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A rainbow emerges between rainstorms last Thursday evening. While it didn't last for long, its presence over Lake Huron at the base of Main Street in Harrisville, provides proof that spring is here. *Photo by Cheryl Peterson.*

Class helps businesses get government contracts

By Mary Weber

Staff Writer

A free class designed to teach business owners the ins and outs of government contracting will be offered this month in Oscoda.

The class is sponsored by the Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) with coordination assistance by the U.S. Forest Service. The two hour class will cover a variety of topics to help businesses get those illusive and profitable government contracts.

According to PTAC, the federal government purchases more than \$518 billion in goods and services a year through contracts. The state of Michigan also contracts for a wide range of goods and services, such as supplies, janitorial services, garbage collection services, land management, natural resource projects, construction projects, renovation projects and more.

Debra Brinn, contracting officer at Lake States Acquisition Team of the U.S. Forest Service said the biggest hurdle for most business owners is the registration process. "Deciphering the government lingo and codes (acronyms) is part of the reason for this class. The class assists businesses in understanding what it all means and makes it easier doing

business with the government. The procedures can be intimidating and confusing, but going through them is the only way businesses can receive a contract," Brinn said

The class will share what the government is looking for

and how companies can market their goods and services. Also, by attending the class, the PTAC will offer continuous support beyond the classroom for companies working to achieve a government contract.

Brinn said there are some

contract opportunities which arise locally due to the location of the Huron-Manistee National Forest which the U.S. Forest Service maintains, but the opportunities do not end there. "There is a

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Spring thaw and heavy rains have been keeping crew members of the Alcona County Road Commission busy repairing roads like this washout on South London Road in Mikado Township last Tuesday morning. According to resident Ed Glore the size of the hole grew five times in an hour from the force of the moving water. Road commission director Jesse Campbell said either frost or debris had plugged the culvert. The crew was able to save the culvert and the road was fixed in less than two hours with four semi loads of dirt. Campbell said crews have been all over the county fixing this type of damage. "Just about all townships have at least one washed out road -- all really due to frost, which is still in the ground. When we get rain like this water backs up and surrounds the culverts and undermines the roads. *Photo courtesy of Ed Glore*.

Survey will help bring broadband to area

By Mary Weber Staff Writer

To prove Alcona County is interested in high speed Internet, Access Alcona is conducting a survey they hope all residents will respond to.

About 100 residents attended a public forum coordinated by Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) in an effort to bring representatives from service providers and other professionals to discuss high speed Internet service.

Bonnie Wichtner-Zoia from MSUE and Tom Stephenson from Michigan Connect began the event by explaining the need for high speed connectivity. "More and more people are using the Internet as a way to keep in touch with family and friends, go back to school, work, shop, and even see the doctor," Zoia said. Stephenson explained the importance for school children to be connected to the Internet, the economic boost high speed access provides and the amount of connected communities thriving in Michigan.

Erin Bruder, a product manager from Medisphere, explained how Internet subscribers are now able to have doctor appointments via high speed Internet. By connect ing monitoring devices, a patient can telecommunicate their heart rate, blood pressure and other pertinent data, giving doctors a better understanding of the patient's health at any time throughout the day. The patient can video connect with their physician, discuss symptoms and receive medical advice without the patient ever having to leave home.

No one attending the forum appeared to be in doubt about the possibilities high speed connectivity could bring to the area. The difficulty is in bringing it to the community and making it affordable for everyone.

As the service providers answered questions individu-

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Obituaries



Terry Lee DeRosia

Terry Lee DeRosia, 62, of Harrisville, died on Monday, April 28, 2014 at home.

He was born July 14, 1951 to Leonard and Beatrice (Miller) DeRosia in Rogers City, Mich.

He married Anne Lorraine Joiner on November 6, 1970 in Bay City, Mich. They were residents of Bay City, Mich. until they moved to Harrisville in 1979.

Mr. DeRosia worked for General Moters for four years. After he moved to Harrisville he was regional coordinator for the Michigan Health Department No. 4.

He was an instructor for Alcona EMS. He was also a teacher at the Greenbush Christian Academy.

Mr. DeRosia is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth (Brian) Baker of Mikado and Jennifer Kozlow of Harrisville; one son, Christopher (Cate) DeRosia of Grand Rapids, Mich.; five grandchildren, Sophia and Ema DeRosia, Miranda Baker, Abigail Kozlow and Lily Kozlow; one sister, Pam Fournier of Bay City, Mich.; two brothers, Michael DeRosia of Oscoda and Troy (Tammy) DeRosia of Bay City, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Anne, on February

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 17 at 11 a.m. at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. The Rev. Ken Marsh and the Rev. Alan Kozlow will officiate. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

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

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James L. Bowers

James L. Bowers, 68, of Lincoln died on Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2014 at the Lincoln Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Community in Lincoln.

He was born October 16, 1945 to Forest E. and Alice (Alcorn) Bowers in Lincoln, where he was a lifelong resident.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lincoln and was a long time employee of the Lost Lake Woods Golf

Mr. Bowers is survived by two sisters, June Dorr of Lincoln and Betty Anderson of Lincoln; two brothers, Forest J. Bowers of Lincoln and Henry J. Bowers of Traverse City, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Linda on June 12,

A graveside service will be Saturday, May 10 at 11 a.m. at the Twin Lakes Cemetery in Lincoln.

Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home,

Jack R. Turner

Jack Robert Turner, 32, of Black River, died on Saturday, March 29, 2014 at his home.

He was born on June 6, 1981 to William and Jaclyn (VanHagen) Turner in Clinton Township, Mich. He was raised in Macomb Township, Mich.

He earned a bachelor's degree at Oakland University in electrical engineering and was employed in avionics for Kalitta Air of Oscoda. He has been a resident of Black River for the past eight years.

Mr. Turner is survived by his mother, Jaclyn (Gary) Wodowski of Black River; his father, William (Sharon) Turner of Utica, Mich.; his grandmother, Theodora VanHagen of Vermont; one sister, Dawn (Matt) Janicki; three step brothers, John Maceyko, Jason Maceyko and Gary Wodowski Jr.; three step sisters, Stacey Gilbert, Cheryl (Rob) Knepper and Diane Wodowski; one niece, Taylor Murray; four nephews, Brandon Janicki, Joey Janicki, Tyler Murray and Mason Beck; one aunt, Leslie (Matt) Anderson; one uncle, Bob (Linda) Turner; and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Rose Turner; and two grandfathers, Robert Turner and Jack

A family service was held on April 1 at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Burial will be in Mt. Joy Cemetery at a later

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If you would like your photo returned, please include a self addressed, stamped envelope.

Graveside Service

Amelia F. Muir

There will be a graveside service on Thursday, May 8 at 1 p.m. at St. Anne Cemetery in Harrisville for Amelia F. Muir. The Rev. Lawrence Boks will officiate.

Mrs. Muir, a longtime Lincoln resident, died on Wednesday, March 19, 2014.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

There was an article in the Alpena newspaper on April 23 about the millage for the Alcona County Road Commission. The \$21 that the Alpena paper said is wrong.

This request is for .5 mils, 50 cents for every 1,000 (one thousand) dollars of taxable value. For example, you can calculate like this: Taxable value of \$100,000 times .0005 is \$50; taxable value of \$50,000 times .0005 is \$25; and a taxable value of \$25,000 times .0005 is \$12.50.

Everyone has an assessed value and a taxable value on their property. Please do not confuse your assessed value with your taxable value. The taxable value number is what will be used to calculate the amount it will cost each taxpayer.

A millage of .5 is expected to collect approximately \$375,000. It was discussed by the road commissioners that if this amount is more than needed the millage will be adjusted to only collect the amount needed for our new building.

This millage will be a one time one year event to pay the difference in the insurance collected and amount the building will cost.

I, Alcona County Road Commissioner, Harry Harvey can't tell you how to vote or how I will vote.

Harry Harvey Alcona County **Road Commissioner**

Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2014

		Weekly F	<u>Report</u>	Miles Pe	r Hour			
	Temperat	ure (F°)	Precipitation	Av. Wind	High	Dominant		
<u>Date</u>	<u>High</u>	Low	<u>Inches</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Direction</u>		
April 27	42	31	0.00	6.9	18	NE		
April 28	45	38	0.00	15.5	24	ENE		
April 29	46	39	2.04	9.6	26	ENE		
April 30	47	40	0.04	7.3	33	S		
May 1	56	41	0.21	4.3	24	SW		
May 2	54	38	0.06	2.2	16	W		
May 3	49	38	0.40	2.1	25	SW		

		Precipitation Sur	mmary (Inches)	2013-2014	
		Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal <u>Water Content</u>	
We	eekly Total	2.75	0.0	0.56	
Mc	onth of April	5.14	1.9	2.31	
Ma	y to Date	0.67	0.0	0.24	
Ye	ar/Season to Date	8.30	61.5	7.79	
тe	ai/Season to Date	0.30	01.5	7.79	

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.)

4/23 thru 5/7



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, raffle ticket sales, or political campaigning information is not eligible.)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

Support group for grandparents and caregivers raising children will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Alcona Elementary School media center, 181 North Barlow Road. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Kristin at (989) 736-8716.

Food pantry open 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.

Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will hold their membership meeting at 11 a.m. at the VFW Hall. 2900 Connon, Alpena (corner of Brooke and Connon, near Diamonds Pointe). Bring a can of food for the needy. Lunch will be served. For more information, call (989) 356-4959 or (989) 727-4080.

A presentation on Medicare fraud will be given by the Michigan Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program at 4:15 p.m., at the Glennie Senior Center, 4932 F-30, Glennie. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

A no obligation foster parent orientation will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at Wellspring Lutheran Services, 1260 South Otsego Avenue Gaylord. For more information or to register, call (989) 732-1040.

Sing-a-long with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

The Swollen Fingers band will perform at 3:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

A revival meeting with Dr. Herb Hutchinson will be held at 7 p.m. at the Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 South State Street. The community is invited and encouraged to attend.

Friends of Alcona County Library will meet at 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch, 312 West Main Street.

THURSDAY, MAY 8

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, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-4483.

Greenbush Historical Society will hold their annual meeting at 7 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Road. Guest speaker will be Tom Mooradian. He will share stories about his 13 years behind the Iron Curtain. Everyone is welcome.

The Alcona Historical Society will hold their annual dinner beginning at 5 p.m. at Lost Lake Woods Clubhouse, Lincoln. Cost is \$18 per person, non-members and guests are welcome. Program includes railroads in Alcona County and music by Laura Frawley. For more details and reservations, call Kristin Benghauser (989) 471-2088 evenings or Ken Hubbard (989) 727-3523.

Computers, Wi-Fi and Wii are available for use from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

Exercise indoors, walk upstairs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

A blood pressure clinic will be held at 3:30 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road. For more information, call (989)

FRIDAY, MAY 9

A fish fry will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at Maria Hall behind St. Anne Catholic Church, Harrisville, Cost is \$9 for adults, \$4 for children and free for ages five and under. Everyone is welcome.

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

SATURDAY, MAY 10

My Brother's Hope 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.

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.

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

Greenbush Township annual spring clean-up will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The site is the same as in the past. Enter from the south off of F-30 (Mikado Road). Residents or property owners must show proof of residency. Non-residents will be charged according to size and amount of load. For more information, call Dave Dailey at (989) 569-3519 or Ed Roddy at (989) 739-2159.

Buffet-style dinner at 4 p.m. at B. C. Bar & Grill in Barton City. All proceeds to support Barton City Base-

SUNDAY, MAY 11

All ages are invited to Northern Lights Arena for spring glow skating from 4 to 6 p.m., located at 751 Woodward Avenue, Alpena. Admission is \$5 per skater and you can bring your own skates or rent skates for \$2. Glow accessories will be available for purchase. Neon and black light attire is encouraged.

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SUMMER HELP WANTED

The City of Harrisville is accepting applications for summer help. The position is a 30-hour per week temporary position that involves mowing, trimming, and painting. A valid driver's license is required. Applications are available at the City Offices, 200 5th St., 9 am-12 noon daily (989) 724-6666. Deadline for applying is noon Friday, May 16 2014.





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GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP



Saturday, May 10 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.



This site is the same as in the past. Behind the old Moose Lodge on Main Street. Enter from the south off of F-30 (Mikado Road). Have proof of residency, or you will be charged.

As in the past, the fire fighters are here to HELP. They would appreciate your help.

- Broken Concrete
- Whole Junk Cars
- Hazardous Waste
- Commercial Building Materials
- Household Garbage
- Gas Tanks
- Fuel Oil Tanks
- Paint (Not Dried)

Dave Dailey (989) 569-3519

Ed Roddy (989) 739-2159.

Any questions, please contact

Please separate your load such as tires, scrap metal, white goods, junk, etc.

There will be a \$2.00 charge on all tires – more on truck and implement tires.

Items NOT Accepted Residents or property owners must show proof of residency or tax bill.

NON RESIDENTS OF **GREENBUSH**

Residents of surrounding areas will be accepted at this site, but there will be a charge for disposal of your load(s). The charge will be charged by the size and amount of the load.







Local Notes

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Seasonal Hours

On May 5 the Alcona County Road Commission began its seasonal schedule of 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Roadrelated issues requiring immediate attention at any time outside of these scheduled hours of operation should be reported to Alcona County Central Dispatch at (989) 724-0911.

ARA Farm Market

The ARA Farm Market will be open Saturday, May 10 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the Alcona County Fair-

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1. Vermilion

3. Titian

4. Bisque

5. Puce

6. Cattleya

7. Smalt

8. Damask

9. Jasper

10. Bittersweet

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FISH FRY

Friday, May 9

5-7 p.m.

Maria Hall behind St. Anne's

Take Out Available

2. Verdigris Green V

grounds in Lincoln. Bridge cards are accepted. Available this week: Radishes, salad turnips, lettuce, spinach, arugula, shallots, chicken and goose eggs, all cuts of grassfed and grain-fed beef, assorted baked goods, caramel corn, dried herbs, patio tomato plants, vegetable and herb plants, handmade $soaps, \hat{d} is hto wels, water color$ paintings, greeting cards, sun catchers, free spirit wire and bead danglers, handmade flower pins and headbands, $and \, \hat{handmade} \, wooden \, items,$ including Adirondack chairs, benches, peg boards, antler boards, stools and picture frames. 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, May 12—Ham, red potatoes, squash, fruit and a cookie.

 Tuesday, May 13—Goulash, peas, Jell-O with fruit, garlic bread and fruit.

• Wednesday, May 14— Sweet and sour chicken over rice, winter blend, three bean salad and fruit.

 Thursday, May 15— Baked fish, potato Lyonnais, stewed tomatoes and fruit.

• Friday, May 16—Pork roast, baked potato, corn and applesauce.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Outdoor Plant Seminar

On Wednesday, May 14 join the Alcona Master Gardener Association for a free seminar on native and invasive plants at the Greenbush Township Hall. Doors open at noon and the seminar runs from 12:30 to 3 p.m. There will be three speakers from the U.S. Forest Service, as well as a short video. Registration is required. To register or for more information, contact Becky Bean at (989) 724-5804.

Miss Iosco Orientation

An orientation meeting for any girls interested in participating in the 2014 Miss Iosco Scholarship Pageant will be held on Sunday, May 18 at Richardson Elementary School in Oscoda at 1 p.m. Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by Friday, May 16 to missioscocounty@ymail.com or Jane Negro at (989) 739-

Orientation is for any girls interested in participating in the pageant; Princess ages 8-12, Teens ages 13-17 and Miss ages 17-24. Girls who live, work or attend school in Iosco, Arenac and Ogemaw counties are eligible for the Miss Pageant. The Teen pageant is open to any interested girl living in the state of Michigan and the Princess pageant is open to any girls living or attending school in **Iosco County.**

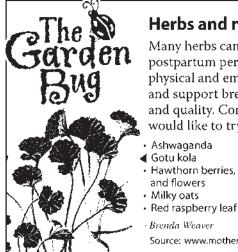
Orientation will provide the girls with specific information about rehearsals, requirements and dress. The Princess Pageant entry fee is \$35 and will be due in whole at orientation. The Teen entry fee is \$75 and \$35 will be due at orientation. All Miss contestants will be sponsored by local businesses. All girls need to bring a copy of each of the following: Birth certificate, proof of residency and insurance.

The Princess Pageant is designed as a way to introduce the girls to the Miss America organization. They will have the opportunity to showcase their talent and learn the lay-out of the stage. The young women participating in the Teen and Miss portion of the pageant will compete in talent, evening wear, lifestyle and fitness in active wear (swimwear for the Miss candidates) and onstage questions.

The Miss Iosco Scholarship Pageant will be held on Sunday, July 20 and the winner will receive a \$1,000 $scholar ship. \, Other \, awards \, for \,$ the pageant are \$300 for First Runner Up, \$100 for the Second Runner Up, a \$100 Talent Award and a \$50 Community Service Award. This year's pageant, "Fun at the Beach" will be at Oscoda High School in the Maryanne Bartels Auditorium. The pageant this year will include the Miss Iosco Scholarship Pageant, the Miss Outstanding Teen and the Princess Pageant. Questions may be directed to the pageant directors at missioscocounty-@ymail.com. Pageant requirements are located at www.-missioscocounty.webs.com.







Herbs and new moms

Many herbs can aid mothers during the postpartum period; they can enhance physical and emotional well-being and support breast-milk production and quality. Consult your doctor if you would like to try some from this list:

Ashwaganda **∢** Gotu kola

Nettle

Catnip

Hawthorn berries, leaves - Chamomile and flowers Milky oats

 Lavender Lemon balm Skullcap

Brenda Weaver

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Bonnie Wichtner-Zoia from Michigan State University Extension discusses the agenda at the recent broadband forum held in Alcona County. Michigan Connect and several service providers answered questions and provided information to nearly 100 residents. Photo by Mary Weber.

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ally, the same response seemed to echo from all of them, they are interested in providing Alcona County with high speed Internet, but before they can, they need to know how many people want it and who will subscribe.

Don Gladwell from Charter Communications said currently, Charter passes through 3,386 homes in Alcona County but less than 50 percent subscribe to their service for a variety of reasons member, Leisa Sutton, said including not being able to afford it. "All of northern Michigan is rate sensitive," Gladwell said noting his company's bottom line comes down to residents per cable mile.

By identifying the need within the community the more likely affordable Internet services will be made available. All service providers recommended everyone survey so they can look at the

The survey asks questions

access, if any, the resident/ business owner currently has; what problems they experience with it; what amount they would be willing to pay monthly for high speed Internet and if they are interested in bundling services such as TV, Internet and phone. The survey does not ask for any personal information such as name, address or phone num-

Access Alcona committee the committee has collected over 100 surveys, but they need many more. "Ideally, each and every Alcona full and part time resident should submit a survey. It is so simple and we hope everyone will help us by filling it out as soon as possible. We can't bring (broadband) to the county without you," Sutton

The surveys are available in the community fill out the at all branches of the Alcona County Library, the Senior Center and Huron Community Bank in Lincoln, and the such as what kind of Internet MSUE extension office, 320

S. State in Harrisville. Accessing the survey online is available by e-mailing a request to accessalcona-@gmail.com or by visiting Access Alcona's Facebook page. Surveys can be turned into any of the above locations. The deadline to turn the survey in is July 18.

Access Alcona is a special Interest ad hoc committee formed out of the Connecting the Dots programs given by the Alcona Regional Leadership Group through MSUE. Anyone interested in joining Access Alcona may do so by calling Leisa Sutton at (989) 820-0549.

White Barn Gardens



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by Linda Thistle

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Auction Date: Sat., May 10, 2014 at Noon **Address:** 305 N. US-23, Harrisville, MI 48740

Auction by: Owner

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Building Details: Approx. 2,000 sq. ft. main floor with upper office and storage areas. Main floor includes $31' \times 36'$ main room; $8' \times 16'$ rear room next to $8' \times 20'$ mechanical room; $8' \times 9'$ bathroom; and small commercial kitchen with adjacent $19' \times 10'$ room.

For appointment to view property and/or for Auction Rules, call 989-724-7410 (Owner).

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multitude of other opportunities elsewhere in the state and country for many other government entities such as the Department of Defense (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine, Coast Guard), the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs and the General Services Administration to name just a few, the class will assist businesses to get any of these contracts," Brinn said.

Brinn encouraged businesses to take the class saying it was a great opportunity. "We aren't in a metro

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setting, but there is no reason why the rural businesses can't be just as competitive as the suburban businesses when it comes to government contracting. I have seen local, rural small businesses beat out suburban competition to get a government contract. The class is the first step in what could be amazing opportunities for small business owners," Brinn said.

The class is recommended

for business owners, managers or the key players who will support and facilitate government contracting within their company. It will be held May 14, at the Oscoda Township Hall, 208 S. State Street, Oscoda, from 10 a.m. to noon. The class is free but registration is a must. To register, or for more information, contact procurement counselor Tammy Moore at (989) 733-8540.

District Court

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

• Christopher Lee Pirtle, 25, of Oscoda was sentenced to 23 days in jail and fines and court costs of \$575 for assault or assault and battery

• Michael Anthony Cruson, 24, of Greenbush was sentenced to one year in jail and fines and court costs of \$250 for use of a controlled substance.

• Nathan Adam Smith, 22, of Oxford, Mich. was sentenced to 61 days in jail, one year of probation and fines and court costs of \$975 for possession of marijuana/

spice/salvia.
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Super Crossword -



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of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,525 for domestic violence.
• Carl George Cordes, 26, of Barton City was sentenced to two days in jail and fines and court costs of \$475 for transporting/possession of

· Lisa Jo Ayers, 42, of

Oscoda was sentenced to 10

days in jail (with nine days

held in abeyance), two years

vehicle.
• Stephanie Ann Mills, 30, of Lincoln was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,140 for operating while visibly impaired

open intoxicants in a motor

and contempt of court.

• Kyle Ryan Bumgardner, 24, of Lincoln Park, Mich. was sentenced to one day in jail, and fines and court costs of \$400 for allowing a suspended person to operate a motor vehicle.

• Joseph Francis Serafin, 67, of Frankenmuth, Mich. was sentenced to three days in jail, six months of probation and court costs and fines of \$725 for assault or assault and battery.

• Michael Glen McDonald, 26, of Mikado was sentenced to 15 days in jail, one year of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,325 for domestic violence.

• Michael Edward Donovan III, 32, of Glennie was sentenced to three days in jail and fines and court costs of \$385 for retail fraud, third degree, less than \$200.

• Dale Robert Grabow, 54, of Oscoda was sentenced to 20 days in jail, one year of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,850 for operating while intoxicated.

• Daryle Jahn Allen, 58, of Black River was sentenced to nine days in jail and fines and court costs of \$715 for operator's license suspended, revoked, denied.

• Jordan Edward Fowler, 19, of Oscoda was sentenced to two days in jail, and \$615 in court costs and fines for no insurance.

• Jason Andrew Stonge, 26, of Luzerne, Mich. was sentenced to 30 days in jail and fines and court costs of \$575 for assault or assault and battery.

• Mark Austin Ames, 29, of Harrisville was sentenced to 90 days in jail for use of a controlled substance – narcotic/cocaine.

• Christopher Michael Jones, 25, of Bay City, Mich. was sentenced to 10 days in jail and fines and court costs of \$845 for operator's license suspended, revoked, denied.

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

PARTICIPANTS WANTED

Participants for the Annual Community Garage to be held on **Saturday**, **June 14**, beginning at 8 a.m. in Harrisville and surrounding area. Registration will include a map listing or detailed directions, plus newspaper advertising the date of the sale.

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Registration Form

Annual Community Wide Garage

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SENIOR LIFESTYLES

Travel discounts available to older travelers

Dear Savvy Senior,

What types of senior discounts are available to older travelers? My husband and I are approaching retirement and love to travel, but love to save money too.

Almost Retired

Dear Almost,

There is actually wide variety of travel discounts available to older travelers - usually starting at either age 50, 55, 60, 62 or 65.

But, you first need to be aware that when it comes to senior travel bargains, the "senior discount" may not always be the best deal. Hotels, airlines and cruise lines, for example, offer advanced bookings along with special deals and promotions from time to time that may be a lower rate than what the senior discount is. Always ask about the lowest possible rate and the best deal available.

With that said, here's a breakdown of some different senior travel discounts that are available today.

• Club memberships: If you're a member of AARP, there are dozens of travel discounts available on hotels, rental cars, cruises and vacation packages. To find them, see discounts.aarp.org/travel or call (800) 675-4318. Annual AARP membership fees are \$16 or less if you join for multiple years.

If you don't like AARP, there are alternative organizations you can join like the Seniors Coalition or the American Seniors Association that offer discounts on hotels and rental cars.

- Airlines: Southwest Airlines has the best senior fare program in the U.S., offering discounts to passengers 65 and older. American, United and Delta offer some senior fares too but they are extremely limited.
- Trains: Amtrak provides a 15 percent discount to travelers 62 and older, and a 10

percent discount to passengers over age 60 on crossborder services operated jointly by Amtrak and VIA Rail Canada.

- · Bus travel: Greyhound offers a five percent discount on unrestricted fares to seniors over 62. Peter Pan, which serves the northeast region of the U.S., offers the same deal. Trailways, a privately owned bus company also provides senior discounts but they vary by location. And, most local bus lines and public transportation offer discounted senior passes.
- Car rentals: Most car rental companies offer five to 25 percent discounts to customers who belong to 50-andolder organizations like AARP. Discounts are also available to AAA members. To shop around for the best rental car deals use travel aggregator sites like orbitz.com or kayak.com.
 - Hotels: Most hotels in the



Savvy Senior

U.S. offer senior discounts ranging between 10 and 30 percent off. Age eligibility will vary by hotel. Hyatt offers one of the biggest discounts, up to 50 percent off, to guests 62 and older.

• Cruises: Most cruise lines offer special deals to AARP members. But, if you're not a member, discounts on some cruise lines (like Carnival, Norwegian and Royal Caribbean) are also available to passengers 55 and older. The best way to find these is to contact a travel agent, or check with the cruise line your interested in.

• Restaurants: Senior dis-

counts are fairly common at mom-and-pop and familystyle restaurants, as well as fast food establishments. The discounts will range from free coffee, to drinks, to discounts off your total order. Chains known for their senior discounts or specials include Burger King, Chick-fil-A, Church's Chicken, Dairy Queen, Dunkin Donuts, IHOP, Subway and Wendy's.

 Entertainment: Most movie theaters, plays, ballets, symphonies, museums, zoos, aquariums, golf courses and even ski slopes provide

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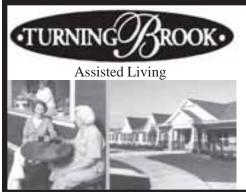
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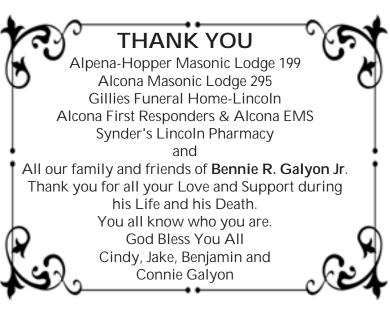




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Alcona track gains momentum

By Hope Smith

Sportswriter . The Alcona track team

traveled to Standish Sterling High School on Friday, May 2 to compete in the Sunrise Side Classic Invitational.

The Tigers stepped onto the track with teams from Ogemaw Heights, Roscommon, Standish, John Glenn, Oscoda and Tawas area high schools. Alcona girls had a strong showing finishing third overall with 87 points and the boys finished sixth with 27 points.

Although the cold damp weather has caused some cancellations it hasn't slowed the Alcona track athletes down. They continue to work hard every day in preparation for the upcoming regional competition. This year Alcona

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reduced admission to seniors over 60 or 65. If you're over 62, you're also eligible for the popular "America The Beautiful Senior Pass," which provides a lifetime entry to 2,000 national parks and recreation sites. You can obtain this pass in person at one of the federal recreation sites for \$10, or through the mail (see place - Pierce, 51.74. store.usgs.gov/pass/senior.html) for \$20.

To look for other travel discounts see seniordiscounts.com, a great website that lets you search by location and category for free.

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

(Division 4) will compete at Marion High School on Saturday, May 17. Regional competition is important because athletes need to turn in their best times in order to qualify for state competition which will be on May 31 in Hudsonville, Mich.

Girls top finishers:

Discus: Ninth place -Harlie LaFond, 61 feet, 1 inch.

High Jump: Fourth place -Torie Harmon, 4 feet, 6 inches; 10 place - Sydney Pierce, 4 feet, 2 inches.

Pole Vault: Second place -Brooke Shultz, 6 feet, 6

Shot Put: Eighth place -Samantha Schott, 22 feet, 8 inches.

4x800 Relay: First place -10:49.40 -- Karina Cole, Harmon, Katelyn Nelson and Megan Quick.

100 Meter Dash: Second place - Miranda Schalk, 14.52 4x200 Relay: Third place -2:03.57, Schalk, Katy Edwards, Rachel Warner and

1600 Meter Run: Fourth place - Cole, 6:18.24.

4x100 Relay: Third place -56.89, Schalk, Edwards, Warner and Pierce.

400 Meter Dash: First place - Quick, 1:04.446; seventh place - Edwards, 1:14.72.

300 Low Hurdles: Second

800 Meter Run: Second place - Quick, 2:32.19.

200 Meter Dash: Sixth place - Schalk, 30.40.

3200 Meter Run: Ninth place - Lily Manning, 14:44.62.

4x400 Relay: Second place 4:33.07, Quick, Harmon, Boys top finishers: High Jump: Ninth place -

Brandon Ritchie, 5 feet, 2 Long Jump: Nineth place -

Schuyler Bates, 17 feet, 4.50

Pole Vault: Fourth place -Garrette Norling, 10 feet. Shot Put: Tenth place -

Avery Perez, 35 feet, 3 inches. 4x800 Relay: Seventh place 9:50.66, Šchram, Ryan Shultz, Brandon Smigelski and Kyle Thum.

110 Hurdles: Fifth place -Good, 18.19.

4x200 Relay: Second place: 1:45.49, Lamantia, Hunter Sullivan, Perez and Ritchie.

1600 Meter Run: Seventh place - Thum, 5:23.00.

4x100 Relay: Fifth place: 48.20, Lamantia, Sullivan, Perez and Ritchie.

400 Meter Dash: First place Havercroft, 54.25; nineth place - Sullivan, 1:00.45.

300 Low Hurdles: Fourth place - Good, 49:763; sev-

enth place - Perez, 55:969. 200 Meter Dash: Sixth place - Garrette Norling, 24:40; 10th place - Brandon

3200 Meter Run: Fifth place - Thum, 11:36.70.

Ritchie, 24.83.

4x400 Relay: Fifth place -3:56.87, Norling, Schram, Smigelski and Havercroft.

The Alcona track team has three varsity meets this week which started on Monday when they traveled to Johannesburg-Lewiston. On Tuesday the Tigers played host to Posen, Oscoda and Rogers City high schools. On Friday the team will go to Tawas High School to compete in their invitational meet. Alcona will host Whittemore-Prescott and Hale area schools on May 13 with field events starting at 3:30 p.m.

Oscoda Area Schools 3550 East River Road Oscoda, Michigan 48750

INVITATION TO BID RENOVATIONS TO OSCODA AREA SCHOOLS

The Board of Education of the Oscoda Area Schools, losco and Alcona Counties, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for replacement of boiler at Richardson Elementary School, 3620 E. River Road, Oscoda, and renovation work at Oscoda High School, 3550 E. River Road, Oscoda, including window replacement, wall infill, ceiling replacement, roof replacement, and new gym lighting.

Proposal No. 1: All Trades Construction Work – High School Renovations Proposal No. 2: All Trades Construction Work – High School Roofing Work

Proposal No. 3: All Trades Construction Work – Gym Lighting Work

Proposal No. 4: All Trades Construction Work – Richardson Elementary School Boiler Work

Proposal No. 5: All Trades Construction Work - Combined Proposal All Work

Sealed proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, May 22, 2014 at the Board of Education Office, 3550 E. River Road, Oscoda, Michigan, at which time they will be publicly opened.

A mandatory pre-bid walk-through for General Contractors will be held on Friday, May 16, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. Contractors will meet at the Oscoda Area Schools Board of Education Meeting Room.

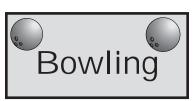
Bidding documents are on file at the following locations and are available for the use of bidders:

Office of the Architect - WTA Architects, 100 S. Jefferson Avenue, Suite 601, Saginaw Office of the Engineers - MacMillan Associates, Inc., 714 East Midland Street, Bay City Tri-City Builders Exchange, Saginaw

McGraw-Hill Construction Dodge, Grand Rapids

For more information call WTA Architects at 989-752-8107

Oscoda Area Schools reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities in bidding, or to accept the lowest responsible proposal, that in the opinion of the Oscoda Area Schools will serve the best interest of the Oscoda Area Schools. The Oscoda Area Schools will not be obligated to accept the lowest proposal. The Oscoda Area Schools reserves the right to approve all subcontractors.



Wednesday Nite Women's

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High handicap game and se-

ries: Karen Godi, 263 and 690.

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Wednesday Nite Women's

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Gibson, 258. High handicap series: Carol Wenzel, 676.

Youth 4-H projects unlock positive youth development

By Les Thomas

4-H Program Coordinator When 4-H clubs are mentioned most people get an image that includes barns, campfire songs, pig shows and winning ribbons at the county fair.

While these iconic images of 4-H are still an accurate piece of most every county 4-H program, they only paint part of the picture that is Michigan 4-H Youth Development. In Alcona County, for example, there are as many youth registered in shooting sports as there are in the horse, beef and sheep projects combined. Not that any of these projects are more or less important, but it shows where the current interest level is.

In addition to livestock and horse clubs, 4-H programs also offer athletic clubs like bowling and softball, clubs that teach woodworking, environmental stewardship, cooking/baking, as well as remotely operated vehicles (ROVs), gardening and fishing. At the state level, Michigan 4-H can support so many more interest areas with research-based curriculum – from becoming an entrepreneur to engineering and entomology -- all that is needed to get started is a caring adult.

Staff of the 4-H program doesn't get too worried when interest changes or when the next big project is trending. Really, the project itself is less important than the life skills learned and practiced in accomplishing it. Even when a project doesn't go well (the market animal doesn't make weight) the member may be disappointed, but staff members recognize that success isn't necessarily defined by finishing first. Learning how to deal with adversity is something that many

adults still need to do.

There is still a lot to be learned by the experience, for example -- what did the youth learn about raising a market animal from this experience? The value of recordkeeping, nutrition and proper care? Success can be broadly defined in having experiences, learning something new and applying life skills that will help make youth successful. Failure can be a valuable learning experience. Next year, maybe that same child will keep better records, closely monitor feed consumption and have proper conditions for that animal to grow -- all valuable lessons that have been learned.

While every program is different, there is one constant that remains true throughout every 4-H project whether it's in Michigan or Mongolia.

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Youth from the Alcona 4-H Archery club celebrated the end of another very successful club year with their families. Attending this year were members Jake and Hannah Tanner, Elise Klinger, Lizzie Lipscomb, Logan, Isabella and Patrick Bates, Kegan Gilmore, Ethan and Ryan Fick, Jasmine Ellsworth, Matt Good, Brett Wambold, Matt MacMaster, Brendan Hudgins, Andrew and Hazel Gull, Darien Panich, Hannah and Ava Brege, Ben Thomas, Nolan Jones and club leader Tom Keerl. Regular members missing were Chris and Caleb Kamischke, Schuyler Bates, Emily Loboaugh, Hunter Cammack, Seth Stelmachoske, Levi Kline and Wyatt Arkwood as well as club leaders Chad Kamischke and Phil Potter. *Courtesy photo.*





The Alcona 4-H Strikers, a new bowling club meeting in Harrisville this winter, met for eight weeks and is looking to grow in size and scope for next year. Their end of year event included t-shirts, open bowling, games and food and was attended by all of their members and their leader, Frank Belloli. Members include Konnor Webster, Anna and Luke Loyer, Camaron and Jesslyn Harris, Karlee Stewart and Emily Hoffman. *Courtesy photo.*

Oscoda Area Schools Employment Opportunities

The Oscoda Area Schools announces the need for the following part-time positions:

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For the Week of April 28-May 4, 2014 Alcona County Sheriff's Report

60 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 4 Arrests; 2 Warrants; 1 Driving While License Suspended; 1 Other.

	Complaint Statis	<u>stics</u>	
Car/Deer Accidents	8	Property Damage Accident	2
Message/Well Being Check	1	Miscellaneous	7
Dog/Animal	4	Traffic	11
Malicous Destr. of Property	1	Alarm	1
Arrest/Other	1	Littering	1
911 Hang Up	1	Repossession of Auto	1
Warrant Arrest	2	Civil	4
Child Neglect/Cruelty	1	Sex Offender Reg. Violation	2
Assault & Battery	1	Driving While License Susp.	1
Larceny	1	Fraud	2
Medicine Disposal	1	Neighbor Trouble	1
Gunshots Heard	1	Suspicious Events	3

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	5	Caledonia	5		Curtis	2
Greenbush	5	Gustin	6		Harrisville	13
Hawes	2	Haynes	0		Mikado	7
Millen	2	Mitchell	3			
Harrisville City	8	Village of Lir	ncoln	2		

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(Yes, there is a 4-H program in Mongolia.) Projects are vehicles for positive youth development. Youth are enrolled in a project, and as a result, they learn how to complete that project. While all of that is happening, they also may have learned about setting goals, budgeting, how to write an application, conflict resolution – all life skills that are needed to foster positive youth development.

When a child goes to 4-H camp, they may learn about invasive species, engineering and fish anatomy- and these are great, but they'll also learn teamwork, leadership, social skills and character as well as resiliency. No matter what life path they pursue these skills will come in handy every step of the way.

Volunteers are essential. No matter why the youth are coming to a meeting, they are learning so much more than a leader means to teach them. When a volunteer leader teaches them how to use a cordless drill, they also learn about responsibility. Simply by taking the time to be a volunteer, youth learn the importance of giving back.

For more information

about getting involved in a (Alcor 4-H Club or becoming a volunteer, contact Les Thomas 322@

(Alcona County) at (989) 724-6478 or by e-mail at thoma-322@msu.edu.



Mark Haglund of Harrisville and Madison Heights, Mich. was hunting near the Triple B Hunt Club north of Lincoln on April 28 when he bagged this turkey. It weighed 21 pounds and had an eight inch beard. *Courtesy photo.*





contains everything you might want to know about North American wildflowers, such as how they got their common names, their botanical names, habitats, growing needs, medicinal properties, folklore, invasiveness, classifications and endangered status. - Brenda Weaver

Source: wildflowerinformation.org

A good witch or a bad witch?

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep Columnist

Over the past couple of years, we've gone from despairing of ever having grand-children to being up to our belly band in babies.

The Princess, of course, gave birth to the Grandprincess, Phee, and the two "almost daughters" in our extended family have had three pregnancies between them. Kai, who came along with Kate's wedding package, is four. Almost-grandson Owen is two, all boy and oh boy, and his mama is teetering on the edge of labor as I write this. And our niece/godchild is due with her first in October.

With all this regeneration going on, there's been a lot of discussion about what I think of as the "Witch of the West" topic of late: Am I (or will I be) a "good mother" or a "bad mother." I don't chime in much, since I'm just the grandmother, after all. But my thoughts on the matter are pretty simple -- if you worry about being a good mother, you probably are. Bad mothers aren't likely to give it much thought.

Still, as Mother's Day approaches, I offer a short list of attributes new mothers may want to cultivate to make it through:

• A revamped concept of the sleep cycle. The first year with a child is one of the most delightful experiences there is. It's also the most exhausting. Most infants like to sleep in the daytime, so they can stay up and keep you company at say, 3 a.m. Some days, you'll need to remind yourself that it won't last forever and that no one ever died from lack of sleep. They just wanted to, so they could lie down for a while.

• A strong jaw and gut. These will serve you well when you're gazing down at the amazingly beautiful baby/toddler in your lap and he or she suddenly springs up into the air and klops you soundly in the chin, catching your tongue between your teeth. Or when, in the midst of a routine diaper change, said child demonstrates his brand new and amazingly effective Karate kick to your stomach.

• And while we're on the subject - a cast iron stomach. Remember all the things and run from the room during your maiden days? Well, you are now officially in charge of cleaning those up. (Trust me, you haven't sucked it up until your three-yearold upchucks directly onto the long-haired dog in the wee hours of the morning.) I've long believed that you truly become a mom the day you hold out your cupped hands and say, "Just spit it right here, sweetie."

• A poker face. This comes in handy both for holding back your smiles as your four-year-old tells you his or her incredibly improbable story of how the lamp got broken and for veiling your shock, embarrassment and/or horror at a teenager's confession at midnight. Fortunately, as your child ages, your poker



Puttin' on the Fritz By Kathryn Kniep

face improves exponentially.

• A philosophical frame of mind. For those days when just hours before the event you've been planning for all summer your child develops a stay-at-home cold; for those nights when every sitter in North America is booked; for when your college roommate calls from the trip to Paris to celebrate getting her Ph.D. while you're trying to unclog the Diaper Duck.

• A handful of all-purpose prayers -- for safety, for comfort, for ER visits and lifetime celebrations. You won't have to work too hard to amass these. Over the course of your hitch (which you will discover is a lifetime celebration in and of itself) you'll just find you collect them.

• Patience – which you will pray for more often, and despair of ever learning more often -- than any other attribute. Give them the time to put on their own shoes, it all goes by so quickly.

• Courage – which you will be called upon to display everywhere from the aforementioned ER visits to the "let's raise a reptile" phase of your child's life; to the day they leave for college; to the day you walk into their labor room.

• A loving, loving heart. If you've collected the prayers mentioned above and had adequate sleep, and even if you haven't, you'll find – on an almost daily basis – the love and wisdom to recognize that most often, they didn't mean their naughty behavior. Most often, there was a logical (in kidthink) reason for their actions. And most often, they meant well.

• A grown-up mentality. I've long contended that the most important aspect of parenting is remembering every single time that you can - that you are the grownup in this picture. You won't always be their friend. Sometimes, you'll be the meanest person in the world. When faced with that charge, I used to mutter, "Well, yeah, it's in my contract." Every child deserves to have a grown-up they can trust, maybe more than anything else you can

• A forgiving spirit. This should not be confused with a loving heart. This one is for you, in the middle of the night, as you berate yourself for losing it (again) today. As you agonize over what you can't afford to give them or a seemingly insurmountable problem. Keep in mind that when it comes to kids, as a general rule by the time you figure out a solution to the latest stage, it's over. And most often, you meant well. If you didn't, apologize in the morning and keep on keeping on.

Space limits my listing the

countless other attributes you'll need in this role you've taken on, and that's just from birth to 18.

Like I said, much like deciding to buy a tortoise, it's a lifetime commitment. In exchange, you'll get seeds planted in paper cups or flowers picked from the neighbor's garden, a working knowledge of the care and feeding of garter snakes, an encyclopedic database of minor illnesses and injuries and their cures, a recipe for the one thing they'll eat every time and a refrigerator door full of abstract art. Oh - and a heart and soul so filled with love and wonder that you can't imagine what you did before they came into your life.

And if you're very, very lucky, after a time you'll get the ultimate award for motherhood. You'll get promoted to grandmother.

Happy Mother's Day to all of us who don't get to go to the bathroom alone again for a very long time, and never, ever sleep through the night again. We're so incredibly lucky that way.

(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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Alcona County Probate Judge Laura Frawley talks to a group supporting Foster Care Month in Harrisville. Blue Ribbons were hung on the courthouse lawn to raise awareness of May being Foster Care Month. Photo by Mary Weber.

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River Aux Sables Chapter DAR

River Aux Sables Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) added two new members this spring. Alexandra Kramer of Lincoln was accepted in February by National DAR under her grandmother regent Pat Kramer's lineage through John Detrich Aurandt, who served in Pennsylvania dur-

ing the Revolution. The Kramers share this ancestor with the noted radio personality, Paul Harvey.

Sharon Czaika of Tawas City was installed as a member in April under her ancestors Cpl. John Cooley who served in the Massachusetts Militia with his brother, Capt. William Cooley, and Pvt. Wil-

liam Wickham who served in New York Militia from 1776-1777.

Women over 18 who would like more information about the DAR or teenagers who are interested in becoming junior members may obtain information by accessing the chapter website at www.riverauxsables.michdar.net.

The Compassionate Friends of Oscoda

Compassionate Friends (TCF) of Oscoda area held its first official meeting in February. TCF provides a free monthly grief support group for parents, grandparents and siblings who are grieving the death of a child, makes support materials available to members, sends newsletters and offers a variety of other free services to the bereaved parents in the Oscoda area.

The group meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the multi-purpose room at Oscoda Baptist Church, 5589 N. US-23, Oscoda.

TCF is about transforming the pain of a parent's grief from the loss of a child into that of hope. It helps take parents out of the feeling of isolation and lets them express their grief naturally. Newly bereaved parents get to see other parents who are further along in their grief process and are learning to live and love again. Everyone in our group has lost a child, or even some instances their children.

We have established our programs for the 2014 year and are excited about the events planned. We are now busy working on plans for 2015.

On May 20 we will plant memory" flowers in honor of our children. Some plants convey a message that incorporates love and memory, for example, the forget-me-not. The flower means true love and memories when given to another, according to Reiman Gardens. We will have a variety of plants to choose from and everyone will have a plant to take home and put in a special place in their yard.

Anyone interested in attending this meeting is asked to RSVP by May 16 to Jane Negro at cjnegro@charter.net. We would like to have a tentative count to make sure we have the correct number of plants on hand.

Memory candles will be our activity for June. Each person attending will have the opportunity to make a candle in memory of their child(ren).

We are looking forward to bringing in a speaker from one of the other TCF Michi-

gan chapters to talk and share with our group in July. The details for this month are still in progress and more information will follow.

A butterfly release is planned for August. Butterflies are a symbol of resurrection and new life. This event will be held for families to honor their children in a day of hope, healing and remembrance. Watch for more information about our release as August approaches.

We have planned a Walk to Remember for September. A grief counselor as a guest speaker in October and November and December will bring us to discussions about "Another Year of Holidays" and our participation of the World Candle Lighting Day.

All of our meetings last about an hour with time dedicated for those attending to be able to talk about their child or anything related to their grief if they want. Participation in the sharing about your child is totally optional. The rest of the meeting is reserved for special discussions, activities or projects as mentioned above. Refreshments are also served.

For more information about local chapter meetings, any of the events, or to make a donation, call Jane Negro, treasurer, at (989) 739-2916 or Nancy Draper, at (989) 739-8548. For more information about the national organization, call toll free (877) 969-0010, visit www.-Compassionatefriends.org or www.facebook.com/TCFUSA on the Web.



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DNR responds to new aquatic invasive plant - parrot feather

A suspected sighting of the highly invasive plant parrot (Myriophyllum feather aquaticum) was reported to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) in the fall of 2013. Following recently developed state agency protocols, the DEQ transferred the report to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Wildlife Division. A team of Wildlife Division staff, utilizing the new Early Detection and Response Plan, conducted verification and assessment at a small detention pond in Wayne County's Brownstown Township.

As part of the assessment process, staff members surveyed local waters near the detention pond to determine the distribution of the species and gather pertinent information. From that initial assessment, it appears this nonnative species is isolated to the detention pond; however, more intensive survey efforts are being planned for the surrounding area in the spring of 2014.

Following verification and assessment, DNR staff developed an initial response plan for eradicating this species from the site. Working cooperatively with the local homeowners' association, Aqua-Weed Control, Inc. (the original reporters) and DEQ, the DNR obtained permission and permits for a late-season herbicide application. Treatment of this species was conducted in early November, funded through a federal grant project. The site will be monitored for treatment efficacy, with any necessary follow-up treatments to begin in spring 2014.

Parrot feather has only been found in the Great Lakes basin in a few previous locations (in Michigan's Oakland County and Indiana's Steuben County). The source of this new infestation is unknown, but it is possible that this plant - popular in aquariums and water gardens - may have been released into the pond.

Parrot feather is a "prohibited species" in Michigan, which makes its possession, transport or release illegal, due to the severe negative effects it can have on native ecosystems. It is a submerged plant, which will eventually grow to emerge six to 12 inches above the water's surface. It is highly aggressive and out-competes many native plant species, disrupting ecosystem functions, clogging navigable waters and impeding recreation.

Finding and eradicating any new occurrences of these types of species before they become established or spread is the key principle behind the DNR's Early Detection and Rapid Response (EDRR) program. Proactive EDRR is typically much more cost-effective and provides higher chances of success in dealing with invasive species.

The EDRR program was pioneered through a three-



Close-up of parrot feather leaves. *Photos courtesy of the Michigan DNR.*



Parrot feather grows in thick clumps, choking out waterways.

year Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grant. After two and a half years, the EDRR program has verified 60 unique detections of six new highthreat aquatic invasive plant species in Michigan. Prioritized response efforts have occurred at 21 sites, with future actions planned.

For more information on the EDRR program, please go to www.michigan.gov/invasivespecies.

Early detection and response is one of four main

goals outlined in the state's recently revised Aquatic Invasive Species State Management Plan. Revision and implementation of this plan is a collaborative effort between DEQ, DNR and the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

Suspected parrot feather sightings should be reported to www.misin.msu.edu or to Matt Ankney, EDRR coordinator, at ankneym2@michigan.gov or (517) 641-4903.

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full-scale fabricating shop that builds everything from fireline plows to wildland fire engines that suit the state's needs but are unavailable

The FFES recently completed building a new wildwith a commercially available truck chassis. The vetruck was designed and built by DNR personnel at the station - a staff that includes an engineer, machinist, welder, the help of local fire officers during the winter months,

"We can typically build one or two vehicles a year," said Dan Munn, acting manager at the Forest Fire Experiment Station. "It takes about nine months from the receipt of the vehicle to build it. It's

Starting with the bare windshield so it can be safely

The shop also builds a custom, heavy-duty bumper. "Most larger wildland fire engines that the FFES produces could be used to push over small trees in an emergency

pletes electrical circuits for a fire engine that will be used in wildfire suppression efforts. ter tank riding on them, the staff installs the tank, which has been built from scratch by the staff using the shop's

DNR heavy equipment mechanic Mike Pickler com-

fabricating equipment. The result is a wildland fire engine that can handle fighting a fire while protecting the fire officers - and other DNR staff trained in fire suppression - from danger, which can appear in many forms as the trucks lumber over uneven terrain into a burning forest.

"You can't design for every contingency," Munn said. "But the design of these vehicles does a good job of capturing what our fire officers and other trained staff need in the field.'

Besides building the trucks, another of the shop's main products is the Michigan Fireline Plow. The fireline plow is built and installed on each of the 125 or so crawlertractors that the Forest Resources Division has stationed around the state.

The half-ton plow, which is designed to be hydraulically operated behind a truck or tractor to cut fire lines, produces a six-foot-wide "firebreak" – an area free of combustible materials that prevents ground fire from spreading. In the case of large fires, the operators may create additional lines in concentric circles around the perimeter, creating an even wider firebreak.

If something breaks on a plow - or on one of the wildland fire engines' water packages - the FFES produces

replacement parts and fixes the damage. The staff also continuously upgrades existing vehicles with the latest safety equipment, such as fire curtains for the crawler tractors, which can help shield operators from radiant heat.

All of the work done at the FFES requires a lot of space, and that's something the building has been lacking for years, Munn said.

The DNR has broken ground on a new FFES building. The new facility will be larger so it can handle the bigger vehicles that are being used to build wildland fire engines. In fact, some of the chassis used are so large the staff has to let the air out of the tires in order to get the vehicles into the building. The new space will facilitate the assembly process and create a smoother work flow.

Michigan's forest fire simulation team will also be housed in the new energyefficient building. The team helps train new fire officers and other DNR staff and also helps enhance the skills of experienced fire staff by allowing them to experience virtual firefighting situations using video clips from actual forest fires as well as created scenarios.

The new FFES building is under construction and is expected to be complete by early fall. "We're pretty excited about what this new building will mean to our ability to better prepare for fighting fires in Michigan," Munn said. "The DNR has a long, proud history of battling blazes in order to protect people, property and natural resources. This improved facility will be a very important part of helping us continue to get that job done."

For more information about the DNR's fire management program, visit www.michigan.gov/ firemanagement.

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

The facility maintains a

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land fire engine, beginning hicle is ready to be put in the field as the upcoming fire season approaches. The mechanic, draftsman and a secretary. The station enlists

quite a process."

chassis, the crew installs the necessary electrical and hydraulic systems to make the vehicle suitable for fighting fires. The truck is heavily armored around the fuel tank, the wheel wells and taken off-road through the woods.

situation," Munn said.

The frame is typically extended several feet - front and back - to make room for equipment, such as a hydraulic winch on the front and a pumping unit and hose reels on the rear. Then, after the frame rails have been lined with wood to help cushion them from the shock and friction that will be caused by having an 800-gallon wa-

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Gerald Leray, welder at the DNR's Forest Fire Experiment Station, completes a repair on a piece of equipment. Photos courtesy of Michigan DNR.

Trout season has arrived

Trout season has officially opened on Michigan's inland waters and early season fishing can be quite good. Many anglers successfully swear by dead drifting worms this time of year due to the cold spring water temperatures, but those heading out should not overlook spinners or small shallow diving crank baits either.

Worms are deadly in the early season but lure fishing can also be very effective at bringing up a big fish from its deep water lair under a log or under a cut bank.

Northeast **Lower Peninsula** May 1

Temperatures were cold for the walleye opener. Lake trout season in the waters of Lake Huron between Cheboygan and the Black River opened May 1.

- · Black Lake: Shore anglers have caught some nice walleye. The Upper Black River was good for brook
- Rogers City: Is pretty much open however, some flow ice was still blocking the marina. One of the docks is in but the bathroom and cleaning station are not open. Fish should be in close to shore where the warmer water is. Look for lake trout and Atlantic salmon around the pier or Swan Bay. Try small spoons or body baits in bright
- Alpena: Anglers can now get out into the bay. A few were going behind the plant to fish for Atlantic salmon or smallmouth bass. Anglers should find Atlantic salmon and lake trout when trolling in the shallows along the shoreline or near structure. The docks are in at the River Street launch and the public marina. The fish cleaning station and the bathrooms are not open yet.
- Thunder Bay River: Had most of the walleye action. Boats were drifting and working with jigs. Steelhead fishing was slow for those drift-

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Fishing Report





ing flies or spawn up near the dam. Suckers are also

• Harrisville: Is now open and the docks are in. Atlantic salmon, steelhead, brown trout and walleye are in and around the harbor. Boat and shore anglers are catching fish. Try the channels and outside the rock wall in the early morning and late evening with small spoons, spinners or body baits.

being caught.

• Oscoda: Rough water has kept many inside the river. Those able to get out have caught fish. Atlantic salmon are showing up around the mouth of the river. Steelhead numbers are on the

- AuSable River: Steelhead are gaining in numbers and, hopefully, water temperatures will be warm enough to put fish on the beds soon. As of now, steelhead are holding in the deeper holes between the mouth and the dam. Most have caught fish on spawn, wax worms, flies or combinations of natural and artificial baits. Walleye have been caught between the mouth and the dam. Some say the bite was best at night. Try crawlers or body baits.
- Tawas: Perch anglers are catching a lot of small ones and the occasional keeper in the harbor. Minnows are thick inside the harbor. Those fishing the lake side have caught steelhead, brown trout and walleye. Some are casting spoons and crank baits while others are drifting spawn and minnows. A good number of walleye have been caught by those trolling in 10 to 20 feet

of the Tawas River and Alabaster.

- · AuGres: Has been very busy due to the excellent wall-eye fishing. A good number of limit catches were taken by those trolling in 15 to 25 feet between Pointe AuGres and Point Lookout.
- AuGres River: Steelhead have been caught in the East Branch near the Singing Bridge. Most are drifting spawn or floating spawn sacks. Those wading in the surf at night have caught walleye when casting rapalas.

(This report has been provided by the DNR Fisheries Division; (517) 284-5830; located in Constitution Hall, 525 W. Allegan Street, Lansing,

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State officials launch tourism initiative to promote trail network

By Danielle Woodward Capital News Service

Information for all Michigan trails - including those on the water - will soon be available at the click of a button under legislation recently introduced by lawmak-

That kind of accessibility is part of the Michigan Department of Natural Resource's (DNR) plan to attract tourists to Michigan's trails by improving them and making them easier to find.

Lawmakers recently introduced a package of five bills that would label all state trails as Pure Michigan trails, use "trail towns" to connect trails between communities and make trail information available both on a computer and

through an app.

The DNR worked closely with the Michigan Trails and Greenway Alliance to develop the plan and the legislation to implement it. The legislation also includes a bill that would take the snowmobile specification out of the Michigan snowmobile and trails advisory council.

'We are trying to get away

from the impression of putting one trail above the other," said Rep. Tom Casperson, R-Escanaba who sponsored the bill. "All trails are important and should be looked at equally.

The makeup of the council is still going to be the same and it will still be a committee that looks at trails in the state," said Bill Manson, executive director of the Michigan Snowmobile Association. We understand that other trail groups have had problems with the specification so we have no problem changing it."

The legislation would also create a Pure Michigan water trail designation. "Waterways

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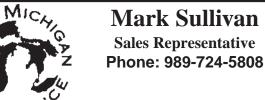
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should be recognized with activities like canoeing and kayaking," Casperson said.

Michigan has some of the best statewide trail systems in the country," said Sen. Dave Hildenbrand, R-Lowell, a sponsor for one bill. "We wanted to enhance that by branding them with Pure Michigan."

Michigan is the leading state in old railroad routes that have been converted into public trails, according to Jim Radabaugh, state trails coordinator for the DNR. More than 2,700 miles of such rail trails have been created.

Many Michigan towns hope to take advantage of the increased tourism brought in by the trails. "We promote Gaylord as an outdoors kind of town so we get a lot of hikers, bikers and snowmobilers that come through our trails year 'round so we definitely promote as much information as possible on Michigan trails," said Pam Duczkowski, assistant director for the Gaylord Tourism Bureau. "We are all about anything that can help passing trail users take advantage of their time here."

The North Central State Trail passes from Gaylord to Cheboygan to Mackinac Island and is the main focus of the Land Information Access Association, a land planning organization, in establishing trail towns.

"The more connectedness we can develop among trails the better," said Matt Cowall, communications and development director for the association. "Both rural and urban communities can take advantage of the fact that trails run through their area. Communities can look at ways to better serve trail users and make sure they know where to get whatever they need as they pass through the communities."

The trails plan requires the DNR to develop a way for trail users to easily locate trails with a smartphone app and an online presence. "There is a lot of trail information out there that is very hard to find and hardly anything on the Pure Michigan website on trails," said Nancy Krupiarz, executive director of the Michigan Trails and Greenways Ālliance. need to have a central landing page whether it links out to individual efforts or has all the information on one page. This will help elevate tourism in Michigan."

According to Krupiarz, a state trails plan completed last fall meets the needs of

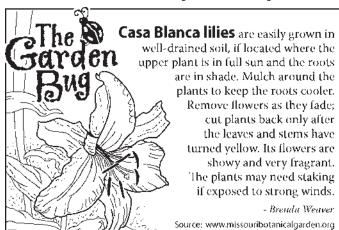
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all trails rather than just rail trails. "There are motorcycle trails which are unique and narrower and hiking, biking and horse trails which all have growing industries that can be further expanded," Casperson said. "There is a lot of interest in these trails outside the state. The end game is being able to lay out what Michigan has to offer, where it is and how you do it for all to see."

Officials thought it was im-

portant to incorporate trail standards that would apply to all trails rather than just rail trails. "We have all the different types of trails so we thought we should have the best practices for development and a gold standard for each type of trail," Krupiarz said.

He explained Michigan is following states like Kentucky, Maryland and Pennsylvania that have improved their trail programs to increase tourism.



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MONDAY, MAY 12

A presentation on Medicare fraud will be given by the Michigan Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program at 4:15 p.m., at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell St. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Computers, Wi-Fi and Wii are available for use from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

Exercise indoors, walk upstairs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

TUESDAY, MAY 13

The Alcona County Alzheimer's Support Group 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 4 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 101 East Main Street, Lincoln. Visitors are welcome and there is no membership fee. For more information, call (989) 736-8645 or (989)

736-8338.

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) will distribute commodities from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

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

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

The Alcona County Chamber of Commerce will meet at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

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

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

A free seminar on native and invasive plants will be held at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road from 12:30 to 3 p.m. There will be three guest speakers from the U.S. Forest Service and a short video. Doors open at noon. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call Becky Bean at (989) 724-5804.

The Barton City Improvement Association will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the VFW Hall on Trask Lake Road. All residents are encouraged to attend. Discussion will include the July 4^{th} celebration. For more information, call Arlene at (989) 736-3294.

THURSDAY, MAY 15

Veterans join your fellow comrades for coffee from 9 to 11 a.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 Second Street, Harrisville. All veterans are welcome.

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SATURDAY Mostly Sunny High: 59 Low: 43



SUNDAY Mostly Sunny High: 58 Low: 44



MONDAY Partly Cloudy High: 57 Low: 39



TUESDAY Partly Cloudy High: 59 Low: 41

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Today's Regional Map

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In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a

50% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high

temperature of 49°, humidity of 71%. East wind 10

to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today

is 85° set in 1964. Expect cloudy skies tonight

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week <u>Sunrise</u> <u>Sunset</u> **Moonrise Moonset** 8:45 p.m. 6:13 a.m. 1:32 p.m. 2:32 a.m. 6:12 a.m. 3:01 a.m. 8:46 p.m. 2:31 p.m. 6:11 a.m. 8:48 p.m. 3:31 p.m. 3:28 a.m. 6:09 a.m. 8:49 p.m. 4:33 p.m. 3:55 a.m. 6:08 a.m. 8:50 p.m. 5:36 p.m. 4:24 a.m.

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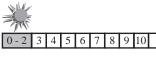
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Local UV Index

Tonight's Planets

	<u>Rise</u>	<u>Set</u>
Mercury	6:45 a.m.	10:01 p.m.
Venus	4:48 a.m.	4:59 p.m.
Mars	5:17 p.m.	5:04 a.m.
Jupiter	10:00 a.m.	1:25 a.m.
Saturn	8:44 p.m.	6:47 a.m.
Uranus	5:03 a.m.	5:48 p.m.



Full

5/14

Last

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with a few showers and thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 87° in East St. Louis, Ill. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 92° in Orlando, Fla. The Northwest will see

scattered showers today, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Thursday, scattered showers Friday, with the highest temperature of 74° in Hanford, Wash. The Southwest will see partly cloudy to mostly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 92° in Artesia, N.M.

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🛂 With the cold and rain that shrouded the East Coast last week, it felt as if winter's bony grip was going to take us right into summer. May, however, is the transition period, where near the month's end, warmer conditions will begin to take over, and going outside to view the stars will not involve all of the thought processes of "what to wear." By June 1 the sun will be within two degrees of its summer solstice high, so it's just got to get warmer. This week opens with a beautiful waxing crescent moon to the left of Jupiter in the western evening sky. As the days roll on, watch as the moon trudges eastward, towards another bright and reddish starlike object high in the east, reaching it by Saturday. That's Mars, and it will be dominating the early summer sky. Mars will also be involved in several close encounters with the moon during the next few months. The best rendezvous will occur on July 5 when Mars and Luna will approach each other to within a half degree. By the end of this week as the moon is nearing Mars, another planet, Mercury, will be rising ever higher into the WNW after sundown. On Saturday, it will be about seven degrees above the horizon 45 minutes after sunset. In the WSW at the same time and at the same altitude will be twinkling Sirius the Dog Star. By the following week Sirius will be lost in the sun's glare, but independent Mercury will have moved three degrees higher in the sky. Mercury continues to be well placed in the WNW right into early June, but it does become substantially fainter during this time. Binoculars will be a handy tool to help to make the finding of Mercury a little easier. This week, right after nightfall, look for a bright luminary in the southeast. That will be Saturn, visible for most of the night, another planet which will dominate the summer sky. That's quite a treat, four planets, stretching across the heavens from west to east—Mercury, Jupiter, Mars, and Saturn. www.astronomy.org



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- 3. HISTORY: During the Great Depression of the 1930s, what were the makeshift camps of homeless people called?
- 4. LITERATURE: What was the name of the dog in the film and book with the subtitle, "Life and Love With the World's Worst Dog"?
- 5. MOVIES: In what South American country were the bank robbers Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid believed to have been killed?
- 6. FIRST ACHIEVEMENTS: In what year were women officially allowed to run in the **Boston Marathon?**
- 7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Where is the headquarters of NATO located?
- 8. LITERATURE: Which famous artist served as a correspondent for Harpers' Weekly magazine during the Civil War?
- 9. GEOGRAPHY: What is the largest desert in the world, aside from the polar regions? 10. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who served as the 16th president of the United States?

Answers: 1. "The Munsters"; 2. 13; 3. Hoovervilles (named after President Hoover); 4. Marley; 5. Bolivia; 6. 1972; 7. Brussels, Belgium; 8. Winslow Homer; 9. The Sahara Desert; 10. Abraham Lincoln. (c) 2014 King Features Synd., WHAT THEY SHOULD

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Moments I n Time By The History Channel



• On May 22, 1843, a massive wagon train, made up of 1,000 settlers, sets off down the Oregon Trail from Independence, Missouri. Known as the "Great Emigration," the expedition finally arrived in October, completing the 2,000mile journey in five months.

• On May 25, 1878, Gilbert and Sullivan's "HMS Pinafore" premieres at the Opera-Comique in London, beginning a near-record run of 571 performances. The story of Pinafore concerns a First Lord of the Admiralty who is thwarted in his attempt to woo and marry the beautiful young daughter of a

British Navy ship's captain.

• On May 21, 1901, Connecticut becomes the first state to pass a law regulating motor vehicles, limiting their speed to 12 mph in cities and 15 mph on country roads. The proposed legislation had requested a speed limit of 8 mph within city limits.

• On May 23, 1911, the New York Public Library, the largest marble structure ever constructed in the United States, is dedicated in New York City. The day after its dedication, some 40,000 citizens passed through to make use of a collection that already consisted of more than a million books.

• On May 19, 1935, T.E. Lawrence, a former British Army officer known to the world as Lawrence of Arabia, dies as a retired Royal Air Force mechanic living under an assumed name. The legendary war hero, author and archaeological scholar succumbed to injuries suffered in a motorcycle accident six days earlier.

• On May 20, 1969, Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.), in a Senate speech, condemns the battle for Ap Bia Mountain in Vietnam, which had become known as "Hamburger Hill." During the intense fighting, 597 North Vietnamese were reported killed and U.S. casualties were 56 killed and 420 wounded.

 May 24, 1989, "Sex, lies and videotape," the debut feature from the 26-year-old writer-director Steven Soderbergh, wins the Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival. The \$1.2 million film was aggressively marketed by its distributor, Miramax Films, and went on to gross some \$26 million.

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Strange But True By Samantha Weaver

• It was noted British lexicographer Samuel Johnson who made the following sage observation: "The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good.'

• If an American black bear is pregnant when it goes into hibernation, she could give birth without ever awakening. While she is still in her torpor, her body will draw on reserves of fat to produce milk to nurse her young. However, if something that could be dangerous to her young comes within 50 feet of the den, the mother bear's heart rate will spike and she will wake to defend the cubs.

If you're holding your nose, you can't hum. Try it.

 If you happen to be fortunate enough to spot numerous bears together in the wild (or unfortunate enough, depending on the circumstances), thanks to this column you'll be able to call the group by its correct collective noun: It's a sloth or sleuth of bears.

 On a chemical level, there's not too much difference between blood and seawater.

 If you've ever looked closely at a zipper, you may have noticed the letters YKK on the tab. The letters stand for Yoshida Kogyo Kabushikigaisha, which is Japanese for "Yoshida Manufacturing Shareholding Company," which produces most of the zippers found in the U.S.

An octopus has three hearts.

 A recent study by scientist Karl Berg suggests that an adult green-rumped parrotlet, a tiny bird native to Venezuela, will "name" its babies, assigning each a particular series of peeps to identify it. Not only that, other parrotlets then learn to associate that exact series of peeps with that particular bird, and actually use the sounds to get its attention.

Thought for the Day: "I have often regretted my speech, never my silence." -- XenocratesÊ



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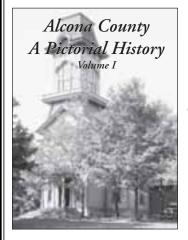
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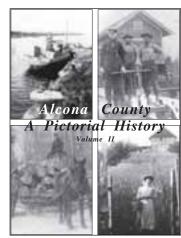
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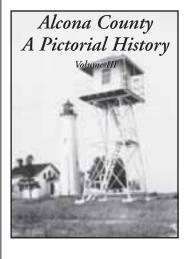
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Mortgage Foreclosure Notice of Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by Roger William Leszczynski, a single man, mortgagor, to Community Financial Credit Union f/k/a Community Federal Credit Union, mortgagee, dated August 21, 2001, and recorded on September 27, 2001, as Instrument No. 200100003762 in Liber 354 on page 1,302, Alcona County records, Michigan, and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of eight thousand seventy-three and 22/100 dollars (\$8,073.22) including interest at 7.50 percent per annum. Mortgage Electronic Registration System (MERS) is not the foreclosing party.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at the place of holding in the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan, at 10 a.m. on May 21, 2014.

Said premises are situated in the township of Mikado, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: A part of the west 1/ 2 of Section 24, Town 25 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at a point distant south 02 degrees, 46 minutes, 06 seconds west 2,828.48 feet and south 67 degrees 59 minutes, 18 seconds west 1,245.94 feet from the north 1/4 corner of said Section 24: thence south 37 degrees, 17 minutes, 48 seconds west 411.15 feet; thence north 35 degrees, 17 minutes, 09 seconds west 261.54 feet; thence north 48 degrees, 44 minutes, 03 seconds east 425.38 feet: thence south 21 degrees, 56 minutes 03 seconds east 66.12 feet; thence 119.69 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, radius 581.98 feet, central angle 11 degrees, 46 minutes, 59 seconds chord bears south 27 degrees, 50 minutes, 00 seconds east 119.47 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 2629 E. Wildwood Trail, Mikado, Mich. 48745 (mortgaged as 2369 Wildwood Trail, Mikado, Mich.

48745) Property Tax Id No.: 091-024-300-060-00 (Mortgaged as 091-024-200-035-08).

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, under Section 600.3278 of the Michigan Compiled Laws the mortgagor will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: April 9, 2014 Community Financial Credit Union, Mort-

Holzman Corkery, PLLC By: Charles J. Holzman Attorney for Mortgagee 28366 Franklin Road Southfield, Mich. 48034 4-9, 4-16, 4-23, 4-30, 5-7

Mortgage Sale

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Notice is hereby given that default has occurred in a mortgage given by William F. Snure and Laura A. Snure, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Huron Community Bank, mortgagee. The mortgage is dated March 15, 2002, and was recorded on March 21, 2002, in Liber 362, on page 460 of the Alcona County records. The balance owing on the mortgage as of the date of this notice is \$234,645.94, including interest at 3.0 percent per year variable. The mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt

The mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The

sale will be held on May 21, 2014, at 10 a millional time at the main entrance to the Alcona County court facility, 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Michigan, that being the place of holding circuit court for Alcona County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the township of Haynes, county of Alcona, Michigan and is described as: The SE 1/ 4 of Section 15, T27N, R9E. Commonly known as 4971 Beaton Road, Harrisville, Mich. Tax I.D. 080-015-400-005-00.

If the property described in this notice is sold at a foreclosure sale, then under MCL 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the buyer of the property at the foreclosure sale, or to the

mortgage holder, for damage done to the property during the redemption pe-

(12) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later. Smith, Martin, Powers & Knier, P.C.

By: Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393) Attorney for Huron Community Bank, Mortgagee

900 Washington Ave., P.O. Box 219 Bay City, Mich. 48707 (989) 892-4574 4-16, 4-23, 4-30, 5-7

The redemption period will expire twelve

Dated: April 9, 2014

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gary Lane Hudgins, an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., mortgagee, dated December 12, 2006, and recorded on January 11, 2007 in Liber 438 on page 780, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust

2007-4, asset-backed certificates, series 2007-4 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred seventy-one thousand four hundred eighty-six and 80/100 dollars (\$171,486.80).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on May 21,

Said premises are situated in township of Caledonia, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The W 1/2 of the SW 1/ 4 of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 6 T28N, R8E.

The redemption period shall be six months

from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: April 23, 2014 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1301

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy.

Ste. 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422 File No. 232636F03 4-23, 4-30, 5-7, 5-14

Mortgage Sale

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Notice is hereby given that default has occurred in a mortgage given by Larry K. Lyle and Betty Jo Lyle, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Huron Community Bank, mortgagee. The mortgage is dated April 15, 2011, and was recorded on April 25, 2011, in Liber 478, on page 678 of the Alcona County records. The balance owing on the mortgage as of the date of this notice is \$118,753.70, including interest at 6.25 percent per year variable. The mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on May 28, 2014, at 10 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Alcona County court facility, 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Michigan, that being the place of holding circuit court for Alcona County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, including interest, legal costs. attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the City of Harrisville, county of Alcona, Michigan and is described as: The Shalf of Lots 3 and 4 and entire Lots 5 and 6 of Block 24 of the City of Harrisville, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 1, Alcona County records. Commonly known as 201 S. Fourth Street, Harrisville, Mich.

If the property described in this notice is sold at a foreclosure sale, then under MCL 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the buyer of the property at the foreclosure sale, or to the

mortgage holder, for damage done to the property during the redemption pe-

The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later. Smith, Martin, Powers & Knier, P.C.

Dated: April 17, 2014 By: Henry L. Knier Jr. (P46393) Attorney for Huron Community Bank Mortgagee 900 Washington Ave.,

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Mortgage Foreclosure Notice

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Mortgage Electronic Registration System (MERS) is not the foreclosing party. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at the place of holding in the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan, at 10 a.m. on June 4, 2014.

Said premises are situated in the township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the east 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of said Section 14, according to the survey dated April 14, 1994, recorded June 16, 1994 in Liber 275, pages 923 and 924, Alcona County records, prepared by Northeast Land Surveys, and described as: Commencing at the northeast corner of Section 14, Town 26 North, Range 9 East; thence south 00 degrees, 32 minutes, 47 seconds east along the east line of said section 1,315.89 feet; thence south 89 degrees, 21 minutes, 47 seconds west along the north 1/8 line of said section 282.18 feet to the point of beginning: thence continuing south 89 degrees, 21 minutes 47 seconds west along said north 1/8 line 380.43 feet; thence north 00 degrees, 33 minutes, 39 seconds west along the west line of the east 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of said section 212.56 feet; thence south 83 degrees, 15 minutes, 04 seconds east 117.11 feet; thence north 77 degrees, 37 minutes, 36 seconds east 269.98 feet; thence south 00 degrees, 33 minutes, 39 seconds east 252.42 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 5460

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemotion period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, under Section 600.3278 of the Michigan Compiled Laws the mortgagor will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Marys Lane, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (as-

sessed as Vacant E. Dunn Trail) Prop-

erty Id No.: 060-014-100-006-00.

Dated: April 23, 2014 Cornerstone Community Financial Credit Union, Mortgagee

Holzman Corkery, PLLC By: Charles J. Holzman Attorney for Mortgagee 28366 Franklin Road Southfield, Mich. 48034 4-23, 4-30, 5-7, 5-14, 5-21

Foreclosure Notice

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the military, please contact our office at the number listed below. Mortgage sale Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Steven M. Espinoza, husband to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Strategic Home Loans, LLC, its successors and assigns, mortgagee, dated July 9, 2003 and recorded July 18, 2003 in Liber 386, page 228 and mortgage assumed by assumption agreement with release of liability dated March 7, 2012 and recorded March 26, 2012 in Liber 486, page 620 Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC, by assignment dated October 15, 2013 and recorded November 1, 2013 in Liber 502, page 1,332, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one nunarea forty-six thousand one nunared eighty-four dollars and nineteen cents (\$146,184.19) including interest at five 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, circuit court of Alcona County at 10 a.m. on May 28, 2014.

Said premises are situated in township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: The west one-half of the west one-half of the northwest one-quarter of the northeast oneguarter of Section 13, Township 25 North, Range 5 East, less and excepting parcels described as beginning 20 feet east of northwest corner of said northwest one-quarter of northeast one-quarter; thence east 209 feet; thence south 209

feet; thence west 209 feet; thence north 209 feet to place of beginning; and excepting beginning 418 feet north and 20 feet east of the southwest corner of said northwest one-quarter of northeast onequarter; thence north 209 feet; thence east 209 feet; thence south 209 feet; thence west 209 feet to place of beginning; and also excepting beginning at the southwest corner of said northwest onequarter of northeast one-quarter; thence north 627 feet, east 20 feet to place of beginning, thence east 209 feet; thence north 209 feet: thence west 209 feet: thence south 209 feet to place of begin-

Parcel 2: The east one-half of the west one-half of the northwest one-quarter of the northeast one-quarter of Section 13, Township 25 North, Range 5 East. Commonly known as 6160 Bamfield Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, 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.

Dated: April 30, 2014 Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd., Suite 100 Rochester Hills, Mich. 48307 (248) 844-5123 File No: 14-95486

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Michigan fire season builds during spring

Most of Michigan's wild-fires occur in the spring – April, May and June. According to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), which is responsible for wildland fire protection on 30 million acres of state and private land, April is when wildfires start becoming a problem.

"One out of three wildfires in Michigan is caused by someone burning debris who did not take proper precautions or obtain a burn permit," said Paul Kollmeyer, resource protection manager within the DNR's Forest Resources Division. "Many people look outside and think the snow and spring rains have taken the edge off the wildfire danger."

That's not the case, Kollmeyer said. "The dried leaves, needles and brown grass from last year are still there. When the weather is warm, folks want to get out and clean up their yards. They don't realize that all it takes is one strong wind gust catching an ember to ignite a wildfire."

Kollmeyer said this is why planning is so vital before a match is even lit.

A person is required to get a burn permit prior to burning brush and debris in Michigan. Residents in the northern Lower Peninsula and Upper Peninsula can obtain a free burn permit by visiting www.michigan.gov/burnpermit. Residents in southern Michigan should contact their local fire department or township office to see if burning is permitted in their area.

In addition to obtaining a burn permit, the DNR recommends people take the following steps to reduce the risk of wildfire to their home and property:

• Clear leaves and other debris from gutters, eaves, porches and decks. This prevents embers from igniting homes.

• Keep lawns hydrated and maintained. Dry grass and shrubs are fuel for wildfire. If it is brown, cut it down to reduce fire intensity.

• Remove fuel within three to five feet of a home's foundation and outbuildings, including garages and sheds. If it can catch fire, don't let it touch the house, deck or porch.

• Remove dead vegetation surrounding a home, within the 30 to 100-foot area.

• Wildfire can spread to tree tops. Anyone who has large trees on their property, they should prune them so the lowest branches are six to 10 feet high.

• Don't let debris and lawn

cuttings linger. Chip or mulch these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.

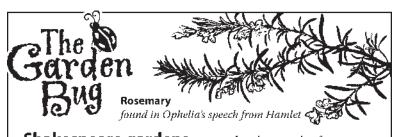
- When planting, choose slow-growing, carefully placed shrubs and trees so the area can be more easily maintained.
- Landscape with native and less flammable plants. For more information about making fire wise landscaping choices, visit www.firewise.msu.edu.

"Be safe and smart when it comes to fire," Kollmeyer said. "Fire prevention is everyone's responsibility."

For more tips in safeguarding your home and property from wildfire risk, visit www.-michigan.gov/preventwildfires



The Sunrise Gardening Club presents the "Garden of the Month" for May. The group has chosen the garden of James and Ilene Hammel at 203 North 6th Street in Harrisville for this honor. Their spring garden is filled with bulbs and flowers. James has also been busy eradicating invasive Japanese knotweed behind the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. The garden is best viewed from their backyard on 5th Street. (Drive by only.) Northeastern Window & Door of Harrisville is sponsoring the garden of the month with a \$50 gift certificate. If anyone would like to nominate a garden, contact Becky Bean at (989) 724-6569. *Photo by Cheryl Peterson*.



Shakespeare gardens, created to honor the famous playwright, are found throughout the U.S. and Britain. They contain plants and flowers mentioned in his works and those found in his own private garden in Stratford-upon-Avon. One of the most famous of these gardens is in Central Park near the Delacorte Theatre, site of the "Shakespeare in the Park" series held each summer. - Brenda Weaver Source: www.centralpark.com