2008. They knew and understood how much the park had to offer and wanted to make sure it remained a place rich with history and nature for generations to come.

Keller is the president of the Friends group. She explained it took a while for them to get a tax-exempt 501c3 nonprofit charity sta-



Jim Larson and Sue Keller were among the first to form Friends of Negwegon. Photos by Mary Weber.

tus, but it was worth the wait as they couldn't apply for grants without it.

As a retired teacher from Alcona Community Schools, Keller knows the valuable education Negwegon presents to students. She is proud of the efforts of Alcona students who, with a combination of entities and grants along with the help of many teachers, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative, researched, designed and executed interpretive signs for the park. This project was conducted over a three year span and was completed in 2010.

This summer the Friends group was awarded a grant for \$83,500 through the coastal program of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Jim Larson said the credit for the getting the grant goes to Michigan Natural Feature Inventory Conservation Scientist, Daria Hyde. "We are very, very grateful for all the hard work Daria has done on this project," Larson said. Hyde will be the director of the grant project.

The grant money will be divided several different ways

with the bulk of it going toward controlling the invasive phragmites which will most likely begin next spring. "At that time we will want to draw in as many volunteers as possible along with the DNR licensed staff to treat the phragmites with chemicals," Larson said.

"Phragmites is just a difficult plant to treat. It takes three years before we can really control it. The first year seems to do it and then it comes back, but by the third year we can be fairly certain it's under control," Larson said, noting that if left uncontrolled the plant would simply take over the park.

Larson explained that prior to obtaining the grant, the Friends group had a stewardship plan of the outside boundaries of Negwegon written by Glen Palmgren from the DNR. "After careful study, Glen was the one who decided the primary thing which needed to happen at the park was to control the invasive species. The one which is the most problem is phragmites.

"We know for sure there are some other invasives in the park, but Glen's survey

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Ask Your Neighbor

Don Bauman of Ann Arbor, Mich. has a photograph of Hickey Hill which is below. "The (post) card was not mailed so there is no additional information," he said in his response.



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The Family of Delbert Apsey

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Obituaries

Doris L. Kerridge

Doris L. Kerridge, 81, of Barton City died on Monday, Aug. 26, 2013 at Genesys Regional Medical Center.

She was born September 15, 1931 to James and Naomi (Glassford) Mooney in Gwinn, Mich.

Mrs. Kerridge is survived by one son, Chuck (Donna) Kerridge of Corunna, Mich.; three daughters, Julia (Ed) Rhodes of Fenton, Mich., Mary (Jeff) Shields of Flushing, Mich. and Cheryl (Scott Misener) Vorachek of Mundy Township, Mich.; 17 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; one brother, Mason (Jan) Mooney of Ovid, Mich.; two sisters, Katie Clark of Newberry, Mich. and Joyce Musgrave of Manistique, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester, in 2013; one granddaughter, Kimberlee Shields in 1995; and one sister, Leona "Snookie" Mooney.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, Sept. 3 at the Swartz Funeral Home, Flint, Mich.

Emery M. Monroe

Emery M. Monroe, 93, of Lincoln died on Thursday, Aug. 29, 2013 at the Lincoln Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Community.

He was born February 14, 1920 in Detroit, Mich. to Jesse and Elsie (Carlson) Monroe.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He married Marie "Susie" Donze on October 18, 1941.

Mr. Monroe was a tool maker in Detroit, Mich. for Holly Carburetor and later at Harrisville Tool Co. before retiring.

His wife, Susie, preceded him in death in 1979.

On February 13, 1982 he married Margaret (Ostrom) Slater at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Elmira, Mich.

They moved to Lost Lake Woods Club in 1979 where he built a home.

Mr. Monroe is survived by his wife, Margaret; one son, Karl (Lorie) Monroe of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.; and two grandsons, Michael Monroe and Jesse Monroe.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Ernest Monroe; and one sister, Virginia Peters.

In accordance with his wishes his body has been donated to the University Of Michigan Medical School.

Kenneth G. Ward

Kenneth George Ward, 81, of Greenbush died on Friday, Aug. 30, 2013 at Saginaw Covenant Health Care in Saginaw, Mich.

He was born August 13, 1932 to Harry and Blanche (Morrison) Ward in Mikado, where he was raised.

Kenneth served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He was married to Antoinette Candela for 44 years. They were residents of Flint, Mich. where he worked as a floor tiler, truck driver and heavy equipment operator before moving to Greenbush in 1972.

He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Oscoda Post 3735, The American Legion, Mikado Post 254, the 40 and 8 and the Oscoda Eagles Aerie 4237.

Mr. Ward is survived by four daughters, Ella Shreve of Millington, Mich., Nina Rosum of Grand Blanc, Mich., Patty (Al) Olmstead of Millington, Mich. and Betty Ward of Greenbush; four sons, Harwood Ward of Greenbush, Jimmy Lee Ward of Greenbush, Kenny Ward of Clio, Mich. and Robert (Jeannette) Ward of North Branch, Mich.; 19 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren;



and three great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Melvin (Gertie) Ward of Greenbush and Arnold (Ruth) Ward of Oscoda, and one sister-in-law, Verda Ward of Greenbush.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Antoinette, on March 4, 2005; one daughter, Judy Jones; two brothers, Floyd Ward and Irven Ward; and two sons-in-law, Richard Shreve and John Rosum.

Visitation is Friday, Sept. 5, from 2 to 8 p.m. at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. The funeral will be Saturday, Sept. 7 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. The Rev. Edward Morrison will officiate. Burial will be at the Mikado Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Michigan.

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Natural Remedies Against Ants

1. Lemon juice
2. Cinnamon
3. Peppermint
4. Borax, water and sugar
5. Boiling water and dish soap
6. Diatomaceous earth
7. Chalk
8. Baking soda and powdered sugar
9. Coffee grounds
10. Cornmeal

Source: Mother Nature Network

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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. 25	87		61	0.00	4.1
Aug. 26	90	68	0.01	2.8	20	NNE
Aug. 27	74	65	0.12	1.3	10	NNE
Aug. 28	77	66	0.02	3.8	15	NE
Aug. 29	77	63	0.00	1.0	10	NE
Aug. 30	81	67	0.61	2.1	20	SE
Aug. 31	73	66	0.00	6.0	21	NE

Precipitation Summary (Inches) 2012-2013			
	2013	2012	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.76	1.66	0.77
August to Date	1.26	4.27	3.50
Year to Date	22.41	17.59	19.36

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, 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 woodcarvers 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, 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 in-

formation, 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.

An open house will be held for artist in-residence for September, Anita Harmon from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Thunder Bay Art Gallery located at 127 West Chisholm Street, Alpena. This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (989) 356-6678.

The Alpena County Republican Party Reagan Day dinner will be held at the Aplex 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 and state youth vice chair Blake Edmonds. For tickets and information, contact Susanne Christensen at (989) 464-9626 or e-mail christensenfarms@speednetllc.com.

Fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. at the American Legion, 2205 Alger Street, Mikado. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children age six to 12, five and under free. Public is welcome.

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.

To learn more about incorporating calcium rich foods in your lifestyle, join Melissa Tolan-Halleck, registered dietitian, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Alpena Community College, room CTR106. Samples of calcium rich foods and a bone density screening will be available. To register, call (989) 356-8124.

Thunder Bay Arts Council will hold their annual meeting at the 19th Hole, 1081 US-23 North, Alpena. Social hour from 5 to 6 p.m. followed by dinner and brief meeting. This meeting is open to everyone. Call (989) 356-6678 for reservations.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

The Alzheimer's Support Group of Alcona County will meet at 2 p.m. in the commons at Jamieson Nursing Home, 790 South US-23, Harrisville.

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.

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

A reception for Bill and Isa Hastings, featured artists for September, will be at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Refreshments provided by the Friends of the Library. Their work will be on display until October during regular library hours. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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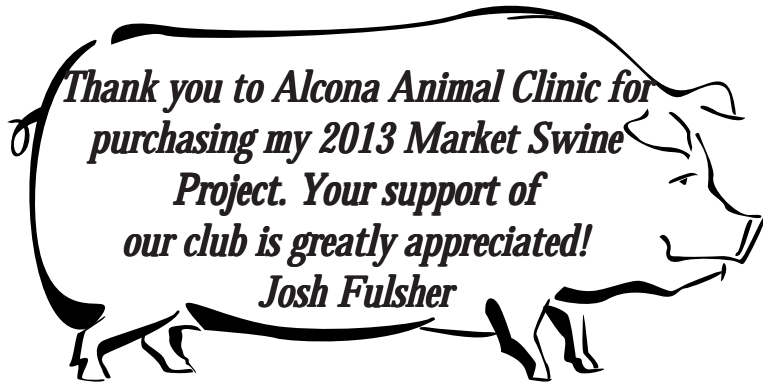
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,
I hope many Alcona County citizens enjoyed all of the various activities and events throughout this summer. I know many people and organizations worked hard to accomplish a season of varied events for all ages to enjoy. Harmony Weekend is an extravaganza to behold! However, that is only the final

“act” of summer. There were concerts in the park, the events and activities under the “Big Top” at the harbor, varied and numerous activities sponsored by the Alcona County Library, the summer solstice at Harrisville State Park, and the 4-H county fair in Lincoln, the old car show also held in Lincoln and all the Alcona Historical Society

provided at Sturgeon Point Lighthouse throughout the summer season.
I am certain there were other events that I forgot to include. However, all who had any part in planning and arranging the above, should take a great big bow.

Mary McMahan Gruba
Harrisville Township

To the Editor,
There is a time and place for everything. Governor Rick Snyder took the time to visit our Alcona County Fair to highlight the good things about Michigan and to promote the Pure Michigan campaign that has been successful in bringing more visitors to our state and county.

he chose to visit our fair and spend time with so many people while he was here. Governor Snyder was not here to promote a political agenda or to hold a town hall meeting.

that person’s environmental agenda? Come on, how silly can you be? This was neither the time nor place to pull this kind of stunt.

By the way, horizontal fracking for natural gas is not the “heart” of the Pure Michigan campaign – it is about bringing tourism to the state to boost the economy.

We should be honored that

Then why would any reasonable person be “puzzled” when Governor Snyder refuses to sign a petition handed to him that promotes

Richard Kacel
Lincoln

Local Notes

Now on Display

Bill and Isa Hastings of Black River are the September featured artists at the Harrisville Branch of the Alcona County Library. Their art includes an eclectic collection of paintings, wood carvings, collages and more, with the predominant themes of landscapes, wildlife, nature and history. All are invited to a reception in their honor on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 2 p.m. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library. Their work will be on display until October during regular library hours. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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. 9—Chicken and gravy over noodles, Brussels sprouts, flavored apple sauce, rice pudding and fruit.
- Tuesday, Sept. 10—Baked fish, wild rice, broccoli, fruited Jell-O and fruit.
- Wednesday, Sept. 11—Boiled dinner with smoked sausage, cabbage, red potatoes and carrots; pea salad

and fruit.

- Thursday, Sept. 12—Beef enchilada, Mexican rice, baby carrots and dip, Santa Fe salad and fruit.

- Friday, Sept. 13—Ham, Au Gratin potatoes, Prince Charles blend vegetables, orange pineapple salad and fruit. *(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)*

Away at School

- Megan Jackson of Hubbard Lake recently graduated from Ferris State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in BUAD with professional tracks.

- Brent Champagne of Ossineke recently graduated from Ferris State University with a human resource management certification.

- Anna Rumbles of Hubbard Lake was named to the dean’s list for the spring semester 2013 at Ferris State University. To achieve dean’s list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

- Emily Pachla of Oscoda was named to the dean’s list for the spring semester 2013 at Ferris State University. To achieve dean’s list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Historic Site Dedication

The Alcona Historical Society will dedicate The Mountain Inn as an Alcona Historic Site on Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 6 p.m. The origi-

nal Mountain Inn was built in 1936 by Oliver and Rose DeRocher on the corner of US-23 and Black River Road. It was destroyed by fire twice and was rebuilt in 1937 and 1955. Over the years, it has been a popular place to socialize, drink, eat, dance and play cards. In 2012, it was purchased by Jim DeRocher, grandson of the original owners, and Dan Gauthier, grandson of settlers in Black River.

Now named The Mountain Bar and Grill, the building has been remodeled, leaving the north wing and fireplace, but adding a brick, stone and wood dining room, highlighting the old and the new features. Everyone is invited to this program of Mountain Inn and Black River history at The Mountain on the corner of US-23 and Black River Road in Black River; light refreshments will be provided. For more information, call Gordon at (989) 471-9100.

Board Appointment

The Board of Education of the Alpena-Montmorency-Alcona Educational Service District (AMA ESD) has promoted Susan Grulke to the position of assistant superintendent of instructional services and special education. The appointment was made recently at August AMA ESD Board of Education meeting. Grulke has been employed by AMA ESD for 13 years and previously served

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING:

KRIS MART for buying my 2013 Market Swine.



COLE’S APPLIANCE for buying my 2013 Grand Champion Market Roaster Rabbit.



AAACU for buying my 2013 Grand Champion Fryer Rabbits.

Nelson Quintel

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and stewardship plan covered only the outside boundaries, he didn't penetrate into the park," Larson said.

A portion of the grant monies will also go to mapping the whole park, not just the boundaries, so members of the Friends groups will be aware of where other invasive species are and learn how to keep them under control.

Some of the grant money will go toward researching endangered and species of special concern, particularly the Hine's emerald dragonfly. Larson said the Hine's emerald is very, very rare but it has been seen at Thompson's Harbor State Park (north of Alpena) and is most likely at Negwegon as well.

The Hine's emerald dragonfly has brilliant green eyes. It can be distinguished from all other species of its family by a combination of a dark metallic green thorax with two creamy-yellow lateral lines and a distinctively shaped terminal appendage. Adults have a body length of 2.3-2.5 inches and a wingspan of 3.5-3.7 inches.

Larson said research for the dragonfly may begin this fall with an effort to find the larvae which burrows in the ground and is used during the winter until they come out as full fledged dragonflies.

A small amount of the grant will be shared with Thompson's Harbor to protect endangered species believed to be at both parks, particularly the rare eastern massasauga rattlesnake, Michigan's only venomous snake and the piping plover, a small, extremely rare shore bird which builds its nest on the beach.

Larson, who resides in Ohio, said he has been visiting Negwegon for many years and especially enjoys the park in the fall. He said around the first week of October, when the colors just start to change, visitors who wander along the

railroad tracks may be able to see fringed gentian, a bright blue or violet wildflower which is a Michigan protected species of special concern.

There are about 100 members of the Friends of Negwegon, but Keller and Larson are interested in expanding the membership which costs \$5 per year. They are also interested in increasing volunteers for the Adopt-a-Trail project. Keller explained the Adopt-a-Trail project is much like the Adopt-a-Highway project. Trails can be adopted by groups or individuals. Negwegon has 10 miles of trails; each volunteer takes a section of trail and walks it twice a year. The goal for adopting a trail is to observe and report any suspicious activity, report fallen trees blocking the trail and to pick up any litter which might be there.

The park is open year-round and requires a Michigan Recreation Passport to enter. Day users are welcome from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. The park has four primitive campsites for overnight visitors. Campers can reserve a site through the Harrisville State Park and are required to hike the mile and a half from the park entrance or kayak to the camp sites.

Keller and Larson both agree this is a good thing because the campers then have a vested interest and knowledge of the true beauty of the park and serve to protect it.

"I've been going to Negwegon before it was Negwegon. In those early years there was a lot of unsavory use of the park... When the four backcountry camp sites went in all that changed," Keller said. "When that happened all of the other kind of activity and use ended totally. We have nice groups of people camping -- families with kids. They were good eyes and ears... We need more people interested in making the investment of time to protect Negwegon's natural habitat."

Another project Keller is working on is getting the park designated as a Dark Sky Preserve. "As a community grows, lighted areas increasingly cause light pollution to the night sky. With thoughtful planning a community can preserve the night sky by implementing lighting that provides safety and reduces or eliminates light pollution," she said.

"The park is beautiful, natural and untouched. Very few people know about it and there's a bit of mystery that comes with the water, land and sky. Its unique eco system takes in all those environments. It is a special thing and special things need a friend to pay attention to it," Keller said.

For more information about Friends of Negwegon or to become a member, visit www.fonsp.org or send contact information along with a check made payable to Friends of Negwegon State Park: \$5 individual, \$1 student (under 18) and senior (65 and over), or \$10 per family for one year or \$50 for individual lifetime membership to Friends of Negwegon State Park/Harrisville State Park, P.O. Box 326, Harrisville, Mich. 48740.

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Alcona varsity volleyball starts season with tournament

By Hope Smith
Volleyball Writer

This year the Alcona varsity volleyball team has some room to grow with only two returning seniors on the roster.

Although the team may be young the Lady Tigers still have a powerful front line with the presence of returning middle hitter/defensive specialist Karina Cole and middle hitter Cassie Carpenter taking on leadership roles for the team.

"This is a very dedicated group. They have displayed a solid work ethic from day one and strive to motivate each other," said head coach Kristi Arnold. "They also maintain positive attitudes on and off the court, which will be key to our success this year. The Lady Tigers are working hard with their sights set on winning a conference title and district championship this year."

"Cole will be a key player all around the floor as she has the ability to read the opponent's floor and is a great team leader, while Carpenter will be tough at the net and the team will count on her to take on a big leadership role to keep the team focused and fired up," Arnold said.

The varsity team is also returning juniors Katelyn Nelson (setter), Kalie Zerbst (setter), Cheyenne Parkinson

(defensive specialist), Sierra Forsythe (outside hitter) and sophomore Sam Zerbst (libero). New to the lineup are juniors and defensive specialists Mykayla Basner and Skyla Krcmarik; sophomores Sydney Pierce (outside hitter/defensive specialist) and Alissa Terpstra (front row).

The Lady Tigers saw their first volleyball action on Saturday, Aug. 24 at Standish Sterling Central High School. This was the team's first opportunity to play some of the new competition in the North Star League, which Alcona High School recently joined.

The team did a nice job stepping up to the competition against teams from Standish, Farwell, AuGres-Sims and Gladwin in tournament pool play. Alcona split sets with Farwell, beat Standish in two sets, split sets with AuGres and lost both sets to Gladwin.

Entering bracket play in the tournament, Alcona fell

to Farwell in the first set but pulled out the win in the second. Farwell proved to be too much for Alcona as they captured the win in the third set sending the Lady Tigers home.

Sam Zerbst had 17 digs; Katelyn Nelson had 34 assists; Alissa Terpstra served up 12 aces and Karina Cole dominated the net with 22 kills and four blocks.

"The girls fought hard in every set and displayed high energy throughout the day. However, we need to deliver more controlled attacks and be more constant servers. I am pleased with their progress so far, and am excited for what this season may bring," Arnold said.

Alcona will travel to Rogers City on Saturday, Sept. 7 for tournament which starts at 9 a.m. On Sept. 10 they will host Posen High School. Their junior varsity team will take the floor at 6 p.m. followed by varsity at 7:30 p.m.



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Ben Dubuque (2) dribbles the ball through the Suttons Bay midfielders while Brandon Smigelski looks on. Alcona defeated Suttons Bay 3-2 with Jeffery Schram getting a hat trick (scoring three goals) in the game. Photo by Kathy Steiner.

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If you're primarily interested in a home desktop computer, the Telikin (telikin.com, (800) 230-3881), which has been on the market for over two years now, is an excellent option.

Ready to go right out of the box, this all-in-one touch-screen computer provides a big button menu that displays all your favorite functions on the screen at all

times. By simply touching the menu option of your choice with your finger, you can get instant access to the Web, e-mail, games, video chat, photo sharing, news, weather and more.

Available in two sizes - the 18-inch LCD touch-screen with a 320-gigabyte hard drive that costs \$699, and the 20-inch LCD touch-screen with 500-gigabytes for \$999 - all Telikin computers come with built-in speakers, a Web camera, microphone, wired keyboard and mouse. They even offer "tech buddy" software that your loved ones can download on their computers, so they can access your Telikin remotely to help you when need be.

Running on Linux software instead of the standard Windows or Mac OS, the Telikin is also virus-resistant, comes with a 60-day trial period, a one-year warranty and free tech support.

It's also worth noting that

Telikin has a partnership with firstSTREET - a senior product direct marketing company - that is also selling the 20-inch Telikin for \$999, but have rebranded it as the "WOW! Computer for Seniors."

Another option to consider is the MyGait Elite Computer (mygait.com, (866) 469-4248), which costs \$899 plus a \$20 monthly service fee. This mouse-operated PC has a 20-inch high-resolution monitor, a large-letter color-coded keyboard, one-click functionality for all pages, a simple zoom feature that lets you magnify your e-mail or webpage up to 200 percent, and an ergonomic trackball mouse that's easy on the hand and wrist.

It also comes with a built in Web camera, DVD/CD player, unlimited storage space, dozens of games and a unique customer service package that guarantees protection against viruses and

spam, provides ongoing computer updates, and offers a help line if you ever get stuck or need assistance.

If you're interested in something mobile, there are several new senior-specific tablets on the market you should look into like the Claris Companion (clariscompanion.com, (866) 284-4939), which combines a computer, digital picture frame, mobile phone and passive monitoring device into one package.

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Nathan Fettes (5) scores the first Tiger touch down of the season against Atlanta last week. The Tigers walked away with the win 51-0. Photo by Pat Brussels.

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 Alpena County Library, at the Dragonfly Art Gallery and the Alpena 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 waling through our art tent.

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

The Alpena 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 Alpena County Library.



Harrisville's Harmony Weekend provides a variety of events from an arts and craft show, harmony chorus performances, local musical talent performances and a parade through downtown Harrisville (photos above) during Labor Day weekend. Next year the event will celebrate its 52nd year.

Photos by Mary Weber.

Kerrs celebrate 65th anniversary

John and Elizabeth Kerr of Greenbush will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary with a family dinner at the home of their daughter.

They were married September 4, 1948 in Bay City, Mich. They have three children, Michael Kerr of Alpena, Patrick Kerr of Gurnee, Ill. and Lora (Alan) Shillair of Lincoln. They have four grandchildren, Andrew and Adam Kerr and Darrin and Kelly Shillair; two step-grandchildren, Mark (Patricia) and Chris Divney and two step-great grandchildren, Raymond and Brenden Divney.



Elizabeth and John Kerr

Defining harmony

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

Some thoughts on the Labor Day Harmony Weekend as summer fades into the sunset. As of this year, I've been attending Harmony Weekend since the very first and I've never missed a year. Some years I've shopped 'til I dropped, some years I've spent mostly listening to the music.

Some years I've sold popcorn for the high school band or ice cream for the soccer kids or hamburgers for the Little League. Some years I've run a craft booth of my own. About every five years or so, I'm in the parade, beginning as a teenager desperately trying to march and play my flute simultaneously and slowly fading to the older lady who waves from the backseat of an equally elderly automobile.

And over that half a century, I've determined that one of the finest of the fine arts is that of people watching.

This year, I had a small booth near the pizza parlor on the unofficial side of things, right next to the curly potato chip guy. The pace isn't as frantic on that side of things (unless you're selling potato chips or brauts) and that's okay because it leaves me some time to watch the passing parade. My family would tell you I'm nosy, I prefer to think I'm observant.

At any rate, in addition to watching folks go by, from my perch I can also pick up occasional snippets of conversation. Since I already have all the arts and crafts my home can hold and then some, it's the perfect setup. The potato chips and brauts smell spectacular, I can hear the music from the courthouse hill quite nicely and there's something a hundred thousand times better than television or video going on right in front of me.

Some things I noticed this year: We'll start with the item of the year. Many years ago, Art and I noticed that there's always one item that seems to dominate in sales. About every fifth passerby has one. We've come to enjoy watching for it. This year, it appeared to be the large metal flowers designed to decorate your garden, followed closely by some very nice (and heavy) looking metal things for grilling over a fire.

I ran an extremely unscientific mental tally of U of M items versus Michigan State and was a little disheartened to note that maize and blue led green and white by about eight-to-one. Maybe Spartans vacation elsewhere, or maybe they don't have as much spending money, who knows.

Husbands/male significant others are a category onto themselves. One quite nice older gentleman plunked down in a handy chair across from my booth both days and quite happily joined me in people watching for the entirety of both days. From time to time his wife appeared with an armful of bags which he hauled off to the car somewhere, returning to his seat until her next visit.

We didn't speak much but

from time to time something caught our mutual attention and made us smile at one another.

I've noted that when it comes to husbands of my generation, as a general rule if they are walking quickly, they are either heading toward food or the car. If, on the other hand, they're sort of dragging along behind, they're on their way into the show itself. I noticed this year, too, that men's attention seems to be caught much more by Halloween items. I've yet to figure that one out.

Teenagers still young enough to have to stick with the 'rents are, as a general rule, working hard at being unimpressed and put-upon. Although I seldom like surliness, I did have to smile at the response of a 13-year-old's remark to her mother who was looking at one of my dolls.

"I think I should get this for Aunt So and So's birthday," Mom remarked happily. "Don't you think she looks just like her?" The daughter, who was standing beside her practicing her expression of pained ennui replied, "No. I don't think she looks at all like her," and stalked away. It was worth losing the sale to realize I was a long time from that particular stage of daughter-hood and still a long way from dealing with it in a granddaughter.

Little kids seem to fall into two categories - those who are hungry, in need of a nap and very, very tired of the view of a sea of grown-up knees and those who are happily carrying an elephant ear, a marshmallow gun, a foam bow and arrow, an ice cream cone, a balloon animal or all of the above. These children, I notice are usually accompanied by one or more grandparents.

I'm always amazed by the number of people who bring their dogs to the show. This year, they ranged from a tiny Yorkie carried on his mom's chest and very interested in the goings on to a Great Pyrenees a small child could have saddled and ridden to a rip-roaring snorting English bulldog named Bruno whose owner showed me how he drank his water directly from the bottle.

The award for best T-shirt (although my daughter tells me there are a lot of these around) went to a lady about my age whose chest read "This is what crazy looks like." I want one.

And the award for best observation is simply this: For half-a-century and a year, I've been watching the literal sea of humanity that invades our community by invitation each Labor Day. I've seen them from the perspective of my booth, the parade route, and right there rubbing elbows in the fray. I've seen some amazing outfits, including this year a middle-aged blonde lady in a sequined cocktail dress mincing along on strappy stilettos.

I've heard the occasional story of some small time pilfering, but many, many more of returned wallets or chasing down fellow shoppers with

Puttin' On The Fritz

dropped twenties. I've seen many examples of small kindnesses, from providing the change another person was short to offering a cut in line to a person with a handicap. I've seen impromptu conversations spring up between total strangers and had browsers offer me thank you's just for looking at my wares. I've seen craftsmen suddenly cut a price for a shopper who loved an item but couldn't quite make the price.

This year on Saturday, when I mostly manned my booth alone, I had fellow vendors spontaneously bring me food, cold water and Coke (which I've sworn off, but when someone gives you one, well...) and offer me bathroom breaks - not one of them would accept a penny for it, either.

It's been my observation, nosy old lady that I am, that Labor Day in Harrisville truly is, for the most part, Harmony Weekend. And early every Labor Day Monday, despite the insanity and mess of the weekend, the courthouse lawn and its surroundings are as clean and serene as they were a week before.

It makes me so proud of my community. It shores up my belief that despite all we read and hear in the news, for the most part, people are truly basically good. Most of all, it makes me smile - often and for a long time after. And nosy old lady that I am, despite the brats and fried potatoes and elephant ears, I think it's the best thing there is for my heart.

(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 30 years. She has published fiction, nonfiction and poetry in several venues. She and her husband, Art, live in Harrisville.)

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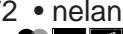
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Local Notes

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the district as a teacher consultant, principal of Pied Piper School, and most recently as the director of special education.

ARA Farm Market

Visit the ARA Farm Market on Saturday, Sept. 7 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA site in Lincoln. The Sunrise Gardening Club's fall plant sale will be held during market hours and featuring hardy perennials, grasses, succulents and bulbs. The ARA Farm Market is now accepting Bridge Cards. Available this week: Sweet corn, cabbage, potatoes, eggplant, beets, tomatoes, carrots, turnips, rutabagas, regular and pickling cucumbers, zucchini, summer squash, bell peppers, garlic, onions, beans, leeks, Swiss chard, spinach, kale, arugula, spaghetti squash, mini pumpkins, raspberries, farm fresh eggs, a variety of assorted baked goods, all cuts of hormone and antibiotic free grass and grain fed beef, brats and beef sticks, dried herbs, assorted jams and jellies, a variety of soup and salsa mixes, baked goods mixes, salt-free dip and dressing mixes and seasonings, dried fruit, dish gardens, cut flowers, homemade laundry detergent, handmade cards, candles, and more. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

Archery Event

Northern Lights Arena (NLA) is hosting the Strother Archery Extravaganza on the weekend of September 6-8. This interactive tournament and outdoor educational expo will take place outside of Northern Lights Arena with the kick-off on Friday night at 6 p.m. with open shooting practice. Some activities include competitive shooting, archery tag (archery's version of paint ball minus the welts), educational presentations, and much more. The event is free to attend and families are welcome to enjoy the festivities. Food and beverages will be available. Tournament registration is \$10 per person and is open to ages six and up. To view the complete event schedule and find out how to register, visit NLA's new website: www.northernlightsarena.com.

Benefits of Calcium

An individual's bones are living tissues that grow over a lifetime. Although bone loss increases for both men and women during midlife, women can lose up to 20 percent more bone density during menopause. The National Osteoporosis Foundation (NOF) estimates approximately nine million adults in the United States have osteoporosis and more than 48 million have low bone mass, placing them at increased risk for osteoporosis and broken bones.

Osteoporosis is often called the "silent disease," because individuals could have it now or be at-risk without even realizing it. Individuals can't feel their bones becom-

ing weaker. Breaking a bone is often the first clue that someone has osteoporosis or they may notice that they are getting shorter or their upper back is curving forward. Anyone who is experiencing height loss or their spine is curving, should talk to a doctor or healthcare professional right away as the disease may be advanced.

Treatments for osteopenia and osteoporosis include a healthy diet, weight-bearing exercise and strength training, medication and vitamin/mineral supplements if needed. A diet containing good sources of calcium and vitamin D is necessary to

build and maintain bone mass. Exercise helps to build proper body alignment, improve posture, and improve balance to prevent falls. To learn more about incorporating calcium rich foods in one's lifestyle; join Melissa Tolan-Halleck, registered dietitian, on Monday, Sept. 9 for a health talk on Calcium & Osteoporosis. The program will be at the Alpena Community College Room CTR106 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Samples of calcium rich foods and a bone density screening will be available. Preregistration is requested by a calling (989) 356-8124.

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Pastor Claire Duncan • haynescommunitychurch.org

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
 The Alcona County Chamber of Commerce will meet at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 East 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 Se-

nior 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.

Barton City Improvement Association will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the VFW Hall on Trask Lake Road. All citizens are encouraged to attend for the election of officers. Any questions, call Arlene at (989) 736-3294.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
 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.

Blood pressure clinic at 3:30 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Friends of Negwegon State Park will hold their general membership meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Alcona Township Hall on US-23 just north of Black River Road. The agenda will be to elect officers and discuss current and future activities.

The Alcona Women's Pool League will hold an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. at the Mikado American Legion, 2205 Alger Street. New members and teams are welcome to attend. For more information, call Rita at (989) 736-8869 or Kathy at (989) 724-5860.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
 There will be a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. at Maria Hall behind St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Cost is \$9 for adults, \$4 for children and free for age five and under. Everyone is welcome.

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
 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.

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

My Brother's Hope will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). The Potluck Café will be serving a meal from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23). For more information, call Susan Armstrong at (989) 724-6365.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
 All ladies are invited to play bunco at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Road at 2:30 p.m. Bunco is an easy game to learn, first-timers are always welcome.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
 Weight loss support group will meet at the Lincoln United Methodist Church, 101 East Main Street, at 4 p.m. For more info., call (989) 736-8645 or (989) 736-8338.

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 High: 66 Low: 53

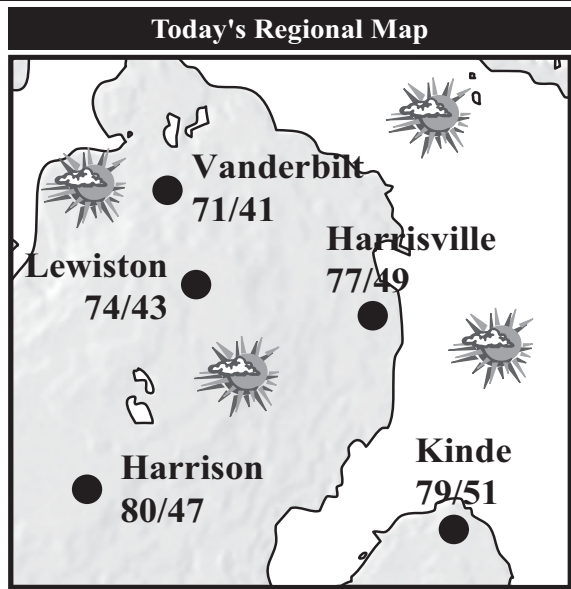
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SATURDAY
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 High: 84 Low: 61

SUNDAY
 Mostly Sunny
 High: 76 Low: 57

MONDAY
 Partly Cloudy
 High: 70 Low: 52

TUESDAY
 Partly Cloudy
 High: 73 Low: 51



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 77°, humidity of 60%. North wind 10 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 94° set in 1953. Expect mostly clear skies tonight with an overnight low of 49°. Northwest wind 10 to 15 mph. The record low for tonight is 34° set in 1974.

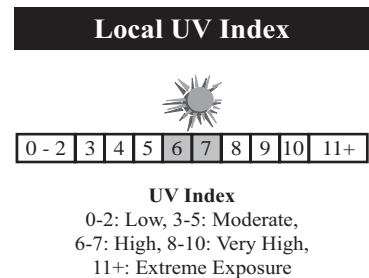
***Last Week's Almanac**

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	90	69	74/51	0.01"
Tuesday	78	62	74/51	0.02"
Wednesday	85	64	73/51	0.00"
Thursday	89	59	73/50	0.00"
Friday	78	68	73/50	0.53"
Saturday	74	59	73/50	0.00"
Sunday	73	55	72/50	0.00"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
New 9/5	7:00 a.m.	8:03 p.m.	6:11 a.m.	7:22 p.m.	Full 9/19
Thursday	7:01 a.m.	8:01 p.m.	7:14 a.m.	7:50 p.m.	
Friday	7:02 a.m.	7:59 p.m.	8:18 a.m.	8:18 p.m.	
Saturday	7:03 a.m.	7:57 p.m.	9:24 a.m.	8:48 p.m.	
First 9/12	7:05 a.m.	7:55 p.m.	10:30 a.m.	9:20 p.m.	Last 9/26
Sunday	7:06 a.m.	7:53 p.m.	11:38 a.m.	9:57 p.m.	
Monday	7:07 a.m.	7:52 p.m.	12:45 p.m.	10:40 p.m.	
Tuesday					



National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 87° in Quincy, Ill. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with scattered thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 96° in Sanford, Fla. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today, isolated showers and thunderstorms Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 97° in Lewiston, Idaho. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 109° in Bullhead City, Ariz.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	7:49 a.m.	8:29 p.m.
Venus	10:32 a.m.	9:26 p.m.
Mars	3:39 a.m.	6:35 p.m.
Jupiter	2:02 a.m.	5:21 p.m.
Saturn	11:45 a.m.	10:14 p.m.
Uranus	9:01 p.m.	9:41 a.m.

Weather History

Sept. 4, 1939 - A thunderstorm deluged Washington D.C. with 4.4 inches of rain in two hours. September of that year was very dry across much of the nation and Washington D.C. received more rain in that two hour period than most other places in the country that entire month.

Weather Trivia

What was the costliest hailstorm in the United States?
 Answer: In July 1990, Denver had damages totaling \$625 million.
 www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Blues over the Blue Moon

At the beginning of my astronomy course, I work with my students on a unit involving astronomical misconceptions. One perception covered is that of the blue moon; when two full moons occur within the time span of one month, the second full moon is termed the blue moon. So you can imagine my surprise when I saw a NASA release claiming that the August 20th full moon was a blue moon. "Impossible," I thought! Full moons occur with a frequency of approximately 29.5 days, so a blue moon can only occur near the very end of a month if the first full moon happened near the very beginning. The evolution of the blue moon began with The Maine Farmers' Almanac (1819-1968). Between 1932 and 1957 the Almanac maintained a seasonal scheme for determining when a blue moon occurred. Their blue moon formula followed the solstices and the equinoxes which occur around the 21st of March, June, September, and December. Moon names in the Almanac were synchronized to an ecclesiastical calendar which was mostly set to the yearly cycle of the sun. Simply said, a full moon with a particular name had to occur at the same time of the year. When there were four full moons in a season, an event that occurred about every 2.6 years, the calendrical sequence was thrown out of order. To correct for this and keep the moon names concurrent with the year, the third full moon of a four full moon cycle became known as the blue moon. Our modern definition of a blue moon, two full moons occurring within a calendar month, stems from the misunderstanding of The Maine Farmers' Almanac's rule which was first published in a 1946 article in Sky and Telescope magazine. The new two full moons in a month idea caught on and by the 1980s this definition rose to supremacy and was accepted by the astronomical community worldwide. Message to NASA... Stick to spaceflight. www.astronomy.org

TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **MYTHOLOGY:** A satyr is a mythical creature that is half man and half what?
2. **MILITARY:** What is a dreadnought?
3. **FAMOUS QUOTATIONS:** What famous actor once said, "Comedy is simply a funny way of being serious"?
4. **PSYCHOLOGY:** What fear is represented by the condition called gamophobia?
5. **LANGUAGE:** What does the Latin prefix "ambi" mean?
6. **GEOGRAPHY:** Where is Denali National Park?
7. **TELEVISION:** Who was the first female guest host of "Saturday Night Live"?
8. **ENTERTAINERS:** What was the name of ventriloquist Edgar Bergen's most famous puppet?
9. **HISTORY:** What land did Alexander the Great rule as king?
10. **MUSIC:** Which rock group recorded the hit "Walk This Way"?

Answers: 1. Goat or horse; 2. A heavily armored battleship; 3. Peter Ustinov; 4. Fear of marriage; 5. Both; 6. Alaska; 7. Candace Bergen; 8. Charlie McCarthy; 9. Macedonia; 10. Aerosmith. (c) 2013 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword

HOLIDAY TEAM

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Guns, as a motor</p> <p>5 Doorway sidepiece</p> <p>9 Place-setting base</p> <p>12 "Scram!"</p> <p>18 Rink jump</p> <p>19 Morales of "Bad Boys"</p> <p>20 City near Mauna Kea</p> <p>21 See 5-Down</p> <p>22 Holiday team member #1</p> <p>25 Loving type</p> <p>26 British coins</p> <p>27 Holiday team member #2</p> <p>29 Rains down cold pellets</p> <p>31 Three-in-one M.D.</p> <p>32 Atop, to a bard</p> <p>33 Mlle. who's canonized</p> <p>34 Holiday team member #3</p> <p>41 Honolulu's home</p> <p>45 Swiss river to the Rhine</p> <p>46 Stew globule</p> <p>47 Marine route</p> <p>51 Holiday team member #4</p> <p>57 Actor's quest</p> <p>58 Having no wheels</p> | <p>59 Gold, in Rome</p> <p>60 Wild cats</p> <p>63 Poet Tate</p> <p>64 Holiday team member #5</p> <p>69 Utters again</p> <p>71 Archer's skill</p> <p>72 Prefix with paganism</p> <p>73 Director Van Peebles</p> <p>77 Holiday team member #6</p> <p>81 Sister's daughter</p> <p>82 "The Real McCoys" star Walter</p> <p>85 The "4" of 4/1/11: Abbr.</p> <p>86 Auto garage worker, at times</p> <p>88 Rice-A- —</p> <p>89 Holiday team member #7</p> <p>94 Port in Denmark</p> <p>97 Playa — Rey</p> <p>98 Bitter beer</p> <p>99 "Guarding —" (1994 movie)</p> <p>100 Holiday team member #8</p> <p>106 Thurman of movies</p> <p>109 Valueless</p> <p>110 Quite a ways</p> <p>111 Antenna</p> | <p>116 Holiday team member #9</p> <p>123 "Leave It to Beaver" role</p> <p>124 Marrying minister, e.g.</p> <p>125 Holiday team member #5</p> <p>127 Like brains and ears</p> <p>128 Kitchen gadget brand</p> <p>129 Chilled</p> <p>130 A while ago</p> <p>131 Record label for Kenny G</p> <p>132 Charisse of "Brigadoon"</p> <p>133 Aware of</p> <p>134 Storied Fed</p> | <p>11 Big name in lawn mowers</p> <p>12 Standard- — (leaders of movements)</p> <p>13 Sanction</p> <p>14 Really eager</p> <p>15 Bicycle pair</p> <p>16 Unreactive</p> <p>17 Concise</p> <p>20 Port-au-Prince's land</p> <p>23 Captures</p> <p>24 Telephoned</p> <p>28 Young pal of Pooh</p> <p>30 Fixes, as a pet</p> <p>35 — Rizzo ("Midnight Cowboy" role)</p> <p>36 Feeling of rage</p> <p>37 "Science Friday" airer</p> <p>38 "How about that!"</p> <p>39 Partakes of</p> <p>40 Dawn's illumination</p> <p>41 Muppet grouch</p> <p>42 "Behold — Horse" (1964 drama)</p> <p>43 Tosses</p> <p>44 Breaking, as a bad habit</p> <p>48 Be a suitor of</p> | <p>49 Cockpit datum: Abbr.</p> <p>50 "I agree"</p> <p>52 Paul Newman's Ohio alma mater</p> <p>53 Giant in oil</p> <p>54 First-rate</p> <p>55 Little kid</p> <p>56 Bawl</p> <p>61 Amazon. —</p> <p>62 Blissful</p> <p>65 Hotfooted it</p> <p>66 Ham-handed</p> <p>67 United — College Fund</p> <p>68 Oozy stuff</p> <p>70 Little, in Scotland</p> <p>74 — cavae (big blood vessels)</p> <p>75 Cake finishers</p> <p>76 Square ones</p> <p>78 Ampersand's meaning</p> <p>79 Dirt Devil, e.g., briefly</p> <p>80 "The Little Rascals" girl</p> <p>82 Pal</p> <p>83 Axle, for one</p> <p>84 Compass pt.</p> <p>87 "Therein — tale"</p> <p>90 Lupino of Hollywood</p> <p>91 Pal of Stimpny</p> <p>92 Pixieish one</p> | <p>93 "Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo- —" (Irish lullaby)</p> <p>95 Keystone Kops creator Mack —</p> <p>96 Nation north of Ethiopia</p> <p>101 Livy's 1,051</p> <p>102 — a bad start</p> <p>103 Popular nickname for tennis star Nadal</p> <p>104 Bay Area city, briefly</p> <p>105 Axed down</p> <p>106 Palate dangler</p> <p>107 Grand house</p> <p>108 Trial excuse</p> <p>112 A noble gas</p> <p>113 Actress — Kristen</p> <p>114 Smart- — (wiseaces)</p> <p>115 Harps' kin</p> <p>117 LAX</p> <p>118 Tiny division of a min.</p> <p>119 Tasting of wood, as some wines</p> <p>120 Like albums, nowadays</p> <p>121 Dianetics proponent — Hubbard</p> <p>122 Defreeze</p> <p>126 Oath answer</p> |
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STRANGE BUT TRUE by Samantha Weaver

• It was beloved American novelist Pearl S. Buck who made the following sage observation: "Nothing is less reliable than a machine. It is difficult not to wonder whether that combination of elements which produces a machine for labor does not create also a soul of sorts, a dull resentful metallic will, which can rebel at times."

• You might be surprised to learn that Spanish moss is not actually a moss; it's a cousin of the pineapple.

• The last country in the world to get telephones was the South Asian nation of Bhutan, and both television and the Internet were banned there until 1999. Incidentally, Bhutan also is the only nation in the world in which the well-being of the citizens is so important that the government measures the country's Gross National Happiness.

• Those who study such things say that whale songs rhyme.

• This is probably the time of year when you're most likely to see examples of didaskaleinophobia in action -- that's a fear of going to school.

• If you're like 98 percent of Americans, you think you're a better driver than everyone else on the road.

¥ The next time you make a family trip to Yellowstone National Park, keep in mind that as you walk through the seemingly peaceful scenery and view the iconic geysers, you're actually walking on top of a supervolcano. Just 5 miles beneath the surface is a giant magma chamber, 37 miles long and 25 miles wide.

• It's traditional in Germany to shatter lots of dishes before a couple gets married. The couple, of course, has to work together to clean up the mess.

Thought for the Day: "For centuries, theologians have been explaining the unknowable in terms of the not-worth-knowing." -- Henry Louis Mencken

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MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel

• On Sept. 22, 1554, Spanish explorer Francisco Vasquez Coronado, his health badly deteriorated from injuries and the toll of his strenuous travels, dies. Coronado explored much of the southwestern United States, but never found the fabled Seven Cities of Gold he had sought for decades, and died believing that he had been a shameful failure.

• On Sept. 21, 1780, during the American Revolution, American Gen. Benedict Arnold meets with British Major John Andre to discuss handing over West Point to the British, in return for money and a high position in the British army. The plot was foiled, and Arnold, a former American hero, became synonymous with the word "traitor."

• On Sept. 19, 1827, after a duel turns into an all-out brawl, Jim Bowie kills a banker in Alexandria, La., with an early version of his famous Bowie knife. The actual inventor of the Bowie knife, however, was probably not Jim Bowie, but rather his equally belligerent brother, Rezin Bowie.

• On Sept. 16, 1893, the largest land run in history begins with more than 100,000 people pouring into the Cherokee Strip of Oklahoma to claim valuable land that had once belonged to Native Americans. With a single shot from a pistol, the mad dash began.

• On Sept. 20, 1960, California hot rodder Mickey Thompson takes another shot at the world land-speed record. Although he only managed to coax his streamlined Challenger up to about 378 mph on his first run and 368 mph on the second, his speedy trips across the Bonneville Salt Flats won worldwide fame for the car and its driver.

• On Sept. 18, 1974, actress Doris Day, one of the biggest box office draws of the 1950s and '60s, wins a \$22.8 million malpractice suit against her former lawyer. After the death of her third husband, Martin Melcher, in 1968, she discovered that her \$20 million in life savings had disappeared.

• On Sept. 17, 1983, 20-year-old Vanessa Williams becomes the first black to win the Miss America crown. Williams later launched a successful singing and acting career, including a featured role on the hit television sitcom "Ugly Betty."

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by Linda Thistle

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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

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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 mort-

gaged 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.
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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, includ-

ing 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/ a2627 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
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GREENBUSH TWP. MINUTES

Greenbush Township Supervisor Ed Roddy called meeting to order on Tuesday, Aug. 13 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Two guests were present who joined in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call was taken. Present: Supervisor Roddy, clerk David Dailey, treasurer Pat Dailey, trustee Sally Olin and trustee Gary Abraham.

Supervisor Roddy inserted a resolution on the agenda for Prince Drive after audit update. Motion Olin/Dailey: To accept agenda as amended. All ayes, motion carried. Motion Olin/Dailey: To accept the July minutes as written. All ayes, motion carried. Public comments: Resident voiced complaint of blight, abandoned vehicles, trash and trailers all on the property on the corner of Poor Farm Road and Sal Road. Asked what is going to be done? Lee Major gave report of what he has done as of August 12, 2013. They have one week to fix before it goes to attorney Cook.

Treasurer P. Dailey presented the financial report - general fund balance \$63,765.46; road fund \$173,045.55; fire fund \$82,573.94; Prince Road \$22,926.06; GRAC \$480.84. Motion Olin/Dailey: To approve financial report and place on file for audit. All ayes, motion carried. Presentation of bills by Clerk D. Dailey: Check numbers 15019-15043 -- \$14,367.63 expenses; check numbers 15044-15063--\$5,108.89 payroll. Motion Olin/Dailey: To approve the bills as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Miscellaneous reports: Constable Parent -- Red Rooster closed, all others fine. County commissioner Brummund - thanks from Forgotten Eagles; next year August 7, 2014. Board of commissioner's is talking of extending marine sanctuary in Alcona County; radio study done-Homeland Security; county ambulance and 911 will pay for the upgrades; Cedar Lake Improvement moving forward; HUNT reports drug use down but overdoses up; Alcona County did pick up the function for the Homeland Security 2010 grant; disabled residents please let the post office know with a doctor's note that you would like your mailbox at your house not at the road; fair on August 20 is Smokey's birthday, Wednesday is kids free day from 2-4 p.m.

Fire chief Franks reported one fire call and eight first responder calls; thank you to everyone that came to barbecue; asked if the road commission was going to raise the shoulder of Cedar Lake Road; generator is installed and running at the fire hall anyone needing help during outages please come to the fire hall. Zoning administrator Major reported two permits, four new complaints; outstanding items - 1.) Blaizedail no improvement. 2.) DeRocher has cleaned up front yard. 3.) Giles nothing done since he said he would clean up; will be talking to Attorney Cook. 4.) Greathouse property waiting on complete site plan; Gregory property complaint trees and shrubs nothing that the township can do because it does not violate the township ordinances. 5.) Higgins property is holding. 6.) Holmes is a circle of unanswered. 7.) Lightfoot property on Cedar Lake Drive that burned should have demo started in the near future. 8.) Olsen no answer from attorney Cook; will follow up. Shaw property for nuisance complaint forwarded concerns of garbage to them. 9.) Waltalavage no report. Comments: Olsen property sold at the auction.

Hall Rental - Roddy, one rental in September. Assessor Schwickert - July board of review had a couple of changes; will take care of Prince Drive when we get to resolution. GRAC - merry-go-round needs to be taken down because it is a hazard. Comments - contact Scott Moore for playground equipment from Cedar Lake Elementary. Planning Commission - Pam Milwrick absent. Clerk Dailey stated still waiting for all the information required for the print for the Greathouse property. Much discussion. Road Commission.

Correspondence: Supervisor Roddy - 1.) Oscoda Area School sinking fund letter received asking for millage for November election. Please pay attention to what they are in need of or looking forward to doing. 2.) Alcona County Sheriff's Department report shared. Twelve cars broke into in the month of July, please lock your car when you leave it. 3.) Cedar Lake Improvement board plan was approved and Supervisor Roddy has a summary if anyone is interested in reading. Clerk Dailey - 1.) Alpena News has been reading our minutes and contacted Clerk Dailey wanted to know about the IRS situation. 2.) Mike London will be retiring; party at the Mikado Civic Hall.

Miscellaneous: None. Pending business: Update on IRS - clerk Dailey went to the office in Ohio to clear up the IRS situation. We have to wait for their answer until September 13. Prince Drive update - accumulated the petitions over 50 percent of the residents want to have a public hearing notice posted for September 10 meeting at 6:30 p.m. Resolution has been drawn up for the September meeting.

Greenbush Township Resolution 2013-03

Minutes of a regular meeting of the township board of the Township of Greenbush, county of Alcona, Michigan, held at the Greenbush Township Hall on August 13, 2013 at 7 p.m. prevailing local time. Present: Members Roddy, clerk Dailey, treasurer Dailey, Olin, Abraham. Absent members: None. The following preamble and resolution were offered by member treasurer Dailey and supported by member Abraham. On a roll call vote the Greenbush Township Board voted as follows: Ayes - Roddy, Abraham, Olin, clerk Dailey, treasurer Dailey. Nays - none. Whereas, on August 5, 2013 a petition requesting the establishment of a Special Assessment District for Prince Drive was submitted to the Greenbush Township Assessor. Whereas, said petition has been reviewed by the township assessor and contains the signatures of owners of at least 50 percent of the property. Now, therefore, be it resolved that: The township of Greenbush will hold a public hearing on September 10, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving testimony, discussing the creation of and confirming the assessment roll for a five year Special Assessment District for the maintenance and improvement of Prince Drive. Resolution declared adopted. David W. Dailey, Greenbush Township. Contact Nancy Schwickert or supervisor Ed Roddy with any questions.

New business: Audit update - clerk Dailey 1.) Capitalization threshold needs to be done with a threshold of \$2,500.00. 2.) Must have an investment policy resolution; checked with three adjoining townships for what they have done. Greenbush Township Investment and Depository Designations Resolution 2013.04

Whereas, as the Greenbush Township Board, Alcona County, Michigan in exercising its fiduciary responsibilities desires to safeguard the funds of the township that may be invested from time to time and whereas, Public Act 77 of 1989, MCL 41.77 requires that the township board designate the bank(s) or depositories for the money belonging to the township, including the time for which the deposits shall be made and all details for carrying into effect the authority given in this act, and whereas, Public Act 196 of 1997, MCL 129.91 et seq required township boards, in consultation with the township treasurer, to adopt an investment policy, now therefore be it resolved, that this policy is applicable to all public funds belonging to Greenbush Township and in the custody of the township treasurer. Be it resolved, that the board approves the following financial institutions as depositories of township funds; PNC Bank, Huron Community Bank, Chemical Bank, Northland Area Federal Credit Union, First Federal of Alpena, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, HPC Credit Union. Be

it further resolved, that the treasurer may invest township funds in certificates of deposits, savings, deposit accounts and depository receipts of a bank but only if the bank meets all criteria as a depository of public funds contained in state law. The standard of prudence to be used shall be the fiduciary standard and shall be applied in context of managing an overall portfolio. Be it further resolved, that decisions and actions involving the township's investment portfolio shall meet the following criteria; Safety: Safety of principle is the foremost objective of Greenbush Township's investment practices. Diversification: The investments shall be diversified by avoiding over concentration in securities from a specific issuer or business sector (excluding U.S. Treasury securities and insured certificates of deposits.) Liquidity: The investment portfolio shall remain sufficiently liquid to meet all operating requirements that may be reasonably anticipated. Return on Investment: Return of investment is of secondary importance compared to safety and liquidity objectives. Investments shall be selected to obtain a market average rate of return. The core of investments is limited to relatively low risk securities. Be it further resolved, that the treasurer may elect to have certificates and other evidence of investments held by a financial institution, provided that the financial institution presents to the township treasurer sufficient documentation and acknowledgment of the investment instruments held on behalf of the township. Be it further resolved, that the township will comply with all applicable statutes related to public fund investments. Any provisions of this resolution in conflict with applicable statutes are void. The foregoing resolution offered by board member clerk Dailey and supported by board member Roddy. On a roll call vote the Greenbush Township Board voted as follows: Ayes - treasurer Dailey, Abraham, Olin, clerk Dailey, Roddy. Nays - none. Resolution declared adopted. David W. Dailey, Greenbush Township.

(3. Credit card policy, Clerk Dailey will check the office again. (4. Cedar Lake Improvement Board should have an audit done for us to have on file since we keep some of their money. Treasurer Dailey informed us on why we must have budgets for CLIB, fire, road and all other entrusted funds. Motion clerk Dailey/Roddy: To recognize the Cedar Lake Improvement board as a separate entity with their own budget, which Greenbush Township is the fiduciary of the week control tax monies that is dispersed to the Cedar Lake Improvement Board. All ayes, motion carried. (5. Check out how the different funds can pay their bills, much discussion. (6. Must have certificate of deposits included in budget. The 2015 Greenbush Sesquicentennial not until 2018. From the floor: Tony Przybylinski here to support other residents to make it easier for people to improve their property. Expressing concerns about how easy it is for people to do wrong and not pay but how law abiding citizens have to pay to try to improve their property but may be rejected, Much discussion. Motion Olin/treasurer Dailey: To adjourn at 9:20 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

David W. Dailey
Greenbush Township Clerk
Note: Published prior to board approval.
Next regular meeting Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall.
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MITCHELL TWP. MINUTES

The Mitchell Township Board met on August 12, 2013. Members present: Supervisor Gregory Murnock, clerk Donita Charron, treasurer Kevin Small, trustee Carla Brimm and trustee Sheri Sanford. Others present: Fire Chief Mike Lay, assistant chief Linda Lay and sexton Donald Crowell.

In regular business the board: Approved the June 10 regular meeting minutes; approved the June and July financial reports; voted to approve the Hardship Exemption Application for property owners; and approved the zoning administrator's June report.

The planning commission will have its regular scheduled meeting September 11 and the Allband Special Use Permit will be finalized at that time. Final payment was made to the Alcona County

Road Commission of \$18,383.71 for completion of McCollum Lake Road. The board voted to approve the bid to install gutters on the Mitchell Township Hall; voted to pay BS&A for assessing software; voted to pay Lappan Agency for insurance binder; voted to adopt the Principles of Governance.

Next meeting is September 9 at 7 p.m. For the full board minutes or for more information, contact clerk Donita Charron at (989) 884-1354.

ALCONA ROAD COMMISSION SYNOPSIS

A regular meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission was held on August 28 in Lincoln. Motions were passed to: Approve the minutes of the August 14 meeting; authorize payment of open accounts in the amount of \$57,002.75; to purchase one dump truck, forks for the loaders and a used roller; to cancel the September 11 road commission meeting. This synopsis of the minutes is 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 September 25 at 4 p.m.

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